



## Tasmanian Fly Tyers' Club

### **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting, Lenah Valley RSL, 15<sup>th</sup> August 2011**

**Present:** T Munro (chair) plus 34 members as per attendance book, and guest John Diggle.

**Apologies:** D Hemmings, B McCullagh, N Wilson, L Wilkins, R Scrim, G House, G Howard.

### **Minutes of the AGM 16 Aug 2010**

Moved R Ruthven seconded S Spotswood "that these are a true and accurate record of the meeting" carried.

### **President's Report** (attached)

Moved L Cubbins seconded S Martin "that the President's Report be accepted" carried.

### **Treasurer's Report** (attached)

The Treasurer presented a financial statement as the audit of the books is not yet complete due to a discrepancy of approximately \$180 which is yet to be resolved.

Moved J Garrett seconded D Miller "that the financial statement be accepted subject to this discrepancy being resolved" carried.

### **Election of Office Bearers**

- President: D Hemmings only nomination received. (Nominated T Munro, seconded P Murphy) Elected.
- Vice President: M Crosse only nomination received. (Nominated P Trott, seconded P Murphy) Elected.
- Secretary: P Murphy only nomination received. (Nominated M Crosse, seconded P Trott) Elected.
- Treasurer: T Munro only nomination received. (Nominated D Hemmings, seconded P Murphy) Elected.
- Committee: Nominations were received for M Crosse (nominated J Spencer, seconded P Murphy), J Smith (nominated P Murphy, seconded T Munro) & J Spencer (nominated: P Murphy, seconded T Munro), P Trott (M Crosse, seconded D Hemmings). Elected.

### **Appointment of Auditor**

Moved T Munro seconded P Trott "that Michael Meuller be appointed as Auditor" carried.

### **Appointment of Honorary Solicitor**

Moved D O'Brien seconded I Madden "that Brett Cassidy be appointed as Honorary Solicitor" carried.

### **Appointment of Patron**

Moved R Ruthven seconded M Crosse "that Barbara Fowler be appointed as Patron" carried.

### **Honorary Members**

Moved I Madden seconded T Dell "that P Fay, B Stewart and E Canning be appointed Honorary Members for the year" carried.

### **Life Members**

John O'Halloran and Malcolm Crosse were awarded Life Membership.

Tony Dell spoke of John's long and varied service to the club as a committee members, host of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner, and through his practical skills.

Lyndon Cubbins spoke of Malcolm's involvement since 1970 and his contributions to the committee, hosting of field weekends at Penstock, organising spit roasts, and introducing a number of members to competitive fishing.

John and Malcolm were presented with framed certificates and hand-made wooden landing nets.

### **Clubman of the year**

D Hemmings nominated Tony Dell as the recipient in recognition of his leadership and work in re-pitching the roof of the Miena shack.

### **Motions to change the Constitution**

#### **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 re-admitted 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."

T Munro said that the change proposed in this motion 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.

I Madden asked how the membership cap would be affected if an associate member returned to full membership. The answer was that the proposed changes do not affect this i.e. a member can return to full membership regardless of the cap.

T Abel suggested that the word "or" be inserted between parts (a) and (b) of the proposed section (9). The motion, with this insertion, was then moved by T Abel, seconded by T Dell and carried.

#### **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 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.”*

T Munro said that the motion was designed to allow honorary membership to be awarded to people other than members or past members. In addition, part (1)(a) is now covered by the changes made in the previous motion and is therefore redundant. I Stokes asked if this motion would have any impact on existing honorary members. P Murphy said that it would not. A Hood pointed out that a member who becomes an honorary member would lose voting rights.

The motion was moved by T Munro, seconded by P Murphy, and carried.

Meeting closed 8.12pm