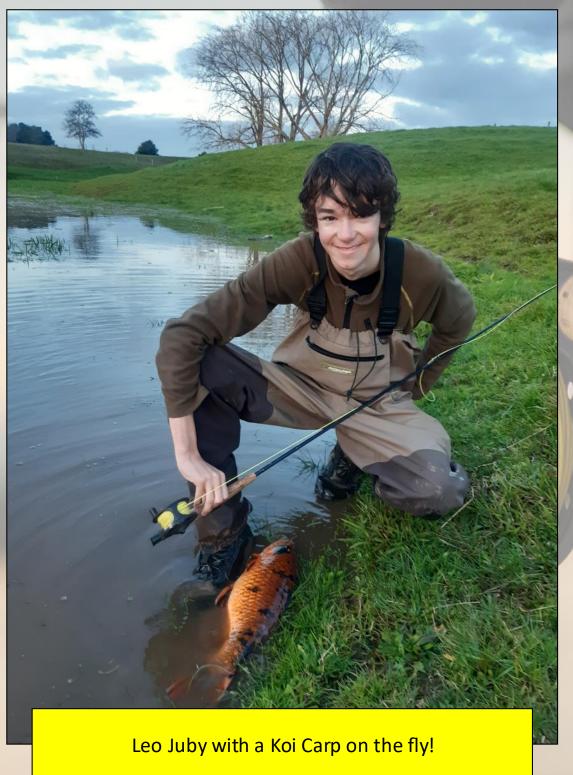


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Club News

When I started writing this piece and putting the newsletter together, I was doing so in anticipation of getting a good write-up of a successful Winter Trophy Trip this last weekend – obviously things rapidly changed with some failures at the managed isolation centres ...

There were 30 attendees at the July club meeting which had Rob Vaz give us the breakdown on the different methods of winter fishing – especially focussed on our main winter fisheries down in Taupo. I saw some very curious and interested faces going over Rob's fly boxes and checking out his Italian-made automatic nymphing reel.

I have unfortunately left my notes from the meeting on my desk at the office which I am now unable to access due to the level 4 restrictions! The memory isn't all that great so not much more to report I'm afraid. But... I think more of you should be coming to the club meetings anyway to get the information first-hand!

I do remember the fish of the month was 5.75lb Tongariro brown caught by Ken!

The August club meeting is cancelled but would have been a good one to attend with Rob Warne from Hamills Te Awamutu as guest speaker on local Waikato Waters – which would be a great sequel to Lachlan's discussion in June. Hoping we can reschedule this one.

The October club meeting (covid permitting) is likely going to be on Labour Monday, so we've decided to have a 'Bring n Buy' evening instead of getting a guest speaker. We are also looking to revive the "for sale" or "classified" section in this month's newsletter – you would have seen an email from me earlier in the month asking if members if they have unwanted gear lying around to sell/pass on anglers just starting out. So far only 1 person sent me something.

The annual Winter Trophy Trip to the Tongariro was supposed to be held last weekend but unfortunately the Delta Strain's arrival into NZ had different plans – hopefully that can be rescheduled, and the other future planned trips can still happen!

Coming up in September we have the annual Taupo Open Rivers trip which from my understanding may still have a spot or two open. Derek B is offering to run trips to Lake Otamangakau early December and again in March/April. Have a look at the trip calendar and get in touch if interested in any of the upcoming club trips.

Given the lack of club trips, limited fishing stories and articles received, and limited fishing I've been able to get in myself, this is going to be a very lightweight newsletter (in terms of new content).

I did however at the previous meeting receive a whole box of old newsletters (2003-15) from Don McLeod and after sorting them and sifting through them, found some content to recycle here – some fantastic Orange Blasters also!

I am hoping, lockdown restrictions permitting, to see most of you at the next club meeting at the end of September.

Cheers

Dirk

From the President

Hi All

As it is at the moment we are all in lockdown this is a hard time for many and I hope everyone is staying safe in their bubble and keeping the family safe.

