

SHARK ANGLING CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN MINUTES OF AGM HELD ON 28th June 2022 at pm AT LOOE SOCIAL CLUB

Present - Committee

B Woodman - Chairman, C Kelly - Secretary, P Davis, M Collings, K Tapper, S Ward, Alex McKay

Present – Members

C Bett, R Day, P Overton, D Gorring, J Martin, H Casson, J Woodman, S Costick, T Field, L Hodder, O Malia, K Horsfield, B Whistance, plus other members not recorded.

Apologies D Stone

Meeting – a minutes silence was held before the start of the meeting in honour of Paul Martin, who sadly recently passed away.

1. 2021 AGM Minutes

Proposed as a true and accurate record by Pete Davis and seconded by Murray Collings.

2. Matters Arising No matters arising.

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3. Chairman's Report –

The Chairman read the following report;

Good Evening and welcome to the 2022 AGM. I am pleased to report that more sharks have been caught last season than the season before. 1231 sharks in total were caught, 144 of these were qualifiers and there were 2 Porbeagles and 2 Threshers caught. This is slightly less than the previous season but the number of qualifiers has increased with the bonus of the Porbeagles and Threshers. Hopefully this trend for larger fish will continue. I believe that the water temperature is higher this year and the number of fish caught in this June has been the most recorded for many years. We hope that this continues and in particular for the next three days.

Membership has now reached 400 members including 20 life members and the level of activity on Facebook and our website has increased.

Our Lucky Run Club has 15 paying members, which is surprising considering the amount of members we now have, the winner each month receiving £70.

I am pleased to announce that the catch, tag and release programme for Bluefin Tuna will continue. Two local boats have, once again, been approved for this, the Swallow and the Sowenna.

With the sad loss of Paul Martin, we are in need of new Committee members with two places available, please speak to myself or Claire if you are interested. And remember that you do not have to be local to Looe to do this as all of our meetings are accessible via Zoom.

Our annual Presentation Evening will be held on the 29th October at the Hannafore Point Hotel. The Committee, this year, decided to offer Full Skipper Memberships to enable skippers who don't usually get a chance to fish, to have the benefit of membership. Six skippers have been invited so far and have all taken up the offer. This is by invitation only from the Committee if the skipper is actively promoting the Club and it's Best Practice.

The Committee have also decided for this year's Festival to pay an additional £50 per boat, from club



funds, to each skipper in the Festival due to the increase in fuel costs.

Dates for next year's Festival are 5th, 6th & 7th July so book early to avoid being disappointed. Unfortunately we cannot, at this time, give you a price for the Festival as the cost of fuel still rises! Finally, I would like to thank the Committee for attending meetings in what has been a difficult year. In particular, I would like to thank Claire for all of her hard work and Simon Thomas for all the work he has done with our shark data and to Claire's Husband, Alan, who does so much to help Claire in the background.

Tight lines for all for the Festival and for the remainder of the Season.

4. Accounts – the secretary had, earlier that day, distributed the Accounts for y/e 2021. Which were approved by Simon Ward and seconded by Pete Davis.

5. Propositions -

There were none.

6. AOB

- a. Pete Overton asked if the Committee had any idea when a price could be confirmed for the Festival? Alex McKay proposed that this be reviewed each month by the Committee and a decision reached as soon as possible. This was seconded by Murray Collings. There was a majority vote in favour. It was recommended that anyone booking accommodation for the Festival should take out Holiday Insurance in case of costs rising too high.
- b. Chris Bett proposed that no Trophies should be offered for Porbeagle catches during March, April or May when the fish were pupping. Jim Martin seconded the proposal. A discussion took place and a vote was taken - 11 votes in favour, 9 votes against. The proposal was carried.

7. Elections –

President

The President of the SACGB, Ian King, was happy to continue to serve as President. Ian was elected President of the SACGB

Vice President

The Vice President of the SACGB, Ian Harbage, was happy to continue to serve as Vice President. Ian was elected Vice President of the SACGB

Committee Members

- a. A McKay Postal/E Vote For 3 A McKay was elected
- b. K Tapper Postal/E Vote For 3 K Tapper was elected
- **c.** D Stone Postal/E Vote For 3 D Stone was elected



The result, when combined with committee members starting their second term, means the number of committee members is now 7.

<u>Chairman</u>

B Woodman stepped down as Chairman.

Murray Collings proposed and Kevin Tapper seconded B Woodman for Chairman. The Committee were in agreement.

B Woodman stated that he was happy to continue as Chairman and thanked the Committee for their confidence.

Vice Chairman

M Collings was proposed as Vice Chairman. The Committee voted unanimously for Murray Collings to remain as Vice Chairman.

The secretary stated that the Presentation Evening would be held at the Hannafore Point Hotel on Saturday 29th October 2022. The price to be confirmed. Simon Thomas to be asked to make the presentations on the night, accompanied by his wife Tracy.

The Chairman closed the meeting, thanking the Committee and the Secretary for their attendance.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm