

Cleaning !!

Needs to be done !!

August	Andrew McHale
September	Matt Pate
October	Shawn Sangster
November	Shaun Nielsen

Bar Roster

2013

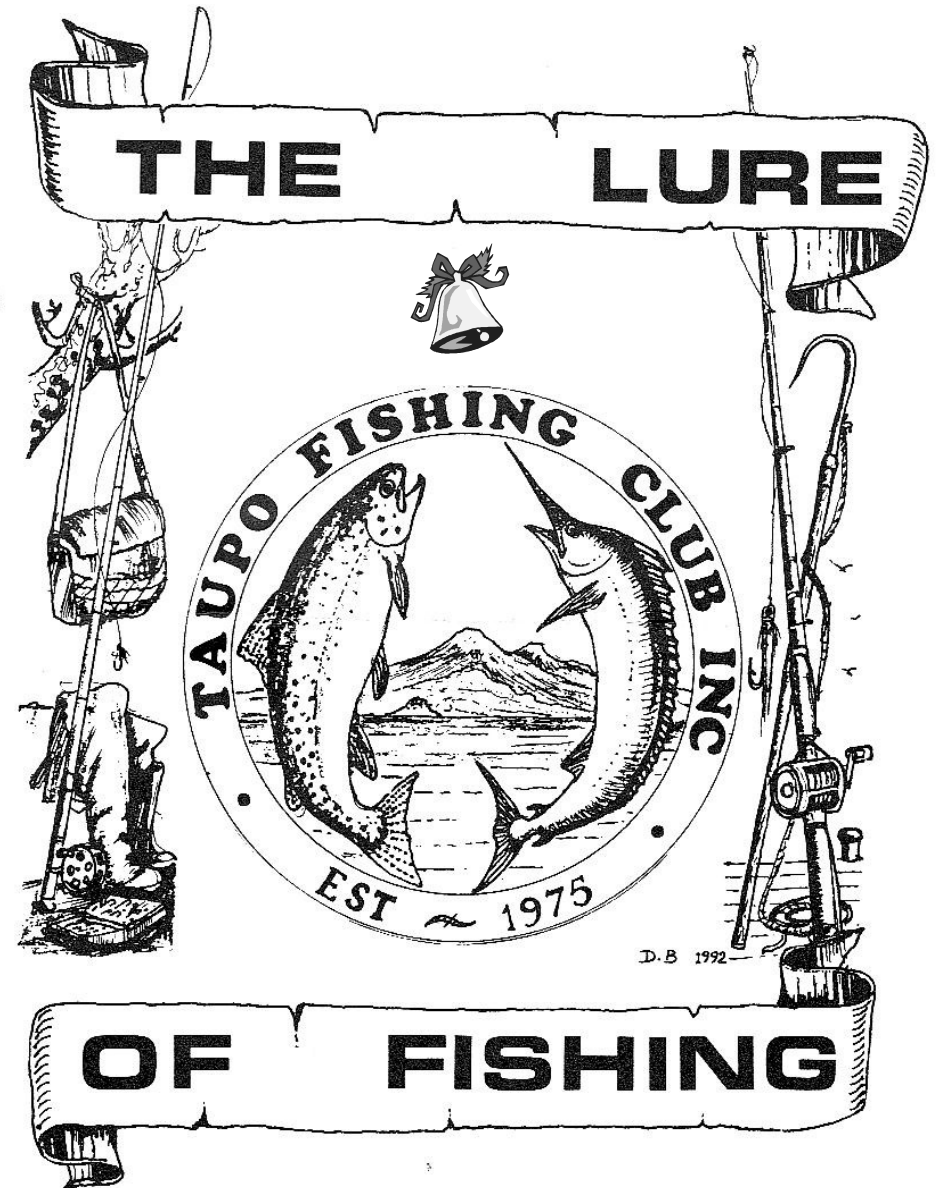
August	2nd	Shawn Sangster
August	9th	Leanne Nielsen
August	16th	Andrew McHale
August	23rd	Quentin Colebourne
August	30th	Shaun Nielsen
September	6th	Margaret Minogue
September	13th	John Russell
September	20th	Shaun Nielsen
September	27th	Sarah Sangster
October	4th	Debbie Colebourne

CLUB MERCHANDISE FOR SALE

We have :	Polo Shirts	\$ 35.00
	Caps	\$ 20.00
	Logos	\$ 15.00
And a new item-	Beanie's, Wool	\$ 20.00

And

Sabakis—size 4 & 6 (Pink or Chartreuse)	3 for \$ 9.00
Braid scissors	\$ 3.00 each !!



