# GLAMORGAN ANGLERS CLUB Spring/Summer 2021 Newsletter

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#### Secretaries Report - Paul Addecott

First and foremost, on behalf of the Club, we thank all our members who have continued to support the Club by renewing their Licenses. It is with your support that we are able to pay all our leases, maintain our waters, keep up with our stocking programmes and build a reserve fund for future major project – more on this further on.

I think it would be prudent to just say that the 2020 season was very difficult for everyone, with the COVID – 19 restrictions. It is difficult to put into words how to sum up the Autumn and Winter season, other than to say that we fished when & where we could. As I write this Newsletter it is hoped that Spring 2021 will see us in some shape or form back on our waters, look at the Club website for more information.

The Club has not stopped working during the year, with quite a lot of work being done on Treoes whilst the water has been closed. Plus, the Club can now announce that we have agreed with the land owner the purchase of the freehold of Llantrythid Lake, including an extra parcel of land to the east of the lake. All being well, we hope to be in a position to complete the transaction shortly. But be warned, we are in the hands of solicitors and a bank who have no definition of the word "shortly". As far a Car Parking is concerned, please continue to follow the signs that are in our car park – the current limit stays at 6 cars limit until the sign in the car park says otherwise. This will eventually be replaced with a 15 cars limit after the purchase is complete and after we open up an extended car park and replace the sign. Thanks must go to our Treasurer Mike Bishop for all his hard work and patience in securing this for the Club, which will obviously be a huge asset to the Club & its members.

Between the Club and NRW, in early February 21, we stocked in excess of 10,000 juvenile Chub and Barbel in the Rivers Taff and Ely. (See Video on the Club Web Site). Plus, a number of Larger Barbel of around 1lb were stocked into the River Taff during in the first week of March. This latest stocking brings the total over the past 3 years to over 37,000 fish distributed in both Rivers (mainly the River Taff). Let us also remember that the Roach Project, which has been on hold for a year will also resume, as the Club and NRW have agreed with the National Museum of Wales the use of St Fagans Castle Lakes to use as breeding Ponds for the Roach Project. Over the past few years, the Club has introduced around 2,000 of our own bred Roach into both Rivers and this is now set to continue as we get the brood stock into St Fagans lakes and hopefully a new year class of roach. We must thank both NRW & The National Museum of Wales for their assistance with this project.

Over the past few years, there has been a lot of enquiries from Members about the Club introducing online licence applications with electronic payment for your annual Licenses. We are currently looking very closely at this and may introduce a completely new online system for the 2022/23 licence year which members can (as usual) apply for from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021. This will not mean that you cannot still use the old postal method of payment, if that is your preference. Postal applications will continue for many years, for those members who either do not have access to the internet or who just prefer to leave things unchanged. We will, if we do change, run both online and postal application alongside one another for the foreseeable future. But please note, Night Group applications will remain Postal Payment and application to Mick Roberts only.

The move to online applications, licences and electronic payments does not come without a cost to the Club, which may mean a modest additional cost to the annual fees for the 22/23 season. But I have to emphasise that this is still being reviewed and exact details, if we do change, will be in the Autumn Newsletter & on our website.

Partly due to the cost commitment for the club to purchase Llantrythid Lake, with possibly a couple of other smaller commitments, we may delay the major work proposed on Gribbles Covert pond and our Head Bailiff will do some interim repair to try and minimise the significant leak that has caused us some issues of late. Any proposed work and closures will be advertised on the Club Web site.

#### River Taff and River Ely Overview.

For many years the Rivers Taff and Ely have showed a steady decline in catch rates and the amount of large Chub and Barbel that were being caught. In 2016, the Club decided it was time to do something about this, so we started, with support from NRW, setting up the Taff Roach Project at Forest Farm in Whitchurch and purchasing Chub & Barbel to stock the Rivers. NRW financed the digging of two brood ponds and supplied solar powered oxygen pumps/Aerators and auto feeders. Brian our Head Bailiff secured a stock of Roach to start the breeding cycle and off he went, feeding the brood stock and making sure all was ready to go, including manufacturing spawning mops to allow any spawn to be moved to the fry pond to hatch and grow. All went well and a year later, Brian released around 2000 Roach into the Taff. Unfortunately, we then had to close the Project down at Forest Farm due to a number of break-ins and theft of our equipment.