Before the lock down, I had heard that the fishing in the Taupo area had picked up and was fishing well.

We are at level 4 at the time of me writing this and if I go back to last year and the first lockdown this would mean even if we get to level 3 on the proposed Saturday morning we won't be at level 1 soon and as a result this months meeting will be not held.

For those that were going on John Davidson's club trip this I'm sure will be rescheduled to a date that is later next month.

My apologies to Rob Warne who was our guest speaker. I will have to arrange another date with yourself.

Please stay safe out there!

Gareth

Tight lines



Fly Fishing Using Egg Patterns - Mani Tackle Project article

Many of you probably also subscribe to the Manic Tackle Project weekly newsletter and may already have read this but this is a great article on glo-bugs/eggs etc nonetheless and worth linking to here:

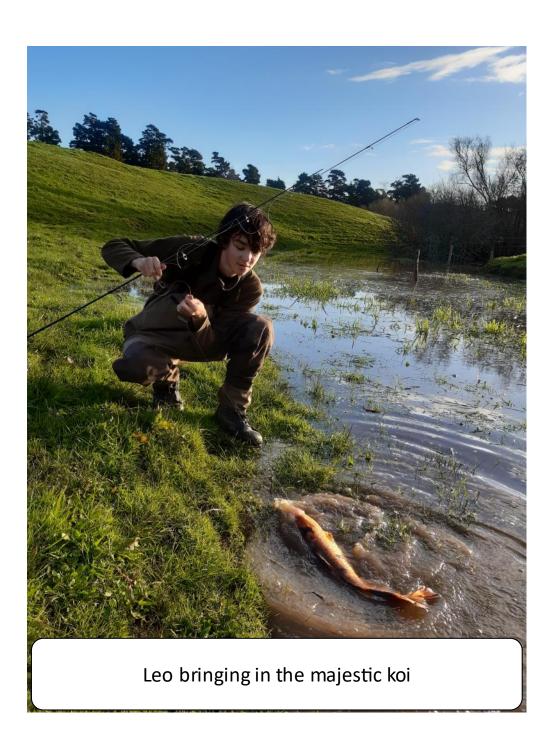
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Leo Juby and dirty water koi on the fly

Late July, with the horrible weather, rivers filthy, seas mountainous, and paddocks flooded - Leo and I resorted to catching some koi carp on the fly. Not easy on the fly, much easier on the worm - I think I need to soak the fly in fish oil or something. Dirty water, they are hunting by smell! - Nigel Juby



CADDIS - Umpqua Feather Merchants

Most of this content is sourced from the Umpqua newsletter - content forwarded to me by Ray. I have immediately subscribed - there are some awesome articles, tips and tricks in there. Do check out their website: https://www.umpqua.com/stories/?page=1

CADDIS

The caddisfly, a bug that begins to hatch in the spring months with the initial Mother's day hatch and all summer long into the colder months of fall with the October Caddis.

Caddis can emerge from rivers, streams and lakes in large numbers and trigger a feeding frenzy for fish and can provide an incredible dry fly fishing experience. A moth like bug with tent shaped wings and large antennae the caddisfly is a pattern all anglers should have plenty patterns of loaded in to their boxes.



Nymphs





Buckskin Caddis



ИМРОИ

Tungsten Mercury Caddis Designed by Signature Tyer Pat Dorsey





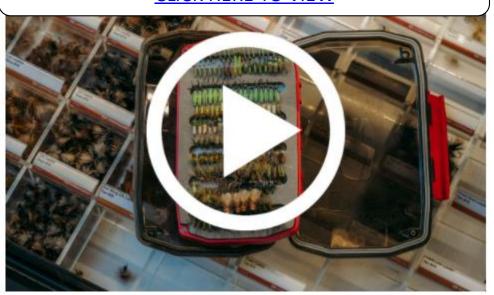
Jiggy Caddis Pupa Designed by Signature Tyer Mike Mercer



UMPQUA

Guide's Choice Hare's Ear

BUILDING A CADDIS LIFE CYCLE FLY BOX <u>CLICK HERE TO VIEW</u>



Update from Rotorua - Bert Robinson

Unfortunately with fishing being off the menu with the Covid level4 lockdown there is no chance of getting out and about, however we may get a reduction in levels if we can get on top of the virus. Here's hoping anyway.

