



THE FLYFISHER NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT’S REPORT

No Report from Dave this month, he is taking a well-earned break.

OBITUARY- GRAHAM LITTLE

Graham passed away peacefully in his sleep on 6th January. Graham was an enthusiastic and experienced fly fisherman, particularly in the saltwater area and in fact held a couple of IGFA world records.

He was a committee member in the early days of North Shore Fly Fishers Club but in more recent years, periods of ill health kept him from enjoying the sport he loved.

He had lately become a regular contributor to our club newsletter with beautifully scripted articles of his “swoffing” adventures particularly around the Bay of Islands. Graham will be sadly missed by his fellow club members.

Rest in peace Graham.

FISHING REPORT

Auckland / Waikato

This is a bit further afield but still a river many Members love to fish. Mitch recently went down to the Kawekas to fish the backcountry and the upper reaches of the Mohaka River for 5 days. There were plenty of fish about and the river was very clear but became quite dirty after a day of rain and Thunderstorms. The Biggest fish of his Trip was a rainbow around the 7-8lb mark and most of the fish caught were an average of 4lb.

*Stunning country...
Photo courtesy of*



Mitchel Blackburn.

Rotorua

On the way home from his back country trip Mitch stayed in Rotorua for 1 night and checked out the Nongotaha Stream. *“But the fish were few and far between and seemed a bit timid from all the fishing pressure over the holiday period. Albeit there was some fish being caught here and there from what I heard. The Water was very clear and low and there was a bit of algae on the rocks from the Summer temperatures.”* I have fished this river twice over the holidays and Mitch’s report encapsulates the situation there perfectly.

In my opinion the Ngongotaha is in need of a good protracted flood that will help to flush out some of the silt build up. A lot of pools have been damaged by being silted up and a flood that last for several days should help to move this silt down to the Lake.

Taupo

Where to start... Lake Taupo itself is producing some great results for the Jiggers and some nice fatties for the Trollers as well. On top of this there has been some good stream mouth fly fishing happening as well. Best Flies, Grey Ghost, and Silicon Smelts.

The Evening hatches on the Tongariro are in full swing, when the wind is not howling, and the daytime dry fly and nymphing has been producing some very nice fish for those prepared to move around.

The Tauranga Taupo has fish in it but they need a stealthy approach and long, light leaders.



John has been doing a bit of harvesting stocking up his freezer with fat, red fleshed fillets, vacuumed packed and ready for the BBQ. Photo courtesy of John Cuthbertson.

Saltwater

Barrie has been out and about just north of Auckland and doing well with the Snapper. Closer to home there have been some fantastic reports of Kingfish being hooked near the marker buoys, and even the odd one landed. Again, when the wind is not howling! Get out there.

Fishy Tales

- If you do have a report, success story, or anecdote to share then just send it to iconpromote@gmail.com . Happy Fishing and Tight Lines – Freddy Da Fish.

LAST CLUB NIGHT

Last month we had our Christmas function and reverse auction. It was a very enjoyable Meeting and thank you once again to everyone.

NEXT CLUB NIGHT – 19th FEBRUARY 7.30 PM

As usual there is no Meeting In January, our next Meeting is February 19th.

WHY WE FISH

*"I am not against golf, since I cannot suspect it keeps armies of the unworthy
from discovering trout."*

Paul O'Neil

CHANGES TO CONTACT DETAILS

Committee members organising club trips and similar events are finding that the phone and email information that we hold for some members has become out of date. If you have changed your address, landline number, mobile number or email address in the last year or so and have not passed the new details on to NSFF, could you please advise Barrie Barnes by email, his email address is barrie@flyfishinginxs.kiwi .

FISHING BUDDIES SOUGHT

The intention is to display a list of names of Club Members that are keen on finding a 'buddy' to go fishing with, either on a regular basis or just for a day. In essence it's a fly-fishing dating service...