NRW then contacted the National Museum of Wales at St Fagans to ask if we could use their ponds as a natural breeding location for the Project, which after meeting with Mike Bishop and myself, we were given the go ahead to look at stocking Brood Roach and starting again. It turned out that the Museum also wanted a supply of carp for the ponds below the Castle, where members of the public always used to see large carp. So, in return for their help, NRW will be stocking some carp in these ponds.

Unfortunately, COVID put a delay last year to getting the project up and running at St Fagans, but the good news is we now have introduced a stock of Roach in the top lake ready to start the cycle again. The fish came from Mainstream Fisheries who were very supportive of our requirements and provided us 200 good size Roach for breeding which they sold to us along with a stock of around 8000 Roach of between an ounce or two up to 8oz for the River Ely. These were stocked in late February.

This year the Club has renewed its leases on the Rivers Taff & Ely and as a result, now has sole fishing rights on the Taff on both banks from (roughly) just above the M4 at Coryton to Cardiff Bay (obviously with some exceptions, most notably Castle Street Bridge in the City Centre to James St Bridge towards the Bay). For exact location of the banks we can fish on, please see the new maps that will shortly be put on our website. All of this means GAC have approximately 15 Km of bank on the River Taff and around 7kms of bank on the River Ely to fish. This is a huge expanse of water in anyone's book. Please however respect the markers at Radyr weir, Llandaff weir and Blackweir on the Taff to protect the weir pools – no fishing is allowed 100m below each weir. It will be very interesting to see how our stocking efforts pay off and we would ask members, please, to give us brief details on catches and if you wish location - No location or precise catch details will ever be released by the Club, the information will only be used by us to better understand how the fish are spreading out along the rivers and to plan where we need to add further stock. The Club has made the commitment to continue this stocking programme on both rivers for the foreseeable future.

#### Chairman's Report - Richard Turner

As we approach the end of the river fishing and predator season it looks as though those of us who enjoy these fishing "fixes" will need to wait until next season to wet our lines. Rest assured however that your committee have been active in ensuring that all waters, still and flowing have been maintained and improved to ensure that when we are finally allowed back, the quality of fishing and facilities will be up to the expected standard. Elsewhere in the newsletter you'll see updates on the huge restocking activity on the rivers Taff and Ely, platform maintenance and upgrading work at Treoes and other waters and ongoing essential bankside maintenance on a number of waters.

Please continue to keep an eye on our official website for up to date news on re-openings and in the meantime, I and the rest of the committee look forward to the day when we can welcome you back to the bankside – until then enjoy respooling your reels, painting your floats and organising your tackle boxes!

#### AGM:

Due to COVID Restrictions there will be no AGM this year.

#### **HEAD BAILIFF REPORT- Brian Dickman (Head Bailiff)**

I have tried to ensure that our Bailiff presence on our waters has been maintained during lockdown, and I can report that there was very little issues with Poaching. I have also utilized the quiet period to do some maintenance work on our waters and tried wherever possible to upgrade any pegs that were getting old and distressed.

You may not be aware of late that Glamorgan Anglers Club now has sole fishing rights on the Taff from the M4 at Radyr to Cardiff Bay, which is a lot of water for me to patrol along with only a very small number of Bailiffs, plus all our still waters, so I am asking if anyone would like to volunteer to help me set up a Team of Bailiffs specifically for the Taff and Ely Rivers. If you are interested, then please give me a call to discuss the requirements – my number is below in Club Contacts. This role would suit Members who are able to climb up and down the banks and walk the stretches and possibly live in close proximity to the rivers.

I hope to arrange a work party to clear some of the lilies and fringe weed from Pyscodlin Mawr Pond in the Spring, so again if you can be available, I will advertise on the Club Web site and Facebook for volunteers.

During the recent lockdown I ensured that our still water stocks were fed and my Team, along with some volunteers kept their eyes on the waters whilst feeding the lakes.

I would please ask all members if you could use your landing net when retrieving small silvers and not just swing them to hand. I have had reports of members swinging in silvers of half a pound or so, which I will not tolerate. We need to look after our stock fish, as the cost of restocking is very expensive to the Club.

On a health & safety note would members please report to me any pegs or pathways or surroundings on our waters that require any form of maintenance to ensure we can all fish safely. You are our eyes on the waters to report such matters so the Club can properly maintain safety levels. We have, on the left hand side of the front page on our website a link to a Risk Assessment of every one of our waters. Please take the time to read this and act accordingly.

