



Fly Fishers' Club of Tasmania Inc.

Founded 17th August 1955

Postal Address: PO Box 460, Launceston 7250

Newsletter - August 2025

Coming Up

Next General Meeting:

7:30pm 6th August 2025

22 Hoblers Bridge Road,

Newstead

Next Committee Meeting:

7:00pm 10th September 2025

22 Hoblers Bridge Road,

Newstead

Guest Speaker - Dr Ryan Wilkinson (IFS)

Ryan has been recently appointed the Director of Inland Fisheries. Find out what he has planned and any changes for the inland waters of Tasmania.

Next Club Outings:

Brown Trout Season Opens on the 2nd of August

October 14th—Four Springs Lake

FFCT 70th Anniversary - October 26 (Refer Page 2)

Club Outings

Unless noted the Contact for all Club Outings is

Graeme Frankcombe (0458 421 909) graemef59@bigpond.com

70th Anniversary

To celebrate our anniversary we have decided to hold an informal social gathering at Myrtle Park. It will be in the format of a barbeque. To assist us in our planning stage we would like you to send us your confirmation. Members are encouraged to bring their partners.

Where: Myrtle Park

When: Sunday 26th October 2025

RSVP: Graeme Frankcombe by 6th August 2025.

Christmas in Winter



Members from left John Dekkers, Ross Frankcombe, Vince Bannon, Phil McKendrick, Andrew Wood



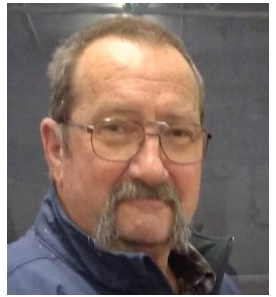
John with a small snack

Photos by Martin Hingston

President's Report

Hello members.

Recently six club members attended the clubs Christmas in Winter event at Noonamena. Two members arrived on Friday to get the shack warmed up; the others arrived on Saturday. Cooking equipment was set up and the meal was prepared and later put on to cook. Members sat down to a four-course meal, starting with chicken and corn soup followed by barbequed quail marinated in honey, soy, garlic, red wine and Worcestershire sauce. Main course consisted of roast seasoned venison, duck, roast potatoes, pumpkin, carrots, parsnip, peas and corn covered with gravy. This was followed by dessert, sticky date pudding and ice cream, all washed down with the usual refreshments. Thanks to those members who attended, supplied the food and helped with the cooking and cleaning up.



There are several events planned, the first being an outing to Four Springs on Tuesday the 14th October.

The next event is a trip to Lake Ina, possibly at the end of November / early December (still to be confirmed).

December 14th is the Penstock One Fly.

January 17th is the Pine Plunder and the 25th is Little Pine Cane Day.

Suggestions from members for other events and outings would be welcome. They could be mid-week, weekend, day or multi-day trips.

Nomination forms for the committee are in the newsletter; members are encouraged to nominate and help fill the positions on the committee. New faces, new ideas, don't leave the running of the club to the same few members.

There are a number of subscriptions that are outstanding, these are now overdue, prompt payment would be appreciated.

At the next meeting the guest speaker will be the Director of Inland Fisheries, Ryan Wilkinson, so come armed with your questions and criticisms about what is happening to the fishery. With the opening of the season just a few weeks away, I would like to wish those heading out the best of luck and stay safe.

Martin Hingston — President FFCT.

The Fly Fishers' Club of Tasmania Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of The Fly Fishers' Club of Tasmania Inc. in accordance with Rule 11 of the Constitution, is to be held on Wednesday the 3rd of September 2025 at the STMA Hall, 22 Hoblers Bridge Road, Newstead at 7.30p.m.

The business of the meeting shall be:

To confirm the Minutes of the previous A.G.M. of the 5th of September 2024

To receive reports. (President's & Treasurer's)

To elect Officer Bearers and Committee.

To appoint the Auditor and determine his/her remuneration.

OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

1. President
2. Vice President - Senior
3. Vice President
4. Treasurer
5. Secretary
6. Committee (6)

Will you run for Committee?

Prior to each Annual General Meeting volunteers are called upon for nomination for committee. If you are considering standing for committee and feel slightly daunted have a chat to an existing committee person. You may even attend, as a guest at one of our committee meetings to see first-hand how the system works.

There are plenty of diverse Club business projects each year and each requires a dedicated close knit group to see them through to completion. The Club survives on volunteers from all walks of life sharing their various talents to reach a common goal.

So if you believe that you can offer some time and expertise – please complete the nomination form.

