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General club meetings: 7.30 pm on 3rd Tuesday of each month except December & January

Meeting venue: Waimairi Lions Club, 338 Avonhead Road, Avonhead, Christchurch 8042 (the cricket club/

tennis club entrance).

Committee meetings: The Committee meets on the Tuesday following the Club Meeting at the community room at Avon Life Care facility on Stanmore Road. There is also a Committee meeting on the last Tuesday in January.

Club Trips, Events

<u>Trip</u>	Based at	<u>Date</u>	<u>Convenor</u>	
Sea Fishing Weekend	Kaikoura	15th—17th September 2023	Dave & Liz McDowell	
Take a Kid Fishing	The Groynes	Cancelled	Fred van Slooten	
Richard Marles	Richard Marles Lakes Benmore / Aviemore		Bill Bennett / Ian Joseph	
High Country Opening	Lake Coleridge	4th November 2023	Gary Batchelor	
Annual Brunner Outing	Lake Brunner	17th—19th November 2023	Fred van Slooten	
Club Christmas Picnic	Kaiapoi Lakes	10th December 2023	Dave & Liz McDowell	

The (Anglers') Angle

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Editors bit

Greetings,

In each issue of the Angler's Angle, where I get to offer up a few random things either happening around me or observations made each month. I try really hard to make these items positive and meaningful to those who may take the time to read the Editor's Bit?

This month, I'm struggling to be positive when I've been at meetings where the TAKF event or rather potentially lack of the event is being discussed. An ear to the radio and listening to the multitude of callers absolutely distraught about what the ivory tower dwellers are going to do with this wonderful event adds to my dark mood!? Further, it is F & G, a faceless identity making this call. Nice to be able to make a call effecting so many folks and hide behind a F & G name as opposed to putting your hand up to claim responsibility for this churlish act! Now, I'm okay with rules and regulations, if they make common sense, but the stated reasoning behind this decision makes no sense at all, to me at least, and to tell fishing people that, after putting the same fish stocks into our waterways almost forever is going to tip the balance of nature against the wild fish population is laughable considering the miniscule percentage of fish which will make it out of the Groynes Lakes to rape and pillage the wild fish stocks of our Canterbury waterways!?? Of things scientific, as this is being portrayed, I'm going to confess to being a total ignoramus—just my opinion Gosh, but it's great to get something like this off your chest, isn't it?? Further, I'm happy to publish any documentation or article from "F & G" justifying this to our readers. I don't hold out much hope for this, however, as ivory tower dwellers seldom see the need to explain what they decree as necessary behind the guise of being more informed than the masses, those who support these same people by purchasing a licence each year. Perhaps the conversion of attendees to licences moving forward is not great, but having been a helper at this event on a number of occasions, it counts as gold to the many people who turn out on the day. What a shame to see it go

Garry Hill

Editor

Closing date for articles and info in the next issue: Tues 3rd Oct

President's Report

Greetings to the Presidents musings...

Last month was our Annual Club Auction. This is our only fundraiser for the year and it was great, to once again, see the support for this event. To the members for donating goods to sell and joining in the fun, and our many valued trade suppliers for their ongoing support in these times, we thank you.

To our resident auctioneers – John Hobbs and Martin Heal – THANK YOU for making the fun evening that it is.

A concerning item was bought up at the last Delegates meeting. Someone had heard that the "Take a kid fishing" event, (TAKF) was unlikely to proceed this year as Fish and Game (F&G) had rejected the release of trout/salmon into the Groynes ponds. It was thought a quantity of 600 – 800 fish were involved. The rational is the potential for hatchery bred fish to escape the Groynes and breed with the wild population, to the detriment of the returning fishery stock, – a position that F&G (N.Canty) have been advocating for some time, since giving away their restocking of Lakes and Rivers programme. To be fair, the costs and labour at the hatchery have certainly only increased as a further impediment.

At our last Committee meeting Fred vanSlooten, (a TAKF Trust Board member) confirmed the general thrust of the events. F&G had suggested the lakes at the top end of Sawyers Arms road be looked into as an alternative, and the Board is evaluating this at present, as far as Health and Safety and lake edge issues stand. We await the final outcome of all this.

With the start of Spring (two great weather days followed by two days of punishment), our own Club events should be coming to our minds front. We <u>have</u> our September 15th -16th Sea trip to Kaikoura being booked. Some fishing from the beach in front of the railway station.

Then the 1st weekend in October, (NOT far away) is our Richard Marles trip to Otematata. Accommodation has to be booked **SO** get your name in the book. We will be staying at our new quarters as we did over the Kings Birthday competition.

<u>Then</u> the first Saturday in November is the High Country opening. We HOPE to join with the Papanui Club once again with a booking at the Glenthorne Station shearer's quarters. Names in quickly as bunk space could be limited. Other Clubs – and even F&G -now want in on the action.

<u>Then</u> our successful SHOW weekend trip (November) to Lake Moana in Brunner.

Plenty on – so join in the fun and merriment (even do some fishing). It is your Club so come along and meet other members. Club Huts also available for a quieter weekend.

Tight lines.

Gary Batchelor.

September Meeting on the 19th will be held observing the latest regulations concerning Covid 19

Club Trips & Activities

Entertainment Schedule

September 19th: Richard Cosgrove has confirmed that he will come and talk about the new designated fisheries and dealings with the Ministry etc at our next club night on September 19.

Andrew Young

Club Trips

September 15th—17th: Kaikoura Sea Fishing. 14 names to date in the book. If you would like to go on this trip, you will need to get your name put forward so that a booking may be made at the Kaikoura Dive Club Lodge. This needs to be made ASAP. The booking process is somewhat different from other trips. Contact Gary Batchelor. After booking your space, you will be sent an invoice to pay for your accommodation which is \$45 per night. We need to pay the manager before we arrive, hence the payment request. This trip is rapidly gaining traction and members are locking the dates in to be there. Usually plenty of spare positions on boats or if you prefer, fishing off one of the beaches.