#### **CONTACTING THE CLUB:**

It seems that Club members who wish to contact the Club seem to prefer to use Facebook. This is not the correct procedure for officially contacting either the Committee or club officials, as there are only a small percentage of members that use the Facebook page.

Please use the following contact methods:

- Use the individual Club officials email address as advertised in this Newsletter or on the Club Web site.
- There is a "Contact the Club" portal on the Club web site, where you can raise items for discussion at the following months
  Committee meeting.
- If there is a telephone contact number for the Club Official advertised, please by all means give them a call, but be mindful that Club Officials do work and try and call in the evenings.
- Write to the club via the Club Secretary or for License issues the Membership Secretary.

• If you feel you would like to discuss your issue or question in person, contact the Club Secretary, who can in some circumstances arrange for you to attend the next available Committee Meeting or on line meeting.

#### **CLUB WEB SITE**

The Club would like to thank Julian Johnson for his ongoing work on the Web site.

#### **POND CLOSURES 2021**

St y Nyll Top Pond is closed from 31st March 2021 to 1st June 2021

#### **PIKE FISHING**

Please ensure you have the correct unhooking forceps and always use an unhooking mat. Only Blast Frozen Baits are permitted. No Live Baits. No Pike Gags or Gaffs. Please ensure you have the correct size Landing Net.

Club still water Pike fishing ends 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021 and resumes 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021 (Port Talbot Dock and Cardiff Bay excluded). River Pike fishing is permitted 16<sup>th</sup> June to March 14<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the River Fishing Season.

#### **CLUB COMPETITIONS**

At the time of writing this Newsletter, there is still uncertainty around how and when the Club could start official events. It is hoped that by May we will be able to start again, so to that effect a Calendar of events has been attached to the end of this Newsletter with possible event dates, but obviously these may be subject to change. Any changes will be advertised on the Club web site. Key Contacts for Club Events:

Junior Competitions and Events – Andy Hoare 07543 216986

24 Hour Carp Competitions - Neil Angove 07534 266441 (after 6pm)

Disabled Group Competitions - Ian Lewis 07824 430683

#### **Fishing in Dark Hours**

There seems to still be a little bit of confusion around fishing times on Club waters. Quite simply, if you are not a member of the Clubs Night Fishing Group or are part of an official Club Competition or event, then you are not permitted to fish in dark hours. The Club rule is that you are permitted to be on the waters 1 hour prior to Sunrise (no sooner), but you must be packed up and off the water by 1 hour after Sunset. This does not mean start packing up 1 hour after Sunset. Full details on the timings of Sunrise and Sunset (note – this is NOT Dawn & Dusk we mean Sunrise & Sunset) are in most daily newspapers or on a number of websites such as <a href="https://sunrise-sunset.org/gb/cardiff">https://sunrise-sunset.org/gb/cardiff</a>

#### 48 Hour Charity Event - Treoes Pond - Friday 23rd July to Sunday 25th July 2021

We do hope that we can have a 48 Hour Charity Event this year, but it may be set up slightly differently. If we are still under social distancing regulations, we will still hold the event, but it would be each Anglers responsibility to do their own cooking, as we would not be able to congregate in the covered area at Treoes, but if we are able to socialize, then we will provide the usual BBQ and Breakfast rolls. Quite obviously, if there are lockdown or travel restrictions, then we may have to cancel. Irrespective of how it is set up, we always guarantee a good laugh and a great atmosphere. The Event is open to all Club Members who wish to apply for a peg, but obviously for fairness, members who attended the last event will be given first option. Every year we have held the event, spare pegs for the reserve list have been available, so don't worry if you don't initially get a peg. We hold a raffle at the event, which is always very well supported by Members and their families, so if you do have a raffle prize that you would like to donate, please just drop them off at Treoes Bailiff hut. To apply for a Peg, please either Text 07804 097857 or email secretary@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk All proceeds will be donated to Y Bont.

#### TREASURERS REPORT – Mike Bishop

Well, with no AGM this year, disappointment for a second year for those (few) of you who come to listen to my Treasurers Report at the AGM. So, I thought I would give you all a bit of background to the Club finances, after all, it is your money we receive and spend. For those of you who did not know, I have been the Treasurer of the Club since 1975 and prior to that I was Membership Secretary for 3 years. I am a (retired) Chartered Accountant by profession, but please do not hold that against me as I do also go fishing fairly regularly. It is also worthy of note that the Club is now 117 years old and without the foresight of past generations and the planning of the current generation we would not be where we are now.

