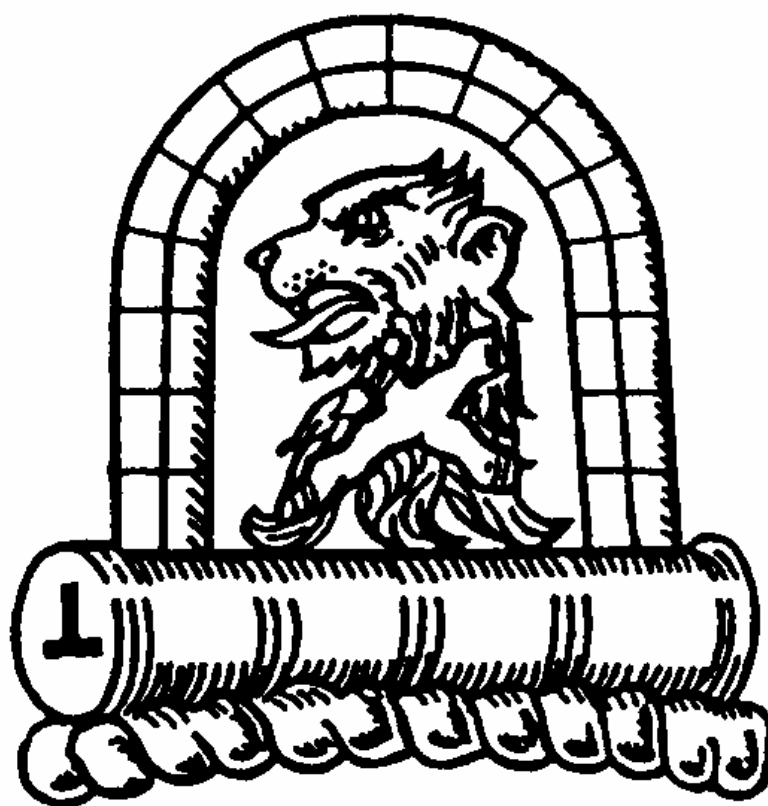


LECONFIELD FLYFISHING CLUB

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**MEMBERSHIP BOOKLET
2009**

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COMMITTEE 2009

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SEASON DATES

Rainbow Trout	March	–	October 2009
Brown Trout	April	–	October 2009

GENERAL REGULATIONS & INFORMATION 2009

1. The Club shall be known as the **Leconfield Flyfishing Club**
2. The object of the club is the enjoyment of flyfishing
3. The Club shall consist of elected members, who may be Full or Half rods, Honorary, Temporary, or Junior Members, and its affairs shall be governed by a Committee elected for the purpose at the Annual General Meeting.

4. **Management Committee**

The general management of the Club is vested in the Committee, which shall consist of five members of the Club elected under the Rules.

The officers of the Club shall consist of :

- (i) The President
- (ii) Chairman
- (iii) Secretary
- (iv) Treasurer
- (v) Fishery Bailiff

(i), (iii), (iv) and (v) shall be appointed by the Committee, but need not be members.

Election of Committee members shall be at the Annual General Meeting, and shall be made in the following way:

- (i) Any two Members may nominate a Member to serve on the committee. The name of the nominee and his or her proposer and seconder shall be put, in writing, to the Secretary forty-two days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting.
- (ii) A list of the candidates' names and their sponsors shall be forwarded to all members entitled to vote, with the notice convening the Annual General Meeting.
- (iii) If two or more candidates tie, the Chairman shall have the casting vote at the Annual General Meeting.
- (iv) If insufficient candidates are nominated, or a vacancy occurs, the Committee may fill such a vacancy by co-option.
- (v) At every Annual General Meeting, the member of the Committee who has served the longest time shall retire and be eligible for re-election.

Two members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

5. **Members and Membership**

- (a) Election to membership of the Club shall be vested in the Committee. Every candidate must be proposed to membership personally by a member of the club.
- (b) Membership applications shall be made in writing on the prescribed forms, copies of which are available from the Secretary.
- (c) Every candidate shall be approved by the Committee. Following election, candidates shall become a member upon payment of the annual subscription, entrance fee and stocking payment. No reason for rejection of any candidate shall be given.

6. Voting Members:

Full Members, shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the Club and shall be entitled to one vote at the Annual General Meeting. Members may fish in all the Club waters, namely Jackson's Lake, Great Springs, Little Springs, Luff's, Upper and Lower Figg's, Upper and Lower Little Bognor Ponds.

7. Non Voting Members

i: Honorary Members.

ii: Junior Members, whose age limit shall be determined by the Committee.

iii: Temporary and Non fishing Members.

The Committee has the power to permit from time to time the use of the Club to other such persons as it thinks fit.