September 24th: This is also the month that we offer our support to the Annual Take a Kid Fishing event at the Groynes. For those who have helped out here in the past, you'll know how rewarding it is to be a part of this event. There is no such thing as too many volunteers so get your calendar out, put a great big circle around the date and organize yourself to be there as a part of the Canterbury Angler's Club contingent. Sadly, this iconic event is under threat because NC F&G have declined permission for the trust to release hatchery raised fish, at the Groyne's junior fishing lakes. The event may not go ahead. So in the words of ??? "Watch this Space"

October 6th—8th: Richard Marles Trophy held at Otematata, Lake Benmore and Lake Aviemore. Probably one of the most well attended trips on our club calendar. Bruce Rule has made this trophy his own for a number of years now Time for someone else to make claim to it. Accommodation is at the previously hired venue which proved so popular at our last visit. If you intend going, please get your name into the book so that we can successfully lock in beds for everyone going, maybe even another buffet dinner?

November 3rd & 4th: Mark it on your calendar, the opening of the High Country fishery. Accommodation has been secured with the Papanui Club at the Glenthorne Station shearer's quarters. For those hardy souls who have historically camped at the Coleridge Camping Ground, here's a total step up in comfort level and also an opportunity to network with others from other clubs as opposed to huddling around a brazier.

November 16th—18th: Lake Brunner Show Week end courtesy of family van Slooten . A totally top weekend. Bookings essential so that Fred might book accommodation which will fit the numbers intending attending.

All trips at the moment are subject to change at short notice – it is up to members' discretion as to whether or not they attend. To attend you may be asked to confirm your attendance by way of a deposit.

Fish of the Month

Still nothing to report but maybe it's because everybody in the club is waiting for fairer weather? All / any entries to me please?

Barry Smith

New Canterbury Angler's Club Members

We have a number of people who are considering joining our club, but no applications to report this month.

There have been two resignations from the club. We wish both these members well and thank them for their support of the CAC.

Heather Pearce Now tramping more than fishing.

Becky Ollivier Joined the Club to use Clearwater but has not been able to since Covid.

Dave Sherriff

CAC Disclaimer: Please be aware that we do our very best to inform and entertain our readers. All articles received and considered to be appropriate are published in good faith relying on the factual integrity of each article as submitted. These articles are not necessarily the views or values held by the Canterbury Angler's Club.

Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Committee of the Canterbury Anglers' Club, held on 22nd August 2023, at Avon Retirement Village at 7.30pm

There were 6 x committee members present and 6 x apologies were presented and accepted

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: were read and were accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Matters arising from the minutes: The C R Ogier Cup has not been found. Thoughts are that it is the D C Wilson Shield that is missing. The 2021 and 2022 minutes do not record this trophy being awarded, so we need a copy of the 2020 minutes to confirm. If anyone has any information about our missing piece of "Silverware" please get in touch with Gary Batchelor.

Treasurer's Report: Barry presented the Financial Statement for the month. These were accepted and accounts as presented were all passed for payment. The auction income was reported as being \$4216.83.

Club Huts:

- All lodges need to check the number of full gas cylinders at each, prior to the season. The empty gas cylinders have been picked up from the Cargills.
- All lodge combo key containers are going to be updated, prior to the season start. Fred will sort Cass, balance-sort out between Andrew Wells/ Andrew Young/ Dave and Liz.

Auction: Fred to send out thank you emails. The additional rent for the hall was rescinded by St Christopher's.

Website: The web site forms have been reconfigured to target submissions by bots to filter out such submissions, and the mail rules associated with the club mailboxes have been hardened over the past ~ 10 days. So far, there is a noticeable drop

in spam, and no submitted forms have been filtered undelivered.

Lodge booking calendars to be updated progressively, and Clearwater will be updated when we know when the water

will be back on.

Lodge fees: SCAC have increased the charges for their lodges last month.

Delegates meeting: 2 x Gary / Garrys hosted the Delegates meeting held at the Hornby Club 21st August. There was a large number of attendees at this week's meeting. All clubs facing the same issues, with attracting new members/ retaining their existing membership. Each Club has it's own focus on style of fishing preferred by their membership.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Club Welfare

Our Welfare report will be just a wee bit thin this month because our club member in charge of reporting on things welfare has himself been on the list of "not fishing" at this time. All that can be said is that we hope Bill comes right very soon—heard he's being spoilt rotten by his family—hip hip horay, Bill!

A Really Worthwhile Youth Project

One of our Committee Members, Andrew Young has an extremely worthwhile project which he is working on. We need your help to give Andrew's project "wings to fly".

He is hoping to gather around him, a number of Lincoln High School students and introduce them to the fine art of fly fishing.

What we would like to do is to be able to build up a stock of fly fishing rods and reels so that each of them can experience and practice the motions required to present a fly to an unsuspecting fish. These would be held and looked after by Andrew and used by multiple students on an ongoing basis.

If you have a spare / obsolete / unused for ages fly rod and reel and would be happy to donate it to Andrew for his project, I'm sure he'd be absolutely stoked to receive it. I've got one and the thought of a young person getting some pleasure out of it is grand! Looking even further into the future (may be a far leap, but however) potentially, some junior members coming into the club!?

P.O. Box 879, Christchurch. 5th November, 1962.

CIRCULAR TO ALL MEMBERS :

A general meeting of the club will be held as unders

Time: 7.30 p.m. Wednesday, 21st November, 1962.

Place: Chamber of Commerce Hall (Cnr Oxford Terrace and

Worcester Street, (opp. Gas Co.)

Charge: The usual charge of 2/- will be made to help defray

expenses.

Business: Club business, to be followed by an Auction Sale to

help swell the club funds. So far not a great deal has come in, but we have a 3-piece Milward Rod and some very high grade books, besides a few odds and ends. Come along, chaps - go through your gear, there may be some things you are tired of, which someone else would snap up. Wait until you see what I dig out. Plenty more needed. Articles for auction can be left with the Assistant Secretary until I am back on deck again. Roll up; this

should be quite a night.

