

AAT GENERAL MEETING

SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2008, CAMPBELL TOWN

Present

R Dax (Chair), T Byard, M Caminada, N Cribbin, D Edwards, J Broomby, N Grose, T Williams, CBicanski, P Murphy, T Lambert, H Stewart, (J Diggle)

Apologies

M Stevens, R Butler, S Bax, G Davis, Brian Cameron (on behalf of A Hope)

Meeting opened at 10.00am

Minutes of last meeting

Motion: "To accept the Minutes of the meeting held September 2008"

Moved: T Byard Seconded: M Caminada Carried

Matters arising

All items to be covered in agenda

Correspondence in/out:

Distributed for viewing

Financial Report

Written report provided by Roger Butler showing current bank balances

Chairman's Report

Activity list distributed and discussed

Re Executive Officer position – H Stewart can no longer provide hours required to support Chairman adequately in administrative and project role, however, will be available to assist on one-off projects as help is required.

- Please provide names of any persons who may be interested in the position of Exec Officer, 1-3 days per week, to R Dax before Christmas Day.

Shannon Lagoon

Receiving inquiries as to why more is not being done. RD advised meeting that the HEC had conducted research into this water and believed that no matter what action might be taken the nature of the substrate would always have a negative effect. In addition the HEC pump water into Great Lake from the Shannon and this had a value of some \$1.5 million so any thought of emptying the lake would not be possible. This information was endorsed by John Diggle who advised that the Lake's condition was likely to remain as is.

Sorell and Crescent

Anglers can take credit for influencing the recent good decision from Minister Garrett refusing a water release.

➤ R Dax to draft a policy re irrigation

J Diggle IFS arrived

Inland Fisheries Service Report – J Diggle

Trout removal from Lake Crescent has commenced. 430 removed so far.

Looking at alternate sites to relocate Golden Galaxia to ensure some viable populations remain.

18 'Access' brochures have been completed and printed. Also on website for download.

The following stocking has occurred in the past 2-3 months:

Blackman's Lagoon, Brumby's Creek, Brushy Lagoon, Bruiser's Lake, Cameron's Lake, Dee Lagoon, Four Springs, Lake Barrington, Little Waterhouse Lake, Meadowbank Lake, Pet Dam, Pioneer Dam, Riley's Creel Reservoir, Brady's Lake.

More stocking to occur before Christmas including triploid Brown trout. 70,000 diploids to go into Lake Echo.

IFS Annual Report and IFS Carp Management Program report now available.

Lunch. J Diggle left.

Tourism Tasmania & RFDP Progress

Rebecca McKinney is the new contact at Tourism Tasmania. Have received an extra \$20,000 cash and additional in-kind support and projects are now underway.

Spirit of Tasmania

Sponsorship has been arranged with TT-Line including both cash and passage discounts on sailings at the time of tournaments/competitions.

Signs and Brochures Project

As reported earlier by J Diggle the project is nearing completion. 18 brochures printed and signs erected at some 40 waters.

The Committee moved a vote of congratulation on Neil Morrow's professionalism and the quality of the finished product.

Insurance

Invoices have been sent to those Clubs participating and payments coming in slowly.

Website

Fishing Tasmania website developing. View at www.fishingtasmania.net/live

Habitat Fund

A number of enquiries have been made to the Trust Chairman but no response as yet.

➤ Suggested that we approach Nigel Forteach

Future make-up of AAT Management Committee

Suggestion to provide Independent representatives with business cards to assist them in seeking anglers views/comments/input.

John Broomby undertook to get the Northern Forum together prior to next meeting to ensure their representation.

Todd Lambert expressed the Longford Club's wish to continue to attend meetings in their own right.

All Clubs to be contacted with the offer to join the AAT meetings. Holding a meeting once a year in North and North-west and sending an invitation to local Clubs could promote some interest. Next meeting to be held at Latrobe to further this suggestion.

Other business:

Junior Angler – please advise Trevor Williams (Devonport) when program is ready to go into schools.

Information of Sport and Recreation Funding Grants distributed. Will be emailed to all Clubs.

Next meeting Sunday 15 March 2008
 Axeman's Hall Of Fame
 10am