

Collingham Angling Association.

Committee Meeting Minutes.

Held at Collingham F.C on 16/01/24.

1) Committee;

R.Jones, K.Archer, W.Holland, J.Mante, G.Turner, K.Morton, R.Ferguson, I.Sparrow, W.Sweeney, N.Rogers, D.Coupland.

2) Apologies;

Ky Morton.

3) Matters Arising;

Perimeter fence on Kingfisher bank to be repaired/supported as effectively as possible.

R.J. still awaiting confirmation from Friends of North Clifton School re charity donation.

4) Correspondence;

Yet another letter received from Howard Langley. As the issues have already been exhaustively covered and the matter has already been closed, it was deemed inappropriate to waste any further time on the subject.

5) Treasurer's Report:

K.A. presented the report and all is as expected. Yearend accounts are being finalized and it seems there is nothing untoward.

6) Match Secretary's Report:

Everything running smoothly with all match results being available on the relevant WhatsApp groups.

New winter league has started and is running extremely successfully.

7) Estate Manager's Report:

All in order with routine grounds and vehicle maintenance on going.

Water treatments to commence as planned, R.J. to finalize with AJS the suitability of putting dye in Kingfisher.

Pest issues all in hand.

8) AJS/Netting:

The netting program has been completed and the AJS report for Centenary and Willow is attached below. This netting resulted in 10 off 10lb+ carp being moved across to Kingfisher and 1 off 14lb carp being transferred to Kestrel. There was also an unsuccessful attempt to net the new, home bred stock carp out of Swan (to replenish C+W) and a small-scale sweep was made across ½ of Kingfisher resulting in 43 bream being transferred to C+W which is in-line with the stocking guidelines suggested by the AJS report.

It has been decided, albeit after concerns were raised by J.M. and others in regard to altering the stocking balance of Kingfisher that;

- a) more bream will be transferred from Kingfisher to C+W (again in line with the AJS recommendations on stocking levels) as time of year allows.
- b) hopefully Swan will provide sufficient home-grown stock carp going forward.
- c) the club will continue its traditional policy of moving carp gradually towards Kestrel as they grow to specimen sizes.

Meantime, in lieu of the current time of year and relative urgency, and to allow this self-sufficiency plan time to develop over time, it has been decided to purchase a small number of replacement stock carp for C+W, and, similarly, both D.C. and N.R. have suggested buying a small number of specimen carp for Kestrel in the Autumn, to bolster the half dozen or so planned to be transferred across from Kingfisher, in order to maintain the stocking levels of Kestrel.

9)Trent:

G.T. (and others) to make full assessment of bank damage etc as conditions allow.

10) AGM:

A full and lengthy discussion was had in preparation for the upcoming AGM. Applications for committee posts have been received from; Paul Thomas, Tyler Holland, Dave Grice and Jason Jeal.

11)AOB:

2 aerators have worked loose due to excess water levels.

W.H. highlighted problematic wet areas close to pegs on north bank of Centenary.

R.J. to collect up trophies in readiness for the Presentation Evening.

R.F. highlighted some inappropriate parking - D.C. to talk to the members involved.

Meeting closed at 22:30.

Next meeting scheduled for 20/02/24.

Work To Be Done;

On-going follow ups to the netting/stocking program.

Aerators to be re-tethered asap and serviced as temperatures allow.

Water treatments at appropriate times.

Kingfisher perimeter fence to be strengthened/supported.

Plannings required behind some pegs on Centenary.

R.J. to collect trophies.

R.J. to finalize dyeing Kingfisher with AJS.

WhatsApp Summary Jan-Feb 2024

Request received from club member Jamie Kyme if he could bring his local scout troupe for some properly supervised fishing in Summer. Agreed that this would be fine, preferably on Willow.

Application to join the committee from Bobby Thurston.

Donation of £348 from our charity monies given to Friends of North Clifton School for some much-needed equipment.

Kestrel treated with the siltex.

A small plant trailer has been purchased (£500) to transport the flail mower to and from the river.

Hi Russell

I hope you and your guys found this week's work beneficial, below is a brief description of the points we discussed over the last few days.
if you have any further questions, please let me know.

Lake 1

The netting of the 1st lake went well and produced over 450 carp and F1s as well as small numbers of skimmer bream, roach, and perch. All fish seemed in good condition.

I estimate the lake to have around 500-550 carp/F1s in total with an estimated biomass of 1500-2000lb

This leaves you with approximately 400-500lb of space to add fish as I would not recommend you exceed 2500lb of fish in the pond. With carp and F1s being the predominant species I would advise adding skimmer bream as a bit of species diversification this should help provide some different sport in the matches and help to boost the weights in the less favorable carp pegs.

Please note if you add more fish, they may require supplementary feeding especially post spawning and through the summer months to help them maintain good condition and have the potential to grow.

Lake 2

The netting of the 2nd lake went well and produced over 500 carp and F1s as well as small numbers of skimmer bream, roach, and perch. All fish seemed in good condition.

I estimate the lake to have around 550-600 carp/F1s in total with an estimated biomass of 2000-2500lb

This leaves you with approximately 400-500lb of space to add fish as I would not recommend you exceed 3000lb of fish in the pond. With carp and F1s being the predominant species, as above I would advise adding skimmer bream as a bit of species diversification. As discussed, these can be transferred from the other lakes onsite.

Blue dye

Dyofix Pond Dye Liquid was requested for one lake this can be ordered straight from the website the product code SKU: PT006002 and I would suggest buying one of the 25lt barrels

of the blue, as this will last you all year including the initial dose. This will need applying before the middle of March.

Barley straw liquid

Dose rates- initial dose is 8-10ltr per acre.

Weekly top ups of 2ltr per acre are recommended throughout the spring, summer and autumn.

Kind Regards

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