



Date: 4th November 2008

Attendees: KW, PGR, JAB, JPB, JB, KS, TP, J Burg, JF, JF Jnr, BOK, FD, PB, ML

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER AGM MEETING

1. **Outstanding Monies**

Match Fee's etc, payable

2. **Matches - Summer League 2008**

Partridge Lakes - Covey No 4 - 11/10/08

1 st	James Bryan	30lb 8oz
2 nd	Neil Turner	29lb 7oz
3 rd	Neil Davies	27lb 8oz

Golden Peg: Paul Roby (17th) 9lb 12oz

Hampton Springs - Long Island - 25/10/08

1 st	Neil Davies	22lb 9oz
2 nd	Adam Hill	20lb 12oz 8drm
3 rd	Alan Lamb	17lb 20z

Golden Peg: John Bryan (10th) 3lb 4oz 8drm

Biggest Fish: Adam Hill 8lb 10oz (Mirror Carp)

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3. Next Match (Winter League)

Seniors

08/11/08 Lloyd's Meadow - 'Top Pool' (Heron)

4. Statement of Accounts

Copy of annual accounts issued for review by members. No comments to report.

5. Election of Committee

As per 2005 AGM agreement, committee member review dates are on a rolling program as follows:-

Chairman & Treasurer	2007 - 2010
Secretary	2008 - 2011
Match Secretary	2009 - 2012

The Secretary's role was put to the vote this year, it was agreed by all those in attendance that Paul Bryan continue in his role as Club Secretary. 'PB' accepted the position for a further three year tenure.

6. Bailiffs

All existing bailiffs stepped down from their roles and asked by the committee if they would accept a further term as bailiff. The following members are now recognised as POHAS Bailiffs:-

Frank Davies, Neil Davies, Ken Whibley, Paul Rowlands, Joe Fagan, Mike Lewis, James Bryan, John Bryan, Paul Bryan, Alf Smith (not present).

7. Club Licence Fee 2009/10

Members were asked to vote on the increase in licence fee's for the forthcoming 2009/10 season.

The increase is the first since 2003 and has been brought about by increased rents, insurances and additional works being, and to be carried out around the pools.

All members agreed the following increase:-

Adult Member	from £10 to £15
Junior Member	No Change
OAP	from £5 to £10

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8. Club Rules & Regulations

Members were asked to review existing club rules and regulations to ensure all rules are fair up to date and ensure good care of our pools and the environment.

The following comments were raised and noted:-

Unused Bait to be taken home and not deposited in bins and left in or nearby pools.

Litter (non-food) to be placed in bins provided or taken home.

Loose Feed is acceptable in moderation.

No Groundbait at any time.

The above will be entered in subsequent club licences, members disregarding the above or any other club rule may be asked to leave the pool on which they are fishing.

9. Match Prices 2009

Having now booked all matches (thanks to 'FD' for his efforts) for 2009 and having received costs for proposed coach trips, the cost of Senior matches in 2009 can be announced. The following prices were agreed by all members attending this meeting, and are as follows:-

Car Trips (3 x Spring, 4 x Summer)	£10 Each
Coach Trips (3 x Summer)	£38 Each

It was also agreed by all members that an extra club meeting be held in June 2009 (date to be advised) specifically for agreeing matches for 2010 (Spring, Summer & Winter Leagues). Any member who has an interest in what venues are decided for 2010 should attend the meeting. Date will be advised in due course.

10. Junior / Intermediate Matches

Following a cost review it was agreed by all members attending that Junior/Intermediate matches for 2009 will have a cost of £2 per match for each attending Junior/Intermediate member. This is to specifically cover food and refreshment costs as well as increased commercial fishery costs.

We can also confirm that we will be running an Intermediate League during 2009 to cater for members aged between 15 - 18 Years of age. Junior members aged 15/16 will of course be eligible for both Junior and Intermediate matches. It is important to highlight that this still only incurs a single cost per match of £2.

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As usual the format will be a six match series, with three commercial fisheries this year instead of two in previous years. The intermediate league will be a series of three matches and will take place on the three commercial venues in the Junior/ Intermediate series (Sycamore, Blundell's & Partridge Lakes).

11. Bank Balance



12. Golden Peg



13. Christmas Raffle

This year's raffle to have three prizes, Beer & Wine, Biscuit Selection and Chocolate Selection. 280 raffle tickets have been printed at a cost to the club of £14 plus a £40 registration fee to Warrington Borough Council. Tickets are £1 Each and the draw takes place at the Maltings Pub at 10.00pm on Saturday 20th December.

Posters and quantity of tickets to be sold by Maltings staff and also Cheshire Angling.

,PB' is arranging Biscuits and Chocolate, the following drinks donations have been promised:-

FD	Brandy,	ML & JF	Whisky & Vodka
KW	Rum,	PGR	Red & White wine
KS	Sherry	POHAS	Beer/Lager

Members agreed to bring the above to next club meeting (Dec 3rd 2008)

14. Supercup 2009

The 2009 Angling Times Supercup has been announced in the press.

This year ,JPB' and ,AL' have agreed to organise proceedings with BOK agreeing to be ,overseer'. ,JPB' has asked for up to 20 names of those wishing to be considered part of the 2009 squad. Details have to be with Angling Times no later than 4th December. Cost to club for entry £30.

15. Fishery Update

Whitegate Pool - Meeting took place with WBC and contractor on 22nd October to discuss water levels. Contractor agreed to dig trench to investigate at their cost. Awaiting works to be carried out.

Hedge prices confirmed at £180 from supplier in Southport (). 'PB' prepared to collect to reduce cost. Workparty agreed to carry out this work on 28/29th November. Additional work of laying a footpath (cost approx £60) also agreed and will be carried out at the same time.

Pruning also to take place around the pool area to improve safety. Members agreed to the club purchasing a chainsaw to assist with this and future work.

Brownlee's Pool - Site meeting took place on 2nd October with officials from the Environment Agency and the Woodland Trust along with 'FD' and 'PB'.

It was subsequently confirmed that no additional trees or branches are or will be removed from the site. Confirmation was given that one Alder will be coppiced during Oct/Nov as shown on Woodland Trust plan. All parties agreed that a marginal area can be created, an island can be constructed and installed and Barley Straw to be added at the correct time of year to reduce algae issues. A tighter grip on organic matter entering the pool was also suggested, this includes natural leaf litter and also introduced matter, ie, Groundbait and other baits (sweetcorn meat etc). Workparty dates to be agreed at future meeting following completion of work on Wgitegate.

Fishery management course offered by to one of our members is to take place during February 2009, date to be confirmed.

16. Fur & Feather Match (Winter League)

Match takes place on Saturday 6th December on Bridgewater Canal, Walton.

A carvery at Walton Arms pub has been prearranged after the match for those members wishing to attend. Match cost including carvery (not drinks) is £10, those wishing to fish the match only cost is £5.

17. AOB

Thanks to all those who attended and those who helped with our 2008 Presentation Night held at Roosters Club on Friday 3rd October.

Bag packing at ASDA is no longer possible. We have been offered the possibility of doing a collection which requires a permit from the local authority. 'PB' has investigated with WBC, permits are free but require at least 28 days notice and also a copy of store letter has to be sent to WBC for their records. 'PB' to get a date off ASDA for mid 2009.

Next Meeting – Wednesday 3rd December 2008