LOST: Lost a threadline reel at the Little River stream. It was a Quick Standard with counter. Would anyone finding it please return to the Secretary. The late owner K.C. Duns. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE, OR THE LACK OF IT, AT MEETINGS: Your executive would like members to help them in the above by letting them know just what type of meetings are required. An attendance of about 40 members is terrible. Let us see if we can improve it somewhat.

SUBS: There are still many unpaid subs. Please help by getting these paid up as soon as possible.

N.C.A. SOCIETY ELECTION: Mr W.H. Robinson, a member of our club, will be standing for the council.

I would like to thank all these members who wished me well whilst out of action. This was greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank all those who came in to hospital to pass the time of day; also to thank the Assistant Secretary for the way in which he looked after everything, including the casting championships.

I am sorry to hear that most members have had a fairly lean time with the fish. There are plenty in the Avon near the Hospital, but of course one would need to have a very dark night.

Well, chaps, don't forget the next meeting; it is the last of the year 1962 and should be quite an interesting one and also quite worthwhile attending. Keep the 21st November free.

DON M. BROWN, Hon. Secretary. Another great night with plenty under the hammer.

Final numbers still need to be confirmed but the auction raised around \$4200 making it the 3rd highest take to date.

Our thanks again to John Hobson and Martin Heal who not only do a sterling job of auctioneering around 200 lots, they also provide entertainment 2nd to none.

Backed up by the financial duo of Barry Swaney and Alan Lynn, securing the bid values and tracking the bidders' numbers. Not an easy task with so many multiple lots. We also had Ian Joseph and others manning the non-stop tea, coffee and cookies.

Again, many outstanding lots such as Reg's fly collection, The Boccia Titanium watches, Marshall Batteries, Battery voucher and Mclean nets famous weigh nets made for some sort after lots.

Bev made some delicious cookies and we also had relish and other preserved treats. The Safa toolboxes continue to please and let's hope the fire extinguishers don't need to be used. Also on offer was a jump start pack and new Barbeque.

Its not possible to name all the gear that was on offer. Garry won't allow me that much space but those that came along will remember most. Most people that came to the Auction bought gear and some I presume must be hoarders. I had a good year and only ended up bringing home gear that I bid for. Martin behaved this year!!

A special thanks to all those who donated goods this year, both commercial sponsors, CAC club members and friends. The range of items is what makes the Auction so interesting. I hope you enjoy your new purchases.

The list of major donors follows. Pop in and see them and say thanks. They will appreciate it.

Fred







Look at the list of donors below. These people are great. Please give them the support they deserve and introduce yourself as a CAC member when purchasing their products.

Safa Toolboxes	20 years +	Ocean Fun Publishing	20 years +
Ballinger's Hunting and Fish	ing	Redpaths	20 years +
Tower Junction	20 years +	Torpedo 7	15 years +
Burnsco	5 Years +	The Complete Angler	30 years +
Marshall Batteries	15 years +	Saeco Wilson	15 years +
Fisherman's Loft	30 years +	Socks Pacific	10 years +
Mainstream Flies	15 years +	RR Fisher & Co Ltd	20 years +
Mclean Angling	20 years +	Anglers Warehouse	20 years +
Eatl8r	5 Years +	Wilsons Consumer	5 years +
NZ Fishing News	20 years +	T&S Opticians	Welcomed 2020

TAKF late cancellation.

It is with great regret that the TAKF event for 2023 has been cancelled. Below is a Facebook press release outlining the cancellation. The decision to cancel was not taken lightly, however we were left with no other options due to the short notice. A special thanks to those CAC members were again keen to help out this year and support the event. The Canterbury Anglers Club have been involved with this event since its inception.

Thanks Fred

We regret to advise that due to circumstances beyond our control, this years Take A Kid Fishing event at the Groynes junior fishing lakes is cancelled.

We received extremely late notice from North Canterbury Fish & Game that release of hatchery reared commercial origin salmon into the Groynes lakes (and their possible escape and mixing with wild salmon) would not be approved under their revised F&G national policy, a policy that was penned two years ago, and unfortunately (to our knowledge) not released to the public.

Late notice of this policy and a forced relocation has given the Trustees (all volunteers) insufficient time to transfer resources, reassess and mitigate risks or issues around any revised location. We have a responsibility to our large pool of sponsors and volunteers to ensure there are no detrimental impacts in shifting, and our utmost and ultimate concern is to ensure the safety and happiness of the thousands of children and their families who have enjoyed our event so much over the past 33 years.

Sadly, cancellation may prove to reduce the number of kids and families starting off on their fishing journey.

The Kids Fishing Charitable Trust will incur significant pain to our limited resources through this cancellation, however we will be working hard to do everything we can to reinstate the event in 2024.

We appreciate your understanding and continued support during this challenging period.

Kids Fishing Charitable Trust

News from NZFFA—well worth your time to read this.

I am often sent articles of interest which I'm convinced our readership will enjoy reading. The problem is that some of them are simply too big to publish in their entirety and some loose their impact when extracting bits and pieces. This update from NZFFA is chock full of interesting articles, difficult to choose which one / ones to select. So, I'm merely going to share with you the link to their site and recommend that you take a look.

https://nzffa.com/?nltr=NDU7Nzk0O2h0dHBzOi8vbnpmZmEuY29tOzsyNjQxYWZkNzhiYmE1YjNmYzQ5ODhiNmZhNjYyYTcxOQ%3D% 3D NZFFA July/August 2023 Newsletter

Kahawai Fishing on Light Spinning Tackle, Soft Baits and the Fly Rod.

Kahawai was for a very long time seen as a second-rate species not highly regarded as a table fish in New Zealand, especially when compared with more sort-after table fare like snapper, groper and blue cod. Kahawai flesh was considered dry and coarse when cooked. However, this is not true and kahawai are thought of more highly nowadays. Smoked kahawai, in particular, is regarded as a delicacy by many Kiwis.

The kahawai is a streamlined fast-swimming species with large scales. It can usually be easily caught when present in inshore coastal waters either from a boat or by surfcasting, rock fishing and wharves and jetties. Generally, kahawai prefer clear water and will usually go somewhere else when the sea conditions are dirty.