The Club with 800/900 members is a reasonable size, and in financial terms now regularly records £50/60k pa of revenues from several sources, Membership subscriptions being by far the greatest. How we allocate & spend our financial resources, is carefully considered and planned in advance so we can achieve maximum value for money and cover a number of different objectives. As you might imagine we do have an amount of fixed costs that regardless of membership numbers, we have to cover. Rent on waters, insurances, support for disabled/Junior angling, coaching, newsletters, subscriptions & honorariums account for 25% to 30% or so of our income. As a note, the honorariums to Club Officials which apart from being very small, mostly is used by the officers to cover petrol & other costs that we simply do not separately claim from the Club. The Club benefits enormously from the Club Officers, Committee members & Bailiffs who give freely of their time and their own money to help create what I believe to be a highly successful Club. Back to the costs, we come to our single largest item of costs which is work carried out on our waters and stocking,

this will vary from year to year but regularly accounts for around 50% or so of our income. All the above costs in one way or another are paid to directly provide the angling facilities that all of our members benefit from, there are no indirect overhead costs. The final very important line in our accounts is 20% to 25% that we aim to achieve most years as a surplus or excess of income over costs. It is not a profit. The reason that we have to budget for a surplus is that we have to build up a reserve of cash that enables us to cover years when we actually record more costs than income or to undertake large projects without having to double our subscription levels. This reserve of cash also enables us to take opportunities to purchase waters that occasionally occur. Without that fund we would not have been able to even start negotiating the purchase of Llantrithyd Lake, nor historically Treoes Lake nor Gribbles Covert nor the River Wye stretch of river. Unless we have reasonably significant funds readily available that have been built up over perhaps 10/15 years of surpluses, we would simply not be able to invest in these waters that will benefit the Club over (hopefully) the next 100 years of our existence. That is why, I would argue that the surplus is an essential item. Please rest assured we do not build up sums of cash just to be able to look at it and think we have been successful, every pound we have raised as a surplus over our entire (117 year) history has ultimately found its way back into facilities that directly benefit the Club members. So, there you have it, the world of Club finances according to your Treasurer. If anyone has an observation or a question with regard to our finances, please email me from the contacts list in this newsletter and as far as I can, I will answer. Finally, can I make a plea to members to observe all Club rules to help us maintain the standing of angling as a sport & equally importantly to make it easier to renew leases on Club waters. In all of our leases, mention is made in one way or another on matters such as litter, fires, polluting waters, maintaining banksides, environmental protection & taking care of fish. All of us need to fish responsibly to ensure we do not fall foul of these clauses and jeopardize our position on these waters. Any member found causing a

#### Membership Secretary's report - Mick Roberts

Please can all members take care in completing the checklist and application form that appear on the next two pages (three pages if you are a junior). If everything is correctly completed, this well make my life easier and will enable your licence to be sent to you quicker. Please apply early as sometimes the turnaround time to get your licence out can be 10 days or so. You cannot fish without a current licence. Thank you.

problem with these issues will be dealt with by the Committee and risks losing their Club membership – it is as important as that to

#### **CLUB CONTACTS**

Club Chairman Richard Turner - <a href="mailto:chairman@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk">chairman@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk</a>
Treasurer Mike Bishop - treasurer@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk

us! No-one has any excuse to cause harm to the environment in any way.

Secretary Paul Addecott – <a href="mailto:secretary@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk">secretary@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk</a> – 07804 097857

Membership Secretary Mick Roberts 4 Heol Don, Whitchurch, Cardiff, CF14 2AU (Mail Only)

Head Bailiff Brian Dickman – <a href="mailto:headbailiff@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk">headbailiff@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk</a> – 07510 223621

Junior Matches Andrew Hoare – <a href="mailto:juniorangling@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk">juniorangling@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk</a> – 07543 216986

Night Group Booking – Brian Dickman – As per head Bailiff.

Disabled Angling Ian Lewis – <u>disabledangling@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk</u> as below Head Coach Ian Lewis – headcoach@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk 07824 430683

24 Hour Carp Comps Neil Angove – 24hourcarpcomps@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07534 266441

Website Administrator Julian Johnson - admin@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk

### Application Form Page 1 of 3 (Juniors) or Page 1 of 2 (for all other members) GLAMORGAN ANGLERS CLUB Ltd.

Permit application for 21/22 season <u>from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 ONLY!!</u> Use this form for new permits from 1 December 2020 (Do not apply before this) and valid upon receipt, from date of issue.

