



**SHARK ANGLING CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN
COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 28th October 2019 AT 7pm
AT THE LOOE SOCIAL CLUB**

Present: B Woodman - Chairman, C Kelly - Secretary, M Collings, P Davis, S Thomas, D Stone, S Ward, P Martin (via Phone link)

Apologies: A McKay, K Tapper,

Minutes of last meeting: Approval proposed by P Davis and seconded by S Ward.

Matters Arising

1. Best Practice Document update – As K Tapper had given his apologies, this matter was deferred to be discussed next time.
2. Valuation of Trophies (insurance) – The Secretary read an email from the Clubs Insurance company which confirmed that the Trophies were now insured for £45,000 and that they were also insured in whatever location they were in (not just in the Club's Store Room).
3. Festival Update – Boat Booking Form – The Secretary requested clarification on the wording for the 'Festival Boat Booking Form' with relation to a door or sling being required to safely bring the sharks onboard, which was provided.
It was also agreed that a 'Skipper Meeting' would take place prior to the Festival to ensure that the Skippers fully understood and abided by the SACGB's requirements and guidelines.
4. Porbeagle Trophy Awards – A discussion took place regarding the wording of the Press Release from May 2018, which was displayed on the Club's website. It was agreed that none of the claims for the capture of Porbeagle Sharks made in 2019 should have received trophies. The recipients to be advised and the website updated.
5. Reallocation of Awards – Further to the EGM which took place on Thursday 16th January, a discussion took place regarding the allocation of the Mitchell Hedges, Mickey Wonnall, Sercombe Oliver Thresher, Venning, R C Roberts, Cornish and Iris Memorial Trophies. It was agreed that the Mitchell Hedges would be re-awarded to Harvey O'Malley for his 173lb Blue shark. The Mickey Wonnall would be awarded to Mark Hillier, for runner up, with his 113lb Blue shark. There were no further claimants for the Sercombe Oliver Thresher or Cornish trophies. The Iris Memorial Trophy would also be awarded to Harvey O'Malley.
The R C Roberts Trophy needed further investigation by the secretary to see who had won it.
The Committee agreed that the wording of the Trophies needed close examination for the 2021 season with the aim that some, if not all, of the trophies could be re-worded to be awarded for Visually Estimated Shark catches. This would also need input from the members and donators of Trophies.
6. Lucky Run Club Draw – The Chairman drew the winner of the Lucky Run Club, this month's prize was £60.00. The winner was: Ken Horsfield

Correspondence

- Geoff Flores, Line Testing Equipment – The secretary read an email from Mr Flores grandson, Jeff Trump, which informed the Committee that Mr Flores had failing health and would like to gift the Line Testing Equipment to the Club if they wanted it. The Committee



asked the Secretary to contact Mr Trump and confirm that they would very much like to take receipt of it and to make arrangements to do so. The Chairman suggested a donation to Mr Flores chosen charity and a letter to be written to Mr Flores recognising his valuable work over the years.

Any Other Business

- S Ward stated that he would contact Sam Narbett with the intention of getting him and Jerry Rogers to talk to the Committee about tracking and tracing local Porbeagles. A future meeting to be arranged.
- S Thomas stated that the SACGB data was now part of a data set that includes over 20,000 Blue shark catches in the UK, going back to 1998. He has now reached a stage where, if required, it could be sent to ICCAT to take into consideration for the next round of quota talks. He also stated that he was happy to produce a talk regarding the data.
- D Stone stated that he would look into producing a framed certificate of recognition for Alex McKay's Thresher shark catch. He also advised that he would have to claim some expenses for his travel to the meetings.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Date of Next Meeting – 24th February 2020 at 7pm