A few things are happening this year, one of which is a change in the opening of the three main lakes to boat fishing. This will also affect some shore based fishing spots as well so bear that in mind when planning a trip over this way.

Lakes Rotoiti, Okataina and Tarawera are not opening until Saturday October 2nd so areas such above the control gates at Okere Falls won't open until then as well as the Ohau Channel Delta.

The other thing happening is the Fish and Game elections. Some Fish and Game areas have just enough people standing for there not to be an election as such so it will pay to do a bit of research into your area to see who is standing and just what they represent, if voting is required.

This time of the year is almost always thought of as a time where the fishing is not worth the time, something that is blatantly untrue. Having both fished and lived in the Rotorua region for a number of years I can happily state that if this is what you have thought, then you need to change your way of thinking.

As has happened over the past few years, there seems to be enough fish within casting distance in the smaller lakes around Rotorua, Boye's Beach at Lake Okareka is one spot that provide good quality fish at this time of the year. There is a mix of hatchery and wild fish available to be caught via a floating line and grey ghost, or similar from the shore. Spin fishing, using a zed or bingo lure is also productive along the shoreline of this lake. The walkway to the Outlet usually still has spawning fish in close to the shore and the size of the rainbows in this lake is understated. A few years ago a rainbow a shade over 15lb was caught by a young angler.

On the Lake Rotorua end of the Ohau Channel, there is usually a reasonable number of fish holding. They are a mix of spent and pre-spawners so you will need to pick and choose what you want to keep for the smoker. There should be a few large browns out from the entrance, as there often is at this time of the year as well. Keep an eye out for smelting fish as, with the lake temperature starting to rise, the smelt are on the move for their spawning journey. This also applies for all of the lakes in the region, over the next few months.

A trip out onto Lake Rotorua is a good option, especially after the October 1 Opening. Although this lake is open all year it doesn't get the pressure that the three big lakes that open on October 2 do. At this time of the year Tasmanian devils or cobras in purple or pink catch well. The wind direction and speed will determine which side of the lake is safest to fish but whichever side stay in around six to ten metres, or less, of water. More brown trout tend to be caught when harling slower than the speed recommended for rainbows so try varying speeds on your run.

The streams entering Lake Rotorua are always worth fishing, though there had been a huge amount of pressure on the lower reaches of the Ngongotaha and Waiteti streams up until lockdown, caused by lots of 'visitors' to the region in addition to the locals. A reminder that the upper reaches of those streams are closed to fishing until December 1.

The area above the gates at Okere Falls should, once again, provide good quality fish and plenty of them. There are, usually good numbers of rainbows below the gates, many of them fresh run and full of fight. Four kilo plus trace material is recommended when fly fishing this area as many of the fish, once hooked, will make the most of the whole pool below the gates and sometimes disappear over the first set of rapids.

It will be interesting to see what depth of water the majority of rainbows come from for those fishing Tarawera, Okataina and Rotoiti lakes as usually the better fishing is from the eight to ten meter depth, especially off Gisborne Point early in the morning. The hard part is likely to be finding an area that is sheltered from the wind as it is likely to be coming from the North.

Lake Rerewhakaaitu has fished well over the past couple of months, leading up to the Lockdown, and should continue to do so through into mid to late October. The fish in this lake have been in great condition and very feisty over the winter. Black woolly buggers in size 10 though to 6 work well in this lake though there should be options to use damsel and dragonfly nymphs over the next few months as the water warms. There are plenty of other spots to fish around the area, with a better than average expectation of success, so if there is an opportunity to head over this way.. Welcome t Paradise!

