

# To all Parents/Junior members - Thank you for applying to join Glamorgan Anglers Club.

Would you and the prospective junior member. Please read the following document then sign and return the stub. **Failure to do so will mean that the application will be refused.**

Due to problems in the past, Glamorgan Anglers Club wish to draw the following to your attention.

## **Parent/Guardian Responsibility.**

Unaccompanied Junior members [under 16] are the responsibility of their parents/guardians.

It is expected that Juniors fishing our waters will be adequately provided with food, drink, suitable clothing, tackle, bait etc.

Juniors should have mobile phones in order to contact their parents/guardians in case of emergency.

Juniors must be made aware of the dangers of open waters [drowning etc] and the limits of access to St y Nyll and Barry, Cadoxton Lakes [see club rules].

It is the responsibility of all parents/guardians to ensure that Junior members are aware of club rules [see permit/website].

All Juniors must be told that they must behave in a sensible and mature manner when fishing our waters.

## **Behaviour.**

Angling is a quiet and individualistic sport which many people take up to relieve stress they should not have to tolerate misbehavior from Junior members. The great majority of our junior members are well-behaved, pleasant and polite people.

However, we have had some instances of bad behaviour as noted below:-

- Causing damage to banks, trees, property.
- Disturbing wildlife.
- Being noisy, shouting.
- Throwing stones.
- Abusive/foul language.
- Wandering around and disturbing other anglers.
- Refusal to present documents.
- Disobeying the instructions of bailiffs.
- Not respecting other anglers or members of the public.
- Leaving litter.

It has also been noted that groups of juniors often behave very poorly in comparison to individuals.

Also, some parents think that it is acceptable for their children to misbehave and are even abusive to club officials/members who enforce the club rules or standards of behaviour. **Such responses will result in an immediate ban for the member concerned. Incidents of bad behaviour will be reported and will result in disciplinary procedure. This may involve the parents/guardians of the individual concerned. In severe incidents the offending may be banned from the club and its affiliate clubs for life. [No refund will be given]. The committee's decision is, in all cases, final.**

As far as is possible the Club tries to provide a pleasant and safe environment for our members to enjoy a peaceful days fishing. We hope that all club members will respect this privilege and do nothing to upset the enjoyment of fellow members.

Return the stub below to: **GAC Mr M. Roberts, 4, Heol Don, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF14 2AU**

..... Cut or Tear carefully here .....

**I have read the document above and I agree that my son/daughter should behave in a responsible mature manner when fishing Glamorgan Club Waters. I also absolve the club of any responsibility for my son/daughter when left unaccompanied. I also understand that it is my responsibility to ensure the safety and well being of my son/daughter if they are left unaccompanied.**

Signed .....Parent or Guardian of.....

I agree to abide by the club rules and behave in a sensible and mature manner. I will respect other members and obey the instructions of bailiff's.

Signed.....Junior applicant. .... Date