

GLAMORGAN ANGLERS CLUB Autumn/Winter 2016/17 Newsletter

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SECRETARIES REPORT - Paul Addecott

Firstly we would like to welcome all new Club Members who have joined us this year. We hope you have enjoyed your fishing on our waters and look forward to seeing you all during the colder months. The highlight of the past 6 months is of course the significant works done at Llantrythd, which has opened up this water to all members. The feedback we have received is very encouraging and we are sure that as the water now matures, the fishing will only improve. We are hoping that during the close season in 2017, some works can be done at St-y-nyll top pond to sure up some of the pegs and walkways. This work when completed will mean that all of our still waters have been upgraded to help both access and of course fishing.

Most if not all of our waters have produced excellent fishing this year so far, with reports of catches now being logged by Club Members via catch reports from the Club web site. Both Barry Ponds and Treoes have produced some stunning catches, with one Club member recording over 800lbs of fish in 2 days from Treoes. Sues Pond has produced Carp to over 22lbs on a number of occasions and Carols Pond now producing Barbel over 3lbs and Carp over 20lbs. Pyscodlin Mawr Pond has had a bumper year for Tench, which now seem to be showing in greater numbers, also some good size Crucians, mostly falling to feeder methods with maggot hook bait. Llantrythd has already produced this year quite a few double figure Carp, with quite a few large Perch being taken on float tactics. Gribbles Covert Pond as usual just seems to produce large numbers of fish to all tactics, but we would like to remind Members that heavy Carp Gear is not permitted on this water. Groes Faen (Bishops) Pond has produced some good size Carp over the summer, along with a number of good size Bream, but it proves to be a hard pond to work out for most, but we can assure you all the fish are definitely in there. More members this year have ventured on to Cardiff Bay, mostly in search of predatory fish, which seem to provide good sport to those who are willing to move around and find the fish. Reports from the Rivers have been few and far between, but the Taff has already provided some members with good sport both on coarse and game tactics. Good size Barbel and Chub have been reported along with some excellent size Trout and Grayling. The Wye at Monmouth has given up some excellent sized Barbel.

On another note, the Club would like to congratulate everyone who took part in this year's 48 Hour Charity Event, where yet again, our members stood up to the task and finally raised £4015 for our chosen Charity, Y Bont. This is a fantastic achievement by any standards, plus the fact that in 48 hours 34 Anglers weighed in over 2500lbs of fish. We are already starting to plan next year's event and for those who took part this year, you will have first dibs at places.

It goes without saying that the Club Committee continue to work tirelessly to ensure that our members get value for your license money, spending funds wisely, attending various events and meetings on behalf of the membership to ensure the voice of the Club is heard. The Hatchery that has been developed for re stocking silver fish in the river Taff is now complete and Brood stock will be ordered this winter ready for spawning early spring.

HEAD BAILIFF REPORT- Brian Dickman

I am pleased to say that for the most part, our Members have kept within the Club rules when fishing our waters, which I would like to thank you for, as it makes my Job and my Teams job so much easier. The only issue that we seem to have a constant problem with is the many types of Carp rigs that some members use, which in a nutshell are not fish friendly and can cause damage to our fish stocks. My Team have found clipped up bolt rigs that are not permitted on any of our waters, we insist that members use running type rigs which are so much more fish friendly. If you are unsure how to set up a running rig, just ask one of my Bailiff Team, who will be more than willing to help. The second issue is hook sizes, where again my Team have found rigs with hooks that would be too big for Cod, never mind coarse fish. May I remind everyone that the Clubs recommendation is a maximum of a size 12 on any still-water. I have received quite a few reports of mouth damage to a number of our stock, mainly Carp, which is down to a number of reasons. A possible cause is not having the clutch on their reels set correctly, which when set too tight, causes the hook-length to cut into the fishes mouth as there is no give during the playing in of the fish. Please ensure you have the clutch set correctly, again if you are unsure ask one of my Team to help you. Obviously the other main reason for damage is the amount of times that fish are caught, so with this in mind, we are going to close a couple of our still waters during the Spring months, just to give them a rest and hopefully allow some of the damage to repair itself. Dates for Closures will be advertised on the Club Notice boards, Web Site and in this newsletter

CLUB MATCHES AND COMPETITIONS

Throughout each year, the Club provides a number of differing Competitions that are open to all Club Members. The details, dates and Contacts are on the 2017 Calendar of events attached to the Newsletter. So if you are interested in having a go at any of our events, just give the relevant contact a call and they will provide you with the details and how to book on to a Comp.