Quote of the Month

"Fly fishing is for those who hold that the fun in the race of life is in the running, not just the winning, that existence is its own justification, that a day spent in a stream or a pond with a goal in mind is a joy even if the goal is not achieved, though the greater joy if it is"

Jon Margolis and Jeff MacNelly, How to Fool Fish with Feathers

A trip down memory lane

As mentioned in the club news, I got handed a box full of new sletters by Don McLeod from back when they still got published and mailed out! This included a whole lot of newsletters from Auckland, Wellington, Tauranga and other clubs.

Since I was light on material, I thought I'd recycle some stuff from these older newsletters/magazines.

One Story that really stood out to me was the following one from January 2010. I only know who this refers to as Gareth pointed out an article to us at the previous club committee meeting. https:// www.fishing.net.nz/fishing-destinations/new-zealand/coromandel-waikato/a-guide-to-lake-karapiro/

I would like to extend a big thank you to one of your fellow members. Whilst visiting family in I would like to extend a big trial your palmerston North over Christmas I managed to sneak away for a day of fishing on the Manawatu, Palmerston North over Christina I was another angler fishing a small stream outlet, I am a novice I am aware of anglers etiquette some After a very quite day I eventually, I am a novice I am aware of anglers etiquette, some sea anglers could use a few lessons here.

After a bit of chit chat he introduced himself, now being the festive season combined with a bit of brain fade my memory may be failing me, I believe his name may have been Richard, He was very modest informing me that he was famous for guiding the New Zealand Fishing News team throughout the Karapiro fishing area for a recent article which I did read, mystery solved, please accept my apologies if I got name wrong. After telling him to ignore the flash gear and I haven't actually caught a trout to date, I dont count the one at Taupo a few years back as I was with a guide who, supplied the rod, selected the fly, told me where to cast and talked me through the fight.

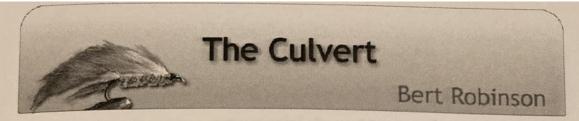
When I eventually catch one under my own steam I'm sure it will be more momentous than the first Marlin. He continued to offer friendly advice even moving slightly to allow me to fish the prime spot. After skillfully presenting the fly, a wary trout was convinced to accept the offering, an effective strike resulted in a solid hook up, yeah right,

not me but he was hooked up. I retrieved my line to watch him play the fish, this is not new to me, but I still enjoy watching others catch fish, although wearing a bit thin. "Well done" I said, he replied by offering the fish to me if it was landed, I had to gratefully decline as we were driving back to Coromandel the following day and a bit of pride to be honest. The fish was landed and carefully released. He informed me the next hour should pick up as twilight approached so I carried on with eager anticipation.

During false casting I felt a click then snap, my new CD Limited Edition Silverfly rod was broken about an inch below the first join, by new this was first day of use. Yes CD did replace it no questions asked. Now this fellow had already been very generous with advice, fishing space and offering a fish. He then said. " Would you like a said of the said of th said.." Would you like to borrow my fly rod and I can get my spinning outfit to use". I once again declined as I was already been very generous with advice, fishing space and offering a list declined as I was already been very generous with advice, fishing space and offering a list declined as I was already been very generous with advice, fishing space and offering a list declined as I was already been very generous with advice, fishing space and offering a list. declined as I was already a bit late for family dinner, however I did not take the offer lightly and this has to be the holy grail of kindness amongst fishermen.

I would be most grateful if you could extend my gratitude to him, maybe posting in club newsletter or notice board would be fitting. Me. notice board would be fitting. Maybe I could repay his act of kindness with a Coromandel sea fishing trip, he can use one of my rods and hopefully have some fresh snapper to return with.

And this interesting piece by Bert about some local and unconventional fishing locations.



Situated a few kilometers from the Waikato township of Pirongia, the junction of a small un-named stream, starting on Mount Pirongia, and the Waipa River is an amazing place to fish.

