

**TAY LIAISON COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD IN THE ROYAL DUNKELD HOYEL
ON TUESDAY 19 MAY 2009.**

ATTENDEES

Chairman	T Black, Crianlarich Angling Club
Vice Chairman	A Clark, Strathmore Angling Improvement Assoc.
Secretary/Treasurer	R Stewart, Aberfeldy Angling Club
Reporter	A Stewart, Killin Angling Club.
Members	D Taylor, Crianlarich Angling Club. G McIntosh, Strathmore Angling Improvement Assoc. S Tapley, Pike Anglers Association for Scotland D Twigg, Loch Tay Users Assoc. A Ayre, Grayling Society.

APOLOGIES

H Shearer, J Jeffreys.

It was agreed that there were 7 voting members present and 4 office bearers

MINUTES

In the secretary's update the date should read 22 March 2009, and not 20 March 2009. The Loch Tay Association web site should read www.lochtayassociation.org. After these corrections the minutes were adopted by A Clark and seconded by D Twigg.

MATTER ARISING.

The secretary stated that he has now dealt with all the riparian owners around the east end of Loch Tay, where, due to East Loch Tay Angling Club having insufficient members available to carryout this function, they could not complete the task.

The secretary then went through the list of riparian owners who have failed to submit Up Dated Proposal Forms or who have failed to submit annual returns, and in some cases both. Of the letters sent to riparian owners, the secretary had a telephone call from Tony Allan, Killin, who stated that he was not prepared to sign the forms as he would be including all the Loch Tay riparian owners as he owned the solum of the entire loch. This statement is incorrect. The remaining riparian owners have either telephoned the secretary with various excuses or have completed the necessary forms. To date it would appear that the majority are submitting the required forms.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the secretary write to Louise Donnelly at the Scottish Office, and inform her of the TLC's proposals in relation to having the PO amended to not include those riparian owners who have failed to comply. It was also agreed that we should seek their guidance on the matter.

A Stewart raised the matter of the Great Tay Plan; this has been ongoing for some considerable time now and appears to have amendment after amendment added to it. It was felt that the TLC should make a response to this as it affects fresh water fish as well as salmonidea. It is requested that input by the committee members be made for the next meeting.

SECRETARY'S UPDATE

The secretary stated that he had made East Loch Tay Angling Club aware of the complaint regarding their Coarse fishing permits but to date there has been no change, having recently visited the Post Office at Kenmore and inspected their permits. It was agreed that this matter has gone on far too long, with nothing being done to rectify the situation. S Tapley, Pike Anglers Association for Scotland, who was present at the meeting agreed to contact East Loch Tay Angling Club, in an attempt to resolve the matter.

The secretary also stated that his letter to Edradynate Estate regarding their refusal to allow trout fishers on their water had gone unanswered. He proposed, with the committee's agreement, to write again to the estate and to forward a copy letter to the estate owner. This was agreed by the committee.

The secretary stated that due to a lack of response from all clubs the wardens training session planned had to be cancelled. He further stated that there were now no wardens with current cards.

TREASURER'S UPDATE

The treasurer stated that no moneys were due to anyone and the current balance was £5,700.

WEB SITE UPDATE

A Stewart stated that the web site was running well but still required more pictures from all club sources. All updates have been made to the web site.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

A Ayre raised the matter of an article in the Fly Fishing and Fly Tying Magazine, under the heading "Power politics", which relates to the proposed construction of a hydro dam between Lagganallachie and Ossian's Cave, on the River Braan, near Dunkeld. A Ayre stated that he has responded to the article, but questioned why, in the article, it stated that Dunkeld and Birnam Angling Association had declined to make comment. It was agreed that the secretary should contact DBAA to ascertain if they were aware of the matter and had they anything to add.

A Stewart stated that he along with the secretary had attended the Fisheries Forum in Edinburgh on Thursday 30 April 2009. It had been a very interesting meeting and discussion with many and varied topics.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

The next meeting will be held in the Royal Dunkeld Hotel on Tuesday 21 July 2009, at 7.30 p.m.