# Unapproved extracts from Minute of Meeting of Aberdeen & District Angling Association held at the bothy on 4 September 2023 at 7.30pm

#### Present:

P Adderton, P Toseland, K Riddell, L Baxter, N Taylor, R Paterson, A Mckinnon, J Stephen, John Dewar, A H Hume MBE

#### 1. Chairman's welcome

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting. He advised that member Campbell Pert who has expressed an interest in being co-opted as a Committee member will attend & observe at the next meeting. He also welcomed member David Knowles to the meeting who had been invited specifically for the item about the bothy.

#### 2. Apologies:

M Hourston, M Mulcahy

#### 3. Minutes

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on 7 August 2023 were approved.

#### **5.**Matters arising

Exchange Permit Scheme Review	Kenny gave an update.	Kenny, Murray
Events	Paul T suggested, if possible, like the annual local competitions programme, an annual events programme be organised by January & added to the annual rules & fishings booklet & posted on the website. This was agreed.	Paul A, Ash, & Matt M
Access & Maintenance	Kenny & Nicky gave an update on the supply & erection of new benches.	Beat Convenors
Junior events- Middle Drum 26/8/23	Paul A & Ash reported that the event was a success & 5 Juniors attended & each had individual tuition by the Committee members & others who had supported the event.	
	Paul A & Ash undertook to organise a similar event next season & add to the proposed annual events programme.	Paul A/ Ash

#### 6. Membership Development

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Promotional Videos	There was positive feedback from all those present regarding the Dee Video.	
	It was agreed to now post it on: The 2 ADAA FB sites The ADAA YouTube Channel The ADAA website	Matt H

# 7. Catches

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	Paul A requested that those present provide any verbal feedback they had or have received from members about the current poor salmon & grilse catches.	
	Feedback included:	
	An unnamed long- term salmon angler member has sold off his salmon fishing tackle to concentrate on brown trout fishing instead.	
	Nicky & another long- term salmon angler member have made enquiries about travelling to fish the River Clyde &/or its tributaries as the salmon fishing has been so good there recently, reputedly because of its stocking programme.	
	It was agreed to encourage members via the ADAA Closed Group to attend the Dee & Don AGMs to express their concerns.	Kenny/ Matt H

# 8. Grass cutting (update and weed clearance)

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Grass cutting (update and	Grass cutting.	
weed clearance) Grass cutting (update and	Grass cutting- Maintenance Operative, various locations.	Lewis/ Paul A
weed clearance)	Nicky gave an update.	
	Grass cutting- Volunteers Keith Wilson & Marc Dalgeish, various locations.	Lewis
	Lewis gave an update.	
	Grass cutting- Middle Drum beat.	Paul A
	Paul A gave an update.	
	Weed clearance.	Kenny/ Ash
	Kenny reported that tackling the weed issue at Millpond by dredging was unable to take place because of the unavailability of the plant required. It is now rescheduled for next Summer.	
	Ash also confirmed he now supported the compromise decision of only part-dredging the fishery.	

## 11. Date of Next Meeting

Item.	Discussion/ Action/s.	Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.
Date of Next Meeting	Monday 2 October 2023 usual monthly meeting.	All Committee members

## 12. AOCB

Item.	Discussion/ Action/s.	Responsible person/s for reporting/ action/s.
Pike in the Dee system	It was agreed to take no action about this.	
Fishdee Catches	It was positively noted that the weekly returns being posted by Murray on the ADAA Facebook sites were now being included in the weekly Fishdee catch reports.	

Map Books Front Cover photo	Robert undertook to contact Matt H to arrange this.	Kenny/Robert/ Matt H
Local Competitions	Kenny proposed that from 2024 the Association adopt the same fish measuring methods as National Competitions. This was agreed.	Kenny

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