Name	Availability	Contact Details
Ron Blair	Anytime, has a 14.4 Marco with 60hp etc Evenrude for serious fishing Salt or Fresh	home 09 834 8841 mobile 0275 006 336 ron.blair@xtra.co.nz
Les Rose	Retired and is happy to take another person fishing during the week.	home 09 4183634
Graham Carter	Lives in Hamilton, keen on weekday / mid-week trips.	021 026 00437 07 855 1833
Lloyd Altham	Has 12' Pontoon boat /15 HP Honda. Available most time, but prefer weekdays.	Mob. 021 0295 9167 Home 09 420 3120 email-lloyd@skysupply.co.nz
Gary Bolstad	Keen to get out Stream, Lake or even Saltwater fly-fishing. Has both Fish & Game and Taupo season licences so keen to go almost anywhere. Retired so free to go most of the time.	Mobile 022 379 3070 gd.bolstad@gmail.com
Derek Robinson	Retired available most times keen to do Waikato streams and most other things.	Ph 4437311 Mob: 0212 595 371 pamanddek@outlook.com

CLUB TROPHIES

Brown Trout Trophy – This is awarded to The Heaviest Brown Trout caught by a Club Member during the year – 1st April to 31st March. Current holder is **Fikrit Chinassi**.

Chain Snore Trophy – A fun award given immediately after any Club Trip to the person who has done the 'funniest' thing over the weekend. If nobody has had anything like this happen it may be awarded to the worst snorer. Current Holder is **Tim Ross!**

Ian Hunt Memorial Trophy – Heaviest Trout caught fly-fishing by a Club Member during the Pupuke Challenge Competition. A competition run every year to promote the Lake Pupuke fishery. This was not held this year. Current holder is **Lucas Bathurst**.

I Love Flyfishing Trophy – Awarded to the Club Member who has caught the most species of Saltwater fish fly-fishing over the year – 1st April to 31st March. Current holder is **Johan Kok**.

Rodd And Gunn Trophy – This is the Club Competition which takes place over two days. One day on a Lake and one day on a River. The Winner this year is **Johan Kok**.

The Lake part of the competition has its own Trophy, the **I Love Flyfishing Stillwater Trophy**. The winner of this year's event is **Duncan Frew**.

The winner of this year's River section is **Duncan Frew**.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

All fishermen are liars; it's an occupational disease with them like housemaid's knee or editor's ulcers."

Beatrice Gray Cook

BROWN TROUT TROPHY” COMPETITION RULES

Winning fish will be determined by weight.

Verification by partner where possible and/or by photograph.

Details to be provided to any committee member.

Competition period April 1st to March 31st . Prize awarded at AGM in April.

Winner's name and weight of fish to be published in May club newsletter.

NSFF CLUB SALT WATER FLY FISHING COMPETITION RULES

The “essence” of the competition is to encourage club member participation and in the process, to award a winner's trophy to the individual who catches the greatest number of salt water species. It will run from 1st April in one year to 31st March in the next year with the trophy awarded at the following AGM. For the full rules please refer to the Club Website www.nssf.org.nz



A beautiful Mohaka Rainbow from a beautiful river. Photo courtesy of Mitchell Blackburn.

NORTH SHORE FLYFISHERS DVD LIBRARY

Over the years the Club has purchased some videos and been very fortunate in having a number more donated for Club Members use. There is almost certainly something there that will appeal to you. So if you would like to borrow one just let any Committee Member know (contact details are on the back page of this Newsletter).

