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SPRING NEWSLETTER 2020

Our AGM was held at Weald of Kent Golf Club on Thursday 6 February 2020



We had a total of 25 members and 9 committee members turn up on the night. It was certainly a bit disappointing turn out, but thank you to the members that did turn up. It probably was due to the fact we could only get the venue on a Thursday. You will be pleased to know we have already booked next years AGM to bring it back to a Friday night.

Spring Wood

Our vice chairman Tim Wood announced on the night that as of the 1st of June 2020 we will no longer be able to fish the Springwood.

It's certainly no surprise this water has had its difficulties which ties up so much of the committees time i.e. fish deaths; campers / lodge guest leaving their tackle in the swims while they go off doing other things; security with gates being left open and tackle being stolen; etc etc. We know this will disappoint some members but there was no way forward with this venue as the owner wants to focus on their main business, which is campers / lodge guests.

We are keen to point out no other club / syndicate will be taking over here and if the situation changes with the owners wanting a club / syndicate back we are sure to be top of the list. **PLEASE NOTE:** You can still fish this water until **31st May 2020**

On sad note, long standing committee member **Pete Chapman** lost his battle with cancer and passed away. He was a great and highly devoted member of the committee. He will certainly be sadly missed.

Alan Chambers has been a vital part of our committee and has kept us in check over the years. He has decided to take a bit of a back seat and stood down a Vice Chairman, the committee thought **Tim Wood** would fill his rather large shoes well and Tim took over the role in November.

The committee would just like to thank Alan for his hard work and attention to detail over the years. We are sure with him as a back seat driver we will stay on the right course.





The committee was proposed with their current roles and this was voted in again unanimously.

We still could do with some more of you to join us so if you think you can spare some time to make a difference please get in touch with our chairman..... he really doesn't bite and we have some great meetings once a month.

Membership

The current membership stands at the highest level we have ever had and the great thing we haven't had any complaints of problems trying to get bank space. However we don't want there to be a problem so we took the decision to close the membership.

On the evening the committee put forward the proposal for the following costs for the 2020/21 season

 	
General prices	
Adults - £90*	no change
Seniors - £47	no change
Intermediates - £21	no change
Juniors 14-16 - £15	joining without adult
Juniors 14-16 - £0	joining with adult first season
Juniors 14-16 - £10	second season joining with adult
*+ £10 working party levy to be added in first season or if no working party in previous season	

Plus

Juniors under 14 second season with adult £0

These suggestions were voted in unanimously, so will be the costs for the season 2020/21

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Raffle

The 1st prize winner in the raffle who won a next seasons ticket with Dave Skinner. Well done Dave.

A special thanks must go to the following companies for helping support the club and give some great prizes for the raffle, so if you know any of them please make sure you thank them for their support.

Urban Baits, Invicta Angling, Sue Tackle Cabin, Tackle and Gun, Maidstone Angling, Chris Brown AP, Kent Tackle and Angling Direct

Find the 40

The find the 40 winner was **Kai Ahmed** who also wins a next seasons ticket

New Waters

We are currently in the process of trying to get some new waters for you and have a few which are looking promising. Unfortunately there just aren't lots waters ready for us to take on and the negotiations, once land owners are contacted, can take a little time so please bear with us and hopefully we can bring you some good news shortly.

.Can you keep your ears and eyes open and let us know of any waters that may be available. You can either call a member of the committee or drop us an email info@cranbrookanglingclub.co.uk

We would like to thank **Andrew Wade** for bringing to our attention another 2 waters for us to investigate

Work Parties

As you should know everyone that comes along to the work party gets entered into a draw for a free season ticket for the following season.

Congratulations to **Paul Read** who won this. We must say a massive thank you to everyone that did come along and lend a hand at the work parties, without your help we would really struggle.

Guest Tickets

As part of our membership costs discussions and number of members we currently have the committee put forward the idea not to issue guest tickets (**1st April to the 30th September**) for **Lydd** to ensure bank space is kept only for members.

This proposal had no objections on the night and so the motion to remove day tickets from Lydd was carried. All other waters remain the same with a cost of £15

Junior Membership

Our membership continues to increase over the last few seasons from 27th March 2016 63 in 2018, and 125 in 2019. We hope this will continue to increase as they are our members of the future.

Coaching Sessions below are confirmed this year as well as two Family days all with Level 2 Coaches June and August

- Go Fishing Taster Day (All day) 7th June 2020 9.00 – 3.00pm
- Parent & Child Coaching sessions 21st June 2020 9.30am – 12.00 Noon and 1.00pm – 3.30pm
- Parent & Child Coaching sessions 28th June 2020 9.30am – 12.00 Noon and 1.00pm – 3.30pm
- Carp tutorial Day 4th July 2020 9.00am – 6.00pm
- Family Day (All day) 23rd August 2020 9.00 – 3.00pm

Please contact **Mike Coward** if you have any questions or would like to come along to one of our sessions (which are free to you).

Award

Our special achievement award went to **Kai Ahmed**, who seems to have nearly caught an amazing specimen fish at each water he goes too. He has had one amazing season. We cant wait to see what he manages to catch next season. Well done Kai.



Thank you for your ongoing support

Kind Regards
Cranbrook and District Angling Club Committee

PS Your renewal form is enclosed