#### [Invalid for 2022-2023 season see new form available from 1/12/2021]

Surname	Initials	Title
Address		
Post code Tel. No	Date of Birth if under 1	16
If you are already a member please write the <b>ID</b> number	that is on your current lic	cence

All our licences now have a photograph printed on them. So, PASSPORT PHOTO NEEDED [if not already sent & on your existing licence]. NO PHOTO – NO PERMIT. Allow 21 days for processing. Do not send poor quality family snapshots!!

<u>CHECK LIST. (ALL MEMBERS). PLEASE READ, CHECK and TICK.</u> Incorrect and/or Incomplete Applications will be delayed or in some circumstances possibly returned.

<b>DO NOT SEND</b> applications by <b>registered post</b> – It is not always possible to be called to the door to sign for them – and if they are not signed for, they will be returned to you wasting time & money.	X
<b>DO NOT SEND</b> applications in <b>envelopes bigger than C5</b> [see below] unless these have extra stamps -	V
2 x 1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> class etc. These will not be delivered, have to be collected, and incur a £1.50 surcharge.	X
CHECK DATES at top of form are these correct date for your application [do not use old forms]	
Have you filled in all details above Name, Address, phone number etc.?	
Renewing members, have you included your ID number above?	
If not previously sent, please include a Passport type ID photo. NEW MEMBERS must include one.	
NEW MEMBERS add/include JOINING FEE of £10.	
Have you included the CORRECT FEE – please double check	
Have you made out the cheque/postal order to GLAMORGAN ANGLERS CLUB LTD? (must include LTD)	
Have you signed the cheque?	
Have you dated the cheque?	
Have you included a <b>STAMPED, ADDRESSED, ENVELOPE</b> for the return of permit etc	
Is this envelope the right size? <b>ENVELOPES see note below***.</b>	
Have you signed the acceptance note on the reverse page?	
JUNIOR MEMBERS only - have you read and signed the responsibility/behaviour document on page 3	
of 3 of this application form or on the website – and include the return slip with your application??	

CHECKED & COMPLETED? SEND COMPLETED APPLICATIONS & THE CHEQUE AND ANY ADDITIONAL INFO REQUIRED TO: -

GAC, Mr M. ROBERTS, 4 HEOL DON, WHITCHURCH, CARDIFF. CF14 2AU (If you hand deliver, please do not ring the door bell, just push thro letterbox – no personal callers)

#### STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE [SAE] for return of permits/maps etc \*\*\*

Ordinary letter size envelope with 1st or 2nd class stamp is OK for renewal/return of permit.

**NEW MEMBERS** or any MAP REQUEST you need to send a <u>C5 SAE</u> [big enough to take this sheet folded in half] an ordinary 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> class stamp will be OK.

DO NOT USE ENVELOPES BIGGER than C5 they need a more expensive stamp or they will incur a surcharge of £1.50.

## Application Form Page 2 of 3 (Juniors) or Page 2 of 2 (for all other members) FEES, TYPE of PERMIT, ACCEPTANCE of CONDITIONS TO SIGN READ CAREFULLY and FILL IN where necessary.

Members should note that they are responsible for their personal safety on waters and should have their own **Personal Accident Insurance**. By accepting a permit, members agree to abide by all club rules and are deemed to indemnify Glamorgan Anglers Club Ltd and their Landlords against all costs, claims, actions, liabilities and demands incurred by their actions. Members are reminded that fisheries can be hazardous places.

All applicants must sign to acknowledge that they accept these conditions.

READ THE ABOVE and SIGN	
We cannot issue a licence without a signature above.	

Read the table below to work out the type of permit you want/need and the fees payable.

You can pay by cheque/postal order made out to GLAMORGAN ANGLERS CLUB LTD.

If you don't have a bank account you could pay a trusted friend to make out a cheque for you or send Postal Orders. Cash is sent at your own risk.

TYPE OF LICENCE and FEES in £'s.			GAME	Enter		
FULL COARSE	<b>RSE</b> SENIOR		£124			
*Husband and Wife only [3rods max if both fishing].	HUSB/WIFE see*adjacent	£90.00	N/A			
FULL GAME [Includes full coarse]	JUNIOR [Under 16] see**	£30.00	£56			
	OAP/DISABLED see***	£49.00	£83			
NEW MEMBERS ONLY ADD JOIN FEE		£10.00	£10.00			
NB [**New Juniors do not need a join fee]						
NEW MAP OF WATERS. [C5 SAE] - Note Charge [free to new members]		£5.00				
Total Cheque/postal order etc. for permit etc. =						
<u>Newsletters</u> - Are posted_to current members in November and March. They are also available on our website. If <u>you want a newsletter emailed</u> please print your email address below - Clearly: -						
IF YOU DO NOT require a newsletter please tick here:						

<sup>\*\*</sup>Junior members & parents must sign/return the responsibility/behaviour document available on the next page and on website.

