



## **HASTINGS ANGLERS CLUB**

**NEWSLETTER**  
**April/May 2008**

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***Everything to play for.....***

*Neil Hirtzel of the NZ Silver Team lands a fish hooked on the first cast in the first session of the Commonwealth Championships just below Shag Rock*

**Next Cub Meeting:**  
**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May**  
**7:30pm**

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## **Club Meetings**

All meetings continue to be held at Waimarama Surf Life Saving Club in the Splash Planet car park in Hastings

- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May – An evening with Dave Hern
- Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Photo Exhibition from the Commonwealth Championship
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – Fly Tying Evening

## **Club Trips**

Two trips are planned for June; one to Ohakune & one to Taupo.

Members interested in the Taupo Trip should contact Mark Hyett on 8799649. Murray Boaler can be contacted on 8708206 by anglers interested in the Ohakune Trip.

## **President's Report**

### **Another Winter Season is here -**

Autumn flows have generally been good in most rivers especially after the rains over the past three weeks. These conditions will enable the spawning runs to run up all tributaries of our major rivers and hopefully 2008 should be a great spawning season.

The weather has increased water flows, cleared waterways of weed and rubbish that generally appears over the warmer period of lower flows.

I expect fish to be in prime condition in the lead up to spawning.

Please check where you can legally fish as the winter regulations are different from the summer regulations.

I did manage a quick fish on the Tuki Tuki River a few days ago. I managed to entice a nice rainbow to my small size 16 flashback and promptly released her back into the water. Conditions were not fantastic with wind and heavy rain but it was just nice to get out and get into the casting groove once again.

At least this fishing trip was far more successful than my last trip when I left my reel back home – moral of that story – CHECK YOUR FISHING GEAR BEFORE LEAVING HOME.



**Patangata Hall-**

This facility is a huge asset to the club and the best thing in its favour is that it is only 25 minutes away.

We had fantastic patronage over the past few months with regular fishing parties , school education trips etc, etc, etc.

The grounds have remained reasonably tidy but it would be fair to say that the grassed area has taken a beating from the drought over the past few months. It will be interesting to see if the new growth comes away after the recent rains.

The Lodge had plenty of use over the recently held Commonwealth Flyfishing Champs. If any member knows of a local wood merchant close to Patangata could they please give me a ring so we can get some firewood dropped off for winter.

We are hoping to have a fishout and weekend stay over at the Lodge with our friends from the CHB Anglers Club.

We will keep you posted re dates etc.

Please note that it is important to contact the Lodge Custodian for hall bookings.

All bookings to Brian Cottington 06 8768626.

**Club Nights**

Things have been a little easier to organise since the change to the one meeting a month format during the summer season.

It has been a hectic couple of months.

Please note there is only the one meeting for the month of May and then from June, July, August and September we return to the two meetings per month.

As per usual it will be the 1<sup>st</sup> and third Wednesday at 7.30pm. The 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting will be fly tying.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING -**

This years AGM will be held in SEPTEMBER.

If any member would like to come on the Committee please don't hesitate to call me. You have a few months to think about it.

**Commonwealth Flyfishing Champs.**

Well these have come and gone!!!!

Thank heavens Murray has said!!!!

In know small way the Club owes Murray Boaler the BIGGEST THANKYOU for a very successfully run event.

I am sure this is one of the first times a small Angling Club such as ours has taken on such a huge event with such a small core of key helpers.

Ok so there were a couple of hic cups on the first day but in all every Competitor fished their 5 sessions of two hour duration.

The Club owes all those Members and non members a huge vote of thanks for turning up in their roll of Controllers – about 75 of you.

This was the biggest obstacle of all – making sure we had enough controllers to cover every beat of every session. I think we only had a couple of sessions where competitors had to be their own controller.

The highlight was the closing ceremony. Scotland won the Teams event with England second and one of the New Zealand teams third.

Much later on in the evening I was celebrating with the England, Scotland, Wales and South Africa – all the teams had gone through their various favourite song renditions when they asked me to perform the HAKA !!!!!!!

They asked me to take off my shirt.

Anyway I said I would take my tie off and loosen a couple of shirt buttons because I was not that keen in showing off my “ man breasts ”

I gave the haka everything I could – as one should and got a great ovation.

So yes that was your President doing the haka at 1.00am in the morning – there was not another Kiwi in the room. So one could say I did it for my Country!!!!

However, one can't underestimate the amount of work Murray did for this event and once again on behalf of all Club Members – thanks Murray and his small band of dedicated helpers for making the 2008 Commonwealth Flyfishing Champs such a successful event.

I would also like to thank the CHB Angling Club for their huge effort –without you guys the event would not have happened.

Members should know that these nice people cooked dinner every night for all those helpers that stayed over at the Lodge and then took charge of the first 10 beats on Section one. You guys were a huge asset to this event –a huge thankyou for that.

A further special thankyou must go to Nate Jarvis, General Manager of Feather Merchants.

Nate not only organised the Fly Tying night but also helped in a huge way to ferry Contestants and Controllors to most beats on both Competition days.

Nate, on behalf of this Club a big thank you for your efforts over the week of the event.

