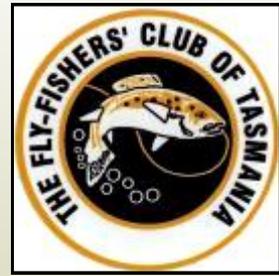


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FFCT Newsletter: April 2019

April General Meeting:

7:30pm 3rd April 2019

1-3 Chant Street, East Launceston

Committee Meeting:

7:30pm 10th April 2019

Social Gathering/Fly Tying

1-3 Chant Street, East Launceston



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Presidents Report March 2019

With the autumn weather beginning to be felt by all and the days clearly becoming shorter it is perhaps a good time to reflect on this season as it tapers off. To say that this has been a busy summer for the members of the FFCT is a profound understatement. The pre Christmas part of the year was spent getting some good fishing accomplished and getting the final details of our current building program all sorted out.

Once the Christmas period was over we began the preparations for pouring the new slab at Penstock and while we made very good progress in the early weeks, the outbreak of the major fires which swept through the central highlands soon put a stop to all work. It is almost impossible to overly praise the efforts of many fire fighters and machinery operators during these fires. Having recently travelled through many of the fire affected areas I can only marvel at the success achieved in protecting many buildings and assets right across the fire ground. Finally the weather gave us all the help we really needed with some good rain dropping the urgency and danger levels to a point where the fire fighters could actually put the beast to rest.

Within days our members managed to complete the concrete pour and quickly followed that up with the construction of the wall framing for the new additions. Each weekend we have hauled several tons of materials up the mountain in preparation for our major piece of works on the project. Over recent weeks we have constructed our new verandah which now runs the full length of the building and is a generous 2 metres wide. Last weekend we managed to lay all of the decking and screw it into place and it was wonderful to finish off the day with a social drink with all the workers. Our biggest challenge is still before us as we are now fully prepped for the exercise of removing the existing roof structure, re pitching that roof structure and completing the roof cladding and stormwater systems. We will have at least three Tradesmen on hand and several willing helpers at ground level to assist them and our logistical planning has all finally come together, so about all we really need is some kindness from the weather Gods.

Throughout this ambitious project we have usually managed to find some quality fishing time either very early or late in the day. We have also on occasion delegated fishing duties to selected workers in order to take full advantage of a consistently rising fish immediately below Koongara. We have also had some great social time together as a group with a common mission and

and a passion for some fishing time despite some very long days on the tools.

In particular I would like to single out Graeme Frankcombe for a big thank you from the FFCT. So far his quantity survey scorecard has seen us with ½ bucket of concrete left over from the pour and 2 studs extra from the framework. While I on the other hand have underestimated the whiskey required for a project of this magnitude by some considerable amount. Thanks to all of the members who have helped so much already. It makes a huge difference to know we can depend on such good support from the members. Tight Lines and Travel Safe... Jimmy

Minutes of General Meeting held at Chant Street on Wednesday the 6th of March 2019

MEETING OPENED: 7:30pm.

Welcome:

Senior Vice President Peter Berne chaired the meeting in the absence of the Club President. He welcomed the members and guest speaker to the March meeting.

Apologies:

Gary & Katie Baird, Brian Mattschoss, Gary Long, Jimmy Ellenberger, John Quarry, James Doherty, Peter Ray, Martin Hingston, Rod Clarkson

Names of Guests:

Ian Harrison

Guest Speaker:

The Chairman introduced Dr Toni Furlonge (NRM-North) who will provide a presentation on the habitats of our rivers and wetlands from a study done from 2011- 2013.

Toni a scientific and technical coordinator for the NRM (north) briefly introduced the role that NRM does.

Natural Resource Management (NRM) refers to the management of natural resources such as land, water, soil, plants and animals, with a focus on how management affects the quality of life for both present and future generations.

Toni then presented the results of the study done on the Tamar Estuary and Esk River system (TEER) on macroinvertebrates (water bugs) in 80 wetlands across

the North and North East of Tasmania.

Water bugs have been used to assess the river and wetland health since the early 1900s. The variation in water bug results can be explained by the – total nitrogen; turbidity; electrical conductivity (salinity) of the water quality.

During the sampling Toni discovered a new type of caddis fly (trichopteras) and a mayfly (ephemeroptera).

Not surprisingly, the site that yielded the most number and types of water bugs was Penstock Lagoon because of its underwater habitat and tree surrounds. With the least being at Great Lake due to its barren and rocky substrate.

Following a lengthy question time, the Chairman, along with the members expressed their appreciation to Toni for a very informative presentation.

New Members:

Two new members were to be inducted tonight, but unfortunately Rod Clarkson was unwell and

Jean Crocker, a returning member is back in the USA.

We hope to see them soon.

Member's Tackle Bag:

A new segment will be introduced at each meeting where a nominated member will introduce what equipment he takes on each outing. This includes the type of rod, line, tippet material, the flies and how he fishes them in the water that he will be visiting.

Very similar to the presentation that John Dekkers presented some time back.