<u>Permits</u> are returned ASAP. BUT <u>please apply early</u> and allow up to 21 days for turnaround – It may be a rush, or I may be ill or away.

A child aged under 12 [1 rod only] does not need a club permit provided an adult member [over 18] accompanies them.

<u>Maps</u> - see above. <u>Keys</u> for Club waters [Cost £10 each] available to members from Garry Evans Fishing tackle and Ewenny Anglers, [Bring permit - Shop hours only].

Only if a new member lives more than 40miles away from one of the Angling shops above can keys be sent by post. If so, please send cost of key with application if wanted.

Visit our website at - www.glamorgananglersclub.org.uk for the latest club news and information.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL ANGLING CLUB; WE ARE A NON-PROFIT ORGANISATION WHICH REINVESTS YOUR EXCESS SUBS INTO THE FUTURE OF ANGLING IN SOUTH WALES.

[Records are held on computer but they are not connected to the net, or a phone line].

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>ALL OAP/DISABLED applications enclose proof of entitlement eg Copy of official document with name & address [Not a car disabled badge] – Physical disability must now be proved, drawing incapacity benefit is not proof of disability. Please supply proof that you are receiving DISABILITY LIVING ALLOWANCE or are over 65 for OAP.

#### Application Form Page 3 of 3 (Juniors)

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. <u>Failure to do so will mean that the application will be refused.</u>

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 misbehaviour 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					
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 wellbeing of my son/daughter if they are left unaccompanied.						
Signed	Parent or Guardian of					
I agree to abide by the club r instructions of bailiffs.	ules and behave in a sensible and r	nature manner. I will respect other members and obey the				
Signed	Junior applicant.	Date				

#### **Provisional Club Events Dates**

Schedules may need to change if we are still under COVID restrictions. Alterations will be advertised on the Club web Site.

						number
						of free
						pegs for
						other
						members
Day	Date	Event	Venue	Contact	Timing	to fish
Sat	1/5/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Treoes	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am - 9am	15
Sat	8/5/21	Junior Comp	Carols Pond	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	12am-5pm	15
Thurs	13/5/21	Disabled Competition	Treoes	lan Lewis 07824 430683	9am-2pm	20
Sat	15/5/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Sues Pond	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am -9am	0
Sat	22/5/21	Junior Comp	Llantrythid	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	12am-5pm	15
Sat	5/6/21	Junior Comp	Carols Pond	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	12am-5pm	15
Thurs	10/6/21	Disabled Competition	Treoes	lan Lewis 07824 430683	9am-2pm	20
Sat	12/6/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Llantrythid	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am-9am	0
Thurs	1/7/21	Disabled Competition	Treoes	lan Lewis 07824 430683	9am-2pm	20
Sat	3/7/21	Junior Comp	Treoes	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	12am -5pm	20
Sat	10/7/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Sues Pond	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am-9am	20
Fri	23-25/7/21	48 Hour Charity Comp	Treoes	Paul Addecott 07805 097857		0
					12am -	
Sat	7/8/21	Junior Comp	Sues Pond	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	5pm	15
Sat	14/8/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Treoes	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am-9am	14
Thurs	26/8/21	Disabled Competition	Treoes	lan Lewis 07824 430683	9am - 2pm	20
Sat	4/9/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Sues Pond	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am-9am	0
					12am -	
Sat	11/9/21	Junior Comp	Carols Pond	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	5pm	15
Sun	26/9/21	WYE Cup	R Wye	Richard Turner 07398 364044	9am - 4pm	
Sat	2/10/21	24 Hour Carp Comp	Llantrythid	Neil Angove 07534 266441	9am-9am	10
Sat	9/10/21	Junior Competition	LLantrythid	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	12am -5pm	15
			Port Talbot			
Sat	6/11/21	Bryn Hedges Pike Cup	Dock	Richard Turner 07398 364044	8am-4pm	
Sat	4/12/21	Junior Comp (Santa Comp)	Treoes	Andy Hoare 07543 216986	11am-1pm	20