



HASTINGS ANGLERS CLUB

NEWSLETTER
October/November 2010

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Winner of the August Photo Competition
A study of concentration as George Sye ponders on how to extract the last of
his killer fly pattern left in his fly-box from the bush on the other bank

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Club Meetings

Club meetings will continue at two per month on the first and third Wednesday in October and November at the Waimarama Surf Life Saving Club in the Splash Planet car park in Hastings.

6th October – Speaker - Derek Williams

Derek has been a tireless campaigner for improving river water quality in the region, particularly the Tuki and Mohaka; two of the most treasured rivers to club members. Whilst some water quality campaigners have sought political ambitions or mischief, Derek simply brings an ability to put scientific rationale into plain English, and backed up with decades of experience in identifying problems and cleaning up rivers that fell victim to the pressures facing our rivers today. Should be a good evening.

If you want to read more on Derek's sewage interventions in the UK, click here www.parliament.uk/documents/post/postpn282.pdf

20th October – Fly Tying Evening

Last one of 2010. Prizes from Hamills up for grabs, but you'll have to get past Peter Frizzell.

3rd November – Fish preparation & cooking

Fish required for this! Please get out there and bring a trout along for this practical session

17th November – Casting Clinic

Novices, hot-shots and every step in between will get something from this as there's always some way we can sharpen up our casting skills, and no better way to find those flaws and iron out those bad habits than a casting clinic with some of the best anglers in the bay.



President's AGM Report

The weather has played a significant part in the latter part of the season I don't remember a wetter winter in the 10 years I have been in Hawke's Bay.

Our sport continues to be under threat from a wide variety of areas, Didymo is still out there and our rivers have remained free of this pest, weather by luck or good management. With our vigilance and the continuing education from Fish and Game we hopefully will remain this way. Quality of our water is at risk all the time and a few hardy souls are taking on the groups responsible and we support them where we can.

As a club we need to be aware and vigilant and speak up when we see things that are not right to help protect a resource that is fragile and so easily lost.

Club trips have been well attended and I wish to thank, Paul and Steve for the organization of these events. I urge that if you haven't been on a club trip put your name down they are a lot fun and you'll learn from some of the best anglers in the Bay.

Fly tying evenings have also been well supported with new members producing some very respectable flies that have no doubt caught fish. I wish to thank Jeremy at Hamills for his support and providing vouchers for the top fly each night.

The new photo competition is off to a great start and we wish to thank Harvey Norman for the grand prize of a camera and Dave Craft of Crafty's for the tee shirts for Humor category

Patangata Lodge has started to have a face lift and coming along well both inside and out I wish to thank Brian, Paul and Mark for their efforts over the year.

Sadly we lost Lynn Cook to cancer this year and our thoughts go to his family he was a great club member and always there to assist and support the club. He will be sadly missed.

Steve is stepping aside from the Secretaries role and a replacement is being sought so if this is a role that you think you have something to offer let us know. Thank you Steve for all your efforts.

I would also like to thank the committee as a whole for their work in making this a successful season and look forward working with you all in the coming season.

Tight lines

Brent

OBITUARY - LYN COOKE

Mark Hyett

I still remember vividly Lyn coming up to me after a Club meeting not too long ago saying this would be his last meeting. He told me that he had cancer and did not have much time left.

It is a statement like that that shocks the 'HECK" out of you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I had known Cookie for years –since the Club meetings were held at the old Red Cross rooms on Tomoana Road.

Cookie's claim to fame was his great Salmon catch on the Mohaka many years ago – I still think it is the only salmon caught on this river to date in Hawke's Bay.

Lyn was one of the best when it came to Club working bees. Give Lyn a project and you knew it would be done quickly, efficiently and damn well.

Lyn loved trout fishing especially on the Tuki Tuki and was always there at the practical river meets.

Cookie you will be missed but it was a pleasure to know such a nice guy.

Cheers Cookie. From Mark another old Fisherman !!!!!!!!!!!



Club AGM

Summary of Changes

- Subscriptions go up to \$40 for individual members and \$60 for family members with effect of 1st October
- Patangata Hut fees go up to \$10 for members and \$25 for non members with effect of 1st October
- A cleaning fee of \$65 is in place for non-members booking hut accommodation
- A returnable \$200 bond is in place for large non-member parties booking hut accommodation

Minutes of AGM

HASTINGS ANGLERS CLUB.

Minutes of 2010 Annual General meeting.

Date. 15 September 2009

Time. 7.05 pm

Venue. Waimarama SLSC Hastings.

Present. Sixteen HDAC Members

Apologies. N Hollebhone. M Elstone(Mrs). M O'Grady. T.Orman. P Olsen. N.Day.
B.Daly

Move accept. M Hyett. Sec P.Frizzell

Minutes previous meeting.

