

Chairman's Report

2021 has been a very interesting time for the club. With a mixture of stop-start opening, application of difficult regulations. However, we have come through it in a manner that puts us on a stronger footing going forward.

This has been, in no small part, due to the dedication of our staff, committee and you as members. Whilst I recognize there are some members who have expressed dissatisfaction in the club and how it has been run during the pandemic, it has shown me that the loyal members who support the club, by their contributions, attending events etc. are the future backbone of the club.

The financial results indicate an overall loss of £11,783, but if you had asked me at the beginning of September, I was expecting a loss of around £25k. Therefore, the final figure reflects how quickly the club were getting back on its feet and the indications already show the coming year should reflect the club how it is going to be for the future.

As mentioned in the commodore's report, we made the decision to bring on Ian as a full-time boatman to demonstrate the commitment to our angling members the need to provide an effective launch and retrieve service. This has also needed to cover the departure of Mick Luck (I would like to thank him for his years of support and service). In addition, Brian Griffiths, who not only is a loyal committee member, but has been part of the launch and retrieve team on the beach, whilst Brian is still part of the team, we must all work to take the pressure from him.

Steve, our club Secretary has been working hard to re-establish the entertainment for the coming year, along with several special events and we are trying to maximise the publicity of, not only the entertainment, but the angling as well by the use of numerous media outlets and I would hope you have seen or accessed the outlet that suits your needs. However, if you want more details or are struggling to access this media speak to members of the committee or Jenny.

The anglers have seen big improvements in the beach area now that Ian and Les have started the concreting. We are also constantly looking at the condition of the clubhouse due to increased usage and the committee will not hesitate to fund any improvements in both the beach and clubhouse as required.

We want to make this year's prize-giving special, since we are coming out of the pandemic and reflect to old and new members how special this night should be for the club. Please come along, we will be providing a free buffet on the night.

Paul