We have had many positive comments from Teams and individuals involved which is most pleasing.

Something else that came out of this event was the Fly tying evening held at the Angus.

All Teams had entered two fly tyers and those Members that turned up for this event were treated to some superbly tied patterns.

In fact this evening was so successful they are going to include this event at the next Commonwealths.

We incorporated this evening into an official Club night.

LOOKING FORWARD – We already have a guest speaker for the first meeting in May – Dave Hern and the first meeting in June will be an evening showing many of the photos taken during the recently held World and Commonwealth Fly Fishing Champs here in New Zealand.

We are hoping to organise a trip to Taupo in early June so if any of you are interested get in touch with me. Details will go out shortly.

Lastly enjoy your winter fishing. I know I will – we are spending a week at Turangi in the first week of July. Well somebody has got to do it so it may as well be this fella!!!!

Tight Lines  
Mark

## CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT.

The Commonwealth Fly Fishing Championship is now passed history and I can now look forward to going fishing myself. For a while there I thought that I may never want to go fishing ever again! I am sure that when the rivers clear again after the rain that we are now getting, we will be in for some great fishing.



While many of the smaller rivers/steams in the HB region close at the end of April, there is some truly excellent fishing to be had outside HB where many rivers don't close until the end of June. I am hoping that we will be able to organize a trip away before it starts to get really cold. The King Country has some great fishing and the club has been offered accommodation in Ohakune? So who's keen?

Going back to the Commonwealths, I would like to thank all those people that helped out. There were also a number of people that offered help but we were unable to contact or slipped through the cracks. Without the many people that were controllers, drivers etc we would not have been able to get through the event. There are some people that require a special mention. Firstly to the organizing group who kept things together, Mark Hyett, Steve Evans, Marty, Pat, Doug, Brent. To **PAUL ESTONE** who assisted by Barry Daly were responsible for the surveying and marking of all the sections/beats and access. Well done men. To **NATE JARVIS** of **Feather Merchants** who did everything for the Fly tying competition which was a huge success. He was also on hand to help out all week and did a huge amount of running around on our behalf. Thank you Nate. I hope our members will support you by buying Feather merchants products. **Brent Glover** of the Woody's club who supplied the drink bottles which were most appreciated. Also for all the support offered and all the running around which you did. For all the powerpoint picture shows and the excellent photos taken and displayed on the web. Your support was most appreciated, Thank you.

A very special thank you to **MARTY O'GRADY** and **BRENT SIMONSEN** who both offered an unbelievable amount of support. Without you two we would not have pulled this off.

Mark Hyett who did a great job of cleaning up the lodge on Sunday as well as having a big input all week.

I am sure there are many others that deserve a mention for helping in some way, to all those people – THANK YOU.

Cheers  
Murray.

# Commonwealth Competition Results

## 2008 COMMONWEALTH FLY FISHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

### FINAL RESULTS: TEAM

		SESSION								SESSION					
		1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL			1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
<b>Australia Gold</b>							<b>New Zealand Black</b>								
A	Geoff Naylor	9	4	10	10	3	36	A	Ian Gibbs	3	5	7	4	8	27
B	Jason Garrett	7	10	10	10	10	47	B	Garry Lyttle	6	2	4	10	1	23
C	Lubbin Pfeiffer	10	8	1	5	8	32	C	Paul Baker	4	3	5	3	6	21
D	David Higglns	3	2	6	10	10	31	D	Kyle Melnyk	6	4	9	6	10	35
E	Tom Watson	8	9	10	10	10	47	E	Margaret Adams	4	6	5	10	10	35
TOTAL		37	33	37	45	41	193	TOTAL		23	20	30	33	35	141
<b>Australia Green</b>							<b>Scotland</b>								
A	John Donnachy	6	8	3	6	4	27	A	Robert Irvine	2	3	1	2	6	14
B	Mark Hobbs	9	10	5	5	10	39	B	David Chalmers	4	10	9	2	3	28
C	Paul Ellis	10	4	2	7	7	30	C	John McCallum	1	2	4	1	1	9
D	Bryn Carman	5	10	8	7	10	40	D	Ian Jones	4	9	1	9	10	33
E	Chris Dawson	9	10	4	10	2	35	E	Jake Harvey	1	5	6	2	3	17
TOTAL		39	42	22	35	33	171	TOTAL		12	29	21	16	23	101
<b>Canada</b>							<b>Scotland Ladies</b>								
A	John Beaven	5	7	10	10	2	34	A	Gillian Forsyth	8	9	2	10	10	39
B	Chris Pfohl	3	3	3	1	2	12	B	Janet Sinclair	10	10	8	10	10	48
C	Arron Varga	10	10	3	8	10	41	C	Belinda Thomas	10	10	10	10	3	43
D	Robert Stroud	9	1	3	3	1	17	D	Jeanette Taylor	10	8	10	8	10	46
E	John Nishi	7	3	9	3	6	28	E	Helen Philp	10	4	8	10	10	42
TOTAL		34	24	28	25	21	132	TOTAL		48	41	38	48	43	218
<b>England</b>							<b>South Africa</b>								
A	Phil Dixon	1	1	4	3	5	14	A	Terry Babich	7	10	10	5	7	39
B	Bernie Maher	8	1	6	4	4	23	B	Cameron Anderson	2	5	2	3	5	17
C	John Dawson	3	7	7	9	5	31	C	Phillip Meyer	5	1	6	2	2	16
D	Dave Grove	2	3	4	1	10	20	D	Greg Fendt	6	5	2	2	10	25
E	Dave Shipman	2	8	2	10	1	23	E	Rob van Rensburg	3	7	3	10	5	28
TOTAL		16	20	23	27	25	111	TOTAL		23	28	23	22	29	125
<b>New Zealand Silver</b>							<b>Wales</b>								
A	Garth Plank	4	2	6	1	1	14	A	Brian Jeremiah	10	6	5	10	9	40
B	Peter Scott	1	4	1	6	6	18	B	Dion Davies	5	10	7	10	7	39
C	Rob Vaz	10	6	9	4	3	32	C	Mike Heckler	2	5	8	6	10	31
D	Neil Hertzel	1	7	7	4	2	21	D	Eric Davies	8	6	6	5	10	35
E	Tony Houpt	6	1	7	10	3	27	E	Jamie Harris	5	2	1	1	7	16
TOTAL		22	20	30	25	15	112	TOTAL		30	29	27	32	43	161