Committee nomination form 2025/2026

I hereby nominate (please print)
as (position)

of The Fly Fishers' Club of Tasmania Inc, for the year 2025/2026

Nominator (signature) Date/...../2025

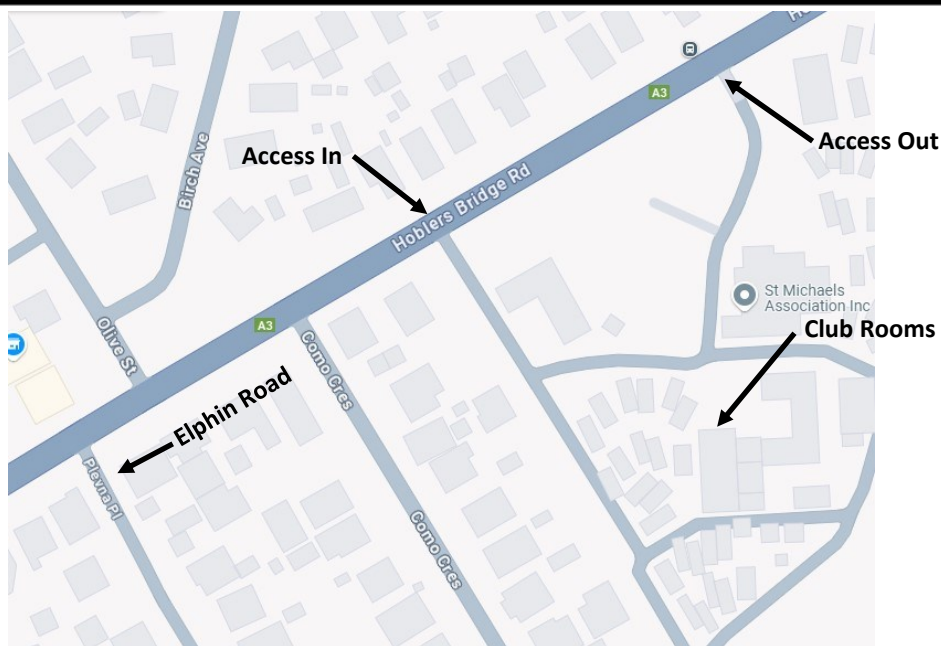
Seconder (signature) Date/...../2025

I hereby accept nomination

Nominee (signature) Date/...../2025

Nominations for any of the above positions in the Club must be in the hands of the Secretary at least 10 days before the Annual General Meeting (Rule 24.1.b).

To clarify, your nomination must be in the hands of the Secretary no later than the 27th August 2025



Access and Location to our NEW CLUB ROOMS

22 Hoblers Bridge Road, Newstead

Life Membership Nomination

Members are reminded that at the AGM the honour of a Life membership may be presented to a member or members.

The member must be nominated in accordance with Rule 5.1(d) and satisfy the conditions as set out in Rule 4 (a) and (c) of the Club constitution.

The nomination and a resume of the nominee must be received by the Secretary by the August meeting to be discussed at committee level.

All nominations received are in strict confidence.

Max Christensen Award & Tanglefoot Trophy

In recognition of a member/s who have provided, over the last twelve months, a substantial and continued service to the club via many forms of contribution.

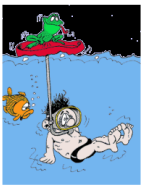


Past recipients of our highest accolade have been recognised for their valuable contributions in a wide range of areas / fields, including (but not limited to):

- outstanding service on committee
- undertaking additional duties on behalf of the club (sub-committee)
- significant contributions on working bees, projects, etc...
- representing the club on external activities (Adult Ed, AAT, IFS, etc...)

Snorkel Award

Members who have witnessed some unusual activities over the last twelve months and are prepared to 'volunteer' information, leading to the successful prosecution of any member guilty of going the 'full dunk' as part of their fishing / boating activities.



Important Notice

If you have recently changed your postal address, or email address, or phone number, or are uncertain that we have your correct details, then please tell us.

This is to make sure that YOU are kept notified on what is happening within the Club by contacting the Secretary by email at:

secretary@flyfisherscluboftasmania.org.au

Recycle Rewards—Club fundraising

Use this link to find out more information and what is an eligible drink container.
RecycleRewards.com.au. All should have a 10c printed near their barcode.

1. Copy this barcode onto your phone and save it.
2. Scan the barcode so the reward goes to our Club then deposit the empties in the machine.
3. Press TRANSFER.

The Fly Fishers' Club of Tasmania



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Annual Subscriptions were due on the 1st July 2025

To continue as a member, please get yours settled at your earliest opportunity.

Annual Subscriptions are:	Amount
Ordinary Member	\$96
Junior Member (Under 18) & Full time Student	\$65
Eligible Pensioner (As defined by the Club Rules)	\$65

Members who have not paid their annual subscription by 17th August 2025 will be deemed un-financial, requiring payment of the \$30 joining fee as well as the subs rate for membership.

