

# Tasmanian Fly Tyers' Club

## Minutes of the General meeting 19th June 2017 Lenah Valley RSL

### Meeting Commenced at 7.35 pm

**Present:** Andrew Hood, chair plus members as per attendance sheet.

**Guests:** Glenn Szalman, Graham Blight, Bec Bourne and Greg French.

**Apologies:** Bruce Barker, James Johns, Ashley Artis, John Hughes, David Travalia, Steve Butler, Brian West, David Hemmings, Eric Howard, Timothy Lewis, Doug Mosenthal, Tim Urbanc, Shane Broadby, John O'Halloran, Guy Nicholson, Lyndon Cubbins, Andrew Blackwood.

**Minutes of the General Meeting held 15th May 2017** moved Ron Ruthven, seconded John Spencer that the minutes be accepted as a true record. Passed.

**Business arising from the Previous Minutes:** nil

**Correspondence:** Nil

### Treasurer's Report:

Balances: Access account \$11900, Term deposit account \$6603, Capital Fund Term deposit account \$5557. A number accounts for the shack upgrade will be paid shortly plus a deposit of \$500 for the Annual Dinner.

### Activities report:

The last club activity was the fly tying event at Liawenee which was an outstanding success with great organisation, plenty of flies tied, materials shared, stories told and great food. Thanks to the organisers Lyndon Cubbins and Andrew Hood.

The next events:

- The wine tasting at Penstock over the weekend 23/25 June. The event is organised and well subscribed. Attendees to ring Malcolm Crosse or Mark Aspinall to get access through the gate at Penstock.
- The fly tying day on 1 July at the Lenah Valley RSL. Currently 16 members and guests are booked in. A show of hands indicated that another 7 members and guests are planning to attend. Members were encouraged to book in on the Club website. There is room for more if other members wish to attend. Either book in on the website or contact Steve Butler.
- The beginners fly tying course on 16/7 has 8 participants so far with Brian West confident that the target of 10 can be achieved. 5 members have volunteered as tutors.
- The annual dinner on 29/7. At present only 22 have booked in. We need to pay the venue deposit by 20/6 with a guarantee of at least 50 attending. From the meeting a further 22 indicated that they would attend. Anna Bellette and Andrew Reed displayed to the meeting the raffle prizes obtained so far. They will have 12 to 14 prizes to be won on the night. The Fowler trophy winners will be presented with their prizes on the night as well as a lucky fishing pair drawn from those who completed the event who will receive a prize. The guest speaker at the dinner is Brad Harris.

### Shack Report:

Brian McCullagh reported on the progress at the Miena shack. The BBQ area has been lined and new lights installed. The front bedroom has been stripped, bunk and bed removed. The room has been plastered and wires run for new lights. As the room is now plastered the previous bed would not fit without a major rebuild. The Committee has approved that a double bed be purchased for the room. This will result in a decrease in the capacity of the shack but the bunk was rarely used and was difficult to access. The meeting thanked Brian McCullagh and Tony Dell for the huge

amount of work they have done so far on the shack and Ian Stokes, Lyndon Cubbins and John Spencer for their assistance with the work. Ken Fisher was also thanked for making his large trailer readily available. The shack is still unavailable to members as there are still exposed wires. The next step is to finish off the plaster, paint the room and replace the toilet roof. Brain and Tony will ask for volunteers when needed.

**Other Business:** nil

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Guest speaker Greg French gave a great talk about how to catch more fish with a special focus on the importance of being able to cast well and the need to work out the right location for the weather and the probable food source for the fish.

Ian Stokes  
Acting Secretary