Club Videos

Flyfishing with Dave McLellan June 2015 (15 DVD's)
New Zealand FlyTying (with John Giacon) A Tight Lines Ltd Presentation (2 DVD's)
Tie A Fly with John Morton The Master Fly Tier
Blue Water Fishing Techniques (ITM Fishing Show) Matt Watson
New Zealand Trophy Waters (Volume 6) Bruce Masson A Deep Stream Production
New Zealand Trophy Waters (Volume 7) Bruce Masson A Deep Stream Production
Running Down The Man A Felt Soul Media Production
Advanced Fly Casting Doug Swisher Essence of Fly Casting
Chasing Silver (Tarpon fishing in Florida) Howard Films. Com
How to Succeed on Reservoirs Part 1 Boat Tackle, Tactics and Flies
How to Succeed on Reservoirs Part 2 Boat Tackle, Tactics and Flies
How to Succeed on Small Stillwaters Part 2 Stalking Patterns and Techniques
NZ Fly Fishing Adventures Going Remote Mike Kirkpatrick
NZ Fly Fishing Adventures Going Remote Volume I Nelson District-Mike Kirkpatrick
NZ Fly Fishing Adventures Going Remote Volume 2 West Coast-Mike Kirkpatrick
NZ Fly Fishing Adventures The Distant Browns of Emerald-Mike Kirkpatrick
The Manic Guide to Fly Casting Rene Vaz
Fly Fishing in NZ
Stealth with a Fly-NZ Wilderness waters Dean Bell Fly Fishing
SoulFish 2 Global fly fishing Adventures with April Vokey and others
Gulf Harbour Outdoors with Geoff Thomas NZ fly fishing for Trout and Salmon
Salt Water Fly Fishing Game Fishing
Bugs of the Underworld Lisa Cutter
NZ Fly Fishing MP4s Youtube Video's (4 discs)
Snapper Secrets (vol 2)
Fly Fishing in NZ (fishing Clips from Mobil Sport on TV3)
How to Fish Rapala Lures
Essential Patterns with Oliver Edwards Vol 1
Fly Fishing For Reservoir Trout (at Pitsford) Bob Church
Trout Secrets with Geoff Thomas
Fishing in Fiordland
Wee Wets and Small Drys

CLUB TRIPS 2025 - 2026

February –Ngongotaha River and Rotorua Lakes –FEB 21st 22nd 23rd 2025
March – Lake Otamangakau – MAR 28th 29th 30th 2025
May – Ngongotaha River and Rotorua Lakes –MAY 2025
July – Tongariro and Tauranga Taupo – JUL 2025
August – Tongariro – Club River Fishing Competition – AUG 2025
September – Tauranga Taupo – SEP 2025
November – Lake based Club Competition Trip – NOV 2025
December / January – Tuition weekend (Held if enough ‘novice’ anglers are interested)
December – Lake Otamangakau – NOV 2025

The NSF committee arrange various Club Trips over the year to different parts of the country. If you would like to be involved, or have an idea for a trip please let one of your committee know.

FEBRUARY CLUB TRIP TO NGONGOTAHA AND ROTORUA AREA

This February Trip to fish the Ngongotaha River and the Rotorua region is on the weekend of Friday 21st , Saturday 22nd , Sunday 23rd February. We will again be staying at the Paradise Valley Lodge. Costs will be \$125.00 each, which will cover 2 nights’ accommodation in the lodge and a BBQ on Saturday evening. If you want to come down on the Thursday, as many of us do, then simply add \$55 to make it \$180.00.

Also, a variety of private rooms are available as well.

If you are keen just let me know which nights you can make ASAP and then pay your money to the Club in any of the normal ways.

- internet banking to the Club's bank account: North Shore Flyfishers Incorporated ASB A/c #: 12-3209-0190179-00 (please include your name and the word Ngonga as a reference);
- Or by Cash on the November, December or February Club Nights

Duncan – 021 648 956 – iconpromote@gmail.com

This Trip is almost full so please let me know ASAP.

MARCH CLUB TRIP TO LAKE OTAMANGAKAU

I am proposing the weekend of 28th 29th 30th March (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) with a number of us arriving on Thursday the 27th.

While it is predominately a boat fishery, the Te Whaiiu (inlet) canal which can be fished from the shore, and particularly the “holding” area immediately above the road bridge, offers a big range of casting positions. Just be aware that with an altitude of some 2,000 feet above sea level, the conditions can go from warm and pleasant to bleak very quickly!

By March, the Trout are BIG, fat and in prime condition, with lots of insect activity, providing some fantastic fishing activity. Costs will be \$55 per person per night.

