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FISHERS INC.**

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DIARY DATES:

- 2nd June 2018 Fly Casting
 - 7th June 2018 Com Meeting
 - 9th June Fly Casting
 - 14th June Fly Tying
 - 16th June Fly Casting
 - 21st June 2018 Fly Tying
 - 23rd June 2018 Fly Casting
 - 28th June Gen Meeting
 - 30th June Fly Casting
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Annual Dinner

To be held at Kangaroo Flat Sports
Club on
Thursday 12th July
6.30pm for 7pm

Numbers to Jeff Willey



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2018 Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the AGM of
the BDFF inc. is to be held at the
Clubrooms Brennan Park Pool
Thursday July 26th at 7.30.

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Bendigo & District Flyfishers Inc.
Minutes of Committee Meeting Thursday 3rd May 2018
At Brennan Park Clubrooms

In the absence of the President the Vice President opened the meeting at 7:35pm.

Present: J. Willey, A. Chisholm, G. Hellsten, R. Garlick, A. Jacobs, T. Charles and R. Booth.

Apologies: D. Keegan.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed a true and accurate record with changes.

Moved: T. Charles 2nd; R. Booth **Carried.**

Treasurer's Report: The financial report is only presented every three months.

Correspondence:

1. Bank statement;
2. E-mail: Barkers Creek Res Survey Draft report, Greg Hellsten.
3. Ballarat Annual Dinner; and
4. E-mail: Muz Wilson fly tying gear.

General Business:

1. Invitation to Ballarat Fly Fishers annual dinner was received in the mail today. Short notice Jeff Willey to reply in the negative.
2. The Barkers Creek draft report created a robust discussion. Joe Singe supplied is good comments and the committee decided that the major issues are; habitat, water levels, water quality and stocking.
3. Members are encouraged to come along to fly tying nights.
4. Roger Booth to contact the Bendigo Weekly again and try to have a section allocated to fly fishing re-instated.
5. Alan Chisholm landed a brown trout of 1005gm at the club championship weekend at Barkers Creek Res in April. The final weekend will be the 26/27 May at either Barkers Creek or Tullaroop Res. Members will be informed at the May general meeting and by email. Jeff WEilley currently leads with 1150gm.
6. Tom Charles to contact David Thorpe about fishing his dams at Lockwood. Suggest that the monthly outing in either June or July with a bbq.
7. Jeff Willey to contact Tranquil Rises about available dates and cost.
8. Greg Hellsten reported that he has contacted Nick Regart about the Rise Film Festival dates.
9. The Lake Eppalcok Recreation Committee has recommended that a number of tress be cut down for safety reasons.
10. Greg Hellsten reported on the Midlands Angling Association meeting. There is a new secretary and treasurer. There is a new model/structure for VRFish. There will be a hybrid membership representing all anglers.
11. Alan Chisholm reported that he collected two log sheets from Barkers Creek Res. One was blank and the other caught redfin.
12. With President Damian relocating to Mansfield, the club is looking for a new President. This is your chance to steer the club in the future.

There being no further business the President closed the meeting at 8:50pm.

Jeff Willey
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Club Championship 2017/18

The last weekend of the Club Championship was held at Tullaroop Reservoir on the 26/27 May. Tony Jacobs and Alan Chisholm went down on the Friday before with Tony landing a 1.25kg trout. Unfortunately, it did not count as it was caught on the Friday.

On Saturday, Tony, Al and Damian travelled down and Damian managed one about 0.9kg. Then on the Sunday Tony, Al, Tom Charles, Bob Garlick, Geoff Byron, Greg Hellsten, and myself made the trip. Al managed a rainbow about 1kg and both Tony and Tom dropped fish.

There were fish seen working at various times throughout the day, but unfortunately none could be enticed. The water level is low at Tullaroop at the moment, but with average rainfall throughout winter and spring, the fishing should be good later in the year.

As a result of the weekend's fishing, Jeff Willey wins the 2017/18 Club Championship.



Jeff with the 1.15kg brown caught at Lake Wendouree.

New President

With Damian moving to Mansfield, the club is looking for a new President. Damian has been the President for the last 5 years and in that time has encouraged members to participate in all aspects of fly fishing/tying. In particular he has targeted native fish, especially murray cod. Damian attended all club functions/outings when work permitted. While he has re-located, he will remain a member and gather information about fly fishing in his new area for when other members visit.



Damian with a Lake Wanaka brown November 2016