Newsletter — August 2013

Presidents Update



Hi,

Last Saturday night was the Club's 2013 Prizegiving, this was combined with a dinner and a one day fishing competition. We had a great turnout with Craig Woolacott catching the heaviest trout for the day. It was good to see members and guests come along and make it a successful event. The weight board has been wiped clean now with the start of a new season, so get out there and lets get some names up on the board.

The committee has been discussing some other event ideas and at the next meeting we hope to action some of these. I am also keen to look into a sea fishing trip, maybe overnight (Kingfish, Bluenose ?.....?) Does anyone have any contacts/suggestions and who would be interested in such a trip? Let me know and watch this space!

We have applied for a grant for the proposed outside renovations project. I dearly we would like to get this done for the summer, but that will depend on the funding and tradespeople availability, we will be trying our best to make this happen.

Shaun Nielsen

President

When your fly rod breaks and your fly box is bare, it's time to quit fishing.

Go sit in your chair. Light up your pipe. Pour some Glenlivet and drink till you're ripe.

Don't worry about you rod and your flies. Just sit with your buddies and tell fishing lies.

What's on and When ??

Committee Meetings:

2nd Tuesday of each month @ 6.30pm ?

2013

August	4th	Club Day
August	13th	Committee Meeting
September	8th	Club Day
September	10th	Committee Meeting
October	6th	Club Day
October	8th	Committee Meeting
November	3rd	Club Day
November	12th	Committee Meeting
November	15th, 16th & 17th.	Papa Aroha Trip

Membership Draw

2013

May	31st	Mike Fletcher
June	7th	David Lendof
June	14th	Barry Coulson
June	21st	T.B.A.
June	28th	A.G.M. ??
July	5th	Shawn Sangster

P.S. You have to be there to claim the prize !!



A Salt Water Report

Hi all,
Well I managed to get out fishing over last weekend, fishing was very hard during the day at White Island & we had to move around to find small patches of fish. On both days there seemed to be an early evening bite which seemed very productive for Blue Nose and pup Hapuka. Sea conditions were fine and the water a cold 13.8c. Absolutely no bait fish present, which was disappointing as we were wanting live bait for Kingfish. Not too sure if all the sediment had anything to do with the lack of bait fish.

Happy fishing everyone.

Andrew McHale

*The phone rings and the lady of the house answers, "Hello,"
"Mrs Sanders please."
"Speaking"*

"Mrs Sanders, this is Doctor Jones at Taupo Laboratory. When your husband's doctor sent his biopsy to the lab last week, a biopsy from another Mr Sanders arrived as well. We are now uncertain which one belongs to your husband. Frankly, either way, the results are not too good."

"What do you mean>?" Mrs Sanders asks nervously.

"Well, one of the specimens tested positive for Alzheimers and the other one tested positive for HIV(AIDS). We can't tell which is which."

"That's dreadful! Can you do the test again?" questioned Mrs Sanders.

"Normally we can, but Medicare will only pay for these expensive tests one time."

"Well, what am I supposed to do now?"

"The folks at Medicare recommend that you drop your husband off somewhere in the middle of town.¹⁰ If he finds his way home, don't sleep with him."

Your Editors Ramblings!



Hi there,

It is sort of time for a rest, so from now on your Fishing Club Newsletter will only be produced every second month and it should arrive by Email !! This will save time, postage and printing costs to a great extent. So, expect an Email at the beginning of every even month—October, December, February, April, June and August.

Due to my wife's turning a year older and family from Te Horo arriving I missed the club Prize Giving evening. Congratulations to Craig Woolacott for catching a nice fat fish. Well done Craig.

