

# Pembrokeshire Anglers Association

## 68<sup>th</sup> AGM minutes March 6<sup>th</sup> 2025

The president N Mayhew opened the meeting at 7.30 and welcomed everyone .

Apologies received from D Nattress , G Jones , M Lewis and A Penton .

Obituaries announced . Alan Morgan and Mavis Price-Jones , a minutes silence was held .

### Treasurers report.

N Mayhew read out the accounts and it was encouraging to see adult , Junior and visitor memberships were up on last year .Income was up by £4306 , mainly from the interest rate had gone up on our savings and Rent money of £2500 off Network Rail which the Secretary secured .

He finished off by thanking the committee , Gary , Heidi and all the staff in County Sports for their continued support .

### Chairman's report .

The Chairman thanked all members for their loyal support and the committee for their commitment in running the club .He welcomed Colleen to the committee to assist Nigel and asked the floor if anyone would like to volunteer and bring fresh blood onto the committee as we are always looking for help, thanked County Sports , thanked Toby for organising and holding fly tying sessions in the cabin and congratulated him on catching a salmon on one of his own self tied flies on the Eastern Cleddau. He thanked Roger Burns for letting us once again rent his fishing beat by Gelli . He announced that if any member wants to use the cabin or use the decking and benches , please ask him .He congratulated Steve Evans on opening his new fishery “Foxhill” and wished him all the best for the future . He thanked all

the members who had donated fishing tackle for the auction .He finished by announcing that we have negotiated and secured the fishing off PCC from Nant-y-Coy to Wolfcastle .

#### Presentation of Trophies .

Conservation shield .. Toby Schwierzi – Salmon

Munt Shield .. Toby Schwierzi

Medina cup .. Iain Rose .

#### Election of officers .

Proposed on block by I Evans seconded by E Williams , carried .

#### Appointment of auditors .

Proposed by N Mayhew we keep to Ashmoles seconded by L Evans .

#### AOB .

I Harries confirmed the PAA comp is to be held on May 19<sup>th</sup> and reminded members to bring their licences , lifts for the less able are available to the top end and there will be a day and a half day ticket put into a raffle after the weigh in .

NRW Ross Grisbrook thanked the PAA for letting him on-board and securing maintenance consent on our fishing beats . He said a lot of pollution incidents have been reported and they have tried to inspect as many as possible. Welsh Water are improving and farmers are being educated more .There is a new agriculture group being launched inspecting any dairy herd with over 200 cows .M Osborne voiced concerns that NRW are not doing their job to help the environment and he asked when was the last time any polluters were actually fined ! Simon Walters added the Ammonia levels below the town weir were over 20 times the legal limits !

Rick Cooper from “ The Cleddau Project “ stood up and gave a talk on what their organisation were doing , testing water quality and collecting data to fight against the polluters , they have set up a CIC organisation to get funds

and get match funding to cover the costs of collecting samples and evidence and also fund projects to improve the water quality on the tributaries over the next few months. The Chairman asked what will be done with the data ? He replied it will be published and reported to NRW to fix the problems .

The Chairman thanked him and he had a round of applause .

Roger Pratt thanked the PAA for their support and use of the cabin , they have with the help of PEFAC held 60 events with youngsters over the last year .

Roger Burns said the rivers trust are not doing their job , they are not investing in infrastructure and educating land owners and asked where all the money is going they have acquired ? Is this a question we should be asking Parliament ?

The raffle was held .

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35 and advised there would be 20 minute break so members could refill their glasses before the auction starts .