The Accommodation is your own little room with 2 beds, 1 for sleeping and the other for your gear.

There are shared cooking facilities.

I have “penciled in” 8 cabins at Tongariro Holiday Park so if anyone is interested, please let me know ASAP.

Dave Symes - Ph: 09 486-6257 - Email: dssymes@xtra.co.nz



The 'Big O' fish can be hard to catch at times, but when you do they are immensely memorable. Photo courtesy of Peter Schierhout.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A Presidential Candidate visited a small town in the back and beyond of Oregon, USA, and promptly asked the locals what they could do for them.

“We have two big needs” said the town spokesperson, “Firstly, we have a Health Centre but no Doctor”.

The Politician promptly wiped out their mobile phone, talked for a while and then said “I have sorted it out, a Doctor will arrive here tomorrow. What was your other big need?”

To which the Village Spokesperson replied “We have no mobile phone reception at all in our village”.

TIPS AND TRICKS

At an earlier Club Meeting we had a session all about Tips and Tricks that we might choose to use with our fishing. With that in mind we will use this section for any helpful little Tips that anyone may have that can benefit us all. So, if you have a quick Tip that you are happy to share just let me know on iconpromote@gmail.com.

CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE

Some of you will already know that the Club has a Facebook Page. It has been underutilized for a while and this is just a reminder to those who already know and information for those who didn't know until now. The link is below, and also on the Clubs Website <https://nsff.org.nz/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/217979378948826/members>

Please do join the page and post away, it really is a case of every post will encourage others to post and before we know it the Club will have a thriving online presence.



The Ngongotaha may be fishing hard at the moment but there are still some spectacular fish being caught. Andrew with his new PB Trout, a stonking Brownie. Photo courtesy of Andrew Todd.

FISH AND GAME LINKS

Fishing access maps

If you are travelling around the country or even if you are staying close to home, Fish & Game has updated our online access maps.

You can check out the links on this [page](#) for where you intend to fish this season. We have loads of locations for anglers around the country for you to get in a bit of fishing. Have a look; you might be surprised to find a spot close to you that you never knew existed.

Trout fishing made easy

Our [YouTube channel](#) has heaps of helpful videos that will help you catch fish.

We have everything from [Five Quick Tips for River Fishing](#) to [Lake Fishing](#) and our popular [boat fishing video](#). There are also many other videos on lures, soft baits and fishing locations that can provide tips and tricks for anglers of all skill levels.

FISH AND GAME NORTHLAND REEL LIFE JANUARY



A limit of plump trout taken from Whau Valley Dam recently

River And Stream Update

The rivers and streams of the region have been hard fishing in low, clear water. Very low rainfall through October and November in much of the region saw the rivers drop to a similar level as they were back in late January. Some recent rainfall has been a relief and the meteorological reports are predicting late summer may see more regular rain which will be required to avoid drought conditions.

Reservoir Update



Whau valley fishing has been getting progressively better. With the warming water the insect life has been proliferating, creating an abundant food source for fish cruising the shorelines. The fish that are being caught are in great condition with deep pink/red fillets – ideal for the smoker. Even the fish from the recent liberation in May are reaching takeable size which shows that growth rates are good. The observant angler will notice that there are plenty of dragonflies around. When this is the case a dragonfly or damselfly larva

imitation is a good option. Recently caught fish have had bellies full of dragonfly larva. If you can see dragonfly shell husks on the rocks and banks (see photo below), then you know that the larvae are active in the water column and the trout are likely seeking them out below the surface. A simple, effective rig is to hang two flies 2-3 feet under a float or indicator, the first being a bead head nymph with a dropper line tied off the gape of the nymph hook going to your dragonfly larva imitation. Cast it out from the dam wall or shore line and watch that indicator. When it bobs under lift the rod to set the hook. Once the surface water gets too warm the fishing will slow in the reservoirs so give it a go while the fish are still active on the surface within easy reach of the shore.

The husk of a dragonfly larva on a rock at the dam wall

Regulation Changes

No changes to the regulations. All our waters are open year round to all permitted methods.