Coming from Hamilton, one drives to the end of the main street and turns right into Baffin Street. The single lane bridge where you cross Waipa River gives access to the Mangauika Stream (turn left at the tee junction) or the culvert. On the way to the culvert, one crosses another un-named stream a couple of kilometers from the tee intersection. The culvert is easily spotted as there is a row of Alder trees lining both sides of the road for a short distance. Park on the side of the road, look down into the stream and, when the river is clear, one can see up to 50 fish at the mouth and several more in the short section of stream between the mouth and the culvert.

Unknown by many people, the lower Waipa River has a shingle bottom in many places even though it carries a lot of silt. There is a large shingle-bed which becomes exposed off the mouth of the Culvert stream during low flows and it is here that the best and most exciting fishing can be had.

This river is usually full of smelt at this time of the year and I have seen several groups of 3 to 8 brown trout rounding smelt up and then slashing their way through the resulting meatballs. The main part of the river runs down the true right side of the river and it is there that I usually cast a size 2 or 2xl yellow rabbit upstream on a floating line. As the current puts tension on the line, I then twitch the rod up and down around 30 to 40cm making the fly dart through the water. The bow waves plural, as there are often several- converge on the fly from many directions and the resulting hook up is often solid and explosive. For those who don't fly fish a sinker/fly method of fishing with a modified jigging retrieve works as well if not better than using a fly rod at times.

The trout sitting at the mouth of the tributary are often much larger than those in the main river and seem to be different in coloration and habits. There also seems to be some minor taxonomic differences between these fish and those chasing the smelt. Both groups are both brown trout , but I believe those chasing the smelt may well be sea-run browns as opposed to resident fish. There are many other species of fish to be caught in the Waipa River with Koi being the biggest of all. Often you can see them feeding in a run or ripple and occasionally they will take a less than serious look at your fly.

There are many places on the lower Waipa River where there are 'guts' formed by shingle beds being exposed and all will hold large numbers of brown trout. All one has to do is hunt them out.

A trip down memory lane

And for those that missed out on this last weekend's trip, here's a report from the 2013 trip which some of you would have been on! Maybe you can live through this vicariously...

Tongariro Winter Trophy Trip 2013 - John Davidson

This was held on the weekend of the 20-22 September with 10 anticipatory anglers gathered at TALTAC for the Saturday competition.

When I first looked at dates for the trip and consulted calendars for the optimum weekend to go, that appealed more than other weekends in that month, also coupled with the fact that. the best fishing was going to be on the Friday and Saturday (According to the Maori fishing guide) Bring it on!

In the days leading up to the official kick-off for the competition it has now become the norm some anglers see it as an opportunity to sneak in a few more days of practice in an effort to increase their chances with reckless regard to the economic burden that is being put on the rest of us. You people know who you are!

Arriving at lunch time Friday and getting the gear sorted (food and bedding) it was time to go prospecting. The lower river was the area of choice and managed to get a couple of fish so it looked as though it would be reasonable for the competition on Saturday.

Saturday morning, early start, is the only downside to fishing this area at this time of the year due to the number of extra anglers on the river but there is still plenty of places to pick to cast your line. The day was overcast to start with the likely hood of showers and to progressively get worse so rain jackets were needed

We started at the Red Hut pool with moderate success, nothing worth keeping although they were fresh run fish in excellent condition We took a walk down river and looked into the Duchess pool and were able to see where the fish sat. Walked further down river to the Silly Pool and clamoured down the bank and had a fish there. Managed to hook a couple fish, one looked to be quite good but we parted company before I was able to see what it was really like

We spent about an hour there with Ken landing a couple of fish and then decided it was breakfast time so headed off to the Mustard Seed Café for a Mountain breakfast

Poached eggs, tomato, hash browns, sausages and toast. Good wholesome food for the busy fisherman. After brunch we headed back down river again and it started to rise. The rain was more persistent and hadn't began to discolour yet but that was on the way. I walked down stream for 20 minutes to get to where I

The fish that were weighed in were between 1.2 - 2.2kgs and in very good condition. There was a total of 21 fish caught, but with the stories of the ones that got away, the total would have been a lot higher if you can believe fisherman

Winter Trophy winner for 2013 - C Fredericks 2.2kgs

2nd place

S Martin

2.12kgs

Most fish (5)

K Collier on count back from J-C Lambert

Sunday was an absolute wash-out on the Tongariro as at the highest point there was a 650cu/mec flood came through the river. The highest there has been this year so far. As yet I have not been back to see just what the changes have been to the river.

