



**Tongariro and Lake Taupo Anglers' Club Incorporated**



# **MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET**

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This booklet provides information for prospective members. It describes the Club's aims, the facilities available, and the standards required of its members.

### **What the Club Stands For**

TALTAC was formed in 1955 through the amalgamation of the Lake Taupo District Angling Club and the Upper Waikato and Tongariro Anglers' Club, the elder of which was established in the 1930s.

The Club has three main areas of interest. It represents the views and opinions of its members in regional angling administration forums. It takes a leading role in promoting management policies, which incorporate angling ethics for the Taupo fishery. It has strongly supported the wildlife habitat and conservation practices, which have become a traditional part of the Crown's management of acclimatised trout species.

The Club's main purpose is to foster and promote angling. We put a great deal of effort into introducing young people to this recreation. There are regular fishing days for children at the nearby Tongariro hatchery, and members assist the hatchery manager from time to time by providing their expertise to assist youngsters in catching their first trout. Members also help with hatchery operations, when required, and they provide a measure of river surveillance. Most significantly, all members provide high standards of angling etiquette.

### **The Lodge**

The Club's headquarters is its Lodge, situated in Koura Street, Turangi. The Lodge is near the Birches, a long-established part of old Turangi. This location has many beautiful stands of native and introduced trees and is among permanent residences as well as holiday homes. The Tongariro River is a minute's walk away.

The Lodge provides a social centre and fishing base for approximately 550 members, most of whom live some distance from Turangi. There is a group of active members who are from overseas. The number of young people who are members, with their parents, is pleasing.

The main Lodge building has nine twin and four single rooms, a well-equipped kitchen, drying room, ablutions block, and a comfortable lounge. There is also the renovated Old Clubhouse (now known as the Cottage), which has three single rooms, overflow accommodation in the lounge, a kitchen, a bathroom, and a drying room, making it ideal for a group or family fishing and/or a summer holiday.

The main Lodge building and Cottage rooms are available to members at a modest rental. Reservations are made through the Secretary/Manager. There is a big demand for rooms in the winter months, and an increasing number of members are discovering the attractions of Turangi as a summer holiday venue.

With the formation of Lake Otomangakau, 25km south-west via State Highway 41 and 47, there is now a wide range of fishing available including: the lower Tongariro River with its population of

brown trout, the stream mouths, fishing to smelting trout at well-known locations around the lake shore, together with splendid angling in the King Country waters, and in the Kaimanawa Range.

### **Management Committee**

The Club is run by a management committee comprising the President, Immediate Past President, two Vice Presidents and nine Committee members. The Secretary/Manager reports to the Committee. The Committee meets four or five times each year. Sub-committees may be appointed, usually to deal with a specific task. The Committee takes into consideration Health and Safety regulations and legal requirements on such items as electrical work, gas-fitting, plumbing, and privacy (see Appendix A to this booklet for the TALTAC Privacy Statement).

### **Annual General Meeting**

On the last Saturday in February the Club holds an Annual General Meeting (AGM). At the AGM the President retires and can be re-elected, one Vice President retires and can be re-elected, and three of the Committee members retire by rotation and can be re-elected. Members take part in a two-day angling competition. Catches are weighed and prizes are awarded at the AGM on Saturday night. A barbecue follows the AGM. At the AGM there is also a presentation of trophies and certificates for the ongoing fishing competition held throughout the year (see Appendix B to this booklet for more information).

### **Day-to-Day Operations**

The day-to-day operations are looked after by the Secretary/ Manager.

### **Financial Year**

The Club's financial year is from 1 January to 31 December each year.

### **Lodge Maintenance and Jobs**

Occasionally, the Club facilities need work done on them (clearing roof guttering, stacking firewood, etc) and we hope that members will be sufficiently enthused by the whole Club environment that they will willingly participate in its activities and contribute their time, labour, and expertise, when they are able. This assists the Committee to manage the Club funds and keep subscriptions and accommodation costs as low as possible. The Club does not wish to attract people who are unwilling or unable to take part in promoting its aims or maintaining its facilities.

### **Newsletter**

The Club publishes a newsletter three or four times a year and this is emailed to Club members.