Kahawai fishing is exciting stuff. Pound for pound the humble kahawai is one of the best fighting fish in the sea. It is such a good fighter on rod and line that it is regarded as a game fish by the International Game Fish Association. The <u>Current IGFA kahawai All-Tackle Record stands at 19 lbs. 4 ounces</u>.

Kahawai school by size. Though a big kahawai might weigh 5kg, they can get much bigger too! They eat small fish and crustaceans, particularly krill. Kahawai is often found in the whitewater adjacent to river mouths. They occur in vast schools over the summer. With binoculars in hand at Goose Bay, Kaikoura, during the summer months, you can almost always see a kahawai school somewhere along the coast. There can be huge schools of kahawai, barracouta, and other fish a kilometre offshore, but the kahawai, in particular, will chase baitfish so close to the beach you can easily see their backs in the waves!

If you really want to have some fun try casting into a school of big kahawai on light spinning gear or try taking them on with the fly fishing gear you normally use for trout. Huge schools of kahawai can "hang around" a river mouth for weeks on end providing exciting sport, and a fish or two for the smoker. They are amazingly strong runners and surprisingly powerful fighters for their size! Sometimes you can hook and lose several kahawai all on the same cast as they will have a go at almost any rapidly retrieved lure!

When big kahawai schools are at the mouth of the Waimakariri, and other rivers, you can often see their backs as dark shapes in the breakers. Kahawai isn't afraid to come right into very shallow water when chasing baitfish like <u>smelt</u>, which are also called silveries. At the mouth of the Rakaia River, and many other places, Kahawai have been seen to chase the silveries right up onto the stones. With a big school of fish "sitting" in the river mouth kahawai spinning can get very exciting indeed. This is an excerpt from fishingmag.co.nz an article by <u>Allan Burgess</u> on 15/07/2023

AFTER THE FLOOD

By Andrew Young

Have you ever felt like you could read the expression on the face of a fish? If "the illness" hasn't gained so severe of a grasp on you yet, be thankful. But for those whose addiction drives them to 14hour mid-summer days in the Canterbury high country, fuelled by just a couple of OSM bars, such deluded mind states may be familiar. The animal behaviourists will tell you anthropomorphism is the cardinal sin of ethology; but I'll tell you the fish looked positively embarrassed.



The fish still runs live and free in the Poulter River above the Binser Saddle Track junction. I had spotted its mammoth proportions from well back on a high bank, cruising a backwater next to an excellent deep pool. This clever old Jack moved between pool and backwater, regularly turning downstream to mop up every passing morsel of food. Such fish are exasperatingly hard to approach, but I wasn't to be dissuaded. Crossing the river a good 100 meters back, I proceeded to crouch, then squat-shuffle, then crawl on hands and knees to take position behind a large boulder. Taking my hat off and peering around the side, my heart rate ratcheted up another notch. It was game on!



I've rarely been more excited to see a fish; given how good it is just to see a large, mature fish here, after the flood! 'Nothing fancy', I told myself. 'Use the back-current of the eddie in the backwater to float a small Dad's Favourite upstream to the fish on its downstream beat'. Why risk spooking a fish with all the myriad ills that fly casting entails? As I let line drift out, the current made the fly swirl awkwardly, but I felt satisfied that this was a natural drift. And so did the fish, which beamed with satisfaction as it rose, opened it massive jaws, snapped them shut with a mighty crack, AND COMPLETELY MISSED THE FLY!!! The air-water interface excluded my expletive-punctuated screams of

anguish from reaching the fish, which not two seconds later was looking positively confused by the emptiness of its gob, and magical reappearance of the same tasty mayfly imitation. As it came in for a closer, more cautious re-inspection, its eyes followed the fly to the tippet, along the leader, and onwards until it locked eyes with a bearded ape holding a stick. And in that moment, a look of embarrassment crossed its face, for it knew darn well that its own bungling incompetence had just saved its arse.

The Poulter is one of many Canterbury rivers that were severely inundated by the floods of May 2021. This remote valley is now even less accessible, with large sections of walking track obliterated as hillsides collapsed, raging side streams ripped out old banks, and tonnes of greywacke scree was deposited. Indeed, if you mention the Poulter or Porter, Broken or Bowyer, Ashley or Ashburton, and yet more Canterbury classics to locals, the expression on their face tells you when they last fished it. The eyes of those whose memory is restricted to pre-flood will sparkle as they recount "hooking 17 in a day" on the Broken, or "huge Brownies" in the Ashley. Meanwhile the crumpled brow of 1000 sorrows will dominate amongst those with more recent memories.









Fish were hard to come by this season in the Porter River, which was much damaged by flooding in 2021.

In their 1993 book, *Images of Silver*, Les Hill & Grahame Marshall write at length about the remarkable capacity of trout to survive seemingly devastating floods, and of rivers to recover from such events. The Mt. Pinatubo eruptions of the Philippines in 1991 were the second largest of the 20th century and in 1992 contributed to an extraordinarily severe winter in Canterbury. Rivers everywhere got pummelled for months on end. Yet, the trout still flourished. Wind the clock forward 30 years and the flooding witnessed in Canterbury, and more recently in the North Island, are on a whole other scale.



Summer2020—Broken River Stable Banks, riparian vegetation, varied flow, rising fish.



May 2023 – Broken River: A slip on the true right bank, the previously high left bank flattened, a wide expanse of riparian vegetation buried under rubble, no fish.

One may wonder how rivers will ever recover, and what the future holds?

The short answer is that Canterbury rivers and streams are still very much in recovery. But my own observations over the last season, and especially the last 6 months, give some cause for optimism. For example, in May this year, with the Broken & Porter Rivers season having been extended, I made a mission into the least accessible middle reaches of Broken River. I spent several hours walking down the Thomas River to the Porter, on to the Broken, through the gorge and well into the middle reaches. For the sake of finding better water, I gained just two hours of fishing. In those two hours I hooked five fish between 2 to 4 pounds; welcome evidence that young fish are repopulating the tributary streams from the Waimakariri. I also witnessed a thick midday rise of mayflies, a more structured riverscape, and a healthy riverbed. The lower trophic levels in the food web are doing fine.