Taken as read..

Moved. B Simonsen Sec J.Newbiggin

Presidents Report. See Oct/Nov 2010 Newsletter for Presidents AGM Report. Taken as read.

Moved accept M Hyett. Sec P Elstone.

Financial Report. (see separate Treasurers Annual Report)

Cost of club trips had gone up with \$200 allocated to each trip & some 8-9 away trips per year.

Income from Patangata Hut was down through less school party bookings & poor weather resulting in a higher than usual number of booking cancellations.

Moved accept M Hyett. Sec. B Cottington. Carried

Lodge Report.

Reiterated above points on reasons for less income from the lodge this past year, but benefits also result from less damage/wear & tear from some visitors.

Fewer club members had used the lodge this past year than previous years

Club Captains Report.

Club trips generally well attended, but catches had been disappointing in Taupo & Central Plateau regions, suggesting that perhaps some new venues be sought for the coming 12-months.

Some brief discussion on possible new away trip venues ensued.

Election of Officers.

Patron. Nick Day. Proposed P Frizzell. Sec D Gregory. Elected.

M.Hyett proposed K.Hyett be elected joint Club Patron in recognition of outstanding & lengthy club participation. Sec B Simonsen. Elected

President. Brent Simonsen. Proposed M Hyett. Sec. P Frizzell Elected.

Secretary. Steve Evans vacates the position this year. Mark Hyett Proposed by P Elstone

Sec B Simonsen. Elected.

Treasurer. Paul Elstone. Proposed B Cottington. Sec M.Hyett. Elected.

Club Captains. Steve Evans. Proposed P Elstone. Sec G Sye. Elected.

Paul Elstone. Proposed S Evans. Sec G Sye. Elected.

Fish and Game Liaison Officer. G Jobey. Proposed P Elstone. Sec. M Hyett Elected.

Lodge Custodian. Brian Cottington. Proposed M Hyett. Sec J Newbiggin. Elected.

Committee.

K Hyett would stand down from the committee, but elected Joint Club Patron

All other existing committee members confirmed they were standing for the 2009/10 year

Proposed B Simonsen. Sec P Elstone. Elected.

Peter Frizzell proposed George Sye join the committee. Sec M Hyett. Elected

Auditor. P Hensman. Proposed B Simonsen. Sec M Hyett. Confirmed.

Life Member. P Elstone proposed Doug Hamilton be elected a Life Member for his long & tireless service to the club. Sec K Hyett. Elected.

General Business.

Motion from B Simonsen.

That club fees for membership increase from \$30 to \$40 per annum for single members & from \$40 to \$60 per annum for family memberships for 2010/11. Junior membership fees remain unchanged

Sec P Frizzell.

All in Favour - Passed.

Motion from P Elstone.

That Patangata hut accommodation increase from \$5 to \$10 per night for members & from \$20 to \$25 per night for non-members for 2010/11. Junior fees remain unchanged
Sec B Fennessey
All in Favour - Passed.

Motion from P Elstone.

That a \$65 Cleaning Fee be introduced to non-members wishing to stay at Patangata hut, & that a \$200 Bond be introduced for parties of non-members booking the hut accommodation. Sec M Hyett
All in Favour - Passed.

Clarification was sought & assured that club weekends at Patangata Hut would remain Free of Charge after introduction of the above passed motions.

Discussion on ways to improve TV reception at Patangata Hut resulted in B Fennessey asking whether any members had an unrequired satellite dish for the hut. To be requested through the next club newsletter

J Newbiggin asked how many members HDAC has & for progress on last years AGM minutes in advertising the club & its events to the wider community through the regions free magazines & newspapers, having met several interested people who had no idea the club existed.

B Simonsen advised that HDAC has about 70 members; 50 of whom lived in the region. Promotion of the club was primarily through local tackle shops & about 10 new members had joined in the past year through this route.

M Hyett proposed the incoming committee look again at getting the club & its activities into the local press

B Cottington advised that SFFNZ had requested a regional qualifier competition be held at Patangata in November; run by the club. Details to follow.

M Hyett sought views on the club website & newsletter. General consensus was to thank Brian Fennessey for notable improvements to the site.

AGM closed at 8.00pm

2010/11 Club Subscriptions Due

Please note that Club Membership Subscriptions become payable on 1st October.

Please print the following page, complete the form and either enclose a cheque for the appropriate amount to post to Paul Elstone, or bring it along to the next club meeting on 6th October.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION – HASTINGS ANGLERS CLUB.