### **Becoming a member**

If this description of the Club and its activities appeals to you, then you can apply to become a member. Your application must include a proposer and a supporter who are current financial Club members. Before completing the application form enclosed with this booklet, you must consider these conditions:

Membership in TALTAC is available to anglers who:

- Identify with the Club's purpose of fostering and promoting recreational angling
- Accept the benefits and obligations of belonging to the Club by accepting its rules and participating in its activities
- Undertake to act ethically when angling

### **Induction of New Members into the Club Culture**

It is the responsibility of the member who has proposed the new Club member to ensure that the new member, once accepted, has a proper induction into the Club culture. This means being with and supporting the new Club member at the time of their first stay at the Club and ensuring that the new member understands their responsibilities.

### **Staying at the Lodge**

**Reservations.** Reservations may be made by contacting the Secretary/Manager by email (preferred method) at [taltac@xtra.co.nz](mailto:taltac@xtra.co.nz), by mobile phone at 0273865553, or by mail at P.O. Box 149, Turangi. Accommodation is on a per-bed basis, and members may be required to share a twin room when bookings are heavy.

**What to Bring.** The facilities available at the Lodge have been listed elsewhere in this booklet. Members must supply their own food, towels, sheets, pillows, sleeping bags etc.

**Keys.** Entry to the Lodge is by a security key which provides access to a key box containing room keys and the Cottage keys. The security key also permits access to the kitchen/lounge area, the fish cleaning shed, the drying room, and the storage container. The cottage key permits access to the Cottage and its drying room.

**Fish Cleaning.** Fish cleaning facilities are provided and there is adequate freezer space.

**Vacating Rooms.** Rooms are to be vacated not later than mid-day. Prior to vacating a room, members are expected to vacuum their room (a vacuum cleaner is located in the Lodge lounge), wipe down all surfaces, and leave them tidy for the next occupant. Kitchens, room food cupboards, refrigerators, ovens, microwaves, and bathrooms are to be kept clean after use.

**No Smoking.** Because of the fire risk, and as a courtesy to non-smokers, smoking is not permitted anywhere on the Club's property.

**Around Town.** There is a supermarket, self-service laundromat, takeaway food bars, restaurants, and a hotel in Turangi.

**Lodge Closure.** The Committee reserves the right to close the Club facilities in the event of a pandemic lockdown or natural disaster and will advise members accordingly. In such an event, any prepaid accommodation fees will be refunded.

## **TALTAC Annual Trophies and Awards, and Other Prizes**

Club members may enter trout for the TALTAC annual trophies and awards (refer to Appendix B for more information), and other prizes, subject to the following conditions:

- The annual competition period is from 1 January to 31 December each year.
- Only legal sized trout caught in the Taupo Fishery by financial TALTAC members, who hold a current Taupo District Fishing Licence, may be entered.
- Trout are to be weighed and measured using the scales and measuring board in the stainless-steel Weighing Cabinet located outside Room 4 at the Lodge.
- A Catch Card (available inside the Weighing Cabinet) is to be completed for each trout entered.

## **Paying for your Accommodation**

It is expected that you pay promptly for your accommodation at the Lodge (bank account number 06-0471-0062195-00). If you cut short your stay, it is expected that you will pay for all the nights you booked.

## **Dogs at the Club**

The Club discourages you from bringing dogs to the Lodge. If you are intending to bring your dog with you, please remember that there is a number of older members who would not take kindly to being knocked over by a boisterous and out of control dog. Please keep your dog under strict control. Dogs are not allowed inside the buildings under any circumstances.

## **Housekeeping Reminders**

### **Kitchen**

Wash your dishes and put them away, clean up, wipe the table and any spillage on surfaces.

Take home your food from the fridge, cupboard, and freezer (including milk) and wipe out your fridge space and your cupboard.

Wine, beer, and large bottles of drink are to be kept in the lounge fridge.

Replacement light bulbs are in the spare cupboard (next to the Room 13 cupboard) and tea towels are in the bottom kitchen draw.

Where possible, wash and recycle plastic containers and take them home with you (as Turangi does not have a plastic recycling capability).

Cans and glass should be washed and placed in the appropriate recycling bin outside.

Plastic bags are to go into the ordinary rubbish (if you are not going to take them home) and are not to be placed in the recycling bins.

## **Bedrooms**

Switch off the heaters when you are not in your bedroom.

Vacuum your room, wipe down windowsills, drawer units, and shelves, with antiseptic before you vacate your room.

Remember to replace your room key in the secure key-box before embarking on your homeward journey.

## **Refuse**

Refuse is collected on Tuesdays and Fridays. Kitchen refuse and fish offal are to be placed in a wheelie bin on Monday and Thursday evenings.

