

MINUTES OF THE CARP SOCIETY AGM – DRAFT

Held at Horseshoe Lake Lodge on 20th November 2022 @ 13.30



Welcome & Opening Remarks

Derek Stritton chaired the AGM and welcomed everyone in attendance. The chairman outlined the agenda.

Derek expressed his thoughts to the passing of Nick Scott, and his presence was greatly missed at the AGM.

Update On The Last 12 Months

The chairman gave an overview of the last 12 months and coming plans

- Carp Society membership continues to grow and finances are stable.
- Announcement to follow for the introduction of two more life members agreed at this mornings directors meeting.
- The latest Carp Fisher #5 is out now, thanks to Simon Crow, Sabrina, Mike and all the contributors.
- Welcome to Lolly (Laurine Lane) who has been employed part time as administrator in the office working alongside Sabrina. Some of you will already know Lolly from catering at many of our recent events.
- Updated news regarding the fish rearing/stockponds at Horseshoe Lake and plans to offer excess stock from the ponds to club lakes in need. Miles has received a number of requests and as soon relevant permissions are in place this will start.
- The biggest announcement since the last AGM is the purchase of Ashmead Fishery, Derek gave an overview of the purchase of Ashmead and how well the transition had gone. That was until the oxygen issue in the Summer, the byproduct of an especially hot and dry spring/summer felt across the country and by numerous lakes. Ashmead Lake was closed from the 5th August and reopened on the 16th September 2022 at significant cost to the Society along with increased expenses however it was the only option in the circumstances.
The Carp Society expresses thanks to those involved, Miles, Trev and Justin at Ashmead for their quick implementation and running of essential equipment to aerate the lake and essential maintenance work carried out by the above and assisted bailiffs from Horseshoe to increase air flow to the lake.
- Ashmead was further closed for a week early October to remove a large amount of dead surface weed, The CS knew this was going to be controversial with Ashmead regulars but was essential and we hope that people have seen this for themselves now the dust has settled.

Plans for 2023:

- Continue to invest and develop our fishing lakes.
- The first Fishery management course to take place at Horseshoe Lake on the 1st April brought to you by AE Fisheries more information available soon.
- Announcement of a bigger open day in 2023, Brian Skoyles has agreed to assist and carry forward an idea he has presented to the board for a 'Festival of Carp fishing' style event in 2023, the event will be free of charge to members and have bank side fishing demonstrations as well as trade support and theatre guest speakers. DATE SET FOR 8th July 2023. More information will be available as things develop.

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Minutes Of The Previous AGM

The minutes of the AGM held on 12th October 2021 was proposed as a true record of the last AGM:

Proposed: Malc Deveson
Secunder: Carl Mills
Passed: Unanimously

Carp Society Annual Accounts

The accounts for 31st May 2022 were posted on the carp society website prior to the meeting for inspection, there were no questions raised. It was proposed to adopt this as a true record.

Proposed: Rob Saunders
Secunder: Malc Deveson
Passed: Unanimously

Election Of Accountant

It was proposed that Carleton Long be appointed as the society annual accountant for the agreed costs.

Proposed: Malc Deveson
Secunder: Karl Goldsmith
Passed: Unanimously

Election Of Directors & Officers

One Director term ending: Sabrina Widdows
Sabrina standing for re-election and no other applications received.
Proxy votes received 8

Proposition: Elect Sabrina as director for 5 year term (as per m&a's)

Proposed: Malc Deveson
Secunder: Rob Saunders
Passed: Unanimously

AOB

No AOB was submitted so the meeting closed at 2pm

After the formal meeting a general question & answer session took place.

List Of Attendees & votes received

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