

**SALMON & TROUT ASSOCIATION
BRISTOL & WEST BRANCH**

Minutes of Committee Meeting on August 1st 2016 at The Stoke Inn, Chew Stoke.

1. Present:

Alfred Pope (AP) Chairman
John West (JW) Treasurer
Brian Kick (BK)
Mike Hobbs (MH)
Roy Buckland (RB)
Nick Mitchell (NM) President
Malcolm Bond (MB) Secretary

Also in attendance: Jenny West (JVRW) Minuting Secretary

2. Apologies

Malcolm Fisher (MF)

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

Correction: Item 6 Members' Day should read "... to keep **Elaine**...". With his correction AP signed the Minutes as an accurate record of the meeting.

4. Matters Arising

Item 6 Action on AP/JW to draft a note to Paul Knight with regard to current membership. This had not been completed as JW had not had time to review draft done by AP. Paul Knight speaking at the Dinner so to be held over to next meeting.

5. Water Resources Officer's Report

Nothing to report. No major abstractions. Concern expressed re water abstraction trading which starts in 2020.

6. Branch Programme

Annual Dinner –September 23rd at Cameley Lodge. NM had produced draft letter to go to members but was awaiting a menu from Cameley Lodge. The speaker was confirmed as Paul Knight, Chief Executive of S & TC. It was agreed that a power point presentation was not suitable and that he should be requested to address what is happening with S & TC.

ACTION: NM to send letter with menu when available.

It was agreed that the Branch should convert its bank account to internet banking so that members could pay for the dinner and the Members' Day using BACS transfer.

ACTION: JW to convert the Lloyds Treasurers account to an internet account.

Junior Coaching. Two meetings had been held with Dean Asplin but nothing had happened regarding the junior coaching. One gentleman had contacted RB but nothing had been heard from Dean since the

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last meeting. RB had received 2 banners from them which are now with MF. There had been a request to return them.

Paul Knight also gave a banner and a pull up one from S & TC.

A decision was made by the Committee not to run the Junior Coaching Course unless access to schools can be sorted. The Angling Trust had agreed to do all the marketing etc and Bristol Water had agreed to include adults as well at the Angling Trust request.

ACTION: MB to speak to Dean Asplin to find out what happened and to elevate to Mark Lloyd.

The Treasurer reported that there was over £900 in the Junior account. RB said that had paid £45 for the first lunch and £75 for the second lunch arising from the meetings with the Angling Trust. The Treasurer would reimburse RB for this expense from the Junior account.

Royal Bath & West Show – very successful show with lots of interest and excellent demos with people 4-5 deep around the ring.

The organisers were very complimentary and RB is on the Woodland & Rural Committee which is good for PR. Because of the success this year there will be a bigger area next year for teaching.

Two people from the Angling Trust helped man the tent but these had been recruited by RB. The Angling Trust provided no other support. Colin Linge from the Flyfishers Guild came to help on one day. Expenses amounted to £75.

Disabled Sports – a letter had been received from Gillian Matthews thanking us for our participation. RB and BK were helped by a student at Yeovil College, MH and AP.

Member's Day – 2/10/16. A letter would be going out shortly by email and post to those not on email. The boats and Elaine were booked. JW said that a tick box form would be used this year to save confusion.

7. Treasurer's Report

The only payment made was £45 to RB for table and chairs at the Bath & West Show.

Current Account	£3435.18
Income/Expenditure a/c	£2453.67
JH-G Junior a/c	£981.51

8. Any Other Business

JVRW was asked to put the information regarding the Dinner and the Members' Day on the website. It was also agreed that the Minutes of the Committee Meetings would go on the website.

ACTION: JVRW to update website.

9. Date of Next Meeting

Monday October 10th 2016 at 7.45 at The Stoke Inn, Chew Stoke preceded by dinner at 7pm.