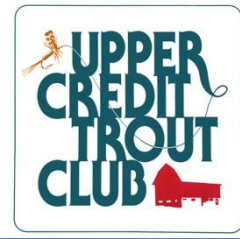


Upper Credit Trout Club

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2026



LOCATION: UCTC Clubhouse

CALL TO ORDER: 7:23pm

PRESENT: Simon W., Lynn M., Randy U., Lachlan M. Rick F

REGRETS: Norm H. Frances C

MINUTES / AGENDA: Minutes from December 12, 2025, were approved (proposed by Randy, seconded by Lachlan).
Agenda for March 17, 2026, was adopted (proposed by Lynn, seconded by Randy).

Item

- Opening
 - Welcome Rick to the Exec!
- Membership
 - Discussion
 - 8 leavers each with their own/good reasons to do so
 - 3 LOA each with their own/good reasons to do so
 - 4 new members for 2026 already recruited
 - Decision
 - Step up new member recruitment to get back to full membership by Opening Day
 - Actions
 - **Simon** to share a "be our guest" flyer to support prospective new member out reach ask to all exec and to targeted members
 - **Simon** to coordinate hosting prospective new member at the Club in groups and including as many exec who can make it
- Finances
 - Hand over form Lynn to Rick well underway :-)
 - Discussion
 - Run through of 2026 vs. 2025 P&L shows a projected 32 K deficit for 2026
 - Decisions
 - We will ensure that we will operate FY27 at break even or better
 - Actions
 - **Rick/Lynn** to bring issue of delayed HS T refund to closure
 - **Rick/Lynn** to ensure FY2026 Financial Accounts finalized so that they can be published to membership two weeks prior to AGM (hence by Friday 8 May)
 - **Rick** to do a general clean up of categorization
 - **Rick** to check "value for money" for service provide with alternate/known accountants
 - **Rick** to look at getting QuickBooks price down by extending term of subscription
 - **Simon** to send a list of our GoDaddy Products and their prices to Rick
- House
 - Discussion
 - We currently do not have a cleaner on staff
 - Pellet Stove is getting used a lot but not well maintained

- We ideally need some sort of lighting outside the Club
- Actions
 - **Randy** to source additional bags of pellets
 - **Lynn** to add cleaning of Stove to Cleaners tasks and to Clean Up Day
 - **Lachlan** to see if his cleaner is interested in helping us
 - **Simon** to talk to Mike Hunter regarding options to light up outside the Club
 - **Simon** to change the Creel Report format back to including identifying Rainbows and Brookies and Browns
- Events
 - Discussion
 - Ran through event by event
 - Confirmation that we have liquor license and additional insurance cover for all the 2026 events
 - Confirmation that currently we know of 3 or 4 weddings being carried out on the Club Property and once we know more we will communicate this to members
 - Decision
 - We will send out details of each event 6 or 5 or 4 weeks prior and then chaser 2 or 1.5 or 1 week prior to event itself :-)
 - There was not general support for organizing a craft market (**Simon** to inform Lorna)
 - Clean Up (Saturday 2 – May)
 - Same as usual
 - Opening Day Sunday 24-May
 - John Wright Fishing Competition (**Randy**)
 - Kids Fishing Competition (**Lachlan**)
 - Have sponsors introduce their corresponding New Members (**Simon** to coordinate)
 - AGM coordination (**Simon/Frances** to coordinate but to include all exec)
 - Chris Humeniuk has been invited to address the members at the AGM
 - Casting Clinic (**Simon** to ask Sheldon)
 - Golf/Fish (Tuesday 30 June)
 - Same as usual
 - Family Day (Sunday 23 August)
 - We will do our own food (coordinate by **Lynn**)
 - Closing Day Sunday 4 October
 - Same as usual
- Ponds & Fish
 - Discussion
 - Full staffed feeding crew (including Jay and Lachlan) is in place :-)
 - The price of fish is going up :-)
 - The 2026 budget still looks realistic, emergencies aside :-)
 - Action
 - **Randy** to see if we can source water dye ourselves and even apply it ourselves to help bring the costs we pay to our contractor down
- Other Business
 - There have been many issues with the website due to the upgrade of much of the underlying software. Even though the site is now functioning correctly we will still seek help on some tuning and layout issues (**Simon** to communicate to Lachlan who will try and source)
 - We were kindly sent a box of old photos from Pam Van Allen. **Simon** to give to Lachlan who will evaluate if we can have these scanned)
 - Exec to do a summer dinner with soups (**Simon** to coordinate)
- Next Meetings
 - 6/23 - food by **Lachlan** (TBC)

- 9/15 - food by **Randy**
- 12/8 - food by **Frances** (TBC)