Excursions to the upper reaches and the Porter earlier in the season revealed very low fish numbers, and little holding water due to the much-changed course of the river. The floods have filled in pools, ripped out banks, and smothered riparian vegetation in gravel. This once bubbling, winding, tumbling alpine stream with ample pocket water, is now characterised by fast, shallow, straight, and featureless channels. However, Rainbow trout are superbly adapted to create hydrodynamic advantage in fast currents, and I expect them to return to the upper reaches. Fish will likely keep moving up, supported by cold, oxygenated water flowing off the Craigeburn range, and healthy food webs. Recently, we had Professor Angus McIntosh speak at the Canterbury Anglers Club. He too, spoke of the toughness of New Zealand's native Freshwater species,





The middle-reaches of Broken River - Feb 2023

and their adaptation to our highly variable river flows. Our "May" flies, for instance, hatch in nearly all months of the year, making them remarkably resilient in the face of both drought and flood.

The long answer to what is the future of our waterways is more complex. In 1880, global CO_2 levels were 290ppm (parts per million). In 1990 it was 354ppm, and presently it's 418ppm. This equates to a 44% increase in the infra-red radiation trapping capacity of the atmosphere. Reportedly, this translated to a 15% greater rainfall intensity in the May 2021 flood event.

Returning to Hill & Marshall, they point to other extreme weather events pre-1992, explain that New Zealand's mountainous regions have long been a place of extremes, and that fisheries can and do survive these extreme events. They also point to the important exception of large hillside slips depositing fine silt and gravel over riverbeds, killing algae and invertebrates, and snuffing out food chains at their base. And isn't this exactly what we are now seeing happening with the rainfall intensities that our hillsides have never before experienced? Prof. McIntosh too, pointed to the devastating effects of sediment filling in the interstitial space between and under stones where insect larvae thrive. Stabilising the banks of small streams with riparian vegetation counter this, and provides further benefits, and is thus a major target of his work.

And what of elsewhere in the region? A similar story can be told in the Ashley River, which went from a normal winter flow through the bottom gorge of $10m^3$ /sec on May 29^{th} , 2021, to over $400m^3$ /sec on June 1^{st} . A large slip in the Whistler River, a tributary stream above the Ashley Gorge, sent sediment laden runoff downstream for several months. The subsequent fishing season was a total write-off. More recently though, this brown-trout fishery is also making a solid comeback. The Waikuku Stream and lagoon surrounding the Ashley mouth appear to have provided refuge and spawning grounds for fish swept downstream, and good numbers of younger, smaller fish can now be found throughout the entire river.





Fishing in the Ashley Gorge

I am regularly fishing the Ashley below the Okuku confluence with good results. Although pre-flood, fish of up to 18 pound were being caught in the gorge, the smaller fish now present are much harder to spot, leading many to believe the place is lifeless. Try putting a black Canterbury Lowland Cicada over a likely pool this Summer.

The worst hit of all has been the Ashburton and its tributaries like the Stour, Bowyers and Taylors Stream. To make matters worse, large amounts of earthworks have been conducted to stabilise banks against future floods. I was pleasantly surprised to find large, mature fish back in Bowyers Stream as early as October 2022

After the Flood continued:

However, another round of recent earthworks appears to have pushed them out. In April this year I went through a 4km section of Taylors stream from Roxburgh Bridge, again finding low numbers of young fish, in good condition, and universally willing to accept a fly. I am similarly hearing that sections of the South Branch of the Ashburton are making a steady comeback.

I don't like to give advice on fishing because I feel many others are more qualified and experienced. All I know I have learnt from books and fishing mentors anyway. However, I do have this important advice: go fishing! I really don't see matters getting magically better for our waterways anytime soon. Quite to the contrary, I expect that massive devastating flood events, hillside slips, chronic sedimentation and nutrient overload from agricultural sources will only intensify. By 2040, when I hope to be retired, CO₂ levels are projected to hit 450ppm. I do not anticipate my fish facial expression reading abilities to be of much utility then. All joking aside, the time to go fishing is now, before the floods!

General Fishing Licence Information excerpt from Fish & Game

There are ten different types of licence on offer. Please read the short summaries and the chart below to pick the licence that best suits your personal circumstances, lifestyle, age and stage. Then follow the simple directions on how to buy your licence.

2022 / 2023 Season

Everyone, of any age, must carry a valid New Zealand Sports Fishing Licence with them (or be named on a family licence with the primary licence holder present) when fishing for sports fish in New Zealand.

All Fish & Game fishing licences (apart from Local Area) can be used anywhere in New Zealand except the Taupo area, which is administered by the Department of Conservation (DOC). For more information on the regulations for Taupo, visit DOC's website: www.doc.govt.nz

Please note that if you buy a Local Area Licence you can only fish in the one region you have nominated – so you must be aware of that region's boundaries. Please note, fishing licences are non-refundable.

Remember that overseas visitors, must buy a full season or day Non-Resident Licence.

Your licence is a permit to fish for sports fish in accordance with

the <u>regulations</u> governing the Fish and Game New Zealand region in which you are fishing. It does not grant any right of access to land. If you want to walk over private land, please first get the permission of the land occupier.

- You must have your licence with you whenever you are fishing or carrying assembled fishing gear.
- You can use a PDF licence emailed to you either printed or on your phone screen but **you must carry photo ID as**
- You must produce your licence when requested to by a Fish & Game ranger.
- Report lost or stolen licences to your local Fish & Game office and they can issue you with a replacement.

Backcountry Endorsement, Sea Run Salmon Endorsement and Controlled Fishery Licence: To fish designated backcountry rivers or sea run salmon in North Canterbury or Central South Island Regions, you must apply for an Endorsement, to do this you must have already purchased the appropriate Whole Season Licence.

Buying Your Licence:

You can purchase your licence in several ways:

Online: by visiting our <u>online licence system</u>

In person: Visit any regional Fish & Game office or licence agent (view your local region's pages to find address and contact details for local licence agents – fishing and outdoor stores, etc).

Be aware that fishing with the wrong licence is regarded as fishing with no licence.



Fishing Licence Costs:

The chart below has details of the ten fishing licence categories, including fees, and terms and conditions.

Whole Season:

Adult (18+) - \$145

Junior (12-17) \$29

Child (under 12) Free (Licence is still required)

Age above is at 1 October

This is the best licence to fish anywhere (except Taupo) from 1 October - 30 September. For NZ resident anglers only.

Family – \$188: Fishing as a couple, with the kids or grandchildren. A family licence includes a couple and up to 4 children or grandchildren under the age of 18 on 1 October (the first day of that respective fishing season). Valid from 1 October to 30 September. For NZ resident anglers only.

Local Area Adult – \$116: Perfect for those who only fish close to home. You can fish one specified Fish & Game region only. Cannot be used in other regions. Valid from 1 October to 30 September. For NZ resident anglers only.

Loyal Senior – \$123: For senior New Zealand anglers aged over 65 on 1 October (the first day of that respective fishing season) who have held an Adult Whole Season Licence or Family Licence for the last five consecutive years or more. Valid from 1 October to 30 September. *For NZ resident anglers only.*

One Day - Adult \$23 and Junior \$5: A great way to try trout fishing....have a go! For beginners or those who want to fish for only a few hours. Valid for 24hrs from user-selected start time. *For NZ residents only*.

Short Break Adult – \$52: Ideal for a getaway holiday or novices – NZ anglers who want to fish three consecutive days or long weekend. User selects start time. *For NZ resident anglers only.*

Long Break Adult – \$101: For holidaymakers or others who plan to fish harder – NZ anglers who want to fish for nine consecutive days (Eg. Two weekends plus days in between). User selects start time. For NZ resident anglers only.

Winter Adult – \$87: For those who fish over the colder months, the second half of the season, from 1 April to 30 September. *For NZ resident anglers only*.

Non-Resident Whole Season:

Adult (18+) – \$250, Junior (under 18) \$47 & Child (under 12) \$47 Valid from 1 October to 30 September. Welcome to the best fishing in the world. Non-resident means a person who, on October 1, is NOT a NZ resident.

Non-Resident One Day:

Adult (18+) – \$35, Junior (under 18) \$21 & Child (under 12) \$21 Non-Resident means a person who, on that date, is NOT a NZ resident.

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Lodge bookings for 2023/24 season

With this year's season getting underway in a little over a month, now seems as good an opportunity as any, to update you regarding lodge bookings going forward.

Yvonne and Graham have stepped back from managing the lodge bookings, and instead you need to make contact with me going forward. Either call me on the number in the front of the magazine (after 7:30 pm at night thanks), or emails to will find their way to me now.

On the website, the lodge calendars are being progressively updated each week, going out 90 days (being the furthest out that you can make a booking).

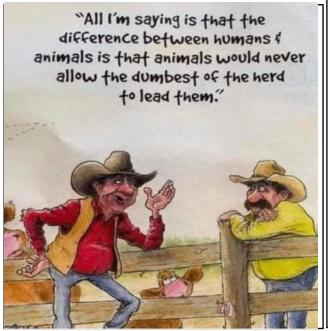
At Cass the water is off. There are instructions inside about nightly draining it until it is turned on ~ early November.

For Clearwater the calendar is showing as unavailable until after High Country Opening. When Liz and Dave return home, we will know when the water will likely be put back on up there. As with Cass, we will accept a booking for Clearwater prior to High Country Opening, but you need to follow instructions to flush the toilet with a bucket of water drawn from the north tank, and shower using water heated on the stove using the camp shower bladder stored in the bathroom.

The gas califont doesn't heat the water sufficiently to use, until the outside air temp reaches 15°C.

In addition, all bookings for peak times; Christmas until the 15th of January and all long weekends shall be considered exclusive, but will be subject to a ballot. You can enter the ballot for these periods 90 days in advance by sending me an email. The ballot shall be held 60 days prior to the occupancy date.

Andrew Wells



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NEW ZEALAND

MAYBE YOU DIDN'T KNOW THIS (I SURE DIDN'T)

The grandson of slaves, a boy was born in a poor neighborhood of New Orleans known as the "Back of Town."

His father abandoned the family when the child was an infant. His mother became a prostitute and the boy and his sister had to live with their grandmother.

Early in life he proved to be gifted for music and with three other kids he sang in the streets of New Orleans. His first gains were coins that were thrown to them.

A Jewish family, Karnofsky, who had emigrated from Lithuania to the USA, had pity for the 7-year-old boy and brought him into their home. Initially giving 'work' in the house, to feed this hungry child. There he remained and slept in this Jewish family's home where, for the first time in his life, he was treated with kindness and tenderness. When he went to bed, Mrs. Karnovsky sang him a Russian lullaby that he would sing with her.

Later, he learned to sing and play several Russian and Jewish songs. Over time, this boy became the adopted son of this family. The Karnofskys gave him money to buy his first musical instrument;

as was the custom in the Jewish families. They sincerely admired his musical talent.

Later, when he became a professional musician and composer, he used these Jewish melodies in compositions. The little black boy grew up and wrote a book about this Jewish family who had adopted him in 1907.

In memory of this family and until the end of his life, he wore a Star of David and said that in his family, he had learned "how to live real life and determination".

You might recognize his name. This little boy was called: Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong.

Louis Armstrong proudly spoke fluent Yiddish! "Satchmo" is Yiddish for Big Cheeks.

THE THREAT



Didymo is an invasive species that can form massive blooms. Thick growths can adversely affect freshwater fish, plant and invertebrate species by reducing the number of suitable habitats.

If you require more information please visit:

www.biosecurity.govt.nz/didymo

To report a suspected find of didymo please call 0800 80 99 66

Recipe Corner:

With the upcoming trip up to Kaikoura, I'm thinking that an idea for very fresh fish coming from the crystal clear waters of Kaikoura would be appropriate. Now, a wee bit of preparation as far as ingredients is required, but well worth the effort—do have a go **Ceviche** goes well with salted crackers, toasted pita bread or French baguette. Simply, put the Ceviche in a bowl and let people spoon it onto the crackers or bread.