Minutes of the General Meeting Held at Chant Street on Wednesday 2nd of July 2025

MEETING OPENED: 7:30pm.

Welcome:

President Martin Hingston welcomed the 19 members, Guest speaker and 1 guest to the meeting at our new Club rooms. He recommended that all mobile devices be turned off or placed on to silent.

Apologies:

Gary & Katie Baird, Marcus Rae, Jimmy Ellenberger, Annie Skarratt, Heather & Glenn Becher, Graeme Frankcombe, Peter Ray, James Doherty, Charles Peck, Alan Taylor, Jim Leslie, Bob Wolf, Dan Dempsey, David Swallow, Don Cameron, Gary Cullen

Names of Guest:

Bruce Marshall

Guest Speaker:

The President introduced Paul Hawkins from MAST who will discuss all things related to boating and water safety. Sadly, again we were hit with technical difficulties which made Paul provide a 'stand and deliver' presentation without any slides.

Paul generally begins his work at the start of the trout season and continues through the summer period. His zone covers from Trevallyn Dam to North of the Tamar River through to Coles Bay. His role is to enforce the safety rules – not the catches and size limits. Since 1998 they have spent \$32M on infrastructure around the State.

He covered the minimum safety equipment that boaters must have in their possession.

He noted that there are approximately 80,000 life jackets in use in Tasmania – the only State it is enforced. The jackets must comply with the current Australian Standards and the manually operated jackets are to be serviced and signed by an authorised dealer. Some jackets can be 'self-serviced' but still need to be signed and dated.

The President led the members in thanking Paul for providing MAST's update on boating and water safety.

Appreciation:

The President expressed the Club's appreciation to:

General Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

- The members that assisted in the move to our new Club rooms Bill, Peter, Graeme, John, Martin & Richard. The Club library is in the cupboard but needs sorting.

Minutes of last meeting:

The Secretary moved that the minutes, that appeared in the last newsletter was a representative record of that meeting – seconded by **Norm King and carried unanimously.**

Matters arising:

Nil

Correspondence (since last meeting):

Inwards:

1. Club newsletters (email) – VFFA, TFTC, Coffs CFFC, GFFC
2. AAT (email) – Notice of General meeting on 22nd June.
3. Rise Fly Fishing (email) – Latest film on 27th August at Du Cane Brewery.

Outwards:

1. Garry (Hairy) Castles - (email) Appreciation for recent guest speaker role.

The Secretary moved that the inward correspondence was accepted; and outward correspondence was approved – seconded by **Andrew Wood and carried unanimously.**

Matters arising:

Nil

Treasurer's Report:

Expenses: \$ 276.55 (Voucher \$200, Newsletters \$36.38. Lanyards \$25.07)

Income: \$ 1,402.50 (Subs \$1291, Shack \$42.50, Meeting \$58.00)

CBA: \$ 10,975.23

Petty Cash: \$ 100.00

Cash Book: \$ 10,975.23

John Quarry moved the Treasurer's report for acceptance, seconded by **Peter Jones**

General Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

and carried unanimously.

Matters arising:

Nil

General Business:

Chairman's Lead:

New Member:

The President and members present welcomed our newest member, Bruce Marshall.

Just a reminder for the members:

- of the 'fly bowl' which provides good value of flies at \$1 each, whip finishers \$5 and Club stickers 50^C.
- Of the Club library where there are many books and dvd's.

Club Outings:

July 5th – Christmas in Winter (Low numbers this year - only 5 will attend)

This outing was to make continued use of our shacks over the winter period and provide a social outing for members. The members were asked to contact the committee if they wanted something different.

October 26th – Club's 70th anniversary at Myrtle Park – the RSVP date is in the newsletter.

Spring / Summer - Lake Ina, has been suggested. There is a good camping area and toilets are available. Bill noted that it is limited to 10 people and the names and contact details must be provided in the booking. The last 2 weeks in November or the 1st 2 weeks in September are the only time slots available.

Club Shacks:

Members are reminded to take advantage of using the shacks over the off period as they are half price.

Noonamena has been winterised – If you plan to stay there over the winter, follow the posted process. If unsure phone Chris Crawford or Martin Hingston.

Committee:

Members are encouraged to nominate for the committee before the upcoming AGM.

General Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

We will need new blood to run the executive for the coming season and with only 6 meetings per year it is not a difficult chore.

Fly Casting:

Fly casting at Grindelwald – coordinator Bruce Irwin

The next outing will be on the 13th of July and be a BYO BBQ.

Intraclub fly-casting event:

The first outing with DFFC was cancelled due to low numbers from DFFC and it appears that it will be cancelled again for the second bout as well.