The Competitions are:

- Senior Club Matches
- Junior and Ladies Club Competitions
- Disabled Group Fishing Competitions
- 24 Hour Carp Competitions
- 48 Hour Charity Event
- Bryn Hedges Pike Cup
- Wye Cup
- Mixed Pairs

LLANTRITHYD ACCESS MAP & RULES

There has been some confusion on the directions to the Lake. There now is a video clip of the route from the A48 to the lake on our website. But note, at the last left hand turn there is a group of old disused buildings, with a Treguff Farm Cottages (left arrow) sign on them, do not mistake these for Treguff Cottages. After turning left at these disused buildings the track is approx 400/500 yards on the right hand side immediately after a couple of houses and a "yard". Please proceed carefully and quietly down the track to the first gate to avoid disturbing the residents of this house. There is a 10mph speed limit on the track leading down to the lake - any member caught speeding will be expelled from the club. Please when opening gates to drive through, ensure that there is no possibility of farm animals escaping past your car through an open gate and onto the road or into the club car park. Always close and lock all gates immediately you have passed through. Members are reminded of the 6 car rule in the car park by the lake. If you get to the lake and there are already 6 cars there, then you can drop your tackle off and park in the old car park and walk to the lake.

CLUB WEB SITE

The club Web site has been upgraded this year, with many new features, including short video clips showing all our venues. There is a Catch Report icon for members to use, which is extremely useful to the Club as it lets us know what is caught and where, this also incorporates a box to report any Cormorants you spot on our waters, as this information is very important. There is also a Q and A icon, where Club Members can submit questions to the Club Committee, the Committee will discuss the questions and provide each individual with an answer or outcome after each relevant Committee meeting. Thanks must go to Julian Johnson, who is running the web site for his hard work.

KEEPNETS

The Club has decided that for the foreseeable future Keepnets are not permitted on any Club Still Water with the exception of Club organised Competitions.

POND CLOSURES 2017

The following Closures will be:

TREOES POND 01 March to 31 March 2017

GRIBBLES COVERT POND 01 April to 30 April 2017

SUES POND BARRY 01 April to 30 April 2017

ST Y NYLL the usual close season applies 1 April to 31 May

NEW YEARS EVE CHARITY COMPETITION

This year's competition will take place at Treoes Pond on 31st December 2016. Places are limited and on a first come, first served basis. Fishing is 09.00 to 15.00 booking in at 08.00 at Treoes Hut. As with past years, the Club will donate a free 2017 Coarse fishing license for the winner. This year's Charity we will be supporting is the Stroke Association.

For places, please email secretary@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk or text 07804 097857. Entry is £5.00 per Angler and there will be a Raffle with some excellent Prizes.

JUNIOR AND LADIES COMPETITIONS

A popular series of events in our annual calendar is the Junior and Ladies Competitions run by Andy Hoare and Albert Smith. The Junior competitions are open to any Club Members children under the age of 15, both lads and lasses are welcome. It would be nice to see some new faces next spring when the competitions start. The Juniors have competitors this year that were from 4years to 15years old and Andy does ensure that everyone gets a prize at the end of each competition, after all they are all winners. The Ladies Competitions seem to have fallen in numbers of late, so if any Lady Member would like to take part, contact Andy for details, it is not a serious competition, more a bit of fun and banter. Dates and locations are on the attached calendar of events, along with contact numbers. A video showing the Juniors and Ladies competitions is available on the Club Web Site.

SENIOR MATCHES

Our Senior match group, run by Dave Pike provides Members the opportunity to fish matches on both Club Waters and Commercial Fisheries. There are matches every month throughout the year and on Club Waters you can fish for one of the clubs many Cups and Trophies. If you would like more details, give Dave a call.

DISABLED GROUP COMPETITIONS

The Clubs disabled group of Anglers over the past years has grown in to a very successful part of our club, holding a series of competitions. Run by Amanda Joseph, the Competitions are open to any Club Member with a registered disability, both Junior and senior. See the video on the Club Web Site.

24 HOUR CARP COMPETITIONS

These competitions are run by Kevin Hunt and are becoming very popular with 15 to 20 members booking in on every competition. These competitions give members who are not on the Clubs Night Fishing Group the opportunity to try overnight fishing. With the inclusion of Llantrythid Lake, the Competitions now cover Treoes, both Barry Ponds and Llantrythid, so there is a chance to give many of our Carp Waters a try. If you are interested and want more details, give Kevin a call, details later in this newsletter. See the Video on the Club Web Site.

