

**Unapproved extracts from Minute of Meeting of Aberdeen & District Angling Association held at the Bothy, Riverside Drive, Aberdeen on Monday 6 June 2022 at 7.30pm**

**Present:**

P Adderton, P Toseland, K Riddell, J Stephen, D Knowles, G Clark, D Boddie, L Baxter, M Mulcahy, N Taylor, A Mckinnon, K Beaton, M Hourston, R Paterson, A Skakle, A H Hume MBE

**1. Chairman's welcome**

The President welcomed all Management Committee members present.

**2. Apologies:**

R McHattie, C Deboth, M Hart

**3. Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 3 May 2022 was approved subject to noting that Alex Skakle was in fact present at the meeting and the March and April ones.

**4. Matters arising**

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>75<sup>th</sup> Merchandise</b>	Kenny & Ken provided an update.	Kenny/ Ken

**5. Long Term Business. Progress report**

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>Long Term Business</b>	Responsible persons provided updates, if any. The detailed list of these is included with the minutes.	Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s as per list.

**6. Junior Meeting - report back**

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for</b>
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		<b>reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>Junior Meeting - report back</b>	Ash & Paul A gave this.  Follow up actions include:  Organising a scout's outing/s at Millpond.  Organising a junior outing/ competition at Millpond.  Organising fly-tying classes.  Organising a Junior FB page.	Ash/ Paul A/ Matt H
<b>Junior Marketing</b>	Ash reported he had circulated the poster via social media & dropped off hardcopies at various schools & local fisheries.	Ash

#### 7. MSPs, salmon and seals – Update

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>Responding to the Scottish Governments wild salmon strategy</b>	Paul A reported back on the actions he had taken since the last meeting and confirmed, like last month, things were still ongoing.	Paul A

#### 10. International Competition River Don

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>International Competition River Don 24 June 2022</b>	Kenny gave an update.	Kenny

#### 11. Membership Update

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>

<b>Membership Update</b>	Paul T reported on the detailed numbers. There were no queries.	Secretary/ Treasurer
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## 12. June Newsletter

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>June Newsletter</b>	John gave an update. The target date for completion is early July.	John S/ Responsible person/s for providing articles.

## 14. Correspondence

<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>Use of Bothy</b>	A request was received from Bill Abbott, Deacon, Open Door Baptist Church, Aberdeen to use the bothy on 5 June for use for changing for a baptism outside. This was approved. Davie confirmed it had gone ahead with no issues.	Davie
<b>Fish Disease</b>	An email from the Dee District Salmon Fishery Board about fish disease was circulated on 20 May. It was agreed to circulate this via social media.	Matt H

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<b>Item.</b>	<b>Discussion/ Action/s.</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>
<b>Pitcaple Beat Upper Limit</b>	Robert reported that this has now been clarified. It was agreed to erect a beat marker.	Nicky
<b>Catch Returns Convenor tasks</b>	Paul T & Murray gave an update.  As regards reporting annual catch returns to the membership it was clarified that Murray was willing to prepare the figures & work with Paul A to do the analysis of them.	Paul T/ Murray/ Paul A
<b>AA Lower Parkhill Discharge Point</b>	Paul A reported he would raise the pollution concerns raised by Committee members about this with the Don District Salmon Fishery Board.	Paul A

<b>Use of What3Words</b>	It was agreed to progress this.	Kenny/ Matt H/ Paul T
<b>Loch- weed cutting by external contactor</b>	Kenny reported this was carried out in May.	
<b>Loch- annual laying of barley straw bales</b>	Kenny reported this was scheduled for Tuesday & Wednesday.	Kenny
<b>Bench at Millpond</b>	Kenny & Ash agreed to progress this.	Kenny/ Ash
<b>Silver Ghosts paperback</b>	Paul A reported this was now available in paperback: <a href="https://silver-ghosts.com/">https://silver-ghosts.com/</a>	

Date of next meeting: Monday 4 July 2022

There being no further business the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the President for chairing the meeting.

