

# Tasmanian Fly Tyers' Club

## Annual General Meeting, Lenah Valley RSL, 20th August 2018 at 7.45pm

**Present:** Andrew Hood (chair) plus 37 members as per the attendance sheet.

Apologies: Mark Aspinall, Bruce Barker, Michael Bourne, Shane Broadby, Stephen Butler, Andrew Cables, Rob Dineen, Henry Edgell, Stewart Edwards, Glenn Eggleton, Luke Ellis, Ken Fisher, Mark Hunt, James Johns, Dave Long, Stephen Luttrell, Laurie Matcham, Doug Miller, Ranald Moore, Doug Mosenthal, Peter Murphy, Tom Murphy, David Nicholson, Heather Noga, John O'Halloran, Neil Pinkard, Mark Quinane, Danny Rimmer, Chris Roberts, Chris Rothe, Roderick Sellers, Colin Shepherd, Glenn Szalman, Simon Thomson, Bill Turner and Luci Wilkins.

A moments silence was held in memory of our late Patron Barbara Fowler who died in July.

**Minutes of the 2017 AGM** – moved S Spotswood, seconded T Lewis that these be adopted as a true record carried.

Business arising from the minutes - nil.

## President's Report on behalf of the Committee

#### Andrew Hood presented his report.

Once again I can report that our club has had a successful year, undoubtedly due to very enthusiastic support for, and participation in all aspects of the club's activities.

In the past year we have welcomed Chris Hilton, Paul Markey, Tom Murphy and Glen Szalman as new members, but have sadly lost three stalwarts who have died during the year:

- Barbara Fowler, a long-standing friend and Patron of the club for many years,
- Ray Longden, a Life Member and the last surviving foundation member, and
- Ron Ruthven, a long-standing member and probably our oldest member at the time of his death.

Currently there are no membership vacancies apart from those available to female and younger applicants.

The club maintains a very strong financial position, with approximately \$23,800 in cash reserves and over \$240,000 as the value of the Miena and Lake Sorell properties. A strong effective surplus of approximately \$2,400 was recorded for the 2017-18 year.

During the year the club has received donations in kind and/or assistance from various sources, including:

- the Edgell, and Bowden families for access and accommodation for the Bothwell Dams weekend.
- Steve Bax and Mike Stevens from The Fishing Connection and Essential Fly Fisher, respectively, for raffle and trophy donations,
- Mark Rampant for a cane fly rod to be raffled later in 2018,
- Mike Cousins at the Central Highlands Lodge for cash donations,
- Laurie Matcham and Brent Bowerman for flies for the dinner raffle,
- Grace Matcham for arranging our annual dinner.

Their generosity is greatly appreciated.

Our thanks are due to our shack co-ordinators, Brian McCullagh and Tony Dell and several other members who have helped to maintain and improve both of our shacks during the year.



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The Vice continues to be an extremely valuable and popular feature of the club and we owe Doug Miller a special debt of gratitude for his continuing role as editor.

Undoubtedly the calendar of activities provides the core of the club's ongoing success. These activities included:

- fishing trips to Penstock, the Western Lakes, Bothwell farm dams, Northern Tasmania, Talbot's Lagoon, Lake Fergus and the Great Lake,
- the Great Lake Tie-in,
- the annual dinner.
- the Tiger Hut, RSL and winter tying sessions,
- the Salmon Ponds casting and BBQ day,
- casting clinics,
- general meeting speakers programme.

This is a very full calendar of events and activities, every one of which has been enthusiastically arranged and co-ordinated by one or more of our members. Many, many thanks to all involved.

Finally, I want to thank, on behalf of myself and the Club, my fellow committee members, all of whom have been terrifically enthusiastic, helpful and supportive.

### Treasurer's Report

Andrew Blackwood reported that it had been a successful year for the Club financially. Revenue and expenses were similar to last year. The expenses for the Wine Appreciation Dinner in June 2017 were not accrued and were expensed this financial year while the revenue was credited the previous financial year.

Moved T Abel seconded J Smith and carried that the financial statements be received.

#### **Auditor's Report**

The report of the Auditor was received.

#### **Election of Office Bearers**

The secretary advised that he had received 10 days prior to the AGM nominations for the following positions.

President: Andrew Hood (Nominated Tim Lewis, seconded Andrew Reed)

Vice President: Andrew Reed (nominated Andrew Hood, seconded Tim Lewis)

Secretary: Tim Lewis (Nominated Andrew Hood, seconded Anna Bellette)

Treasurer: Andrew Blackwood (Nominated Andrew Hood, seconded Andrew Reed)

Committee:

Chris Medwin (nominated: Tim Lewis, seconded Andrew Hood).

Anna Bellette (nominated Tim Lewis, seconded Chris Medwin)

Wayne Bellette (nominated Andrew Hood, seconded Tim Lewis)

There is a position left on the committee which the committee can fill if it wishes.

#### **Appointment of Auditor**

Moved seconded Andrew Hood that Michael Müller be re-appointed as Auditor.

## **Appointment of Honorary Solicitor**

Moved Andrew Hood seconded A Blackwood that Brett Cassidy be re-appointed as Honorary Solicitor.

#### Patron



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Nominations for Patron need to be received at least a month prior to the AGM, Barbara Fowler died within this period. Members were asked to consider who would make a suitable Patron. Tony Dell said they do not need to be a member, in fact the Patron has never been a member.

# 'Johnny Walker' Clubman of the year

The President awarded this to Ashley Artis for the wonderful work he does for the club especially at the Tiger Hut Weekend.

Close of AGM at 8.05pm

T Lewis Secretary