

## **Minutes of IBM Hursley Fly Fishing Club AGM**

These are the minutes of the IBM Hursley Fly Fishing Club Annual General Meeting, held in the Osman Room of the IBM Hursley Club house on November 26th 2014, at 7pm.

### **AGENDA**

- Apologies for absence
- Minutes of the last AGM
- Matters arising from the last AGM
- Treasurer's report and approval of accounts
- Secretary's report
- Chairman's report
- Election of the committee
  - Chairman
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
  - Committee members
- Subscriptions
- Organisation of Club outings
- Presentation of trophies
- AOB

### **MEMBERS ATTENDING**

Tony Hogg (Treasurer)  
John Wiseman (Chairman)  
Melita Saville (Secretary)  
Clive Kennedy  
Dave Day  
Paul Blythin (Committee)  
Ken Jones (Committee)  
Pete Dean  
Rod Patterson  
Derek Antrobus

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Neil Postlethwaite  
Josh Sampays  
Bruce Marshall  
Mark Wilson

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM**

The minutes of the last AGM have been available online to all members after last year's AGM, and a copy was circulated with the agenda of this meeting. They were accepted (proposed: Clive Kennedy, seconded: Tony Hogg).

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST AGM**

None

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's report was summarised at the meeting and circulated to all members with the agenda for this meeting. It was accepted (proposed: John Wiseman, seconded: Pete Dean). A copy of this report is in Appendix A of these minutes.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

The Secretary's report was summarised at the meeting and circulated to all members with the agenda for this meeting. A copy of this report is in Appendix A of these minutes.

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman's report was summarised at the meeting and circulated to all members with the agenda for this meeting. A copy of this report is in Appendix A of these minutes.

### **ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE**

- Chairman: John Wiseman
- Secretary: none proposed. To comply with IBM Club rules, the Club must have a Secretary. An email will be sent separately to emphasise the need and summarise the duties of the Secretary.
- Treasurer: Tony Hogg
- Committee:
  - Ken Jones
  - Andy Parker
  - Paul Blythin

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2014**

The current subscription will again remain unchanged at £5 per member for the upcoming year. Youth anglers are eligible for subsidy if they have their own membership to the Club.

The meeting discussed whether an increase in subscription could be used to make trips more enticing, for example by providing more prizes or catering. The meeting agreed that such incentives were probably not necessary.

### **ORGANISATION OF CLUB OUTINGS IN 2014**

There were some reflections on the trips in 2013:

- Manningford was poor quality.
- Church Paddock was low water in the later part of the year.

The meeting discussed organisation of trips and agreed to share the responsibility. This model will relieve individuals from a disproportionate amount of responsibility and, perhaps, make the position of Secretary a more palatable one. Melita and Tony will circulate instructions and tips for the organisers. The meeting discussed venues and target dates for 2015.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Organiser</b>
March (Saturday only)	Wherwell	Tony Hogg
April (Saturday only)	Church Paddock	Rod Patterson
May	John O'Gaunt	John Wiseman
June	Rutland Holbury Lakes	Ken Jones (Holbury)
July (Saturday only)	Wherwell	Tony Hogg
August	Chiphall	Pete Dean
September	John O'Gaunt	Paul Blythin
October	Rockbourne	Clive Kennedy

The Wherwell and Church Paddock trips will be offered only on Saturday due to the preference for booking the venue for exclusive Club use. The other trips will be offered on both a Saturday and Wednesday.

The committee may change any venue in the event of changing circumstances or unavailability. Dates will be publicised on the Club website.

### **Additional outings**

The Club would like to encourage members to collaborate in events outside the organised trips. Any suggestions or invitations can be distributed through the Committee.

### **PRESENTATION OF THE TROPHIES FOR THE 2013 SEASON**

Spring Cup (John O'Gaunt, April). Won by John Wiseman with 14lbs 4oz. Runner-up was Ken Jones with 12lbs 8oz.

Club Champion (Church Paddock, October). Won by Dave Day with a bag of 9lbs 4oz. Runner-up was Clive Kennedy with 5lbs.

Biggest Rainbow (John Turner Cup). Won by Tony Hogg at Church Paddock with an 7lbs 12oz fish.

Biggest Brown (Church Paddock). Won by Dave Day with a 3lbs 4oz fish.

### **AOB**

#### **Support**

Paul Blythin re-iterated his offer to support where he can, if asked. He will be willing to buddy new anglers at any event.

#### **Website**

The Club website needs to be refreshed with up-to-date contact information, and could be made more enticing to potential new members. John Wiseman offered to take a look. Tony Hogg will provide details on how to access and update the site.

