



JULY 2021

NEWSLETTER

The Shark Angling Club of Great Britain

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2021 Annual Dinner and Trophy Presentation

Saturday 23rd October 2021 – Hannaford Point Hotel

2022 Shark Festival

29th & 30th June & 1st July 2022 – draw takes place on the evening of 28th June 2022 - Looe Social Club

2022 AGM

Thursday 30th June 2022 - Looe Social Club

CHAIRPERSONS WELCOME

Welcome to the second newsletter of the year.

Last year was a difficult year for all of us. Despite all the setbacks more sharks were caught than in the previous year. There were 1311 sharks caught with 86 qualifiers and 18 porbeagles, compared with 899 with 40 qualifiers and 5 porbeagles.

We now have a catch tag and release programme for Blue Fin Tuna, I believe 15 boats have been approved for this fishery, two local boats have been approved, the Swallow11 and the Sowenna. This will give anglers an opportunity to catch these magnificent fish.

The recent Festival was a great success with 51 anglers taking part. Full details to follow. I would suggest if you wish to take part next year you contact Claire and book your place.

Despite the Covid crises the committee has been busy and have continued to meet either by Zoom or at my house (outside).

Membership continues to grow from 346 to 372 including 20 life members.

The Lucky Run Club has 16 members the lucky member wins £75 each month. If you wish to take part contact Claire.

One lucky angler had a pleasant surprise when fishing on the Bee Cool skippered by Paul Woodman, a thresher shark estimated weight 150lbs. A rare fish for these waters.

So far this year the number of sharks caught has increased from last year. 124 were caught during the Festival.

It just remains for me to thank the committee and in particular Claire Kelly for all the work and effort she puts in, Pete Davis for his work in keeping records of all the catches and Simon Thomas for his work with our data.

Tight lines for 2021.

Bob Woodman.
Chairperson SACGB

Annual Subscriptions

Thank you to everyone who has paid their subscription this year, we are very glad that you remain loyal members of our club.

Chasing subscriptions takes up a considerable amount of administration time so we greatly appreciate you helping us by paying your subscriptions on time.

You will retain the membership number which you received last year, throughout your membership with the club.

To renew your subs online visit the shop on our website at www.sharkanglingclubofgreatbritain.org.uk or if you wish to pay by bank transfer, you can do so using the account details below.

Lloyds Bank

Acc Name: Shark Angling Club of Great Britain

Sort Code: 30-95-08

Account Number: 00692083

Please remember to enter your FULL name as a reference, so that we can correctly identify and allocate your payment.

Thank you.

Lucky Run Club

The SACGB continue to host the Lucky Run Club – a great way for you to support us whilst having a bit of a flutter!

To join the fun simply complete and sign the attached membership form and Standing Order mandate for £10 a month (or £120 annually).

This buys you one membership number (which we will allocate), that enters you into the monthly draw. All participants must be over 16.

The draw takes place on the last Monday of each month, at the Monthly Committee Meeting.

If your number is drawn, payment will be made directly into your bank account and your name published in the newsletter, on Facebook and the S.A.C.G.B website.

The prize money is 50% of the membership fees taken that month (currently £75). The remaining 50% goes to the club to help fund essential tagging equipment, resources, and opportunities for members.

Any queries, please contact Claire Kelly (Secretary) on 07572 976680 or email sacgb1953@gmail.com

JOIN OUR LUCKY RUN CLUB TODAY AND YOU COULD BE OUR NEXT WINNER!

2021 Shark Festival

The 2021 SACGB Annual Shark Festival, thankfully, went ahead this year.

The Winner of the Festival 2021

Philip Houghton with 115 points

Philip also won Friday's Daily Draw



**Runner Up: Terry Field with 108 points
who also won Thursday's Daily Draw**



**Third Place: Joint winners Roger Eley
and Chris Bett with 106 points**



**Dave Gorrington and Dave Stone jointly
won Wednesday's Daily Draw with
102 points each**



Skipper with the most Sharks:

Chris Gill



**Skipper with the largest shark was
Dave Bond.**

The Chairman presented Hilary Casson with a bunch of flowers to thank her for passing on the club's post during lockdown to enable Claire to continue her work for the club!



All the photo's from the Festival can be found on the website in the Gallery is in the members area.

[GALLERY | Shark Angling Club Of Great Britain](#)

As you all return to angling we hope that you stay safe and we look forward to receiving your Trophy Claim forms and hope to catch up with you all throughout the season!

Download your trophy claim form here!

<http://www.sharkanglingclubofgreatbritain.org.uk/trophies/trophy-declaration-form/>

2021 Annual Dinner & Trophy Evening

The ticket price for the Annual Dinner & Trophy Presentation, held at the Hannafore Point Hotel in Looe on the 23rd October is £25 per person.



This event is open to all, members, associate members, and guests whether they be anglers or not. We are taking bookings now and already have a good number so do not leave it too late to book your place at the event as it will be filled on a first come first served basis.

Contact the secretary to reserve your place. Full payment is required no later than the 24th September 2021.

2022 SHARK FESTIVAL

The dates have been set for the 2022 Shark Festival, 29th & 30th of June and 1st July with the draw evening taking place on the 28th June. The fee remains at £450.