We need your help!!

If you catch any trout in Northland can you please weigh and measure the fish. Then send that information to us either via email or messenger. Any size fish will give us useful

information on the health of the fishery. Don't worry we will keep your prized spot secret. Any fish catch data submitted will go into the draw for a whole season licence or family licence.

FISH AND GAME AUCKLAND / WAIKATO REEL LIFE JANUARY

The Anglers Have Spoken!

Submissions on the proposed changes to the Auckland/Waikato fishing regulations have closed, and there has been a strong response from fly anglers. In our 2018 angler survey, over 1000 respondents indicated they collectively spent 54% of their time fly fishing, and our 2024 regulation change survey had 168 respondents with 74% of their collective time spent fly fishing. Not surprisingly, fly anglers were more likely to make a submission or respond and generally disliked the idea of opening fly-only areas to other users. The non-fly anglers generally supported opening fly-only waters to spin fishing.

Responses from licence holders are very important to our council's decision-making process, and all responses will be considered. Staff are in the process of sorting through the email responses that will be combined with survey results in the report to council. The Auckland/Waikato Fish & Game Council will decide on the rule changes during the February 2025 council meeting. The meeting will be held on the 15th of February at the New Zealand Deerstalkers Association Hall in Hamilton starting at 11 am. Anglers are welcome to attend.

AUCKLAND/WAIKATO

Sports Fishing Regulations 2024/2025

Fish & Game NEW ZEALAND

AUCKLAND/WAIKATO REGION

Auckland

Hamilton

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SCAN FOR ALL REGULATIONS

Summer Is Here, And It Is Time To Enjoy This Amazing Country!

The hot weather is going to push fish into our higher-elevation streams for the holidays. Staff have received some amazing fish returns over the last month with most Lake Arapuni rainbows in great condition. The growth rates are some of the highest reported for the lake with one fish putting on 2 kg in a year. Fish have started to move into thermal refuges like the mouth of the Little Waipa and Pokaiwhenua in Lake Karapiro, so if trolling is not working, look for cold water. If you need help finding a spot to fish, please check out our [Travel Guide](#) and the [Outdoor Access Map](#) (over 100 fishing spots), or contact our Fisheries Manager for suggestions adaniel@fishandgame.org.nz. We will be shutting our office for the holiday season, so if you need suggestions on where or how to fish, don't wait until Christmas Eve.

FISH AND GAME EASTERN REEL LIFE JANUARY



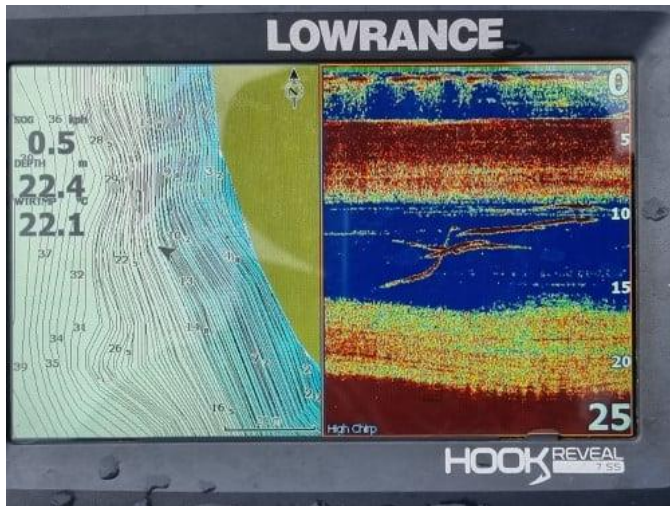
Roger Bowden Okataina

Scorching Hot Fishing!

In the lead-up to the Christmas break, it looks like scorching hot weather will play a major role in the tactics for summer trout.

Lake temperatures during December were well above the previous year's, which was relatively cool. Surface temperatures on many lakes have tipped over 23 degrees C during the middle part of the day forcing fish to seek out cooler water.