To catch a trout You must think like a trout To think like a trout You must drink like a fish.



Ewan Pilcher expressing his artistic side with this ode to Bert's Ruato Bay monster trout

"THE BEAUTY"

The middle of winter, 3 rd of July
Full moon, black clouds, couldn't see the sky
"Glad I'm not fishing" as I went off to bed
"Not like you, going soft?", wifey said

It was quarter to eleven on a dark wet night We'd just got settled, got a hell of a fright The phone rang, it was Bert on his cell Whooping and hollering, raising hell

"On my way back from Ruato Bay"
Not like Bert with so much to say!
"I've caught a beauty" he sang down the phone
"Just landed it now, on my way home"

I said "That's nice, do you know the time?'
"I've caught a brownie, it's in it's prime"
Curses, yelling, lots of joy
He lets out a whoop, not being coy

Now as a fisherman I don't tell lies
Share all our info on making good flies
But this tale I tell is all O.K.
The monster caught at Ruato Bay

Now we come to the part where you think I jest
But this isn't funny, Bert forgot his vest
Net, fly's, priest and torch
All at Ngongotaha, back on his porch

There's only one other fishing the bay
Bert sidles up, says "Gidday"
"Can I borrow a fly" says a Bert in need
"Any old thing should do the deed"

"Scotch Poacher do?" came the reply
"Should do" says Bert, gives it a try
Flings line and fly onto the lake
Pretty soon he feels a good solid take

Take pity on the stranger who lent the fly It's all enough to make you cry

Out of the blocks like lan Thorpedo
The trout takes off like a speeding torpedo
With Bert hanging on, both hands on his rod
At first he thinks "It's a bloody big cod"
But it wasn't a cod as soon you'll see
He was at Rotoiti, not at sea

Like being towed by a 150 merc
The trout and Bert go berserk
Being spooled by the Ruato hog
And still he grips that 5 weight rod

Our quick thinking Bert's not complaining
With a hop, step and jump he's one foot planning
Out to the Dump, Pipe and Transformer
Bert doing slalom' what a performer

So here is Bert being towed by a trout
A big fresh brownie your beginning to doubt
If your thinking "It's a bit of a tale"
Take pity on Bert, he's thinking "Whale"

Out of Ruato the trout did run
Bert skiing behind thinking "Oh what fun"
Around the lake then back to the bay
How many miles, who can say?

As for the trout, you have to admire
After all these miles, beginning to tire
The trout must have thought "It must be time"
As Bert slowly retrieved his line

Use your thinking and you will see
Bert in the bay on hands and knees
Trying hard to evict the trout
Heaving on large tail and snout

Onto the sandy beach he finally threw it Slipped in his hand, nearly blew it A struggling biggy flew through the air What a sight, what a pair! The moral of this little tale
Is we fish for trout, not for whale
And perchance we leave gear behind
Lend us a fly, if you'll be so kind

Just to recap the story so far
Bert's on his way home, phoning from his car
He caught a huge trout at Ruato Bay
Now comes the time when he has to pay

That night when he finally got home
He called everyone on his cell phone
To tell them all of his very good night
Of the trout putting up such a great fight

He borrowed a mates front end loader Couldn't find a small bulldozer Transported the fish up the path Through the window into the bath

So excited didn't sleep that night Kept looking, smiling, wanting to skite

He rang me again the very next day
And still he had a lot to say
Couldn't decide what to do with the fish
Sap it, mount it, make it a dish

Now Bert tells me he thinks there's another Perhaps a sister, father, brother or mother?