Club Rooms:

Thanks to the volunteers that assisted in the preparation of the room and clean-up of the kitchen area.

Recycle Rewards:

This is the easiest way to build our finances up.

The Process:

1. Copy the barcode from the newsletter onto your phone and save it.
2. Scan the barcode so the reward goes to our Club then deposit the empties in the machine.
3. Press Transfer at the end.

There has been currently \$16 deposited.

Other General Business:

The members were asked to share their concerns with the new Hall and seating. It was agreed that the Executive chairing should be facing the members across the room. The background sounding from the AC unit did cause some hearing problems.

The members agreed when they were asked if they would attend a fishing outing during the week.

The members are to compile their questions for our next guest speaker Ryan Wilkinson – the new IFS Director.

It was noted that the IFS (at that time) had only placed 2000 trout in Four Springs

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this year, rather than 4000.

Fishing Reports:

It was witnessed last Saturday at Great Lake that in mirror calm conditions the fish were midging very slowly. The lengthy cold conditions have frozen Shannon Lagoon.

Some lucky members have had success chasing flathead.

Club Raffles:

Bruce Irwin drew the night's raffle which was won by Chris Crawford.

Next Meeting:

August – Ryan Wilkinson (IFS Director)

Meeting Closed: 8:40pm.



President Martin Hingston with
guest speaker Paul Hawkins



President Martin Hingston with our
newest member Bruce Marshall



AN EXPO OF FLY TYING AND FLY FISHING

GREAT LAKE TIE-IN

Great Lake Community Centre,

55-57 Cider Gum Rd,
Miena TAS 7030.

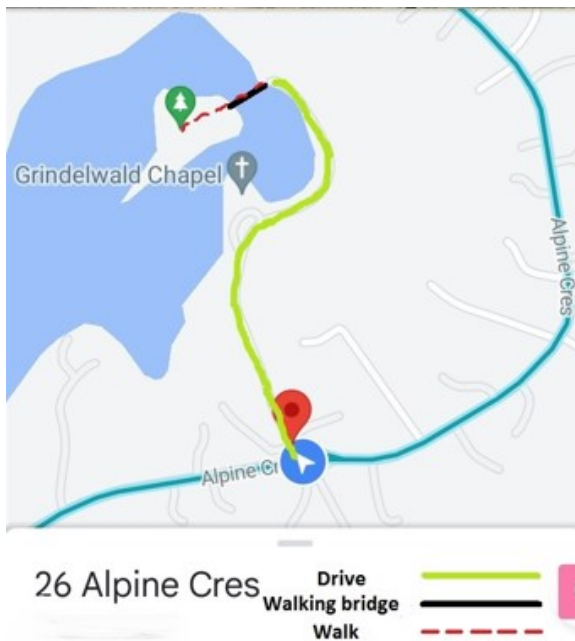
10 to 3pm

11th October 2025

greatlaketiein@gmail.com

There will be a meet and greet, at the Great Lake Hotel on Friday 10 October from 5:30 to 6:30pm. The IFS Director Dr Ryan Wilkinson will be giving a talk at the event this year, on his career and fishing adventures. **So Book Early.**

Roger Butler has kindly donated the prize money for the fly-tying competition. The flies will be judged by a selected panel. More information will be posted closer to the date. There is no cost for a table and spots are limited - so book your table early via email greatlaketiein@gmail.com.



Access to the property of
26 A Alpine Crescent .



Gate to enter the property of
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Grindelwald Fly Casting and Social Outings - Confirm Dates with Don

- ◆ 10:00am - 12:00pm
- ◆ Confirm all dates with the coordinator.

Coordinator Bruce Irwin (ph. 0419 116 344).

Member Update:

Garry Cullen is recovering at home after suffering a heart attack. I am told that he will be ready for the upcoming season after receiving some heart stents.



Allan Miler is also recovering after a fall which has put him out of action for a while. We do hope that we will see him back on the water very soon.

Sadder news has arrived with the passing of Charles Peck's wife Marcia. The Club extends our sincerest condolences to him and his family during this challenging time.

For Booking of the Club Shacks go to our website

www.flyfisherscluboftasmania.org.au/uncategorized/booking-a-shack/

Remember booking is made only by a phone call

For Assistance in the use of any shack contact **Chris Crawford**

Phone: 042-941-3687; email: clcrawford52@gmail.com



Noonamena



Koongara

Members please check your accounts with **Treasurer - John Quarry**

at: john.r.quarry47@gmail.com

Payments and club banking Details

Account: The Fly-Fishers Club of Tasmania Inc

BSB: 067-603; ACC: 1052 0644

Please ensure that your surname & what the payment is for is included

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