#### **Options for shared tickets on trips**

It is helpful to know which trips offer "dads and lads" or shared rod options. This will be added to the organiser's instructions and any options circulated with the invitation to the trip.

**Thanks**

Clive Kennedy proposed thanks to Tony Hogg for all he does for the Club. These were roundly endorsed by other members.

**ACTIONS**

1. Melita – email to identify a new Secretary
2. Melita & Tony – compile instructions for trip organisers
3. John – propose changes to the Club website

## **APPENDIX A.**

This appendix contains the reports from the Treasurer, Secretary, and Chairman.

### **IBM Hursley Fly Fishing Club Treasurer's Report 2014**

The club finances for 2013-2014 are presented for approval by the AGM, plus the previous year's figures for comparison, and a summary of this year to date.

There is only one addition to last year's report regarding 2013-2014, and that is that the trip to Wherwell, that was approved by last year's AGM, went ahead as planned at the end of March. Financially, the club remains healthy, and we completed the year comfortably within budget, with more or less neutral income v's expense.

This year so far has again been relatively quiet from a financial point of view with only fishing trips and prizes to budget for. Average attendance dropped slightly but membership numbers have grown with only one paying member not attending any events. There was no June trip again to allow members to attend the IBM National (although noone did!), there is another IBM National planned for next year for 5/6<sup>th</sup> June. We are well within budget, despite having to pay for 6 anglers at Wherwell in July for exclusive use when only 5 members were able to attend, and have plenty funds for the traditional final trip to Wherwell in March if approved by the AGM, assuming we can get a booking.

My thanks go to all members who helped during the year, and especially Melita and John for sharing the load of organising trips, and Clive for doing all the 'on the day' work at Holbury. Although I am happy to carry on as treasurer next year, for personal reasons I would like to step back from organising trips. Of course, if someone wants to take over as treasurer I would be more than happy to ensure a smooth handover!

Description	Budget	To Date	2013/14	2012/13
Membership numbers	16	20	18	18
Number of trips	7	6	7	7
Average Attendance (members only)	8	7.7	7.9	6.1
Average Attendance (inc guests)		8.0	7.9	6.3
Expenditure				
External Premises	2800.00	1790.00	2182.50	2022.00
Engraving & Prizes	58.00	51.22	58.11	75.22
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2858.00	1841.22	2240.61	2097.22
Income				
Subs to section	85.00	95.00	85.00	85.00
Activity Fees	1960.00	1385.00	1557.50	1411.00

Subsidy from Club	813.00	380.00	623.00	600.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>2858.00</b>	<b>1835.00</b>	<b>2265.50</b>	<b>2096.00</b>
Funds Balance 1 <sup>st</sup> April		222.20	197.31	198.53
Plus Total Income		1835.00	2265.50	2096.00
Subtotal		2057.20	2462.81	2294.53
Less Total Expenditure		1841.22	2240.61	2097.22
Ending Balance		215.98	222.20	197.31

### **Fly Fishing Club Cash Book 2013/2014**

<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Subsidy</u>	<u>Prizes etc</u>	<u>Subs</u>
<b>Brought forward from 2012/2013</b>				197.31			
10 Membership Subs	27Mar13	50.00		247.31			50.00
March payment by Rod Patterson, unused	27Mar13	35.00		282.31			
<b>2013/2014</b>							
1 membership sub	1May13	5.00		287.31			5.00
Fees for John O'Gaunt (4@£34)	1May13	136.00		423.31			
100064 John O'Gaunt Fishery (5@£44)	9May13		220.00	203.31			
Fees for Meon Springs (2@£35, 1@£27.50, 1@£19)	6Jun13	116.50		319.81			
100065 Meon Springs (1@£45, 1@£37.50, 2@£20)	8Jun13		142.50	177.31			
Fees for Holbury (2@£38, 4@£20)	5Jul13	156.00		333.31			
2 Membership subs	5Jul13	10.00		343.31			10.00
100066 Holbury Lakes (2@£49, 4@£31)	6Jul13		222.00	121.31			
1 membership sub	8Aug13	5.00		126.31			5.00
Fees for Church Paddock (5@£20, 2@£32)	8Aug13	164.00		290.31			
100067 Church Paddock (1x10 fish@£145, 2x£35)	10Aug13		215.00	75.31			
Subsidy up to and including October	27Aug13	623.00		698.31	623.00		
Fees for Wherwell (9@£35)	12Sep13	315.00		1013.31			
100068 Wherwell Farms Ltd - Fishing (12@£49)	14Sep13		588.00	425.31			
Late fees for Wherwell (3@£35)	16Sep13	105.00		530.31			
2 Membership subs	12Oct13	10.00		540.31			10.00
Fees for October (6@£10, 3@£20, 4@£30)	12Oct13	180.00		720.31			
100069 Church Paddock (2x10 fish@£135, 1x2 fish@£)	12Oct13		295.00	425.31			
1 membership sub	14Oct13	5.00		430.31			5.00
100070 Sainsburys (Year End Prizes)	19Nov13		22.90	407.41		22.90	
100071 JG Services (Engraving)	19Nov13		35.21	372.20		35.21	
Fees for March (10@£35)	13Mar14	350.00		722.20			
100072 Wherwell Farms Ltd - Fishing (10@£50)	15Mar14		500.00	222.20			
<b>Totals</b>		<b>2265.50</b>	<b>2240.61</b>		<b>623.00</b>	<b>58.11</b>	<b>85.00</b>
External Premises			2182.50				
Activity Fees		1557.50					
Budget approved					708.00		
Budget remaining unclaimed					85.00		