CHAIRMANS REPORT - Richard Turner

Another summer's fishing draws to a close and with it our first full season on the newly opened Llantrythid with its excellent parking facilities and renovated swims. Thanks in particular to Brian and Andy for their sterling work in effectively giving the club a "New" water. The clubs' waters appear to continue to provide excellent and varied fishing for all and as we move into the autumn, the rivers will come into their own with chub and barbel becoming increasingly attractive targets. Winter will again see pike fishing to the fore and we now have good potential at St y Nyll, Groesfaen and Barry ponds as well as the River Wye at Monmouth. You may have noticed the Hon Sec and I enjoying a spot of light lure fishing for perch in Cardiff bay – If you haven't tried it, give it a go, it's great fun and much better than carting seat boxes, tons of bait etc. etc. to your peg! I hope you all continue to enjoy your fishing on GAC waters – rest assured we are always looking for new venues and ways to improve existing waters, so please keep providing us with your feedback and of course catch reports on our new, improved website (Thanks to Julian for an excellent job here too!)

DISABLED ANGLING AND COACHING REPORT - Amanda Joseph

Here we are into autumn already where has this year gone? Our disabled matches have been great this year being blessed with good weather for all of them. Our first in April we saw the winner being Frank Foster with a bag of 43lb, runner up being Mathew Wills with 36lb who also won biggest fish. Then onto our match in May where it was an absolute delight to present our very own and much loved Richie Philips with the winners trophy. In July we had our first Memorial Cup for another much loved member Gerald Lee, who sadly passed away at the beginning of the year. The match went well and the winner was Jenny Collins, runner up was Clive Down. It was a lovely day where we could all share a story or two about Gerald with both his sons and grandsons. Then our last match in September the winner was Karl Cowdrey and runner up was Peter Goodridge. All the matches were well attended, with all our regulars fishing well and some new faces which is amazing. We had great support from the club coaches and I would like to thank volunteers Carol Edwards who cooked the bacon rolls which always went well, also Donna Hoare and Albert Smith for their tireless help, I would like to thank them all for the help, as I feel we all make a good team, working together to make these events possible.

The coaching team has been extremely busy this year we had sessions on Carols and Treoes where we had the pleasure of hosting an impromptu session for a group of frail elderly from Bridgend Resource Centre with an average age of 83! They had a fantastic day. Meanwhile at Carols we held sessions with Cadoxton Primary, Ysgol Glantaf and Vale Plus who are a community group for young people with disabilities. We received some great feedback from the various groups thanking the club for the sessions.

That just leaves it to me to thank all who help out with all the coaching events and competitions, without whom they would not be able to go ahead. See you all again very soon tight lines

Treasurers Report - Michael Bishop

Whilst not strictly a financial matter, you would perhaps have known from my previous reports that I have spent some of my newly found time (retirement!) bringing together and collating the old records of the Club. Founded in 1904, I discovered we retained much of the old committee minutes and papers from 1925 onwards plus numerous other documents, not to mention the impressive Club trophies. In order that these important historical documents are kept in conditions that will ensure they survive another 100+ years and more importantly can be viewed by anyone that is interested, we are delighted to announce that we have deposited them with Glamorgan Archive in Cardiff. Anyone can access these records, they make fascinating reading, by visiting Glamorgan Archives at their address in Cardiff, just off Sloper Road (CF11 8AW) - see <http://glamarchives.gov.uk/visiting-us/>. On the day of the handover of these records we also arranged for a BBC Wales Today news reporter to film at Treoes Pond and Glamorgan Archives and make a small news feature for BBC Wales Today - this appeared on the TV on 25 August. I say a "small news feature" as it was just under 3 minutes in length when broadcast, but the BBC must have had 3 hours+ of film to edit! My 15 second appearance was condensed from 10 minutes of filming, although it has to be said that perhaps our honourable secretary's antics in the background behind the camera did not help my interview in front of the camera so there were some "out-takes"!! Hopefully by the time you get this newsletter I would have obtained from the BBC the film clip to put on our website, so there are no excuses for any member not to have seen it.