Trout can be seen actively feeding between depths of 15 and 25m and are targetable with most methods including lead and wire lines, downrigger and jig/softbait. Early morning and evening are the best time.



Thick clutter visible but it can contain lots of fish

A quick look at the fish finder (sonar) shows large, thick bands of material, commonly known as 'clutter' between depths of around 5m and 15m, and sometimes another band below that. This can make spotting fish difficult but the clutter contains lots of food, so be sure to fish lures well through these layers.

Softbaits are particularly effective at bringing fish out of hiding as are larger than normal bulky flies that can be easily seen by fish.

Natural colour softbaits have been working well, as have Grey Ghosts, Badgers, Parsons' Glory and Ginger Mick flies. Tassie Traffic Light and Brown Trout #46, #51 and anything with green and white have been working well also.

Rotoiti, Tarawera and Okataina continue to produce excellent-sized fish with many of the hatchery-released two-and-a-half-year-old fish now tipping the scales around 3kg.

Rising temperatures have the Lake Rotorua scene well underway. Good fish are being caught from all of the popular spots including the Ngongotaha, Waiteti, Awahou and Hamurana stream mouths.

Datawatch Tagged Trout

Tagged trout can now be entered online. Entries go into the draw to win one of 10 free whole-season fishing licences: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QCH5ZR6>

Eastern Region Fishing Diaries – All Lakes And Streams

Fill in your fishing diaries here to help us manage the Eastern Fish & Game region. Participants go in the draw to win a \$100 voucher from Kilwell: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QRSD7D3>



One of Mitches backcountry stunners. Photo courtesy of Mitchell Blackburn.

TAUPŌ FISHERY FOCUS.

By trout anglers for trout anglers.

Issue 38 - December 2024.

As 2024 draws to a close, the DOC Taupō Fishery Management Team would like to wish you a happy holiday season.

The Taupō Fishing District has a great deal to offer at this time of year. From quiet remote backcountry fishing experiences to busy group trips on a charter boat, and heaps in between. If you would like to catch a trout or two there are a wealth of options.

If you are unsure where to start, why not visit our website and check out the ‘[Where to fish](#)’ page or perhaps the ‘[How to fish](#)’ page. Both should help provide some useful

inspiration. Fishing stores are also a great source of local advice, and they will be very happy to provide any gear you require. Some accommodation providers can also be a good place to pick up a pointer or two.

The website is a great place to buy your fishing licences. The online licence store is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and has a variety of licence options to suit different circumstances. Please make sure you have a valid licence before you start fishing - www.doc.govt.nz/fishinglicence

Feel free to harvest trout over summer. The fishing has been exceptional over the last few years and our technical data confirms trout numbers are high within the Lake Taupō catchment. Harvesting is an important way to keep trout numbers in balance with smelt (their primary food source). This will help ensure Lake Taupō remains a sustainable fishery, that continues to produce healthy trout.

Once again, we would like to wish you an enjoyable break. Have fun, stay safe and don't forget to take a few photos - we will be running our photo competition again next year!

Tight lines. James Barnett - Editor

Waitahanui Bridges Complete.

After 60 years of sterling service three old bridges spanning the Waitahanui River had reached the end of their working lives and needed replacement. Bridges form a critical part of the track network around the Waitahanui, allowing anglers to cross the river easily. Therefore, it was decided to design and build three replacements.

The old bridges were regarded by many as an important part of the Waitahanui River fishing experience. Therefore, new bridges were designed to capture the spirit of the old structures, with prominent arches and laminated support beams. Accessibility had been a criticism in the past, so the replacements incorporate a gentler curve which makes them easier to use.

Another issue with the old designs was the underscoring and erosion associated with the concrete pillars. The concrete supports were located beside the river, so over time water flowing around the structure, particularly during elevated flows, caused erosion. Supports for the new bridges are located a couple of metres back from the river, avoiding this issue.

While the new bridges are now open for use, a couple of the old bridges still remain in place. These old structures are due to be helicoptered off site early in the new year.

