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April CLUB MEETING

Cancelled

President's Page

NO CLUB MEETING THIS MONTH. As I began to write this report, I realised that given the uncertainties facing us all in terms of family, jobs and our own wellbeing, that cancelling this month's meeting is the only sensible option. This recommendation was supported by the Club's committee.

Fly fishing is a passion for a number of our members, a positive social activity for many, and a new adventure for some of those newer to the sport. As much as we jest about the worst day's fishing being better than the best days work; I know that I am going to have to focus on my work while working from home, and recognise what a privilege it is to have a job in an industry that is less affected than the likes of the tourism sector. If you have the money and time, I am sure that there will be fishing guide or two that will sorely appreciate your business, as I expect more than a few will have had cancellations from overseas clients.

On a more positive note, congratulations to the New Zealand Fly Fishing Team for their third placing at the

recent Commonwealth Fly Fishing Competition held in the Taupo region. Such competitions require commitment and support from many people and I'm sure that the competitors enjoyed catching good numbers of fighting rainbows. Unfortunately, I had other commitments and couldn't be there, but I am sure that many new friendships will have been made or renewed. The teams from overseas were obviously very lucky to make it to the competition at all given the circumstances.

In May we are due to have our AGM. With good management, people acting responsibly and looking out for each other, and bit of luck perhaps, the outlook might be more positive by then. Let's hope!

We are also yet to hold the Club fishing competition, competing for the Club trophy. For the competition we pair up experienced anglers those less experienced so everyone can something from the day. We have set the date at Saturday 25 April and expect to be fishing the Ruamahanga River. Send Strato or myself an email if you are interested or would like more information.

Tight lines and stay safe.

Paul

REMINDER - River Closures

Some spawning rivers close at end of April. Please check your licences for details of rivers which will be closed.

CLUB TRIP

Cancelled

ON STREAM

Cancelled

FLY TYING

Cancelled

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

At our AGM meeting (Monday 4th May) we also hold our photographic competition. Bring along your best photo/s taken in the last twelve months with a fly fishing theme and they will be judged by the members attending the meeting. Photos can be any size but must be able to be displayed on the display board. The winner will be presented with the David Austin Photographic Trophy for the year. This is not the competition for the cover of Tight Lines.

Start looking through the photos on your camera or phone and print them out or go out and take that perfect photo now.

Club Library Books Recall/Search

There are a few Club Library books out on loan to club members and not returned.

Please have a good look around the house and the book self, then the club librarian a call, text Warren Horne 027 4157215

REMINDER – Fly box raffle

Capital Trout Centre fund raising raffle is for a fly box and 168 flies that any angler would be proud to own. Tickets are \$5.00 each.

If you cannot make it to a meeting but would like a ticket (or tickets) please

email carmen.cotsilinis@gmail.com with your name, phone number and number of tickets.

Make the appropriate payment direct to the club account 06-0582-0030903-00 and we will add you to the raffle form.

MEETING VENUE (TARARUA TRAMPING CLUB ROOMS) 4 Moncrieff St., Mt. Victoria

From motorway:

Follow Vivian Street and turn left onto Cambridge Terrace, then first right into Elizabeth Street at the next set of traffic lights.

Travelling South on Kent Terrace:

Turn left into Elizabeth Street at the first set of traffic lights after the Embassy Theatre (by the Liquor Store).

Additional parking is available at the Clyde Quay school – use the top gate.



HELPFUL LINKS FOR WELLINGTON FLY FISHERS



www.creeltackle.com



<http://wellington.fishandgame.org.nz>



www.sportinglife-turangi.co.nz



www.huntingandfishing.co.nz/wellington



www.stevesfishingshop.co.nz



www.fishscene.co.nz

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Deadline for the May issue is 19th April 2020
As a guide for article length – anything from 250-450 words per page. Early submission preferred – items not received by the deadline may not be included. Format text for A5 page size. Please copy and paste text into an email and ensure images do not exceed 1Mb. Mail hard copy to PO Box 9236, Te Aro, Wellington; or email the editor (levineha@gmail.com). (Attached files often result in incoming emails being treated as spam and being deleted by the server).

The newsletter depends on contributions from club members and all articles are eligible for the annual Literary Prize awarded at the AGM in May each year.

Advertising:

The club has a policy of only accepting advertising relating to fishing. Commercial rates \$25 per half page, members no charge. Centrefold (Promotional material only) \$75. Contact the club secretary. **Please support our advertisers** – tell them you saw their ad in *Tight Lines*.

Receive the Newsletter as a pdf via email

Contact the club secretary to be added to the mail list (Please check your email settings so that the newsletter is not deleted as 'spam' or 'junk')

COMMITTEE MEETING – 6 pm, second Monday every month.

Any club member who has matters which they believe should be considered by the committee may discuss them with a committee member by phone, or at the club meeting, or write to the secretary.

THE HELPDESK

Helpdesk is an opportunity for those attending club meetings to have their questions answered. This is a chance for newer members to have fly fishing mysteries unravelled. Tying techniques and problems, rigs, knots, fly selection, issues, casting, how to and where to go. Bring your problems and try the Helpdesk out. It will be manned by a different senior club member each month.

WEBSITE

The club website and facebook pages provide online information, contact details and useful links.<http://wellingtonflyfishers.org.nz>

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

To join the club: collect a form at a club meeting; download a copy from the club website; or phone a committee member to have a form mailed to you. Mail the completed form to PO Box 9236, Te Aro, Wellington, or hand it in at the next meeting with your subscription and joining fee.

Meetings are held at 7.30 pm on the first Monday of every month except January at the Tararua Tramping Club rooms, 4 Moncreiff Street, Mt. Victoria, Wellington.

Tight Lines, the club newsletter is published monthly, except January, and is also available to club members via email as a pdf –contact the editor to be added to the distribution list.

Fees 1 April 2019 - 31 March 2020

Full member or family membership \$35,

Junior membership no fee.

Joining fee \$10

Overseas Newsletter postage \$45

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WELLINGTON FLYFISHERS CLUB MISSION

To establish, maintain and conduct a club for the encouragement and promotion of flyfishing and all activities pertaining thereto

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