

Girling Angling Society

Website:- GirlingAS.co.uk

Summary of the 28/9/2022 Meeting Minutes held at the SMCC

Peg Fees:-

After 15 of 20 matches requiring peg fees in 2022 we are currently showing no significant loss.

Fladbury Maintenance:-

With the drought conditions there has been little bankside growth so far but it's a different scenario under water. Shallow Pegs 9, 10 & 12 have stalks and pegs 14 to 18 have cabbages along the margins. There has been no work on the pegs in the channel which is extremely shallow, we will sort out these winter pegs out the 1st of October.

Fladbury Water Quality:-

GirlingAS:- Society WQMN measurements began in May 2022 and results show no improvement since November 2021 in fact the Phosphate level peaked in July at 1.34mg/l where the norm is 0.1mg/l.

Website:- The WQMN page on the website now shows results in Graphical and Tabulated form see, News/ River Pollution/ Link to WQMN (Spreadsheet & Graphs).

The Angling Trust:- The Trust has agreed to complete a "Full Laboratory Test" on the water quality at Fladbury, samples have been taken, we await the results.

Severn Trent:- Have undertaken sampling to locate the source saying that there is a "catchment issue" and poor water quality extends as far upstream as Stratford upon Avon.

Fur and Feather on Pools:-

In line with fairness across the membership on the last match on Pools we distributed beer to a somewhat surprised turnout.

Club Prize Money in 2022

- The Treasurer supplied a draft balance sheet that suggested there would be a deficit in 2022 essentially due to engraving costs. The Committee decided to absorb the loss and hold last season's level of club prize money at £600.

New Accounting format

- We have adopted a total revision of Society Accounting. Essentially generating Club Prize Money from total Full member subscriptions after deducting fixed costs therefore balancing, Variable costs will be deducted from Fladbury Income (Assoc. Subscriptions and Club Bookings). The new format starts next season & the Balance Sheet shown at the January 2024 AGM.

Club Prize Money in 2023

The newly adopted Accounting format where total Full Member subscriptions minus Fixed Costs generate Club Prize Money caused discussion concerning how Club Prize Money is allotted. The Committee decided the following.

- The winners of the 10 match River Aggregate and the 10 match series on Pools will win £100 shared 50%/30%/20%. The remainder of Club Prize Money will be allotted per match equally on both 10 match series (Pool & River) similar to previous seasons.
- A deficit from variable costs from Fladbury Income will be absorbed but unused income will be added to the River Club Prize Money.
- This means that Full Member Subscription (generating Club Prize Money after deducting fixed costs) will Balance and Variable Costs from Fladbury income where in profit will also Balance.

2022 Peg Fee Status - Open

- Currently there is no significant loss after 15 matches with the two Canal matches and three Scrambles on pools remaining all expected to balance.

Bonus Pegs in 2023

- Members agreeing to enter the Bonus Peg will be expected to contribute for matches missed in 2023.

Points System Proposal – a member has proposed a new points system

- The current points system (1 point for a win & 1 point more than turnout if you miss the match) has been in place for decades, the proposal favours the regulars proposing 15 points for a win and no points if you miss the match.
- After a lengthy discussion the committee were in total agreement agreeing that one point more than turnout if you miss a match with variable turnout could appear unfair but the current format kept the series competitive. Equally unfair was having a points system that favoured the member able to fish all of the matches and heavily penalised those who miss a match. The committee favours keeping the series competitive and as fair as possible therefore no change.

2023 Venues:-

Match venues were agreed for 2023 and we will now try to get them booked for next season.

This season we overlooked asking members for their venue suggestions, we will put this right at the next AGM.

Roach Cup:-

Keith's Roach of 1-10-0 was weighed when the scales were suspect and accuracy improved after a Battery change, Keith himself said he did not think the Roach was 1-10-0. Keith had a 1-8-0 Roach earlier in the season, the Committee decision is that the 1-8-0 Roach will be reinstated as the biggest Roach caught so far in 2022, see Full Members / Club Records. Sorry Keith but we believe the correct decision.