

Central Association of London and Provincial Angling Clubs

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CALPAC Delegate Meeting Minutes Monday 7th January 2019

Meeting opened at 8.05pm by John Bygrave

Apologies for absence December - Carmel Jones (work), David Blake (work) and Jim Hamilton (not very well)
January - Carmel Jones

Minutes from December Meeting

None, to be proposed or seconded as the December Delegates meeting was cancelled due to, there not being enough committee members to form a quorum but as John Bygrave had three reports the members present Alf Duffy, Malcolm Corner and John Bygrave decided to hear the reports and then have a general discussion.

Matters Arising - None

Attendees

Alphonus Duffy, Dean Hawkins, John Bygrave and Malcolm Corner

Correspondence - None

Secretary Report - December 2018 by Carmel Jones (Faxed to John Bygrave with Dean Hawkins report but John did not receive all pages)

Evening All, Sorry I have not seen you all for a while, but I have had a lot of work and personal commitments, which have made it impossible for me to attend the meetings. I just wanted to wish you all a Happy Christmas and of course a healthy Happy New Year.

Interim Treasurers Report - December 2018 by John Bygrave

Not a lot to report. All our bills are paid, I only have my expenses to sort out and I can close the books ready for the accountant, I am fairly sure we will make a loss this year. I had to go to the bank and get a copy of the statement for one which did not turn up. I sent all my surplus BCAA books back for recompense, their AGM was cancelled, to be held at a later date, I don't know if I will be able to attend. I still don't know if Peter Alexander has been to Pulborough or not!

Have had a lot of phone calls, mostly about day tickets and venues. I also have some raffle tickets for sale at £2.00 each from Angling Trust with very good prizes if you win. Merry Xmas and a Healthy New Year to you all.

Interim Treasurers Report - January 2019 by John Bygrave

Not a lot to report, I have not done a lot over the holiday period.

I have started getting the books ready for the accountant and have done the expenditure in spite, of the fact my calculator keeps telling me lies, I now think we may make a slight profit on the year, although our expenditure is more than double the previous year.

I have some cheques to pay into the bank, and as far as I know all our bills are paid. I have sent one member's book out in December and am still answering quite a few phone calls.

I still do not know if Peter Alexander has been to Pulborough and changed the day ticket book.

I would like to thank everyone who sent me a Christmas card and wish all a Happy Healthy New Year.

Fisheries Reports for December 2018 by Dean Hawkins

I would like to start my report by wishing all present a very Happy Christmas with Good Health and Tight Lines for 2019.

My report is very concise this month, with very little to report other than, I will endeavour to set the dates for next year's work parties prior to the January meeting. I did manage to get down to Pulborough on Saturday 17th November for a spot of fly fishing for Pike, but with the river still fining down after a lot of heavy rain, was justifiably unsuccessful. The other CALPAC member I was with on the day though had a good day's roach fishing, catching lots of roach throughout the day, with a few small chub added later in the day. On arrival, two anglers were fishing without day tickets, so we instructed them to leave and purchase them from the Corn Store. As we expected, they did not return!!

I thought I would also take this opportunity to update the committee on our Twitter and Instagram accounts.

I have linked both accounts, so I can post on one and it will then update the other. It has been a very interesting and worthwhile experiment for CALPAC so far, I think. We have more followers than we are actually following, which is obviously a big plus for raising the profile of CALPAC amongst the angling fraternity. Our followers range from CALPAC members to Environment Agency Officers, intermingled with one or two angling celebrities.

I have not posted much recently, because of the lack of fishery activity. This will change again though once the work at Padworth starts, because I will ask Ben to send me lots of progress photos and information, which I can then use. A lot of our followers started appearing when I announced the proposed project, which tells you how many people are interested in the restoration of the river Kennet.

I hope you all agree, for a free to use facility, both platforms are going to be very beneficial to CALPAC in the long term.

Fisheries Reports for January 2019 by Dean Hawkins

Let me first of all, take this opportunity to wish all of CALPAC committee and members a very happy and positive 2019.

I will start with an update on how the Padworth project is progressing at the moment. The scheduled start of 7th January has been put back a couple of months, because I only submitted the 'Flood Risk Activity Permit' on the 20th December. It will normally take approximately two months from receipt of this application, for the Environment Agency to grant permission for the work to take place.

Work on the project should still be underway during early spring, which gives plenty of time for completion, prior to the spawning season starting for the Barbel and Chub.

I have also updated our Instagram and Twitter accounts and Malcolm has updated the website with news and pictures of the Environment Agency stocking 500Chub into our Padworth fishery. We missed out on the Barbel this year, because they were allocated to the River Thame and Burghfield section of the Kennet. Hopefully we will be in with a better chance next year of receiving a stocking of Barbel, because the habitat work will have been completed.

I carried out some swim clearance work at Snargate on 2nd January. It is certainly becoming easier now to keep the swims open. Especially at this time of the year.

I have not managed to sort out the 2019 work party dates yet, but I will do so as soon as I can.

Competition Secretary - December 2018 by John Bygrave

We held our last match of the season yesterday 2nd December at Yalding 1. It was the Invicta Shield, as the river was so high it was decided to fish the cut. In my opinion this turned out to be a very wise move. The weather was much nicer to us than we expected. Two teams competed Banstead and Southwark & Camberwell, shame no other clubs turned up!! The match was won by Banstead by 16 points to 12. Individual winner was Keith Bygrave (Banstead) with 3lb 1oz. There was just one blank with Brian West (S&C) catching a superb Roach of 1lb 11.5 oz's, different species caught were Bream, Roach, Chub, Perch and Gudgeon.

Both clubs contributed their Xmax bottle and they were shared equally in the raffle, Ray Wilkinson (S&C) winning one and Ross Bygrave (Banstead) winning the other. The first two got pools money, being Keith Bygrave and Brian West.

Membership Secretary - No Report

Items Discussed in Other Business

- Malcolm Corner has done the rota booking for next season.
- Ray Wilkinson rang John Bygrave to say Bill Bird has got his eighteen old grandson to give him a hand bailiffing Yalding and asked if we had any news about the donation from the 'Vicars Tea Party/Picnic' to our charity, he has also heard that they are not holding one in 2019 but intend to do one in 2020.
- Venues for next seasons matches were discussed and it was felt that Manor Pond and Yalding 1 were fine for the Stewards Cup and the Invicta Shield as in

- previous years, it was suggested that Yalding 2 could be used for one match if we could drive across the Lees and two matches could be held on the Basingstoke canal. Only the first two were decided the other three were to be held over until the Match Secretary was at the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm by John Bygrave

Next Meeting 4th February 2019 at 8pm

Dean Hawkins and Malcolm Corner will not be able to make the meeting on 4th February 2019, which is also the standing orders meeting, to be held after the delegates meeting. At the moment we have no proposals for the standing order meeting.

The Thomas Wall Centre, 52 Benhill Avenue, Sutton, Surrey. SM1 4DP
Please make a note of the Monthly Meeting Dates for 2019

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

Monday 25th March 2019 (AGM)

Monday 13th May 2019

Monday 1st July 2019

Monday 2nd September 2019

Monday 4th November 2019

Monday 18th April 2019

Monday 3rd June 2019

Monday 5th August 2019

Monday 7th October 2019

Monday 2nd December 2019