## Fly Fishing Subsection Members 2013/14

Name	Club No.	Type	Location	Paid	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Mar		
Antrobus, Derek	A0421	FA		27Mar13	34	45	38		35		35	5	
Blythin, Paul	R8230	MR		27Mar13				32	35	10	35	4	
Day, Dave	R9890	MR		27Mar13	34			20	35			3	
Dean, Pete	R8100	MR		01May13	34	45			35		35	4	
Eslinger, Paul	16561	FW		27Mar13								0	
Hanley, Bob	R7050	MR		14Oct13						20		1	
Hogg, Tony	46920	MW	Hursley	27Mar13			20	20	35	10	35	5	
Jones, Ken	R8770	MR		27Mar13			20		35		35	3	
Kennedy, Clive	52520	MW	Hursley	05Jul13			38	20	35		35	4	
Patterson, Rod	P0150	MR	Hursley	27Mar13	0*	19	20	32	35	10		5	
Parker, Andy	04441	FW	Hursley	27Mar13			20	20	35	20	35	5	
Postlethwaite, Neil	10090	MW	Hursley	05Jul13						20		1	
Sampays, Josh	11760	MW	Hursley	12Oct13						10	35	2	
Sampays, Dan	11763	MW		12Oct13						10	35	2	
Saville, Melita	51940	MW	Hursley	08Aug13					35	10		2	
Weston, Duncan	R1440	MR		Hon								0	
Wilson, Mark	32460	MW	Hursley	27Mar13					35	30		2	
Wiseman, John	P1030	MR	Hursley	27Mar13	34	37.5		20	35	30	35	6	
<b>Total</b>		18			18	5	4	6	7	12	11	10	7.9
Hanley guest													
Total Attendance					5	4	6	7	12	11	10	7.9	
Total Fees					136	146.5	156	164	420	180	350	1552.5	

## Fly Fishing Club Cash Book 2014/15

Description	Date	Credit	Debit	Balance	Subsidy	Prizes etc	Subs
<b>Brought forward from 2013/14</b>				222.20			
8 membership subs	03Apr14	40.00		262.20			40.00
Fees for John O'Gaunt (5@£35)	03Apr14	175.00		437.20			
1 membership sub	04Apr14	5.00		442.20			5.00
Fees for John O'Gaunt (1@£35)	04Apr14	35.00		477.20			
100073 John O'Gaunt Fishery (6@£45)	09Apr14		270.00	207.20			
Fees for Church Paddock (3@£40, 2@£30, 6@£20)	07May14	300.00		507.20			
5 membership subs	07May14	25.00		532.20			25.00
100074 Church Paddock Fishery (deal for 29 fish)	10May14		370.00	162.20			
Club Subsidy for Apr, May, July, August)	16Jun14	380.00		542.20	380.00		
Fees for Wherwell (5@£35)	11Jul14	175.00		717.20			
100074 Wherwell Farms - Fishing (exclusive use)	12Jul14		300.00	417.20			
Fees for Holbury (2@£42, 2@£38, 1@£23)	01Aug14	183.00		600.20			
100076 Holbury Lakes (3@£52, 2@£48, 1@£33)	02Aug14		285.00	315.20			
Late fees	04Aug14	42.00		357.20			
1 membership sub	04Aug14	5.00		362.20			5.00
Fees for Manningford (1@£35, 1@£30, 6@£25)	05Sep14	165.00		527.20			
1 membership sub	05Sep14	5.00		532.20			5.00
100077 Fish Now (Manningford) (2@45, 4@35)	06Sep14		230.00	302.20			
Refund from Manningford, discount for SADAC member	06Sep14		-5.00	307.20			
3 membership subs	03Oct14	15.00		322.20			15.00
Food for non-fishers	03Oct14	5.00		327.20			
Fees for Church Paddock (1@£40, 4@£30, 6@£20, 2@£10)	03Oct14	280.00		607.20			
100079 Church Paddock Fishery (Fishing and Food)	04Oct14		340.00	267.20			
J G Services (Engraving)	20Nov14		27.22	239.98		27.22	
Sainsburys (End of Year Prizes)	20Nov14		24.00	215.98		24.00	
<b>Totals</b>		<b>1835.00</b>	<b>1841.22</b>		<b>380.00</b>	<b>51.22</b>	<b>95.00</b>
External Premises				1790.00			
Activity Fees				1360.00			
Budget approved					813.00		
Budget remaining unclaimed					433.00		

