



**SHARK ANGLING CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN  
MINUTES OF AGM  
HELD ON 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 8pm  
AT LOOE SOCIAL CLUB**

**Present - Committee**

B Woodman - Chairman, C Kelly - Secretary, P Davis, M Collings, K Tapper, S Ward, S Dabney, D Stone, C Aldridge

**Apologies:** Alex McKay,

**Present – Members**

K Horsfield, K Burden, R Day, M Smith, S Costick, J Brinklow, C Watkins, T Farrell, C Benning, M Hillier, L Hodder, R Blake, C Bett, B Copeland, W Wilkinson, B Whistance, A Gaffney, T Field, S Chivers, P Woodman, J Woodman plus other members not recorded.

**Meeting**

**1. 2022 AGM Minutes**

Proposed as a true and accurate record by M Collings and seconded by S Ward.

**2. Matters Arising**

**a. Chris Bett's proposition at the 2022 AGM.**

The Committee discussed Mr Bett's proposition at last year's AGM at their July 2022 Committee meeting and, having looked at the Club rules, the proposition needed to be put to all of the SACGB members for a vote. This should have been made a proposition prior to the AGM and could have been made a proposition for this year's AGM if the correct procedure was followed. This has not been done.

**3. Chairman's Report –**

The Chairman read the following report;

Good evening ladies and gentlemen and welcome to the 2023 AGM.

2022 has not been the greatest year for sharks caught, 531 blue sharks were caught with 83 being qualifiers and two thresher shark was caught. This is a long way down from last year. In 2021 1321 blue sharks were caught with 144 of these being qualifiers. Two porbeagles and two threshers were also caught.

Possibly more would have caught had it not been for the algae bloom in July and August. The fishing, however, improved towards the end of the season in September and October.

Notable fish this season was a new British Record Blue Shark of estimated weight 90lbs. caught by Steve Chivers on 16lb. line.

The club is in a very healthy position both financially and membership with 416 members.

I suspect that many of you will know already that Pat Smith sadly passed away. Pat still holds the record for a porbeagle by a lady and was involved with the club for many years.

It just remains for me to thank the committee, and in particular Claire Kelly with her husband Alan in the background for all the time and effort they have given in the last year also thanks to Pete Davis for his recording of sharks caught.

**4. Accounts –** the secretary had, earlier that day, distributed the Accounts for y/e 2022. Which were approved by M Collings and seconded by S Ward.



## 5. Propositions –

- a. **1. Mark Shreeve** – it is proposed that boats owned by SACGB members to be allowed to have people fishing with them in their boat who catch a qualifying shark to be allowed to join the SACGB. (This is going to be very important to fellow member Jacob Morgan who is currently acquiring a charter boat in Portugal and intends to target the UK market of Shark anglers).  
*Note: Mark Shreeve & Jacob Morgan are based in Portugal, so would be catching fish outside of UK waters.*  
The secretary had already received 19 email/postal votes against the proposition and 1 in favour. The members at the AGM voted unanimously against the proposal.

## 6. AOB

- a. Dave Stone asked if a webcam could be installed at the Social Club for members to be able to see what is happening in Looe. The secretary to write to the club.
- b. Richard Young asked if the cost of the Festival could be capped at £500. A discussion took place. The Chairman reminded everyone that this would have to be made a proposition for the next AGM to be voted on correctly. The Chairman also stated that the members of the club who did not attend the Festival could not subsidize the 47 people who did attend.

## 7. Elections –

### President

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

### Committee Members

- a. P Davis – 14 Postal/E Votes in favour – P Davis was elected unanimously at the AGM
- b. M Collings – 14 Postal/E Votes in favour - M Collings was elected unanimously at the AGM
- c. S Ward – 14 Postal/E Votes in favour – S Ward was elected unanimously at the AGM

The result, when combined with committee members starting their second term, means the number of committee members is now 8.

### Chairman

B Woodman stepped down as Chairman.

D Stone 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 stepped down as Vice Chairman. D Stone proposed and K Tapper seconded M Collings for 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 28th October 2023. The price to be confirmed.

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

The meeting closed at 9.30pm

Signed by:

C Kelly, Secretary:

B Woodman, Chairman: