



## Minutes of Roche Angling Club AGM held on the 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

<b>1. Chairman's Introduction</b>	
	Welcome to the AGM by Phil Crossley (PC) (Chairman).
<b>2. Apologies for Absence</b>	
	Richard Opie
<b>3. Appointment of Tellers</b>	
	Nigel Sanders (NS) and Daryl Hill (DH) were appointed as Tellers for the AGM
<b>4. Adoption of Standing Orders</b>	
	No issues raised regarding the standing orders by club or committee Members.
<b>5. Minutes of 2022 AGM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The membership was asked if they were able to accept the minutes of the last AGM as a true record. Mr A &amp; J Rice stated that they were not a true record of the previous AGM, as they were not written by Mr A/J Rice. The chairman reminded Mr Rice that the minutes were written by him and then heavily redacted. However, the committee has issued them as a record. The chairman moved to the vote to accept them and the vote is as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For – 14</li> <li>• Against – 4</li> <li>• Abstain – 4</li> <li>• Vote carried.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Other issues raised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work parties – can the work parties be mid-week as some members work weekends. This will be looked at again, however there are work parties on weekdays and members should look at Clubmate for the information and booking. If the bookings aren't there, please use the club email to raise this with the committee.</li> <li>• Work parties after club matches - NS said that they will not happen straight after matches as the light will go and be unsafe to work. The matches end on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August so they could happen after that date.</li> <li>• PC asks that the members do not contact the pool wardens direct but go via Clubmate and RAC web page.</li> <li>• Dave Banwell (DB) will be looking into starting special work parties for the over 70's</li> <li>• Emergency telephone number needs to be looked into (Peter Churchill (PCh)) as PC wants members to use the email of the club.</li> <li>• Electric Fence – this was put aside this year as the membership numbers, being reduced, means the funding isn't available. Further to this the landowner is not permitting the installation of the fence.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>6. Chairmans Report</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thank you to all the committee members who have volunteered to give their time to the running of the club.</li> <li>- Thank you to the Fishery officer and the Pool Managers for their continued work at the club's pools.</li> <li>- Thanks to Peter Churchill for his management of the membership and especially having to look after members communications throughout the year.</li> <li>- Welcome to the new Secretary Nigel Higgins (NH).</li> <li>- Welcome to DB as the new Treasurer.</li> <li>- It is Fund Application month and so we will be chasing for more money to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improve swims at Wheal Rashleigh</li> <li>• Improve accessibility and welfare</li> <li>• Improve education</li> <li>• Reduce predation</li> </ul> </li> <li>- As chairman I would like to appeal for "specialists" and "donations" to help the club with the aforementioned works.</li> <li>- I am hoping that now that NH has become secretary that communications with members will improve.</li> <li>- As chairman I would like to see an improvement in our missing sections, female anglers and Junior members</li> <li>- I should also like to see a movement to zero tolerance of abuse within the club.</li> <li>- I am pleased with the membership numbers this year and Peter Churchill will give more details in his report. Also, the finances have improved as a result of the membership numbers.</li> <li>- Please contact our pool wardens via email not on the bank.</li> <li>- I ask that our membership will continue to give the committee support, help and give constructive criticism not negative.</li> <li>- The committee will be looking into the use of social media to disseminate club news etc</li> <li>- I would like to raise the question of sponsoring club representation at matches i.e. the carp match at North Tamar Lakes. If you have any comments, please lets us know.</li> <li>- And finally, the club has a healthy bank balance, so we may be able to get through some of our projects.</li> </ul>
<b>7. Treasurers Report</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- In excepting the role of treasurer DB has found a laptop (and donated it to the club, to carry out his function).</li> <li>- DB produced his financial report and explained the contents and balance (See attached Finance sheet).</li> <li>- DB pointed out that the club's assets need to be re-evaluated to bring them up to today's values.</li> <li>- DB advised that the club does not own all the land the lakes are on. Some of the land is owned by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Travail's (Farmers)</li> <li>• Tremayne Estates</li> </ul> </li> <li>- DB reminded the members that the club had used funds to restock some Roach following an incident.</li> <li>- On the finances £1,243.88 is listed as Miscellaneous the breakdown of this element includes the following:</li> </ul>

**Treasurers Report (Continued)**

Item	£
Pasties	171.00
Drinks	120.90
Gate Signs	303.25
Boat Insurance	100.00
Fuel	30.00
Water lillies	500.00
Daffodil bulbs	15.75
Weighing Scales battery	2.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,243.88</b>

- Clubmate costs cover the issue of club membership cards and the software to run every year (approximately £500 a year rental).
- DB last year's cards have been paid for; however, DB suggests that the club does not issue them going forward into the future.
- DB proposes that the fees for the cards be paid for by the members in 2024.
- The lakes locks are being stolen, so the replacements will be welded to the chains and gate(?) in future. Expected cost £500?
- PC added that every time the locks go missing the pool wardens have to attend, which is not always easy.
- Utility costs are going up and the main cause for this, for the club, is the electricity supply to the toilet at Wheel Rashleigh.
- DB aims to get proved track record – safety net???

**8. Fishery Officers Report**

- Tim Lewis (TL) started with a list of works completed this year, they were:
  - Big T
    - Drainage ditch around Big T which has led to a reduction in the algae in the lake
    - Filled in some of the pot holes
    - Improved the swims Moonscape etc.
    - Planted some deep-water lilies
    - 100 number trees
    - Planted some daffodil bulbs and wild flower seeds spread
    - Two dead Pike and two dead Carp have been found this year. However, this has not been due to Otter predation
    - Future works – none planned
    - If the public gate is not shut off then may consider fencing off each swim. Generally, not supported.
  - Small T
    - Outlet cleared of silt and branches
    - Swims have been improved
    - Future work – swims levelled out
      - Footpaths raised
  - Bilberry
    - Car Park has been completed and it's no longer soft or flooding
    - The Bream are reported to be of a good size