CLUB CONTACTS

Club Chairman Richard Turner - chairman@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk
 Treasurer Mike Bishop - treasurer@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk
 Secretary Paul Addecott - secretary@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07804 097857
 Head Bailiff Brian Dickman - headbailiff@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07510 223621
 Junior Matches Andrew Hoare - juniorangling@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07543 216986
 Senior Matches Dave Pike - 02920 655225 or 05726 745038
 Night Group Booking - Brian Dickman - 07510 223621
 Disabled Angling Amanda Joseph - disabledangling@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07837 130351
 Head Coach Amanda Joseph - headcoach@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07837 130351
 24 Hour Carp Comps Kevin Hunt - 24hourcarpcomps@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk - 07971 242142
 Website Administrator Julian Johnson - admin@glamorgananglersclub.co.uk

2017 License Renewals

Members can renew their licenses for next year from 1st December 2016, which allows anyone thinking of purchasing a license for a Christmas present the opportunity to get a license before Christmas. New Members can also benefit from this as their License will be valid from the 1st of January 2017 right through to March 31st 2018. So if you know of anyone who is thinking of joining the Club, let them know as it will give them 3 months (Jan to Mar) free fishing if they purchase a license in December.

Please make sure that when you renew your License that you add a stamped addressed envelope with your application and that your cheque or Postal Order is for the correct amount as this will help Mick Roberts turn your application around quickly. If you are renewing your Night Group Membership as well, please be aware that 2017 fee for Night Fishing Group Membership will be £45.00.

Should you wish to Join the Clubs Night Fishing Group, please apply in Writing to the Membership Secretary at the following address: Mick Roberts (GAC), 4 Heol Don, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF14 2AU.

MATCH DATES FOR 2017 (on next page)

Note - Contact numbers for the organisers in the Calendar below:

Dave Pike 07526 745038

Kevin Hunt 07971 252142 (after 6pm)

Andy Hoare 07543 216986

Amanda Joseph 07837 130351

Paul Addecott 07804 097857

Day	Date	Event	Venue	Contact	Timing	Pegs Available for Members to use	
Sunday	08/01/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	Arthur Bale Cup
Sunday	22/01/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	
Sunday	05/02/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	Hywel Rees Trophy
Sunday	26/02/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	
Sunday	05/03/17	Senior Competition	Sues Pond	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	British Ropes Cup
Sunday	19/03/17	Senior Competition	Carols Pond	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	
Sunday	02/04/17	Senior Competition	Sues Pond	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	Charles Pole Trophy
Saturday	22/04/17	24 Hour Carp Comp	Sues Pond	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	0	
Thursday	27/04/17	Disabled Competition	Treoes	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Saturday	29/04/17	Junior and Ladies Comp	Carols Pond	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	0	
Sunday	07/05/17	Senior Competition	Llantrythid	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	Kenneth Lundie Cup
Saturday	13/05/17	Junior and Ladies Comp	Treoes	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	20	
Thursday	18/05/17	Disabled Competition	Treoes	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Saturday	20/05/17	24 Hour Carp Comp	Llantrythid	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	10	
Saturday	27/05/17	Mixed Pairs Competition	Carols Pond	Amanda Joseph	9am-4pm	0	
Saturday	27/05/17	Junior Only Comp	Gribbles	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	0	
Sunday	04/06/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	Steve Lupini Cup
Saturday	10/06/17	Junior and Ladies Comp	Llantrythid	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	20	
Thursday	15/06/17	Disabled Competition	Llantrythid	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Saturday	17/06/17	24 Hour Carp Comp	Carols Pond	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	0	
Friday to Sunday	30/06/17 to 2/07/17	48 Hour Charity event	Treoes	Paul Addecott	Closed	0	
Thursday	06/07/17	Disabled Competition	Treoes	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Saturday	15/07/17	Junior and Ladies Comp	Carols Pond	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	5	
Saturday	22/07/17	24 Hour Carp Comp	Sues Pond	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	0	
Saturday	29/07/17	Junior and Ladies Comp	Gribbles	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	0	
Sunday	06/08/17	Senior Competition	Llantrythid	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	TC Major Cup
Saturday	12/08/17	24 Hour Carp Comp (Marmite Cup)	Treoes	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	13	
Saturday	19/08/17	Junior and Ladies Comp (Dads+Lads)	Treoes	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	20	
Thursday	24/08/17	Disabled Competition	Llantrythid	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Saturday	02/09/17	Junior and Ladies Comp	Sues Pond	Andy Hoare	12am-5pm	8	
Sunday	10/09/17	Senior Competition	Sues Pond	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	Resolven Engineering Cup
Saturday	16/09/17	24 Hour Carp Comp	Llantrythid	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	0	
Thursday	21/09/17	Disabled Competition	Treoes	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Sunday	01/10/17	Senior Competition	Sues Pond	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	0	Austen Patten Cup
Saturday	07/10/17	24 Hour Carp Comp	Treoes	Kev Hunt	9am-9am	0	
Thursday	12/10/17	Disabled Competition	Treoes	Amanda Joseph	9am-2pm	20	
Sunday	22/10/17	Wye Cup	R.Wye	Paul Addecott	8am-4pm		
Sunday	05/11/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	Len Douglas Cup
Sunday	26/11/17	Senior Competition	Treoes	Dave Pike	8am-4pm	13	Charity Shield
Sunday	03/12/17	Bryn Hedges Pike Cup	R.Wye	Paul Addecott	8am-4pm		
Saturday	09/12/17	Junior and Ladies Comp (Santa Comp)	Treoes	Andy Hoare	11am-1pm	20	