1 OCTOBER 2010 – 30 SEPTEMBER 2011

Please enter your details in the box, print this page & attach it to your cheque before posting to the club treasurer at the address below, or bringing it with you to the next club meeting:

Your Name	
Address	
Phone No'	
Email Address	
Amount Enclosed	\$

Tick which applies.

ADULT MEMBERSHIP	\$40.00
FAMILY MEMBERSHIP	\$60.00
JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP	\$13.00

Please print this form , attach your cheque and send all to:

HASTINGS ANGLERS CLUB.
C/- PAUL ELSTONE
6 STAFFORD STREET
CLIVE
HAWKE'S BAY Ph 06 8700961

Forthcoming Club Trips

At the time of writing (22nd September), we have just canned yet another club trip through flooding and generally shocking weather. This run of appalling bad luck has got to come right soon.

The AGM teased out some ideas from members on new venues for club trips in the coming year. Those on the list below are a mix of local and very far off destinations.

There is one place left on the South Island Trip in November, which will be a slight variation on last November's trip as we will spend about half the time in St Arnaud, with the Upper Buller, Sabine & many other opportunities, before moving back to last year's haunt on the Maruia, with opportunities over the hill to Reefton and the Maruia literally on our doorstep.

As usual, please call Club Captains Steve (06 833 7511) or Paul (06 870 0961) to book a place on forthcoming trips or find out more about the fishing at any of these places.

Planned Trips

9 th & 10 th October	Patangata Club Weekend
23 rd & 24 th October	Mohaka or Tuki Trip – weather & water conditions depending
13 th & 14 th November	Patangata Club Weekend – Hopefully including a day with Gary Harlan
17 th to 26 th November Or 19 th to 28 th November	South Island Trip to St Arnaud & Maruia region two parties are making this trip on both sets of dates, so take your pick
11 th & 12 th December	Patangata Club Weekend – Likely to involve Christmas BBQ!

Club Captain's Report

Steve Evans

The last newsletter saw a very brief Club Captain's report thanks to most trips being cancelled through flooding and generally awful weather. I've only lived here for 5 years, but have come to thoroughly enjoy Hawke's Bay winter fishing, especially on the middle/upper Mohaka where I've spent some fantastic days in July and August. This year, I got out once at the end of July, and although the fishing was good on that singular day, it's been a very tough winter for getting time on the water in between floods.

Despite being in the grip of another cold windy deluge at the time of writing, Spring is certainly on the way. The Westerlies brought a huge work-up right onto the beach along Napier's Marine Parade last Sunday, which had me scrambling for the 8wt rod & running up and down the beach waiting for the fish and gannets to get close enough for a shot with the fly rod. Twenty minutes later, a chunky 6lb kahawai was doing its best to empty the fly reel, but ended up in breadcrumbs for a very gratifying lunch. More strong Westerlies should bring more action like this to our shores between now and December, so if the rivers stay dirty, don't think there's no fly fishing to be had around here.

There was a club trip to Waitahanui that was well attended in August. The fish didn't attend in similar numbers, which seems to be a worrying trend for Taupo fishing in general, but a good time seems to have been had by all. Paul Elstone may have struck a first for our club with a fly-caught catfish.

The South Island trip looks to be coming together well, with seven anglers confirmed and room for one more.

As mentioned at the AGM. If you have ideas for trips, please don't hold back in contacting me or Paul Elstone. We'd welcome your suggestions in finding new and different places for trips in the coming year.

Tight Lines - Steve & Paul

Fishing Buddy Scheme

Steve Evans

For Club members who want to get out fishing with other club members have access to the contact details and basic information on where and when like minded club members like to fish.

If you'd like to join the scheme, please give Steve Evans a call on 06 833 7511

Fishing Buddy Scheme Members

Name & Contact No'	Looking for places to fish?	Can help others	Can fish on weekdays?	Can fish on weekends?	Other relevant Info
Michael Jones 0274-423444 Hastings	Yes – all over the region	No	Yes	Yes	got 4wd
Peter Hunt 06 8446150 021 1546451 Taradale	Yes	No	Yes-School Holidays	Yes	Novice looking for time on the water
Doug Hamilton 8778503 Havelock North	Yes	Yes Tukituki Mohaka	Yes	Yes	
Peter Frizzell 021 246 7400 06 876 6944 Hastings	Yes Tukituki Mohaka	Yes Tukituki Mohaka	Yes	Yes	Can take own vehicle
Bryce Seymour 8761002 Hastings	Yes	No	No	Yes	
Tom Brummer 877 5526 Havelock North	Yes	No	Yes Tue - Fri	Prefer not to	Prefer to share car costs with driver
Roy Frost 875 0128 Te Awanga	Yes Tukituki Mohaka Ngaruroro & Tributaries	Yes Tukituki Waipawa	Yes Mon, Tue & Thur	No	

DOC Plans to Poison Trout

NZFFA are keen to get this message out to as many anglers as possible. At this stage it's difficult to gauge whether this is a one-off trout extermination exercise in a non-important fishery, or whether it sets precedent for removing trout from other fisheries in future.