## Fly Fishing Subsection Members 2014/15

Name	Club No.	Type	Location	Paid	Apr	May	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Mar	
Antrobus, Derek	A0421	FA		03Apr14	35	40		38	35		4	
Blythin, Paul	R8230	MR		03Apr14	35	40				30	3	
Day, Dave	R9890	MR		07May14		20	35			30	3	
Dean, Pete	R8100	MR		03Apr14			35	42	25		3	
Eslinger, Paul	16561	FW		04Sep14					25		1	
Hogg, Tony	46920	MW	Hursley	03Apr14		20	35		0	20	4	
Jones, Ken	R8770	MR		07May14	35	30		23			3	
Kennedy, Clive	52520	MW	Hursley	03Apr14		40		42	25	40	4	
Lindsay, Alan				04Aug14				42			1	
Patterson, Rod	P0150	MR		07May14	35		35	38	30	30	5	
Patterson, Sue			Hursley	07May14							0	
Parker, Andy	04441	FW	Hursley	07May14		20			0		2	
Porter, Charlie	F0283			03Oct14						10	1	
Porter, James	F0282			03Oct14						10	1	
Postlethwaite, Neil	10090	MW	Hursley	04Apr14	35						1	
Sampays, Josh	11760	MW	Hursley	03Apr14		20				20	2	
Sampays, Dan	11763	MW		03Apr14		20				20	2	
Saville, Melita	51940	MW	Hursley	03Oct14						20	1	
Weston, Duncan	R1440	MR		Hon							0	
Wiseman, John	P1030	MR	Hursley	03Apr14	35	20	35		25	20	5	
<b>Total</b>		20			20	6	10	5	6	8	11	7.7
Parker Guest							30					
Sampays Guest										30		
Total Attendance					6	11	5	6	8	12		8.0
Total Fees					210	300	175	225	165	280		1355.0

## IBM Hursley Fly Fishing Club Secretary's Report 2014

Welcome to this year's Secretary's Report: a look back over our trips and successes for 2014. It is great to have some more new members this year. A warm welcome to you all.

It will be necessary to appoint a new Secretary at this year's AGM. Last year, I made an unsuccessful bid for freedom. This year, unfortunately, it's definite. A Secretary is a constitutional necessity for the Club so I do hope that one of our members is prepared to take the role and ensure that we can continue.

I'd like to thank our Chairman, John Wiseman, and Treasurer, Tony Hogg for their great support for the Club and members. Both are always on the ball and full of ideas and efforts to make the Club successful and enjoyable.

Now on to the fun stuff – the fishing!

### Cup winners

1. Spring Cup was held at John O'Gaunt in April. John Wiseman took the cup with a bag of 14lb 4oz. Ken Jones was runner-up with 12lb 8oz.
2. Club Championship was held at Church Paddock in October. Dave Day took the prize with 9lb 4oz. Clive Kennedy was runner-up with 5lb.
3. Best rainbow was won by Tony Hogg with a 7lb 12oz fish at Church Paddock in May.
4. Best brown. Dave Day took a nice brown of 3lb 4oz from Church Paddock in October.

### Changes of venue this year



No new venues this year, but, from 2013, we dropped Meon Springs.

## **Trips**

### March - Wherwell

We started the season with the now-traditional trip to Wherwell. This venue is always reliable and a pleasant opener to the season. Flooding meant that getting to the lake was challenging in itself and wellies or waders were needed on what was left of the banks. Thanks to Tony, Andy, and John for warm food.

