

NEWSLETTER

July 2011

Dinner and Guest Speaker at the Lenah Valley RSL prior to the AGM August 15th.

The RSL provide an excellent venue for our meetings free of charge.

The committee has arranged to have a dinner there before the AGM, starting at 6.30pm.

The cost is \$25 for a main course and dessert, and there will be a guest speaker.

Please try to come to this to give something in return for the use of the venue.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

The 2011 Annual General Meeting will be held at the Lenah Valley RSL on August 15th starting at 7.30pm. Following the normal business of the AGM there will be two motions proposing changes to the constitution regarding Associate and Honorary Membership. Details of these motions are below.

The AGM will be followed by a general meeting.

Proposed motions to change the constitution

At the June general meeting it was suggested that associate membership be available to members who are unable to take an active part in club affairs, yet want to continue to be members. As the constitution stands at the moment, members in such a situation can be awarded honorary membership by the committee, if they are "no longer able due to infirmity caused by age or ill health to fulfill active membership of the Association". Honorary membership is awarded annually by the AGM and there is a limit of 10.

Tony Dell offered to look into this and the following motions are the result of his efforts and discussion by the committee.

The changes proposed in these motions would mean that members who can't be active can be given associate membership if the committee decides there is good reason to do so e.g. infirmity. At the moment associate membership is restricted to members who reside out of the state.

At present honorary membership partly covers the change proposed in motion 1. Motion 2 is designed to remove this overlap and make honorary membership something the AGM can award to any person who has given valuable service to the Association over an extended period.

Motion 1

At present section (9) of clause **5. Membership of Association** states:

(9) A member who ceases to reside in Tasmania may apply to the Committee for Associate Membership of the club. Associate Members are required to pay half the annual subscription plus any extraordinary financial calls made by the club, from time to time. Associate members, on application, will be readmitted to full membership on permanent return to Tasmania, without an entrance fee, rule 5 (13) notwithstanding.

The motion is "that section (9) be deleted and replaced with:

- (9) A member may apply to the Committee for Associate Membership if:
 - (a) the member ceases to reside in Tasmania. On application, on permanent return to Tasmania, the member will be re-admitted to full membership, without an entrance fee, rule 5 (13) notwithstanding.
 - (b) the member, by reason acceptable to the committee, is unable to take an active part in club affairs. On application, the member will be readmitted to full membership, without an entrance fee, rule 5 (13) notwithstanding.

Associate Members are required to pay half the annual subscription plus any extraordinary financial calls made by the club, from time to time."

Motion 2

At present clause **40. HONORARY MEMBERS** states:

- (1) Honorary Membership of the Association may be awarded at the Annual General Meeting to any past or present member of the Association, who, in the opinion of the Committee, falls or may fall into one of the following categories:
 - (a) Is no longer able due to infirmity caused by age or ill health to fulfill active membership of the Association. Such privilege will normally be offered to those persons who have, in the view of the Committee been active members with at least (10) years association with the Association.
 - (b) Persons who fulfill the requirements of the above, except for length of membership, but who during their association with the Association rendered it distinguished and valuable service.
 - (c) Such membership shall apply for the period of the current year.
- (2) Honorary Membership shall not exceed ten (10) members at any one time.
- (3) Persons awarded membership under this rule shall not be included for reckoning the limitations of membership under Clause 5 (13).
- (4) Honorary Members shall have the use of the facilities of the Association but shall have no voting rights at meetings. Honorary Members are not be liable for annual subscriptions or extraordinary financial calls under rule 29 but shall pay all hire charges prescribed for Association property.

(5) An Honorary Member may resume full membership upon application, providing the subscription for the year and any extraordinary financial calls during the period of Honorary membership are received within 14 (fourteen) days of being notified of acceptance. Payment of an entrance fee is not required and resumption is not limited under rule 5(13).

The motion is "that section (1) of clause 40. Honorary Membership of Association be changed to:

(1) Honorary Membership of the Association may be awarded at the Annual General Meeting to any person, who, in the opinion of the Committee, has rendered the Association conspicuous and valuable service over an extended period.

and that section (5) be deleted."

Annual Dinner

The dinner on Saturday 23rd at the Matcham's was very enjoyable. About 50 members and partners attended. One of the highlights was our Patron Barbara Fowler awarding the John Fowler Trophy to the inaugural winner, Tony Dell. Congratulations Tony.

Thanks once again Laurie and Grace for all the effort you put into it. Laurie's huge paper mache trout made an excellent centre piece for the Grace's large variety of delicious food. The slide show of photos old and new was enjoyed by all.

John Fowler Trophy

The members who participated in the first season of this event have made many positive comments about how enjoyable it was fishing with someone different in a new location. However, many found that other commitments prevented them from fishing all three rounds.

For the second season the committee has decided to have two rounds and to conduct the draw for both at the September meeting. Hopefully this will make it easier for all. If you weren't in it last season please consider joining in this time. We can't let Delly win it again!

If you can't be at the September meeting for the draw you can give your name to the Secretary, or someone who will be there.

Electric Outboard for sale – WHITE SALT WATER SERIES MODEL N° W555. Extras include foot control, wireless hand-held remote control, hard storage case, quick release bow-mount plate. Price \$1200. Contact Stuart Spotswood 62492039

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