I'll leave you to make up your own mind & contact the minister if you want to. Perhaps someone should bring the plans to the attention of USA & European Hunting & Fishing Outfitters. Threats of lost tourist dollars ought to spark them into action!

From Jim Hale. President NZFFA

The NZFFA is deeply concerned about the proposal by DOC to poison brown trout in the Karori Sanctuary. This is not because it is a particularly significant fishery, although it could be made so, but because of the precedent it would establish within a government department that seems to specialise in the widespread and indiscriminate use of poisons to eliminate anything it regards as 'pests'. There are already elements within DOC who see trout as 'pests'. We do not intend to sit idly by and see them extend this philosophy to NZ's free flowing waterways.

A copy of a letter sent to Kate Wilkinson, Minister of Conservation, outlining our concerns is attached. We would recommend and encourage you to support this by writing your own letters to the Minister on the subject.

You can write to her at:

Minister of Conservation
Freepost Parliament
Private Bag 18 888, Parliament Buildings
Wellington 6160

(no stamp is required), or by emailing her at

k.wilkinson@ministers.govt.nz

Your support is appreciated.

Jim Hale
President.

NEW ZEALAND FEDERATION OF FRESHWATER ANGLERS (INC.)



PO Box 38-777
Howick
Auckland

14 September 2010

Kate Wilkinson
Minister of Conservation
Parliament Buildings
Wellington

Dear Minister,

The New Zealand Federation of Freshwater Anglers (Inc) is writing to you to express, in the strongest possible terms, its deep concern and strong objection to the proposed poisoning of brown trout in the upper reservoir and tributaries of the Karori Sanctuary.

We are fully cognisant of the fact that this area is not currently a significant fishery. We are also aware that, given sufficient willing and foresight, it could have been made into a significant outdoor recreational angling facility for young anglers, in close proximity to a major population centre.

We have followed this debate for almost a decade now, and given the latest proposals to use a broad-based non-selective poison like rotenone, which will not only kill trout, but all other aquatic life as well, we can only make one conclusion. This is a flawed and inappropriate activity to attempt to achieve an eco-fundamentalist fantasy.

We reiterate Minister, our strongest possible objection to this proposal. We do so, on a number of grounds:

It demonstrates a remarkable lack of care and planning for the outdoor recreational angling needs of young urban New Zealanders, when it would have been so easy to accommodate those.

It demonstrates a disregard, bordering on insult, to the efforts of our forefathers to establish viable freshwater fisheries for both recreational and food harvesting purposes. It is only the self-funded hard work of Fish & Game NZ and the members of fishing clubs that we represent, that ensures that these fisheries are maintained at all.

Fresh water, and the ecosystems and fisheries it sustains, are a public resource. These are not something that private organisations or even government departments can choose to poison at will, to feed some kind of 'return to the 1600's' fantasy.

It would set a precedent that we, New Zealand's freshwater anglers, find both repugnant and unjustified. The indiscriminate poisoning of waterways is something that we will both object to and seek to prevent. Especially when it threatens freshwater sports fish. We will be writing to you under a separate letter about our concerns on the possible use of rotenone, sodium nitrite and pindone.

There is a culture within your department, Minister, which seeks to eliminate anything it sees as 'non-native' by the widespread and indiscriminate use of non-selective poisons. Regardless of any substantial proof of its effectiveness. We will not stand by and see this extended to our waterways.

Finally Minister, we hardly need to remind you, that Section 7(h) of the RMA requires that everyone exercising functions and powers under it, 'to have particular regard to the protection of the habitat of trout and salmon'. The NZFFA fails to see how deliberately poisoning trout achieves or satisfies this requirement of the Act.

Minister, the NZFFA regards this proposal as both flawed and dangerous to the interests of its members. We object to its implementation. We await your response to these genuine concerns with interest and anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Hale
President.
Email "jahale@slingshot.co.nz"

CC: The Chief Executive Officer
Wellington City Council

The Chairman
Fish & Game NZ

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CD Tactical 8WT 9'0 4 piece	RRP \$499	Now \$299
CD XLS 5 WT 9'0 4 piece	RRP \$799	Now \$499
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Riverworks Precision 8WT 9'0 2 piece	RRP \$319	Now \$219
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Warm regards

Melanie Swayn

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