### April – John O'Gaunt

This trip was for the Spring Cup at John O'Gaunt. Only four members could make this trip but congratulations to John Wiseman and Ken Jones for two good bags.

### May – Church Paddock

This was the first of our two trips to Church Paddock. There was a good turn-out and the lake was in good shape. Tony Hogg took the Club prize for best rainbow. Congratulations to Andy Parker's guest, Dave Lounton, who took a ten-pounder.

### June – no trip

We had left this month blank in case the IBM National Fly Fishing competition was on. The trip was in doubt for some time. Perhaps as a consequence of the uncertainty, there was no team from Hursley this year. The event is scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in Rutland next year. It would be good to discuss whether we plan to compete in 2015.

### July - Wherwell

This trip was surprisingly under-attended. Wherwell is typically a popular venue and we often have to balance more anglers than the lake normally admits. It would be good to get feedback on whether there was anything other than unfortunate timing that affected people's decision. Never the less, the lake was well-stocked and it was another pleasant day of fishing.

### August – Holbury Lakes

Thanks to Andy Parker and Clive who organised this trip to a reliable old favourite, and did the administration on the day. We were pleased to welcome back Alan Lindsay.

### September - Manningford

Andy Parker and Tony Hogg took the river, using their Salisbury Club membership. Other Hursley members fished the lakes, which proved tough going.

### October – Church Paddock

We returned to Church Paddock. With perfect timing, a fantastic warm spell of weather broke on Saturday morning. Waterproof gear was a must, and bacon butties in a warm hut were very welcome. The water was low and weed was a problem in some areas but most people bagged up. Special congratulations to our young anglers, James and Charlie, who both caught on their first outing, and thanks to Tony for his support and encouragement.

## **Other news**

- Fly tying. Club members have an open invitation to attend the Wessex branch of the Fly Dresser Guild that meets in Southampton. For more details, contact Paul Eslinger.
- Hursley Club open day. Thanks to John, Tony, Andy, Rod and Melita for supporting the

Fly Fishing stand at this event. We attracted a fair bit of attention and expressions of interest, and two new members. I recommend that we continue to support future events of this kind.

## **2014/15 IBM Hursley Fly Fishing AGM: Chairman's report.**

### **Finances**

Ended the year underspending which gives us some latitude for a March event.

### **Membership and Attendance:**

Thank you to all those who attended this year pushing average attendance up to 8. I hope you all found the venues provided variety and interesting fishing. It was encouraging to see new members who attended both at the beginning and the end of the season.

Attracting new members: The IBM Hursley Club promotional event promotion resulted in a light attendance. However with a sterling effort from Tony, Andy, Rod, Melita and myself we managed to attract interest from three potential members, two of whom attended the last event of the year at Church Paddock. With Tony's generous coaching lessons the two lads managed to catch a good trout each, motivation for them to join us again next year. Let's hope Santa puts fly rods in their stockings.

### **Venues:**

We ran six trips to five different locations this year, the National Championships had no participation from us this year so we had a gap in June.

The stock size of fish appears to continue at lower average weights, generally more in the range of 2 1/2lb to 4lb size, although we did see some larger fish. Perhaps if we see more economic recovery this will improve.

Church Paddock water levels were marginally better. Manningford suffering again from a surfeit of weed and jumping fish so river fishing was perhaps the better option. Holbury back on the calendar seems to have been successful. Wherewell, and JOG performed well as expected.

### **AOB Thoughts for 2015/16**

- Membership levels – Actively attract the new members to join and attend this coming year.
- Provide contact points on the Web page for interested parties. For women interested link to > <http://www.fishingforeveryone.com/>
- Fees: Are these still at the right level? What could a change in fees enable? e.g. End of season prizes in addition to the cup.
- Possible new venues – Woodington, Frensham, Lower Itchen,
- Participation: Increase venue participation #'s - More bacon butties, cakes and recipes? Marketing – involve IBM clients?
- Feedback to fisheries. e.g. Stocking policy this and last year seems to have been with smaller fish. Use of social media to influence their service.
- Web site : Who to contact to join club / List all members, email addresses

### **Thanks**

Thanks to everyone in the club for their ongoing support and attendance which keeps the club viable and makes these trips a pleasant day out. It's great to catch up at these events especially as we all have diverse agendas throughout the year.

A special thanks on behalf of the club to Tony who puts in the extra time to help it all go smoothly. Melita's contribution again and especially culinary contributions like her trout pate which was quite effective at the open day. Also for the other contributions from members over the course of the year: environmental, fishing related matters and of course the food generously supplied by other members at the events. •