No weights or measures here, but ideally, you'll want to have two "click clack" containers.

First one, put your own choice of lemon juice, lime juice or even mix in some orange juice (acid does the cooking)

Just ensure you have enough juice to cover the sliced fish

Second one, put some coconut cream, fine chopped red onions, chopped tomato, chilli flakes or fresh sliced—make the flavours your own!

Catch a fish !! That's the start ... Sea Perch will do just fine Fillet your fish, skin it too, then slice into strips. Drop them into your first click clack, lid on and carry on fishing. 15—20 minutes should be enough time to "cook" slices. Take slices out and drop them into the coconut cream, allow to stand for a few minutes then tuck in, topping your choice of bread or cracker or simply eat it by itself!



CANTERBURY ANGLERS CLUB BRANDED CLOTHING:

Polo Shirts and Polar fleeces with an embroidered club logo are available for you to purchase.

These are great for wearing on club trips especially those where we are in the public gaze or with other clubs.

The costs are:

Embroidered polo shirt = \$33.35 (all sizes)

Embroidered Polar Fleece = \$36.80 (all sizes)

There are also caps available from Barry Swaney.

If you wish to purchase this clothing please email Liz McDowell – with your order including the size (use your normal sizing).

When I am back from overseas I will email

you all asking for the money to be deposited in the club bank account.

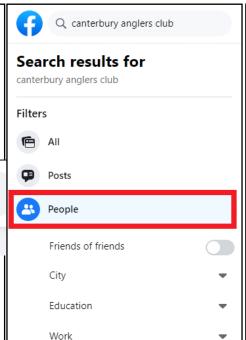






People tab or you won't find us. Tabs are along

the top if you are searching on your cell phone.



3. There should now be Canterbury
Anglers Club (has a goldfish face)

Canterbury Anglers Club

Friend Request

4. Click on the friend request button.
Once approved you will get an invitation to join The Canterbury Anglers
Club private group. Click accept.

All posts, pictures, messages and notifications will be done via this page and can be seen by members only.

Chrissy Ormandy

I just read an article
Onthe DANGERS
OF <u>drinking</u>...
Scared the Shit out of Me.
So that's it!
After today,
NO MORE <u>READING</u>.



I just ordered a life alert bracelet so if I get a life, I'll be notified immediately.



◆ ANGLERS OUTFITTERS ◆

359 Lincoln Road, Christchurch (over the railway line)

Phone 338 3131, Email info@fishermansloft.co.nz

Combined Fishing Clubs Delegates Meeting Hosted by Canterbury Angler's Club at The Hornby Club.

Date: 21 August 2023

Clubs Represented: – Hornby, Woolston, New Brighton, Ferrymead, Canterbury Anglers, Papanui, Rangiora, Richmond Club. The Canterbury Sport Fishing Club was not represented on this occasion.

Club Roundup:

Hornby: Brunner April trip date change to after Easter - now $5^{th} - 6^{th}$ April 2024. Recent trip to French Pass. Annual trip to Twizel for the High Country Opening weekend.

New Brighton: Last weekend was a Moeraki charter trip. Annual Twizel trip in October.

Woolston: Ohuria Domain is the venue for the Trout opening season competition. Weigh in at noon. They have their own petition at Otematata at Show weekend.

Papanui: Matariki weekend trip to Twizel went well. 8 person attending with a 4kg salmon and a 2.4kg rainbow as part of the bag. Just had a good weekend at Lake Coleridge with Canty Anglers Club. Suggest the same rules for the High Country Opening competition at Coleridge – Fish weighed whole so they can be entered at the Fish and Game event.

Ferrymead: Just had their AGM with changes to the top table. Had a trip to French Pass with 34 attending – fishing was very hard for regulation fish but Snapper and Kingfish were caught. Trips coming up in October include Moeraki Sea and Twizel canals.

Rangiora: Rough weather has been hard on their schedule. Kaikoura has been hammered – last trip was getting 2/3 cod –suggest pots would be handy. 2 trips coming up at both at Kaikoura and Moeraki. The Club has brought self-inflating life vests which must now be worn on the boat – the result of some whoopsies on a previous trip.

Richmond: Welcome back to the Delegates meeting. Their direction has predominantly been sea fishing but some new members wish to bring fresh water fishing into the Club. Had a trip out of Timaru but the Groper seemed to have disappeared. Their trip to Kaikoura landed **small** Cod and crayfish. Richmond are hosting the Clubs NZ SI Trout competition in 2024 (March?). Any help/advice Hornby or Papanui can offer would be appreciated.

Canterbury Anglers: Since the May meeting we had a very successful trip to Otematata with Woolston/Papanui. Ferrymead were non-starters this trip, but we hear that they wish to continue with the event. Accommodation for our Club may now be sorted – owing to the Lodge closure. August we were invited to a Mid-Winter fish at Lake Coleridge with the Papanui Club. A great time was had and the weather was brilliant. (Talk about lucky, what with the week's weather prior). Sept is our Kaikoura trip, so hopefully our luck is better than some of these Club reports suggest. We have had our AGM and our Club Auction night is tomorrow night – all welcome.

Off the floor: It was brought up that a Club had heard that TAKE A KID FISHING was not being held this year????. Apparently Fish and Game have refused to allow the release of trout (600 – 800??) into the Groins, apparently as some may escape and mate with the wild stock. It was suggested that F&Game wanted to take over the organisation of the event. Heavy discussion was had on the merits of all things relating to TAKF and the venue. We await the release of further information over the next few weeks as the event is normally held in September. Meeting closed at 7.50.