To secure your space in the 2022 Festival you have two options:

1. Pay £100 deposit with the balance before the 28th February 2022
2. Pay a £75 deposit before 31st August followed by £62.50 each month starting in September and ending in February

The Booking form is available on the website. You can also pay your deposit at the SACGB shop on the website

The Festival format will be the same as this year with the points system of length + girth = points

First prize: the angler with the largest shark (in points)

Second prize: the angler with the second largest shark (in points)

Third prize: the angler with the third largest shark (in points)

Most sharks: the angler who catches the most sharks over the 3 days

Most estimated weight: the angler with the most cumulative points over the three days

Optional daily pool: The angler who catches the largest shark (in points) each day, and who has contributed to the pool, will take the money

Skipper of the boat with the largest shark (in points)

Skipper of the boat catching the most sharks over the 3 days

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

31 Years on!

Drew Tegg qualified on the last day of his trip out with Pete Davis 31 years ago on the Mercia



Drew (on the left) 31 years ago

and on almost the same day 31 years later he took his son Tom out with Pete and Tom also qualified with a 100lb blue!



Tom caught his shark using Drew's reel that he qualified with 31 years before! (A Shimano TLD25)



Drew, Pete and Tom 2021

Also from Pete Davis!

Firstly let's go way back to the 27th June 1971, this was the day I qualified for the SACGB and here we are 50yrs later and still an active member, on committee and a skipper member to boot 🙌🏻👏.



The last few days have brought memories flooding back, as a man called Paul Ogden phoned me late last year and booked some days to fish with his young and very nice son Lucas.



He has just completed his 3 days and the memories must have been flooding for him also as 30 years ago his parents came to me on the "Mercia" and asked if it would be ok to send their son (14 year old) Paul out with me for a days shark fishing, I said yes of course he would be fine but on this his first and only trip he hooked,



played and brought to the boat a best of that year Blue Shark for which he won a Dutfield Tapestry (which at the time the 'club' gave to anyone catching a Blue over 130lb). Now please bear with me, back then we would bring in the fish to weigh and then it would be sold on the market to fish mongers to sell. We (the club) stopped bringing sharks in in 1996 and since then it has been strictly 'catch and release' and nowadays is the only way of monitoring shark populations for scientific research.

So, his son is following his father's footsteps (not the 130lber 😊) but between them they've had 7 (and lost 1) and although the weather has not been the nicest they have fished up very well.



Lovely to re kindle friendships and feel sure it won't be 30 years till he shark fishes again.

Paul Woodman – Bee Cool



Paul Woodman, skipper of Bee Cool caught a Thresher estimated at 150lb on 29th June.

He stated, 'it jumped three times and slack lined twice trying to escape, but was a fantastic catch!'

May Queen
Skipper: Tim Newcombe

My boat is May Queen, built in Looe in 1936 by Arthur Collins.

She has a long history with lots of mentions in your (SACGB) records including the pics below.



John Kitto did very, very well with her and we have a lot to live up to. We, the Newcombe family in Cawsand, swapped our custom centre console/flats boat we built for her and we will be using her for sharking and targeting more pelagic species.



She has, before we got her, just come from a full refit including 88 new ribs and 97 new planks, a new modern wheelhouse. We are planning a Scilly Isles trip and Leadertec have supplied us with some Albacore lures and we hope to get out with Peter to test some new kit in the near future. With some guidance from Simon Thomas we are developing a sling for alongside, to help with

measurements and hopefully tagging. We won't be doing charters, rather offering friends to come out and play.



The May Queen now has top of range electronics including side scan and 360 scan as well as bottom definition and maxsea plotter with a 35mm radar and 2 class A VHS and AIS receiver along with 12 man life raft.



I have been fishing with dad since i was knee high to a grass hopper and I'm no stranger to the sea. Shark fishing is very new to me and I would like to thank all those that have given me advice etc, I won't name them as i may forget someone but they know who they are!

We really look forward to supporting the SACGB with conservation and protecting the sport with the Best Practise Document.

Thank you for having us onboard!

Tim Newcombe

Sardine Factory Heritage Centre

A touch screen display has been provided to the Sardine Factory Heritage Centre in West Looe by ourselves and Angling Heritage UK to show the history of shark fishing through a slideshow of photographs taken over the years. This is also available on the SACGB Website.

We hope you will find the photographs of interest and appreciate how times have changed as anglers have progressed from their methods in the 50's and 60's to arguably the shark's greatest protectors of the 21st century.

You can interact with the screen by touching the boxes to look at photographs, videos and listen to recordings. You can even use the search box to look for a person or subject that interests you.

Angling Heritage UK, a not-for-profit trust was formed to preserve angling history and if you would like to help or add anything to the archive you can contact them through the website www.anglingheritage.org

CLOTHING & MERCHANDISE

Don't forget you can order your Mugs, Badges, T Shirts, Hoodies and Sweatshirts and Tote Bags from the website.



We have maintained the clothing pricing, again, this year with Hoodies at £25 plus postage, Sweatshirts at £20 plus postage, Polo Shirts at £15 plus postage, T Shirts at £10 plus postage and Baseball caps at £10 plus postage.

We also have Burgees available at a price of £25.00 + Postage and Blue Pennants at 17.50 plus postage.

Postage in the UK is normally £3.50.

Stocks of the large type 120" measuring tape, are available at £21 plus postage.

Each year we are unable to process a good number of claims as the measuring tape used is difficult and, in some cases, impossible to read.



The large type on these tapes increases the clarity of video and photographic measurement evidence and they have already been used to good effect by many of our members. They are a very worthwhile addition to your tackle box. These and other goods can be ordered online at; www.sharkanlingclubofgreatbritain.org.uk

Thank you to all of the contributors for the above articles, please keep them coming for future newsletters.

Please subscribe to the new You Tube channel:

Shark Angling Club of Great Britain

and let us have any videos you would like uploading.

I wish you all Tight Lines for the coming months and hope to see you at the Presentation in October!

Members Section Password Reminder

The password for the member section of the website is currently **psmith369**

This commemorates Pat Smiths British Record Porbeagle caught aboard Alan Dingles Lady Betty.

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