<b>Fishery Officers Report (Continued)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Issues around the Tick's – <b>please check yourself</b> after every visit</li> <li>- Couple of Otter sightings, no fish lost. The Trevail Estate not keen on fencing</li> <li>- No future planned works.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electricity Pool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Car park has been improved, thanks to Keith Fitzpatrick for assisting</li> <li>- Tree pruning has been done</li> <li>- Vegetation cleared</li> <li>- Future works – Footpaths to be improved</li> <li>- Stocking might be done with fish from the same Sussex suppliers as last time.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Walden <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Match numbers have driven the work being done at the pool</li> <li>- Thanks to members for their help</li> <li>- Otter fence (Phase 1?), this may cost in the region of £100k. A major effort for the club and members.</li> <li>- Issues – Cormorants</li> <li>- Cottage cesspit overflowing into lake, Cornwall Council has been contacted to assist in contacting cottage owners</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Wheel Rashleigh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not too much work done this year</li> <li>- Feed programme is ongoing and Carp are in good condition</li> <li>- The match fishing has been affected by the Cormorants</li> <li>- Concrete swim has been cleared of vegetation.</li> <li>- Recent blockage of outfall to lake was cleared by TL and Chris Knight (CK).</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TL believes this lake is top priority this year. Work parties need to be from the club members as a quote by outside contractors was around the £10K for seven days work.</li> <li>- Angling Trust is being looked at for the funding of the swim improvements outlined for this lake.</li> <li>- Dog bins can they be supplied. PC said the club would have to pay to have them emptied and would rather the members would remove the mess themselves. PC will look at notices saying this.</li> <li>- PC – If Otters are seen let the club officials know as soon as possible (same for Cormorants).</li> <li>- Tree's – Grants are available</li> <li>- Bird flu – DO NOT LEAVE any rubbish which will attract birds to the banks etc. Also, DO NOT FEED them either as several members have been seen doing so.</li> </ul>
<b>9. Vice-Chairman's Report</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No comments for the AGM.</li> </ul>
<b>10. Proposals</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- PC went through the proposals listed in the Annex to the Agenda. The annex is a list of clauses in the constitution which deals with the following issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication about work parties</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>Proposals (continued)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work party – risk assessment and insurance around non-committee member supervision</li> <li>• Also, can a list of small jobs be created and published to help members select work etc.</li> <li>• Roll over of requirement – PC this would be difficult to manage so not likely at present.</li> </ul> <p>- The following is a list of the clauses as detailed on the Annex to the agenda and explained by the Chairman and voted on by the members present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clause 3.8.1 Votes For - 46, Against – 0, Abstained – 2</li> <li>• Clause 3.8.3 Votes For – 47, Against – 0, Abstained – 2</li> <li>• Clause 3.8.2 Votes For – 47, Against - 0, Abstained – 1</li> <li>• Clause 4.1 Votes For – 47, Against – 0, Abstained – 1</li> <li>• Clause 4.3 Votes For – 47, Against – 0, Abstained – 1</li> <li>• Clause 4.6 Votes For – 48, Against – 0, Abstained – 1</li> <li>• Clause 4.7 Votes For – 48, Against – 2, Abstained – 0</li> <li>• Clause 4.11 Votes For – 48, Against – 0, Abstained – 1</li> <li>• Clause 5.1 Votes For – 49, Against – 0, Abstained – 2</li> <li>• Clause 9.3 Votes For – 49, Against – 2, Abstained – 0</li> <li>• Clause 9.4 Votes For – 49, Against – 0, Abstained – 1</li> <li>• Clause 9.5 Votes For – 49, Against – 0, Abstained – 2</li> <li>• Clause 9.7 Votes For – 49, Against – 2, Abstained – 0</li> <li>• Clause 9.8 Votes For – 49, Against – 1, Abstained – 1</li> </ul> <p>- The Chairman thanked everyone for voting. PC then asked if all present that now all the items have been accepted that they would vote for the Secretary and Chairman to sign the constitution, dated today the 27 February 2023.</p> <p>- Vote For – 51, Against – 0, Abstained – 0: the constitution is now accepted and will be published soon.</p>																
<p><b>11.Election of Officers</b></p>																	
	<p>- No new proposals for officers received</p> <p>- Current committee resigns</p> <p>- Resigned committee agrees to stand again. Vote called to elected officers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For – 49</li> <li>• Against – 0</li> <li>• Abstain – 2</li> </ul> <p>- Vote carried to re-elect the committee.</p>																
<p><b>12.Trophy Awards</b></p>																	
	<p>- Reg Freeth thanked the club for giving him his Honorary Membership and the Chairman thanked him for his service over the year.</p> <p>- The following are the winners of this year’s trophies:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="550 1742 1177 2038"> <thead> <tr> <th>Match Trophies</th> <th>Name</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Senior Match Champion</td> <td>Nigel Sanders</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Evening League Champion</td> <td>Nigel Sanders</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Festival Shield</td> <td>Nigel Sanders</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Schofield Trophy</td> <td>Damien Lawrence</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fishleigh Trophy</td> <td>Damien Lawrence</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Roland Cox</td> <td>Damien Lawrence</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Match Trophies	Name	Senior Match Champion	Nigel Sanders	Evening League Champion	Nigel Sanders	Festival Shield	Nigel Sanders			Schofield Trophy	Damien Lawrence	Fishleigh Trophy	Damien Lawrence	Roland Cox	Damien Lawrence
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<b>Trophy Awards (continued)</b>		
	Bob Noble Trophy	Lee Gallagher
	Fleetwood Cup	Lee Gallagher
	Bill Knot	Lee Gallagher
	Christmas Fayres	R. Opie
	Dave Hayes	A. Hadfield
	<b>Specimen Awards</b>	<b>Name</b>
	Common Carp	Tim Lewis
	PJ Watts	Tim Lewis
	Mirror Carp	M. Hanson
Bream	N. Oliver	
Pike	D. Banwell	
Arthur Bundy	P. Bell	
<b>13.Date of next AGM</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>	