#### Long Term Business- Update on 6 June 2022

<b>Item</b>	<b>Latest update</b>	<b>Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.</b>	<b>Target date for completion</b>
<b>Robert Dey Memorial</b>	<p>October 2021:</p> <p>Paul A has discussed this with the family. They are happy with a memorial plaque to be erected on the gate of Bridgefoot car park, Ardlethen.</p> <p>January 2022:</p>	Paul A	February 2022

	<p>Once erected Paul A to invite Lorna, Bobs widow plus any other family members, to see it &amp; to arrange Alastair &amp; a photographer to be there also so a photo can be taken for the website.</p> <p>February 2022:</p> <p>Paul A to arrange manufacture &amp; erection of the plaque.</p> <p>March 2022:</p> <p>Paul A to collect plaque 8 March &amp; arrange erection thereafter.</p> <p>April 2022:</p> <p>Paul A showed Committee members the plaque. He is now to arrange its erection. He will then invite Lorna, Bobs widow plus any other family members, to see it &amp; to arrange Alastair &amp; a photographer to be there also so a photo can be taken for the website.</p> <p>June 2022 Nicky will be erecting the plaque this month once Kenny has drilled holes in it.</p>		
<p><b>Past Presidents Plaques</b></p>	<p>October 2021:</p> <p>It was agreed to progress these, one in the bothy, the other at a bench near the bothy.</p> <p>February 2022:</p> <p>Committee members noted that a plaque has now been erected at the bench near the</p>	<p>Paul A</p>	<p>June 2022</p>

	<p>bothy by the family of former Committee member Hamish Macintosh.</p> <p>Paul T advised that his records indicated the following:</p> <p>1946/47 to 1950s Pat McGee  1950s to 1964 Cliff Jordan  1964 to 2004 Duncan Wilson MBE  2004 to 2008 Alastair Hume MBE  2008 to 2020 Robert Dey  2021 to present Paul Adderton  Alastair confirmed this was correct</p> <p>Committee members agreed to investigate &amp; make recommendations on what style of plaque they wanted, noting that future Committee members will need to arrange for it to added to as time goes by, for example, like captains of a golf club.</p>		
<b>AWPR Bridge Parking, north bank</b>	<p>March 2022:</p> <p>A letter has been sent to the assumed owner.</p> <p>June 2022  Still no response from the assumed owner.</p>	George	Ongoing (as assumed owner appears unwilling to enter any meaningful discussion on the matter).
<b>Millpond</b>	<p>October 2021:</p> <p>Millpond dredging. Stewart provided an update by email on 2 October. It is likely works will now be done in 2022.</p> <p>April 2022:</p> <p>Ash Mckinnon is now the Millpond Convenor &amp; will be progressing this.</p>	Ash Mckinnon	August 2022

	<p>June 2022</p> <p>At the June 2022 Committee meeting Ash reported it was his opinion this was not required. It was agreed to no longer pursue this.</p>		
<b>Upper Parkhill, AWPR bridge, south bank</b>	<p>October 2021</p> <p>After discussion George clarified the owner had no objections to these being erected close to the water's edge for anglers, &amp; that there was in fact a stock of styles held at Ardlethen &amp; it would be two of these that Nicky will arrange to erect at said location.</p>	Nicky	June 2022
<b>Container at Cockers</b>	<p>October 2021</p> <p>Paul T reported that the owners of the new house erected close to the car park at the Machar Pool had verbally offered to look after any new type of hut erected there. However, there was still no consensus amongst Committee members that a hut was still required there.</p> <p>The other option discussed was moving the container to the Skene House Estate.</p> <p>February 2022.</p> <p>Paul A reported that his preferred option was to move it to Skene House Estate. No one objected to this.</p>	All Committee members	February 2022
<b>Review of Maintenance Arrangements, including signage &amp; beat markers.</b>	<p>October 2021</p> <p>It was agreed to discuss this at a future meeting. Richard advised he was willing to lead this.</p>	Richard	April 2022