Club Trophies

The annual trophies competed for by financial Club Members are:

Anniversary Trophy The best photograph taken by or of a club member (all photographs for magazine also considered)
C.R.Ogier Cup The heaviest salmon caught by a club member (Sea Run fish—alt is Lake Fish if no other entries)

D.C.Wilson Shield The heaviest fish caught in surf, on rod & line
Drewery Cup The heaviest trout caught by a club member

Canal Trophy The heaviest fish caught in the Waitaki Hydro Canals (Lake Ruataniwha / Upper Ohau River excluded)

Lady Isaac Trophy The heaviest Salmon caught at Rakaia whilst staying at the Don Brown Lodge

Salt Water Lure Cup The heaviest fish caught on a fly, in the sea

Greg Kemp Memorial Trophy The heaviest trout caught on a fly from shore or non-motorised vessel (New Trophy)

Secretaries Trophy The heaviest rainbow trout caught by a club member

Ashby Berg Cup

The best conditioned rainbow trout, caught by a club member
Cromb & Merritt Shield

The best conditioned brown trout, caught by a club member
NZ Farmers Cup

The best-conditioned trout caught by a lady member

Coleridge Brass Monkey Trophy

The heaviest fish caught during the Coleridge Brass Monkey Competition (Only CAC / Combined Clubs)

Conservation Cup For conserving fish population on the Alf Palmer Memorial Trip (Consider % of fish returned per bag)

Fly Angler's Shore Trophy

The heaviest fish caught by a shore based angleron a fly, on the Alf Palmer Memorial Trip

Kevin Lynch Trophy The member of the Alf Palmer Memorial trip team who caught the most fish.

Marles Benmore Trophy
The heaviest trout caught on the Alf Palmer Memorial Trip
Benmore Trophy
The best-conditioned fish caught on the Alf Palmer trip
Richard Marles Challenge
The most fish caught on the Richard Marles Challenge Weekend

Bryan Coulter Trophy Heaviest fish on rod & line on a Club boat trip. (For fish caught on boat trips at sea only)

Spackman Cup The heaviest trout caught on a Club trip. (Except club specific trips ie. Alf Palmer & Richard Marles)

Junior Delegate's Trophy

The Junior Member who catches the heaviest trout on Junior's Day.

Adams Brown Rooster The heaviest fish, caught by a junior, on a Club Trip

P.G. Ellis Cup The best conditioned trout caught by a junior member.

Hut Fees

Fees for the Club huts are as follows:

Members Flat rate: \$30.00 per person per night in all the Club Huts if you are willing to share with other members.

To book the facility exclusively for yourself, or your group, then the charge will be \$60.00 (two people) plus

\$10.00 each for additional person. Children under 12 yrs. Free.

Accompanied non-members As for club members

To book a hut for non-members: The rate for non-members authorised to stay at any of the Club Huts is \$35.00 per person for one and two

people, then \$15.00 per person for any additional people.

<u>Caravans/campervans on site:</u> Casual = \$15.00 per night, plus \$10.00 for each additional person

Long term = by arrangement with the Committee.

Hut Rules

- 1. Huts may only be booked by financial members of the club.
- 2. Bookings may be made, no more than 90 days in advance.
- 3. The Club member who makes the booking must be in residence when the hut is used and is responsible for the behavior of guests and any damage, should any occur.
- 4. Only one hut booking can be made at any one time.
- 5. Any damage must be reported immediately.
- 6. Empty gas bottles must be returned to the booking convener for refilling.
- 7. At peak times Christmas to 15th January and all long weekends hut bookings shall be considered exclusive, but will be subject to a ballot if more than one party wants to book. The ballot shall be held 60 days prior to the occupancy date.
- 8. Through the balance of the year bookings shall be on a first come basis.
- 9. Bookings can only be for a maximum of seven days.
- 10. All hut users to take note of specific instructions on the safe use of equipment in the huts as detailed in the manuals provided in each facility.
- 11. Intentions books are placed in each hut, please use them, it may save a life.
- 12. If the lawns need mowing when you are staying at any of our lodges, it is expected that you mow them. Fuel cost for the mower will be reimbursed. The reward for mowing them is that you can shout yourself a beer when they are done.

Application for Membership							
Pleas	e tick the appropriate box:						
Are you	A new member Or An existing member						
Type of m	embership (tick one) Fee: (All less \$10.00 if paid prior to the 1 st September)						
	Junior (under 16 years) \$40.00						
	Intermediate senior (16 to 20) \$45.00						
	Senior (over 20) \$70.00						
	Family (principal adult/partner & dependant junior children \$75.00						
•	attending secondary school up to and incl. Yr. 13)						
Magazines	will be distributed by email, please confirm your email address below unless the following applies:						
- Require m	agazine by mail as I do not have a broadband internet connection (tick the box)						
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Which I	of the following types of fishing do you do?						
	Trout - spinning Salmon - spinning Sea - boat						
	Trout - fly Salmon - lure Course fishing						
	Trout – trolling/ harling Surfcasting White baiting						
Payments:	Please return this form and remit with appropriate amount to the Treasurer at a club meeting, or post (cheque only) to: Canterbury Anglers Club Inc. 19 Crown Close Prebbleton, Christchurch 7604, or email to:						
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Direct credits can be made to: 11-7800-0048004-11. Please include your name for reference.							



Our Rakaia Club Lodge is still available for hire over the winter months.

There's been a lot of work done here including a recently updated bathroom. Even on a cold night, the log fire will keep the whole place toasty warm.

Canterbury Anglers Club (Inc.) Fish of the Month Competition Entry Form

Name:					ate of catch:	
Address:						
Species caug	ght:					
	Trout		Salmon		Other F/W	
		Brown trout		Quinnat (Chinook)		Perch
		Rainbow trout		Land-locked		Tench
		Brook trout		Sockeye		
		Salt water				
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Details:						
Location:						
	Club trip		Angler si	gnature:		
	Shore fishing					
	Boat fishing		Witnes	ss signature:		
	Canal fishing					

- FOM entries can be emailed directly from your phone to
- Download a copy of the FOM Entry from our Web Site onto your phone for ease of making an entry each month
- Entries for FOM must be in the hands of a committee member before or on Club night each month
- Entries for the current season close on the 3rd Tuesday in June
- Any individual can only win FOM once in each financial year
- All entries are potential Trophy winners even if they are not FOM winners for that month



On the Left:

Bruce Rule's 48.0cm

Blue Cod.

Note the measuring mat which will be a very important part of our required equipment at our upcoming Kaikoura Trip.