And now we come to scale and tape
Of weights and measures, colour and shape
Nineteen pounds, one ounce it tipped the scales
Pretty good size for a small Killer Whale

Eighty seven centimetres from nose to tail
A glorious fish I'm told
Four inch span across the back
The colour of burnished gold

That beautiful fish lies in state
At Ray Ports it awaits it's fate
A stuffer of fish and other such game
His work attracts world acclaim

So if your driving out Ruato way And have some time to spare Take time to cast a line and fly Into the lovely clean air

Now I know that Raglans got one But one thing I need to say If we speak nicely to the right folks Rename Ruato, Whale Bay

I know you think "A very tall tale"

"This guys telling porky pies"

But look on the wall at O'Keefe's shop

And believe your very own eyes

After the trophy is mounted and when Bert is able
The trout surrounded by rocks, centerpiece of a coffee table
Swimming naturally, encased in glass
It's going to show Bert's got class

I've enjoyed recounting this saga to you Hope you smiled, laughed loudly too Nothing much else to say of the bay Here end the gospel

P.S. The name Robinson I'm sure is Scotch And the word Poacher covers a lot To be given such a fly that night Is quite ironic, think I'm right

EWAN PILCHER

Orange Blasters through the years

Russel Jennings - April 2004 - pinged on the way to the saltwater trip for being late on RUC

Russell - March 2006 - tipping the boat trailer into a fence in the Tirau valley on the way to Lake O

Ken Collier - November 2006 - locking his new steering wheel clamp and having no key to unlock it at the Tongariro

Richard Wagstaff - January 2007 - Bending his boats prop on some Waikato rocks (judging by recent events with Harris, and the fishing.net article, this looks like a frequent occurrence, Richard? Not so sure I'll take you up on that offer to go fishing...)

John Davidson - July 2007 - not turning back for the fish forgotten in the freezer but later turning around for the Steinies. In the fridge.

Russell - September 2007 - fishing in the competition with no entry...

Bob Nudds - April 2011 - Walking to Waitangi Falls, breaking sage rod first cast, spent 2 hours splinting to continue fishing

Jeff Bones - July 2010 - Tongariro trip surgery carried out by Kane on the neck

Kane Steward - July 2011 - dropping and breaking the championship trophy

Mitch Smith - August 2011 - diving spreadeagled headfirst down a steep bank into the Whanganui

Russell - September 2011 - Having trouble casting only to find a fish on the end of his line

Richard Wagstaff - August 2012 - prop stuck on a rock again and breaking oar to get loose

Rick Bradley - March 2013 - leaving reel and line on cars roof, wife driving off with car, Rick chasing after car on bike

Kevin Elliot - July 2013 - having to do a roundtrip of 130km to pick up his left behind fishing gear and getting dobbed in by his wife (I wonder if having to fetch forgotten gear was an excuse for being late)

Derek Dodson - September 2013 - Getting a hook stuck in his tongue (how the %*!# does that happen??)

Harris - January 2015 - avoiding taking a shower on the club trip as much as possible and then falling in to make up for it

Brandon - May 2015 - drift diving in waders 3 times in the Whakapapa

John Davidson - September 2015 - reel failure with a fish on the Tongariro. Line separating from backing and John chasing line and fish down river

Russell and Richard feature prominently throughout the last 17 years - great effort guys!

For Sale

The October club night will be a bring and sell night - please bring along any fishing gear you'd like to pass one or sell for a buck or two.

We'd also like to revive the 'club classifieds 'section of the newsletter - just send me a picture and some details and I'll put in the newsletter

Integrated fly-fishing vest and backpack - \$30

Used for about half a season. Handy vest with several pockets and a small built in backpack so you don't have to bother with a backpack for your lunch/water bottle. Probably not for the advanced angler but a great vest for someone starting out.