Anglers will notice the access tracks have been slightly modified to allow for the increased span of the new bridges. Where there is a choice, we suggest anglers use the new bridges rather than the older structures.



Harvest Trout This Summer.

Recent technical monitoring data confirms there are high numbers of good-sized fish in the Lake Taupō catchment and catch rates for most anglers have been high. At first glance this appears to be excellent news for anglers, however, looking ahead there is a cautionary note.

According to our Winter Creel Survey, which we featured in the last edition of Taupō Fishery Focus, the percentage of catch-and-release across the three rivers we surveyed - Tongariro, Tauranga-Taupō and Hinemaiaia Rivers - ranged between 70-80%. This is a slight decrease in the percentage of anglers practicing catch-and-release compared to recent years, but the figures are still higher than we would like for the Taupō fishery. Given the current large population of trout and reduced productivity in Lake Taupō, there is concern around the growing pressure hungry trout will apply to their primary food source in the lake - smelt.

Therefore, we encourage people to harvest trout over the summer. Trout are great to eat and can be cooked in a variety of ways. You will also know you are helping Taupō remain a healthy sustainable trout fishery, where trout live in balance with smelt.

You can find out why harvesting is important to the Taupō Fishing District online:

[Taupō trout - harvest or catch-and-release? Taupo Trout Fishery](#)

Temperature Monitoring Data From Lake Otamangakau.

Lake Otamangakau is a shallow mountain lake that has earned a reputation for producing trophy trout. The numbers of really big trout had been in decline, so in 2022 changes to the fishing regulations were introduced to help return the fishery to its former glory.

In a marked difference to Lake Taupō, Otamangakau trout continue to grow after spawning - the longer a fish lives the bigger it gets. This means the welfare of large trout is a key component in producing even bigger trout.

Technical studies confirmed that heat stress during summer poses a significant risk, therefore the lake is now closed to fishing in February - statistically the hottest month of the year at Lake Otamangakau. The greatest danger to trout occurs when surface water temperatures approach or exceed 20°C. In hot, dry years this can happen regularly, even in January and March.

To help inform anglers, we publish water temperature telemetry data on our website. This allows anglers to identify heat trends and make decisions about fishing trips. If surface temperatures are approaching 20°C, we suggested fishing elsewhere.

Live water temperature telemetry data recorded from sensors located at 1m and 10m can be found online: [Lake Otamangakau: Lake fishing in the Taupō Trout Fishery region](#)

Summer Jigging

If you are looking for a relaxed yet highly productive method for catching trout this summer, 'jigging' might be for you. Early starts are not required, and the technique is easy to learn. Even total beginners can become proficient very quickly, which makes it a great way to introduce family and friends to trout fishing.

This 'how to' YouTube video clip is an oldie but a goodie. It covers the fundamentals of the technique, including the gear you will need. If you want to get up to speed quickly take a look at [Jigging on Lake Taupō](#)>



Mitch in action not far from the Lodge during last year's Ngongotaha Club Trip. Photo courtesy of Andrew Todd.

FISHING FUNNIES



(Opinions expressed in this Newsletter are those of the individual contributors and not necessarily those of North Shore Flyfishers Incorporated)

MEMBERS FEEDBACK

We, your committee, are always trying to give you what you want.

But are we??

In order for us to do our job properly we need to have your feedback, positive or negative. For example, have you been on a club fishing trip? Did you enjoy yourself? What would you change, if anything? Club nights – what would you like to see more of? Less of? In short, talk to us.

The contact details of all your committee members are listed at the end of every newsletter. So if you have something on your mind let us know.

Thank you - Your committee

NSFF CLUB MERCHANDISE

Cap – \$15.00 Inclusive of GST

Green or Beige, one size fits all, with embroidered badge.

Embroidered Cloth Badge - \$7.50 Inclusive of GST

Brushed Brass Metal Pin Badge - \$12.50 Inclusive of GST

If anyone is interested in purchasing these products please place an order at Club Nights.

Meetings held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm:
Birkenhead RSA, Recreation Drive, Birkenhead, North Shore City

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