

Central Association of London and Provincial Angling Clubs

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CALPAC Delegate Meeting Minutes Monday 9thrd April 2018

Meeting opened at 8.05pm by Bob Smith

Apologies for absence

Alphonsus Duffy and Augustine Duffy

Minutes from February meeting

Proposed by Jim Hamilton and seconded by Malcolm Corner

Matters Arising

Dean Hawkins mentioned the recent comments regarding encouraging new members and strategy to do this. Although we always must look at ways to increase our membership we should also acknowledge the efforts so far such as incentive from 2018/2019 season of 3-night permits for Manor Pond, Padworth and Snargate for £60, rather than £40 individually and all the work carried out at Snargate

Attendees

Bob Smith, Carmel Jones, David Blake, Dean Hawkins, Denise Wheeler, Jim Hamilton, John Bygrave, Malcolm Corner, Roy Pollard and Liz, Dean's partner who kindly chauffeured Dean this evening

Correspondence

- 29/3/18 Email from James Chiavarini requesting to trap Crayfish on the River Mole
- 29/3/18 Email from Mark Pells in response to comments in AGM minutes regarding bailiff at Manor Pond
- 4/4/18 Email from Lesley-Anne Feldmanis (committee member for Duck Race to take place at Pulborough) asking us to warn anglers and feedback before their committee meeting on 10th May 2018
- 9/4/18 Email from Katherine Duffy saying that both her Mum and Dad have been very unwell, but Alphonsus is looking much better, going to the lake a few times a week and intending to be at the next meeting in May

Secretary Reports - April 2018 by Carmel Jones

Evening everyone. Sorry I have not got much to report this month. I have been dealing with enquiries as and when they come in. I have received a few bits of correspondence that I will go through in any other business.

Interim Treasurers Report - April 2018 by John Bygrave

Good evening ladies and gentlemen.

At this moment seven clubs have re-joined but as I have not got the BCAA books only one club has their books as they said they could do without them.

As regards to the BCAA books I have sent off our request with a cheque as I have been told they now have them. Thanks to Malcolm Corner for this information.

Most of our bills have been paid, one or two still to do.

I still have not managed to get to Pulborough to pick up our day ticket money, I must do this very soon and take them a new book.

I have sent out some life members books and have already had the usual note back from Mike Lee thanking us for the book and wishing CALPAC all the best for the future.

The rents for Stew Pond and Yalding 1 have still not been sorted out!!

Individual membership is very slow at the moment, I have sent the first few books out without a BCAA book with a note explaining why but as I have now managed to order the BCAA books I have sat on the last few hoping I can do them properly if they come in soon.

I have got to get to the bank as I have quite a lot to pay in.

Fisheries Report - April 2018 by Dean Hawkins

Good evening everyone, and as weird as it may sound I am very happy to be here!

I start my report by giving the new dates for all the work parties that have had to be changed, because of the unusually bad weather we have had this spring.

River Mole Cobham: Saturday 28th April

River Kennet Padworth: Saturday 12th May

River Medway/Beult Yalding Two: Saturday 19th May

Manor Pond Cobham: Saturday 2nd June

I am hoping they will all be successful well attended days.

As you all know, I have been working on the project at Padworth which over the last week has progressed very well. Because I have been on holiday, this has given me the time to spend on the Grant Application paperwork and liaise with Martin Kent, ARK's lower kennet project officer. I have completed 95% of the application, with only the permissions from Thatcham and RDAA for me to be the lead role to be added and after my conversations with Martin Kent and Del Shackleford this morning, a slight amendment to my plans. The amendment will only be achieved after a site visit by all interested parties once the water levels return to normal. One of the things we managed to achieve last week was an extension to the grant deadline date, which has now been moved from 1st May to the 15th June. This will now allow us to fulfil all the criteria needed for a successful application.

I will discuss in AOB how we can publicise projects like the one above to generate interest in CALPAC. This will be another way we can target new members.

Competition Secretary - April 2018 - No Report

Membership Secretary - April 2018 by Denise Wheeler

Evening all. Memberships coming in quite steady pace and lots of phone call with enquiries, which I have been dealing with as and when they come in.

I have dealt with a lot of night fishing permits, mainly for Manor Pond.

There is a fishing shop in Ewell which I was thinking about popping in to too see if they would help to promote CALPAC, which other angling shops do.

Items Discussed in Other Business

- The current membership form does not reflect the changes in night permit incentive, therefore the forms need to be updated and when speaking to new members mention the offer
- Carmel Jones to provide details of attendees at work parties to Denise Wheeler, from registers Dean Hawkins has provided to her
- Email from Mark Pells was discussed as he mentioned that he knows the two guys who usually control the water at Manor Pond and it did not sound like them. He did however mention a different guy saying he was a bailiff, who was a little strange but not insulting and mentioned Feltham piscatorials. It was suggested that we have photos of bailiffs on website, with their permission of course
- It was agreed that we go back to James Chiavarini regarding Crayfish request and ask him for copy of EA licence and if all in order we will give him the go ahead
- Carmel Jones to contact Lesley-Anne Feldmanis regarding the Duck race for some further information
- Dean Hawkins suggested CALPAC open a twitter account, which he will get going so that we can reach out to more members etc. All agreed this was a good idea
- Carmel Jones to contact Pulborough, Dean Hawkins to contact Thatcham and John Bygrave to contact Byfleet to see if they wish to carry on with the existing arrangements

Meeting closed at by Bob Smith at 8.50pm

Next Meeting 14th May 2018 at 8pm

Venue: The Thomas Wall Centre, 52 Benhill Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. SM1 4DP

Please make a note of the Monthly Meeting Dates for 2018

Please make every effort to attend these meetings as we would very much appreciate your input.

Monday 4th June 2018

Monday 6th August 2018

Monday 1st October 2018

Monday 3rd December 2018

Monday 2nd July 2018

Monday 3rd September 2018

Monday 5th November 2018

Revised Future Work Party Dates

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