Minutes GM 20 May 2024, LVRSL and Zoom, 7.30pm

**Zoom GM** 

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Meeting ID: 830 1299 5447 Passcode: 007

Present: Tony Abel, Wayne Bellette, Michael Bourne, Norm Cribbin, Lyndon Cubbins, Craig Granquist, Scott Haslock, Andrew Hood, David Lipscombe, Dave Long, Paul Markey, Doug Miller, Robert Phillips, Andrew Reed, Ian Stokes, David Travalia, Steve Butler, Anna Bellette, Nick Ingles, Tony Dell, Chris Hilton, Glenn Becher, Simon Ellis, Paul McCosh, Neil Pinkard, Denis Abbott

**Zoom:** Malcolm Crosse, Tom Woolley

Apologies: Elliott Blackwood, Glenn Cannell, James Jones, Stephen Luttrell, Peter Murphy, David Tarbath, Tim Urbanc, Brian McCullagh, Andrew Fisher, Mark Aspinall

Minutes GM 18 March 2024: Tony Dell, Rob Phillips

**Corro in:** IFS cancellation Liaweenee

Financial:



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TFTC financial details covering the month of April and May (up to 8/5/24)

Sheet 1 - Cashbook entries for April and May (up to 8/5/24) reconciled against the bank statement.

Sheet 2 - Year to Date Income Expenditure Report

Sheet 3 - Year to Date Income Expenditure Statement (Allows comparison with past FY)

Sheet 4 - April Income Expenditure Statement

Sheet 5 - May Expenditure Statement (up to 8/5/24).

Items of note: Dago Point Stage 1 works (Approved Budget \$7,161) expenditure currently stands at \$6,541

### Arising:

Liaweenee Open Day: Information circulated previously re low water and potential harm to spawning fish.

# **Activities:**

Weasel: previously covered last meeting but an opportunity to note the attendance of Ju Ju Bowden, who has since passed away. Nick reported she thoroughly enjoyed her visit to the campsite. The Bowden family have had a frightful year. We can only again express our on-going condolences and our appreciation of our enduring relationship, now extending over more than 30 years.

**End of season Sorell:** Some 13 people attended over the weekend along with lots of others – some 17 cars and trailers at the Dago ramp Saturday afternoon. Fishing was hard but Tony Dell and Anna Bellette both got large fish in excellent condition. Other anglers also did well, judging by social media. Nick Ingles has firmly distinguished himself for this year's Navigational Award and is doing very well in the Provision of a Leg of Venison (Concreters' Appreciation) Award.

**Salmon Ponds:** The usual excellent day with great food by Chef For Life Travalia and his happy band of helper elves. Wayne assessed the casting overall as easily the best ever. Paul McCosh took out the overall trophy. Individually: Dry fly: Paul 1, Tony Dell 2, Chris Hilton 3; Wet fly: Wayne Bellette 1, Adrian Scott 2, Paul McCosh 3.

IFS @ Liaweenee: as above

**Bream Day 16 June:** as ever, weather dependent, details on the events site. Shore and boat options – if anyone bringing a boat could so indicate, please? Brent Bowerman and Simon Ellis will provide basic guidance.

**Interlaken Fly Tying:** Andrew Hood reported all pretty much in hand. Still some places available and some more info will be circulated this week.

**Tying Day RSL, 13 July:** the usual open house with BBQ lunch, members and guests. There will be a trade table featuring some donated books and people are invited to bring items they may wish to contribute.

**Club dinner or lunch pre-season July 28:** discussion of possible lunch venue @ Wattle Banks, Richmond, a buffet approach, 28 July, the traditional last Sunday prior to the new season. Menus have been circulated for consideration. Decide that trophy presentations will now take place at the AGM, August.

## **Shack reports:**

Miena: nothing to report

**Sorell:** some 102 tonnes of gravel spread and or underpinning the concrete. The slab prep and laying got done in two days rather than the anticipated four – some sore backs but smiling faces! The primary objective was to get it down before the cold weather – done and subsequent stages are now being planned out. Huge thanks are owed to Ken Fisher, Dave Lipscombe and Lyndon Cubbins.

# **General business:**

**Discussion of patron suggestions:** there was an extended discussion of patronage, how it sits under our Constitution, and whether the notion is becoming redundant. The Constitution requires:

## 39. LIFE MEMBERS AND PATRONS

(1) The Committee may award Life Membership and Patronship at the Annual General Meeting. Members may be nominated for these awards to the Committee, in writing, at least one month prior to the Annual General Meeting, proposed and seconded in accordance with clause 5(3)(a). Such membership is to be awarded to persons who have rendered special services to the Association and/or fly-fishing or fly-tying in Tasmania and may only be awarded at an Annual General Meeting.

A number of names have been put forward in recent times, including such people as Davie McPhail, Rob Sloane, John Diggle, Greg French and John Fowler Jnr. None are members, so any nomination relies on the 'special services' criteria. The different credentials of all bar John are known to members. John's parents – John Snr and Barbara – were both patrons significantly involved with the Club over

many years. John himself has not been. As Tony Dell pointed out, past patrons such as John Snr and Barbara have virtually selected themselves in recognition of their acknowledged contributions. Ultimately, at this point, a show of hands indicated no great enthusiasm that the position need be filled. The Committee will explore these questions further, probably via a simple survey.

Parking at Little Pine and signage issues re parking generally: there have been some concerns expressed re the adequacy of parking at Pine after it's redevelopment, but it didn't resonate as an issue at the meeting. Similarly, the problem at some lakes — Pine, Woods, Penstock — with people parking single cars in the limited car and trailer spaces — going fishing with my mate in his boat, here'll do. Some recognition of the issue, but how to deal with it? Signage, who's responsibility, education?

Using the shacks, particularly shut-down when leaving: deferred to next meeting.

Meeting closed: 8.45pm

**Speaker:** Simon Ellis tied some very impressive bream flies. The video will make it's way onto our website.