I was down at the lake the other morning on the Lions Walk near 3 mile bay checking the shoreline when an aggressive swan sort of ran and flew at me. Checking around I came across a nest with an egg in it. Dogs running around on the Lions Walk not on a leash are being chased by the swans protecting their nests.. So be aware it is that time of the year again.

Cleaning & Bar duties have been listed for the next 2 or 3 months on page 14.

Russell

Do you have an article or photos for the Newsletter.



Ph 377 1177 or Email r.rountree@xtra.co.nz

Thanks.

A River Report

Some nice fish are being caught in the lake lately, but in general a lack of rain in our region has continued to leave our rivers low, clear and difficult to fish. Fish that need to spawn are creeping into all the rivers and then moving quickly up to the few deep pools they can find, or their spawning grounds. For anglers, this means looking for the deeper water to fish.

The river mouths are also suffering from the low lake level, with fish not happy to sit in the shallows. Successful anglers are those that fish in the dark and can get their flies well out to the dropoff.

Those fish that are being caught are in great condition, so it's still worth while getting out there and having a go, and any signs of rain will likely bring on some big runs.

Matt Pate

Recipe of the Month

Cheese Scones with Trout Butter

For Trout Butter

100g butter

100g smoked trout

1 Tsp (heaped) Horseradish Sauce

Mix all ingredients well and season with salt & pepper.

Chill until required.

For Scones

3 Cups of flour

6 tsp baking powder

1/4tsp salt

75gms butter

1—1 1/2 C milk

1 cup of grated tasty cheese (Reserve a little for the top)

1. Preheat oven to 220c
2. Sift dry ingredients then rub in the butter. Mix in cheese, add milk and quickly mix together with a knife to soft dough. Knead very lightly.
3. Dust oven tray with a little flour and press out dough on this. Cut up into 12 even pieces leaving 2cm between scones.
4. Brush with milk and top each scone with a small amount of grated cheese. Bake for 10 minutes—cool slightly, split the warm scones and top with butter and garnish with parsley.

Out On the Great Lake.

We are looking for rain to stir things up. At the moment fish are queuing up at the stream mouths waiting for some dirty smelling water to hit their noses. Early morning harling is picking up the early hens who cannot wait and need to get up to the spawning pools. The rest are sitting just off the lips, so you need to go deeper (30'—60') down, use your fishfinder and find the depth they are sitting at. Some are over 40m and not interested in jigs. A downrigger with a white or yellow fly or a white or gold spinner seems to be quite effective.

With the 2 and 3 mile bay boat ramps now doubled in size you should have no trouble launching once the rush starts.

Vary your trolling depths and lure colours to see what they are hitting on a particular day.

Tight lines all.

CLUB DAYS

Club Days are held on the 1st weekend of each month with the weigh-in at 5pm on the Sunday afternoon.

Club Weekend Points Table as at 1/7/13

Craig Woolacott	7.91
Matt Pate	4.48

We are waiting to weigh in your fish !!

Don't forget—it is Club Day this coming Sunday !!

FLY TYING

This winter we will be holding some fly tying classes at the Club Rooms. Pat Swift, probably the best known NZ fly tyer, will be giving a demonstration and answering questions, as well as Belinda Thomas. Belinda is in the NZ Fly Fishing team and writes for NZ Trout Fisher magazine. The classes will be open to beginners and experienced tiers alike. Equipment and materials will be available for those who need it. These classes will be open to club members and the public, but numbers will be limited. All club members will be notified when we have the dates fixed, so stay tuned !!

If you wish to register your interest in participating, please email me at matthew.pate@gmail.com

A Pastor goes to the dentist for a set of false teeth. The first Sunday after he gets his new teeth, he talks for only eight minutes. The second Sunday, he talks for only ten minutes. The following Sunday, he talks for 2 hours and 48 minutes.

The congregation had to mob him to get him down from the pulpit and they asked him what happened.

The Pastor explains the first Sunday his gums hurt so bad he couldn't talk for more than 8 minutes. The second Sunday his gums hurt too much to talk for more than 10 minutes. But, the third Sunday, he put his wife's teeth in by mistake and he couldn't shut up.

