



History

The Sports Fly Fishing New Zealand Incorporated (SFFNZ) was founded in 1986 by a small group of enthusiastic, sports anglers after they were invited to send a team to represent New Zealand at the World Fly Fishing Championships.

Trials were held to select a NZ team, which competed in the championships in England in 1987.

Sports or competitive fishing is organised on a world wide basis by the International Angling Confederation, CIPS (French). Within CIPS there are four international federations:

- Fresh Water Angling - FIPS-ED
- Fly Fishing - FIPS-MOUCHE
- Sea Fishing - FIPS-MER
- Casting - F.I.S.L.

Sports Fly Fishing New Zealand is the official New Zealand member of CIPS through its membership of FIPS MOUCHE.

The latter organises the World Fly Fishing Championships. The various regional championships in Oceania, Europe and North America are also held under its auspices and fished to FIPS-MOUCHE international rules.

At the same time NZ were invited to join the Commonwealth Fly Fishing Association, which holds competitions every alternate year following the World Championship. Teams representing the various Commonwealth countries compete on an informal and friendly basis in the commonwealth country nearest to the location of the country hosting the World event.

The SFFNZ is registered as a charitable, not-for-profit corporation and donations are tax deductible within the limits set by the Internal Revenue

Purposes

The purposes of the society are:

- to promote sports fly fishing in NZ;
- to organise and run a NZ National Championship annually;
- to promote regional competitions between the members of the society;
- to select a team to represent NZ at the World Fly Fishing Championships which are currently held annually;
- to raise the funds necessary to cover the costs of sending a team to this event through fund raising functions and sponsorship
- to participate in the Commonwealth Fly Fishing Championships which are held bi-annually
- to encourage young men and women to learn the sport of fly fishing and participate in competitions at local, regional and national levels.
- to hold, as the opportunity presents itself, the World Championships in NZ so as to promote NZ to the world fly fishing community as a destination for excellent fly fishing.

Each person who enters a regional or the national championships must be a member of the society.



Sports Fly-Fishing NZ Membership Application

Name:

Address:

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Tel (H): ()

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E-mail:

Membership Fee \$35.00 Per Year (Due by 31st March each year)

I agree to abide by the rules of SFFNZ as set out in the constitution.

Signed

Date

Please send membership fee with completed form to

The Secretary SFFNZ

PO Box 745

Wellington

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Approved by

Date