Contact Dirk @ jfdirk@gmail.com if you're interested





Kitchen Roster

Aug-21	Sep-21	Oct-21
Gordon Walker	Gavin Hall	Ray Pryor
Charlie Friedlander	Peter Gault	Rob Gordon
Dirk Du Preez	Don McLeod	

Trophies

Dave Winchcombe Cup

Heaviest trout caught outside Auckland Waikato F&G region

Month	Name	Weight	Rainbow or Brown	Where caught
January	Craig Fredericks	7lb	Brown	Ngongataha
February	Ian Wilde	13lb 5oz	Brown	Tongariro
March	Geoff Mears	5lb 8oz	Rainbow	Rotoiti
May	Ken Collier	6.5lb	Rainbow	Rotoiti
June	Dirk du Preez	7lb	Brown	Tongariro
July	Ken Collier	5.75lb	Brown	Tongariro

Gamin Cup

Heaviest trout caught in Auckland Waikato F&G Region

Month	Name	Weight	Rainbow or Brown	Where Caught
August	Gavin Hall	5lb 12oz	Rainbow	Waihou
October	Craig Corbett	6lb 8oz	Brown	Whakapapa
March	John Spence	5lb 1oz	Rainbow	Arapuni

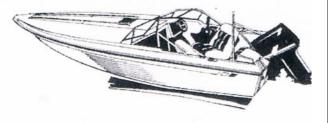
Orange Blaster

Month	Name	Problem
October	Rob Gordon	Confusing wet suits and waders, falling into the Tongariro, reaching new heights in the snoring department.
January	Gareth God- frey	Wrapping line around his prop, breaking his rod and resorting to satanism to catch a fish
March	Rodney Wil- kinson	Getting new 4wd stuck in the sand on an incoming tide while retrieving his boat at Kennedy Bay then forgetting to tie the boat on at Papa Aroha.
May	Derek Bur- tenshaw	Taking his hands and eyes off his rod for 30seconds and losing it to a monster trout and the fathoms deep of Rotoiti
July		

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Trip & Event Calendar

Monday 30th August	HAC Meeting - Guest Speaker; Rob Warne on fishing local Waikato waters	Gareth Godfrey
Monday 6th September	Committee Meeting - 7.30pm at Sport Fishing Club	Sport Fishing Clubrooms
24/25/26 September	Taupo Open Rivers Trip staying at TALTAC	Craig Fredericks
Monday 27th September	HAC Meeting - Guest Speaker; Adam Daniels from WF&G - local fishing re-	Gareth Godfrey
Friday 1st October	New Fishing Licence required for Fish and Game regions	Don't Forget!
25 October	HAC Meeting - Bring and Buy Night	Gareth Godfrey
29/30 October	TT Trip 2021	Craig Fredericks

For all trip enquiries regarding trips/events/bookings please contact Gavin Hall at gavinator_nz@hotmail.com

The proposed Arapuni Triploid Trophy trip, staying at the HAC Lodge, also hasn't received a fixed date yet but is still on the cards—if you are interested in this please put your names forward so we can get an idea of numbers etc.

There's also an additional Spring Trip to Tongariro being organised by Charlie with dates to be confirmed. Get your names in so long to avoid disappointment.





"Sorry. Casting when it's windy isn't one of my strong points."

Arapuni Lodge

The Hamilton Angler's Club owns this facility on the South Western end of Lake Arapuni on Landing Road. It can sleep up to 10 and is fully self contained. There is a boat ramp adjacent to the Lodge for easy launching of small craft and a good swimming beach. It's an ideal spot for some relaxing fishing or a family weekend away.



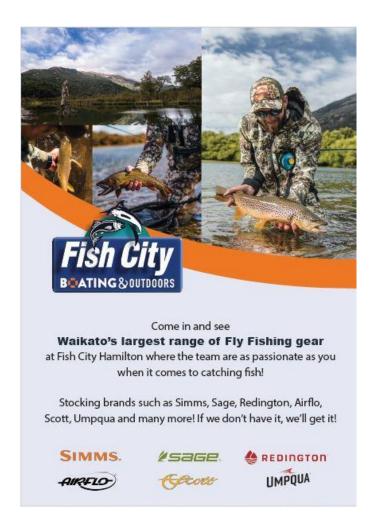
Rates

\$10 per person per night or \$50 a night for exclusive use of the Lodge to club members.

Contact

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