Minutes of last meeting:

The Secretary moved that the minutes, as appearing in the last newsletter was a representative record of the last meeting and seconded by Chris Crawford – **and carried.**

Matters arising:

Inwards #20 should be from Jean Crocker, not Kath Humphris

The report on the fire breaks at Little Pine should have included the considerable efforts of Tim and Patricia Cotton. Tim was considering bringing up a dozer from Spreyton, but with Dave Clark's assistance located one from Cressy. A firebreak was cut around the rear of the shacks, around the camping area and the small isolated shack east of the camping area. The controllers on the dozer were Tim, Dave and Tim Milliken with Patricia clearing the debris around the shacks. Backburning was then undertaken by the TFS. The FFCT and other shack owners are totally indebted to the works of this small group of dedicated, fast acting and resourceful people.

A motion was moved by John Stagg, seconded by Maurice Hendley that the Club should recognize and provide some compensation to Tim Cotton in the sharing of the costs of the floating and hiring of the dozer. **Motion carried.**

Correspondence (since last meeting):

Outwards:

1. Rod Clarkson – Confirmation of membership.
2. Jonathon Ray – (email) Appreciation for guest speaker role.
3. Doug Lang – (email) Invitation as guest speaker for April.
4. Jean Crocker – Confirmation of membership.
5. Viv Spencer – (email) Invitation as guest speaker for May or June.
6. Toni Furlonge – (email) Confirming requirements for presentation at the meeting.
7. Graham Rogers – (email) A contact for a gas fitter.
8. Charles Peck – (email) Response to his comments on the fire report in the newsletter.
9. Tim Cotton – (email) Appreciation for protective works at 'Pine.

Inwards:

1. SAFFA- (email) Club newsletter.
2. TFTC – (email) Club newsletter.
3. BODSAC – (email) Club newsletter.
4. AAT – (email) TFS community meeting notice on fires at the Miena Community Centre.
5. Becks Hardware – (email) Monthly and other invoices.
6. Tasmanian Perpetual Trustees – Confirmation of transaction to the CBA.
7. Chris Crawford – Membership nomination form for Jean Crocker.
8. Webb's Hunting & Fishing – Shack booking sheets for January.
9. Australia Post – Invitation to renew post office box.
10. Metrics Group Building Surveyors (via President) – (email) Invoice for

Bushfire Hazard Mgt Plan.

11. Viv Spencer – (email) Agreed to be guest speaker in June.
12. Communities, Sport & Recreation – Get Active in the North booklet.
13. Graham Rogers – (email) No details for gas fitters.
14. Nick Merrony – (email) Some roofing and guttering items for the Club.
15. Charles Peck – (email) Response to fire update in newsletter.

The Secretary moved that the inward correspondence be accepted and outward be approved and seconded by Kath Humphris - **and carried**.

Matters arising:

Outwards 7 & Inwards 14: A gas fitter will be required to connect the new hot water system at Koongara to the existing gas supply.

Treasurer's Report:

Expenses: \$ 578.38

Income: \$ 418.00

TPT: \$ 12,279.22

CBA: \$ 8129.28

The Treasurer moved for acceptance the Treasurer's report, seconded by John Stagg - **and carried**.

Matters arising:

General Business:

Chairman's Lead:

Missing President from memorabilia board:

It was highlighted during the last general meeting that past president Phil McKendrick was omitted from the listing of presidents. His stint was in the 1988 – 89 season and accidentally omitted.

This will be rectified after the next AGM where the amendments will be made if there is a change from the current President.

Club Fund Raising:

The Fly bowl is continuing with flies at \$1 per fly. Members are reminded that it requires beetle and jassid patterns for this time of year.

Gas Cooktop switches:

Members are reminded to be careful when cleaning around the gas cooktop that the switches are not accidentally activated and left on. When leaving, the switches are also to be checked prior to leaving.

The Eric Simms display case from Koongara has been transferred to Chant Street. This was relocated due to the existing rear door being moved during the works. It was planned to have it secured to the wall in Chant Street where it would be safer, and more members will have access to view it.

The items and cabinet may need a 'sprucing up'.

It was noted that this was donated by the Hollis family, as was the original shack and should remain at the shack. It was suggested that we re-evaluate the decision after the renovations are completed.

Tenants in Common AGM:

The President and Secretary attended the recent AGM at Piers Ranicar's shack. The only items that the Club were involved in were the gate keys, road repairs, fire-fighting tank and the letter box.

The gate keys issued last year were gratefully received and most have been issued to the waiting members. An annual listing was presented to the TIC executive, with a promise to send it to the other members.

The road repairs will be done by GRADCO. All gravel materials will be supplied, with the costs of equipment and time only to be borne by the users. The costs of \$200 has been shared by all users of the road, not just the Hollis Banks group. The section of road to be done is between the two local gates, with a possibility of extending it into Hollis Banks depending on materials available. No date has been set yet.

The letterbox at the access turnoff from Waddamana Road will be reset on a stump. At present it has been partially knocked over by time and the heavy road equipment.