Fish offal is to be wrapped in newspaper, placed in a plastic/biodegradable bag, and placed in one of the plastic buckets in the offal freezer (located in the fish cleaning shed).

## **General Housekeeping**

If something needs attention, please attend to it, or let the Secretary/Manager know.

Please do not dump old kitchen and dining utensils at the Club.

Your cooperation is appreciated in helping the Club provide an environment that is both appealing and complies with health and safety requirements.

## **Appendices:**

- A. Privacy Statement of the Tongariro and Lake Taupo Anglers' Club Incorporated
- B. TALTAC Annual Trophies and Awards

## **Appendix A**

### **TALTAC Membership Booklet**

#### **Privacy Statement of the Tongariro and Lake Taupo Anglers Club Incorporated**

In accordance with the Privacy Act 2020 (the Act), the Tongariro and Lake Taupo Anglers Club Incorporated (the Club) is required to meet its obligations as an agency in accordance with the Privacy Principles of the Act.

The Club collects and generates personal information relating to its members. Collection and generation of this information is necessary for the administration, management, operation, maintenance, and development of the Club and its facilities. Personal information that may be collected and generated by the Club includes:

- Name
- Address (home and email)
- Phone numbers (home, mobile, and work)
- Emergency contact details - optional (relationship to the Club member and mobile or home phone number only)
- Occupation and other skills
- Photographs (club events and photographic competition)
- Date membership approved
- Subscription payment status
- Security key number
- Accommodation bookings and payment status
- Catch Cards (name and address)
- Committee members (photographs, nominee biographies, and appointments)

Members' personal information may be disclosed as follows:

- Club Databases:
  - A Comprehensive Database for use by the Secretary/Manager and committee members only
  - A Reduced Database for reference by all members in the Lodge lounge
- Minutes of meetings
- The Club Website and Newsletter (name, general location, limited contact details - no postal/home address, date membership approved, and photographs)
- The Honours Board located in the Lodge lounge
- The Club Trophies and Awards Board located in the Lodge kitchen and engraving on the Club Trophies
- Notification of prize winners
- Committee member photographs and appointments (inside the Lodge lounge, kitchen, and cottage)
- Committee Information Register (for the Secretary/Manager and committee members only)
- As may be necessary to uphold or enforce the law

The Club ensures that safeguards are in place that are reasonable in the circumstances to prevent loss, accidental or unauthorised disclosure, access, use or modification, or any other misuse of members' personal information.

The Club has appointed a Privacy Officer. Any complaints about privacy breaches, requests for a copy of your information, correction of your information, or requests for resolution of any other privacy issue, should be referred to the Club Privacy Officer at email: [taltacpvcyoffr@gmail.com](mailto:taltacpvcyoffr@gmail.com) or mobile phone: 0275063555.

**Appendix B**  
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**TALTAC Annual Trophies and Awards**

<b>Trophy/Award Name</b>	<b>Trophy/Award Category</b>	<b>Explanation</b>	<b>Eligibility</b>
Whitney Cup	Heaviest Rainbow above the Birches	Above the Major Jones Footbridge.	All members
Whitney Cup	Heaviest Rainbow below the Birches	Below the Major Jones Footbridge.	
Digby Smith Cup	Best Condition Factor - Rainbow		
Morrison Cup	Heaviest Rainbow, other than the Tongariro River		
Cooper Cup	Heaviest Brown		
Hickling Cup	Best Condition Factor - Brown		
Jubilee Shield	Heaviest Trout in the Fishery		
Tongariro Anglers Club Cup	Literary Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A story or article that is serious, funny, or informative.</li> <li>• The story or article should be submitted to the Secretary/Manager <sup>(1)</sup>.</li> </ul>	
Neil Cameron Photographic Competition	The Spirit of Trout Fishing in the Taupo Fishery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not more than 3 photos per photographer per year.</li> <li>• Minimum jpeg file size of 3 megabytes.</li> <li>• Photos should be submitted to the Secretary/Manager <sup>(1)</sup>.</li> </ul>	
Critchley Cup	Heaviest Trout - Ladies		
Goddard Cup	Best Condition Factor - Ladies		
Clemance Cup	Heaviest Trout - Junior		All members under 18 years of age
Bob Joblin Memorial Cup	Best Condition Factor - Junior		
Kit Secker Memorial Cup	Heaviest Rainbow – Breakfast Pool - Senior		All members who hold a NZ Super Gold Card

**Note:**

1. Submission of a story, article, or photograph implies permission for TALTAC to publish any story, article or photograph submitted.