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INDIVIDUAL FINAL							
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		1	2	3	4	5	
1	John McCallum	1	2	4	1	1	9
2	Chris Pfohl	3	3	3	1	2	12
3	Phil Dixon	1	1	4	3	5	14
4	Garth Plank	4	2	6	1	1	14
5	Robert Irvine	2	3	1	2	6	14
6	Phillip Meyer	5	1	6	2	2	16
7	Jamie Harris	5	2	1	1	7	16
8	Cameron Anderson	2	5	2	3	5	17
9	Robert Stroud	9	1	3	3	1	17
10	Jake Harvey	1	5	6	2	3	17
11	Peter Scott	1	4	1	6	6	18
12	Dave Grove	2	3	4	1	10	20
13	Neil Hertzell	1	7	7	4	2	21
14	Paul Baker	4	3	5	3	6	21
15	Bernie Maher	8	1	6	4	4	23
16	Dave Shipman	2	8	2	10	1	23
17	Garry Lyttle	6	2	4	10	1	23
18	Greg Fendt	6	5	2	2	10	25
19	John Donnachy	6	8	3	6	4	27
20	Tony Houpt	6	1	7	10	3	27
21	Ian Gibbs	3	5	7	4	8	27
22	John Nishi	7	3	9	3	6	28
23	David Chalmers	4	10	9	2	3	28
24	Rob van Rensburg	3	7	3	10	5	28
25	Paul Ellis	10	4	2	7	7	30
26	David Higgins	3	2	6	10	10	31
27	John Dawson	3	7	7	9	5	31
28	Mike Heckler	2	5	8	6	10	31
29	Lubbin Pfeiffer	10	8	1	5	8	32
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31	Ian Jones	4	9	1	9	10	33
32	John Beaven	5	7	10	10	2	34
33	Chris Dawson	9	10	4	10	2	35
34	Kyle Melnyk	6	4	9	6	10	35
35	Margaret Adams	4	6	5	10	10	35
36	Eric Davies	8	6	6	5	10	35
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38	Mark Hobbs	9	10	5	5	10	39
39	Gillian Forsyth	8	9	2	10	10	39
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41	Dion Davies	5	10	7	10	7	39
42	Bryn Carman	5	10	8	7	10	40
43	Brian Jeremiah	10	6	5	10	9	40
44	Arron Varga	10	10	3	8	10	41
45	Helen Philp	10	4	8	10	10	42
46	Belinda Thomas	10	10	10	10	3	43

47	Jeanette Taylor	10	8	10	8	10	46
48	Jason Garrett	7	10	10	10	10	47
49	Tom Watson	8	9	10	10	10	47
50	Janet Sinclair	10	10	8	10	10	48

**2008 Commonwealth Fly Fishing Championship**  
**Fly Tying Competition**



The evening of Wednesday 2 April saw a fly tying competition conducted between two person teams from each Commonwealth country . This event was organised and generously sponsored by Nate Jarvis, General Manager of Feather Merchants New Zealand.



The competition required each two person team to tie three flies. A Royal Wulff, a Woolly Buzzer and a fly of their own creation. Points were awarded for replication, neatness and innovation. Teams were given sixty minutes to come up with their best efforts for each fly. On hand was Russell Anderson a fly designer from Feather Merchants to judge the results. This night also doubled as the regular Wednesday club night for the club and it was great to see so many members turn out to support it.

**Results**

**Teams: 1<sup>st</sup> Scotland, 2<sup>nd</sup> New Zealand Silver, 3<sup>rd</sup> New Zealand Black**

**Individuals: 1<sup>st</sup> Ian Jones (Scotland) 2<sup>nd</sup> Philip Meyer (South Africa)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Cameron Anderson (South Africa)**



RESULTS			
TYER	FLY 1	FLY 2	FLY 3
A			
B			
C			
D			
E			
F			
G			

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