Snapper on the line

Recreational fishers are shocked at proposals by the Ministry for Primary Industries to slash snapper bag limits while the commercial sector is largely unaffected.

"It's a national disgrace that all options proposed by the government force recreational anglers to shoulder the responsibility for rebuilding snapper 1 stocks, while the commercial sector to continue to kill hundreds of thousands of juvenile fish with antiquated and indiscriminate bulk trawl methods", says Mandy Kupenga, spokesperson for the recreational advocacy group LegaSea.

Management proposals released last Friday by the Ministry outline three options for New Zealand's largest recreational fishery the snapper 1 fishery spanning the Bay of Plenty, Hauraki Gulf and East Northland. Under the guise of the status quo, the Ministry propose to cut individual daily bag limits by two thirds, from 9 to 3, and leave commercial quota unchanged.

If implemented, these drastic cuts could see fewer fishers on the water and have a huge economic impact on the marine leisure industry according to industry stalwarts.

Grant Dixon, editor of the popular fishing magazine, New Zealand Fishing News says, "such a drastic reduction in the snapper bag limits for SNA1 recreational take would have an immediate, and negative effect that reaches far beyond the snapper stocks themselves.

There is a huge industry based around the snapper fishery in this region. It is not just the individual anglers affected but recreational fishing media, charter boats, tackle stores, bait companies, accommodation providers and the marine industry as a whole.

It is a short sighted approach, especially when you stack up the recreational and economic benefits to the community when compared to the value of the commercial catch."

The irony is that these cuts are predicted to improve the stock size less than 1% by the end of 2018, less than the margin of error.

Overall the snapper stock is rebuilding and generally commercial and recreational catch rates have increased. Except in the Bay of Plenty, where that part of the stock is considered 'collapsed', at just 6% of it's original size. It is no accident that recreational fishers have resorted to targeting other species in the absence of reasonable size and numbers of snapper.

Option 2 is to increase the Total Allowable Catch (TAC) by 500 tonnes but the Ministries preferred option is give 300 tonnes of this to commercial fishers and add just 200 tonnes to the 1997 recreational allowance.

Under this option the ministry propose recreational bag limit reduction to four fish greater than 27 cm or an increase in the legal size to 36 cm, allowing allowing a daily bag of nine snapper. Option 2 gives the commercial sector 60% of the increase and they retain the right to catch 25 cm

Snapper.

Mandy Kupenga, LegaSea spokesperson says current commercial quota of 4500 tonnes is similar to 1986 levels. This has been made possible by recreational anglers taking a 70% reduction in bag limits and increased minimum size limits in that sale period. Those reductions were made in the interests of conserving fish for future generations of New Zealanders, not propping up commercial shareholder interests.

"New Zealanders are being sold out by the Government. The options proposed are quite frankly disgraceful and just another example of the willingness of our decision makers to turn their backs on the rights and well-being of the people to cash in on short term economic gains for a few fishing corporates."

Unlike commercial fishers, recreational and customary fishers do not have a quota. An allowance is set aside by the Minister to provide for recreational and customary interests and their future needs. By law, this allowance needs to be set first, after which a commercial catch can be set. In reality the reverse is occurring.

Mrs Kupenga continues, " The options proposed have nothing to do with increasing the rate of rebuilding the fishery and everything to do with strong arming the public into accepting an antiquated allowance which was set in 1997 based on unreliable research. What's more, that allowance was set at a time when the fishery was in dire need of rebuilding." There is no doubt recreational fishers are willing to continue to conserve fish and reduce their impact on the marine environment even further. In a recent survey over 78% of respondents felt that protecting the wellbeing of fish caught in New Zealand was important and said they are willing to change the way they catch and handle fish.

But recreational fishers need to be treated fairly and the Minister has a duty to act reasonably.

"This proposal is a slap in the face for New Zealanders and we intend to fight to defend our rights."

In coming weeks, LegaSea will be taking action to defend the rights of Kiwi fishers. Submissions to the MPI on the proposed management options closes on the 23rd August.

Visit <http://www.legasea.co.nz/snapper1.php> to find out more.