Maurice Hendley expressed his appreciation to the President and Secretary for representing the Club in attending the TIC AGM.

Club Outings / Working Bees:

No members indicated that they attended the combined outing with the DFFC at Talbots Lagoon last weekend.

Fishing Reports:

The fishing this last month has been very successful for some, but others have either completely read a book, or slept through a good drift.

Woods Lake has provided some excellent action with the 'orange bead head' nymph being the major attraction. Early morning midging has also been another highlight.

Penstock and Pine are still providing some good action on the right days with reports of an occasional jassid been seen.

General Business:

John Dekkers displayed for sale some fly tying materials from former owner Ray Costello. Items include seals fur, a box made by Eric Simms and an 'Alvey' saltwater reel. A net has already been purchased by Mike Stevens for \$100.

Andrew Richman, in lieu of the recent fires asked if the Club shacks were covered sufficiently with insurance. He suggested that Mark Youngman could provide a current evaluation of each shacks.

The Koongara shack's cover will be re-addressed after the renovations have been completed.

Club Raffles:

The night's raffle (voucher from Webb's Hunting & Fishing) was drawn by Ian Harrison and won by Colin Nye.

Meeting Closed: 9:35pm

Annual Subscriptions are due on the 1st July 2019

Subs are due soon, please get yours settled at your earliest opportunity.

Annual Subscriptions for 2019 / 2020 are:

	Amount
Ordinary Member	\$72
Junior Member (Under 18) & Full time Student	\$36
Eligible Pensioner (As defined by Rule 2 of the Constitution)	\$36

Inland Fisheries Service

TROUT WEEKEND 2019

Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 May

FLY TYING ROSTER

Saturday 18 May

10.00 am – 12.30 pm

The Fly Fishers Club of Tasmania

12.30 pm – 3.00 pm

North West Fly Tyers Club

Sunday 19 May

10.00 am – 12.30 pm

Tasmanian Fly Tyers Club

12.30 pm – 3.00 pm

Corralinn Fly Fishing and Casting Association

For information or if you're running late on the day please call:

Chris Bassano – 0429 415 625 christopher.bassano@ifs.tas.gov.au

Koongara Working Bee Photos 16 March 2019



Shack Bookings

Contact: Ian Webb at WEBB'S HUNTING AND FISHING

Address- 18a Marlborough Street Longford

Phone-63712175 or 0466 620 177

Email- webbshuntingadfishing@gmail.com

When:

Bookings may be made, and keys obtained, by Club members only during business hours which are:

Monday – Friday (9:00 am. to 5.00 pm).

Saturday (9:00 am. to 2:00 pm).

Note: No bookings can be taken or keys made available outside these hours.

How:

All members, even if they hold keys, are required to book.

The booking must include:

How many are Club members.

How many are guests or non-members – **maximum of 3 per party.**

The gender of guests – **only if female.**

The duration of stay – **limited to 5 consecutive nights** (or by prior approval by committee)

Which shack required.

Payment:

2018 rates: Day \$5.00

Member: \$15.00

Non-Member: \$25.00

Must be made:

At the next Club meeting or,

By EFT/post to the Treasurer within that month.

Note: Webb's Hunting And Fishing will not accept payments.

Key Return:

The keys, includes gate keys, must be returned immediately to Webb's Hunting And Fishing .

Cancellations:

The member must advise Webb's Hunting And Fishing at least 24 hours before the date of the booking, otherwise a cancellation fee may apply.

Saltwater Fly Fishing in the Tamar River. Australian salmon and Snook on the Spey rod.



FFCT UPCOMING EVENTS & CLUB INFORMATION

FFCTas Season Events 2019

Contact the Secretary: **Richard Hawley**

secretary@flyfisherscluboftasmania.org.au

for all details and confirmations

- **General Meeting – 3rd April**
- **Committee & Social Night Meeting – 10 th April**

Members please check your accounts with **Treasurer Peter Hazelwood**
at: treasurer@flyfisherscluboftasmania.org.au

Payments and club banking:

Account: The Fly-Fishers Club of Tasmania

BSB: 067-003

ACC: 28057585

Inland Fisheries Service Photo Competition 2018-19

We want your best Tasmanian trout fishing photos. Entries for the Tasmanian Trout Fishing Photography Competition 2018-19 will be accepted up until 5pm on Tuesday 30 April 2019. In particular we are looking for photos of families, kids, female anglers, scenery shots and of course trout.

There are cash and gear prizes on offer - *1st Place: \$500, 2nd Place: 1 x pair Neoprene waders (Fly 'n Dry), 3rd Place: 10 x Lures (Hueys Lures) 4th place 10 x Lures (Huey Lures) .*

Entry is free. Conditions apply - see entry form

You can submit up to 6 images with maximum size 5 MB each.

Images will be showcased and the winner announced at Trout Weekend 2019.

Download the [**Entry Form**](#), at <https://www.ifs.tas.gov.au/news/2019/jan/08/photo-competition-2018-19> fill it out, press the submit button, attach your photos and email it all to us at photos@ifs.tas.gov.au.