8. Subscriptions

(a) The Committee prescribes the entrance fee, annual subscription, temporary membership fee and stocking payment on an annual basis.

(b) Subscription and stocking payments are payable by 31st January in each year

(c) Members wishing to resign shall give notice in writing to the Secretary before 31st December in any year, or by a later date if stipulated in writing by or on behalf of the Committee. If notice is not received by the due date, liability to pay the subscription for the ensuing year will continue.

(d) The Committee has absolute discretion to expel or suspend any member who fails to comply with the Rules of the Club or who, in the opinion of the Club, conducts him- or herself or acts in any way injurious to the character or interests of the Club. Notice of such expulsion or suspension shall be given to such member, who is entitled to attend or make representations to the Committee at a meeting considering such expulsion or suspension, but the decision of the Committee shall be final.

9. General Meetings

(a) The Annual General Meeting shall be held once in every year.

(b) The Committee may, whenever they think fit, and shall, on requisition in writing by thirty or more members, convene an Extraordinary General Meeting.

(c) Not less than fourteen days' notice, in writing, shall be given of any such meeting.

10. The Committee may appoint Sub-Committees as they think fit

11. The Committee may make, reject or amend regulations (not inconsistent with these Rules) for the management of and to achieve the objectives of the Club and to manage any fishery of the Club.

12. Licences

Before fishing, in any season, members must be in possession of a valid Environment Agency Rod licence. When inviting guests, members must ensure that their guests also have a valid Environment Agency Rod licence.

13. Neither the Club, nor any officer thereof, shall be liable to any member or guest of a member for any loss or damage to property occurring from whatever cause, nor for any injury sustained by any member or guest.

14. Notices

The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to or the non-receipt of the notice of a meeting by any member shall not invalidate any proceedings or resolutions at any meeting of the Committee, or any General Meeting.

15. The right to fish is granted to the Club under Licence from the Leconfield Estate.

16. Fishing is permitted from sunrise to one hour after sunset daily during the Season.

17. Car Parking and Access to the Estate

Cars may only be parked in the areas set aside for that purpose and shown on the pond maps.

Vehicular access may be gained by way of:

(a) **The Hoad's Common Lodge Entrance**, which is situated on the main A283 Petworth to Northchapel road. From here, cars must be driven directly to either Great Springs and Little Springs car park, or Luff's car park.

(b) **The Little Bognor Ponds** are situated approximately two miles to the south east of the town of Petworth. Access and car parking facilities are available.

Pedestrian access is allowed to:

(a) **Lower Figg's and Upper Figg's Ponds** through the door in the wall opposite the property known as Westerlands, cars being parked only in the car park by this door.

(b) **Jackson's Lake** through the door in the wall by Jackson's Lake Lodge, access being gained from the small car park under the trees, just north of the Lodge.

18. A fishing hut with record sheets is located at each lake or pond. **On arrival**, members and guests **must enter their names and membership number in BLOCK CAPITALS** in the book, and weigh and complete the details of all fish caught before leaving.

19. Flyfishing is only permitted with a single fly not exceeding size number eight hook. No spinning or course fishing is allowed at any time.

20. No fish landed may be returned to the water, except for Brown Trout of ten inches or less in length, and carp; these should be released with the greatest care.

21. Members may take dogs, except to Jackson's Lake. They must be kept under control and remain within a few yards of their owners.

22. Carbon fibre rods should be kept well clear of power lines.

The use of carbon fibre rods is entirely at members own risk and the club, committee or any representative will not be held responsible for any accident resulting from the use of a carbon fibre rod.

23. Members will pay for fish at the prices set by the Committee. The price for the current season is outlined in the list of subscription charges. Accounts will be rendered periodically.

24. The water will be re-stocked from time to time with trout of suitable species and size.

25. The Committee may close or limit fishing on any or all Club waters whenever it is deemed necessary for the good management of the fishery. Notices as to such intentions will be posted in each hut in advance.

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27. The Fishery Bailiff will help and advise Members to ensure that the Rules are kept.
28. **Guests**
- (i) Members are allowed to bring guests to fish, who shall be Temporary Members and must enter their names in the visitors' book. Fees for guests are outlined annually in the subscription charges.
 - (ii) Members must accompany their guests, and not more than two guests may be brought on any one day.
 - (iii) No guest may fish on more than three days in the Season.
 - (iv) Members who introduce guests shall be responsible for ensuring that their guests observe the Rules and Regulations of the Club.
 - (v) Members may be accompanied by the same junior guest (under the age of 16), on up to three occasions during the season at no charge. The age of the guest must be recorded on the Pond record sheets.
29. No more than two people should use the rowing boats at any one time. **Boats are used at the member's own risk.**
30. **Members use the clubs facilities at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety. The club, its committee or any representative will not be held responsible for any accident.**

March 2009