Licenses

The 17/18 (can run from 1/12/16) License Application Form is on the next page. Please when applying for a Glamorgan Anglers Club License can you note the following, which will make the issuing of licenses as speedy as possible:

1. Use the form attached to this newsletter or print off the License Application form from the Club Web Site.
2. Enter your Details in the form; please do not forget to tick if you are willing to be contacted to assist on work parties. Remember to sign the application form where indicated.
3. Enter in the relevant box for the type of license you require the amount for the license, as per this form. Please only one License per application form.
4. For new Members only there is a £10 joining fee, this is a one off payment and is not required when you renew your license the following season. If you are a new member please enter this amount in the relevant box.
5. Add & enter the total amount on the application form in the bottom box and write a Cheque or obtain a Postal Order for the total amount. (Cheques made payable to Glamorgan Anglers Club Ltd)
6. If you are a junior (under 16) please complete the "responsibility" form on the back of the license application form in this newsletter & get your Parent/Guardian to read & sign.
7. Write a return Envelope (envelope C5 size is required) for your license to be sent back to you. ENSURE THE RETURN ENVELOPE HAS AN APPROPRIATE STAMP ON IT.
8. Put the completed license application form (& junior responsibility form if applicable), your payment and SAE in an envelope and send to Mick Roberts at the Address on the application form. No license will be accepted/issued/renewed to callers at Mick's address. Application is by post only.
9. Please under no circumstances send cash. Anyone sending cash, does so at their own risk.
10. Mick will endeavor to send out licenses as quickly as possible (usually within a couple of days, but please be aware that due to the sheer weight of numbers of applications, at peak times there may be a slightly longer delay. So, please apply for your license as soon as possible before you need it to allow time for it to be returned to you before you go fishing.

GLAMORGAN ANGLERS CLUB Ltd.

Permit application for season from April 1st 2017 to 31st March 2018

[Invalid for 2016-2017 season) **NEW PERMITS AVAILABLE FROM 1/12/2016.** Do not apply before this.

Surname..... Initials Title

Address

Post code Tel. No. Date of Birth if under 16

Members should note that they are responsible for their personal safety on waters and should have their own Personal Accident Insurance. By accepting a permit to fish, members are deemed to indemnify Glamorgan Anglers Club Ltd and their Landlords against all costs, claims, actions, liabilities and demands. Members are reminded that fisheries can be hazardous places.

All applicants must sign to acknowledge that they accept these conditions. Signed :-.....

Are you willing to **help on working parties YES/NO** [delete as necessary].

TYPE OF LICENCE		Fee £	Enter	WATERS AVAILABLE
FULL COARSE *Husband and Wife only [3rods max if both fishing].	SENIOR	69.00		1 Treoes pond nr Treoes Bridgend.
	HUSB/WIFE see*adjacent	92.00		2 Pysgodlyn Mawr nr Welsh St Donats.
	JUNIOR [Under 16] see**	31.00		3 Llantrithydd Lake nr Bonvilston.
	OAP/DISABLED see***	49.00		4 Gribbles Covert nr St Donats.
FULL GAME [Includes full coarse]	SENIOR	125.00		5 St-y-Nyll pond nr Peterston Super Ely.
	JUNIOR [Under 16] see **	56.00		6 Cadoxton Lakes.
	OAP/DISABLED see***	82.00		7 Cardiff Bay, Lower Taff & Ely.
NEW MEMBERS ONLY	ADD JOINING FEE	10.00		8 R.Taff - Canton Bridge to just above M4.
NEW MAP OF WATERS.. [C5 SAE] Note Charge		5.00		9 R. Usk Chainbridge above Usk.
NB. Maps free to new members & Juniors do not have to pay a joining fee.				10 R. Ely around St. Fagans.
				11 R. Wye up from rowing club Monmouth.
				12 Groes Faen pond nr Llantrisant.
If you do not require Newsletters please tick here see⁺ below				13 River Trothy at Monmouth.
TOTAL CHEQUE FOR LICENCE ETC =				14 Permit exchange with Newport & Merthyr angling clubs – see below for details.

**** Junior members & parents** must sign/return the responsibility/behaviour document available separately and on website.

*****ALL OAP/DISABLED applications** enclose proof of entitlement eg Copy of official document with name & address [Not a car disabled badge] – Physical disability must now be proved, drawing incapacity benefit is not proof of disability. Please supply proof that you are receiving **DISABILITY LIVING ALLOWANCE or are over 65 for OAP.**

SEND **COMPLETED SHEET, CHEQUE** and correct **STAMPED ADDRESSED ENVELOPE**

Make cheques out to Glamorgan Anglers Club Ltd. **New Members please note :- For Map, Newsletter, Permit, etc stamp needed = 1 x 1st class – but make sure S.A.Envelope is C5 and not oversize to avoid surcharge.**

S.A ENVELOPES Half this size [C5 – max size 240x165mm] for maps etc, size C6 [min] for licence only. To: -

GAC, Mr M.ROBERTS, 4 HEOL DON, WHITCHURCH, CARDIFF. CF14 2AU.

Please – No Personal callers. No Telephone calls - Correspondence welcome.

***Newsletters** sent to current members in November & April. NB Newsletters are available on our website. If you **do not want newsletters** [saves work, time, money] **please tick the box.** **Permits** sent by return of post. A child **under the age of 12 [1 rod only]** does not need a club permit provided an adult member [over 18] accompanies them. **Maps** - see above. **Keys** for Club waters [Cost £10 each] and licence exchanges [Newport and Merthyr] available to members from Garry Evans Fishing Tackle, 109, Whitchurch Road, Cardiff or Ewenny Angling, Bridgend, [Bring permit - Shop hours only]. **Only if a new member lives more than 40miles away** send cost of key[s] with application if wanted, please indicate Club.

Visit our website at:- <http://www.glamorgananglersclub.org.uk> for the latest club news and information.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL ANGLING CLUB; WE ARE A NON-PROFIT ORGANISATION WHICH REINVESTS SURPLUS'S INTO THE FUTURE OF ANGLING IN SOUTH WALES. JOIN TODAY.

[Records are held on computer but they are not connected to the net, or a phone line].

To all Parents/Junior members - Thank you for applying to join Glamorgan Anglers Club.

Would you and the prospective junior member. Please read the following document then sign and return the stub. Failure to do so will mean that the application will be refused.

Due to problems in the past, Glamorgan Anglers Club wish to draw the following to your attention.

Parent/Guardian Responsibility.

Unaccompanied Junior members [under 16] are the responsibility of their parents/guardians.

It is expected that Juniors fishing our waters will be adequately provided with food, drink, suitable clothing, tackle, bait etc. Juniors should have mobile phones in order to contact their parents/guardians in case of emergency.

Juniors must be made aware of the dangers of open waters [drowning etc] and the limits of access to St y Nyll and Barry, Cadoxton Lakes [see club rules].

It is the responsibility of all parents/guardians to ensure that Junior members are aware of club rules [see permit/website]. All Juniors must be told that they must behave in a sensible and mature manner when fishing our waters.

Behaviour.

Angling is a quiet and individualistic sport which many people take up to relieve stress they should not have to tolerate misbehaviour from Junior members. The great majority of our junior members are well-behaved, pleasant and polite people. However, we have had some instances of bad behaviour as noted below:-

- Causing damage to banks, trees, property.
- Disturbing wildlife.
- Being noisy, shouting.
- Throwing stones.
- Abusive/foul language.
- Wandering around and disturbing other anglers.
- Refusal to present documents.
- Disobeying the instructions of bailiffs.
- Not respecting other anglers or members of the public.
- Leaving litter.

It has also been noted that groups of juniors often behave very poorly in comparison to individuals and are more prone to so called "messing about".

Also, some parents think that it is acceptable for their children to misbehave and are even abusive to club officials/members who enforce the club rules or standards of behaviour. **Such responses will result in an immediate ban for the member concerned. Incidents of bad behaviour will be reported and will result in disciplinary procedure. This may involve the parents/guardians of the individual concerned. In severe incidents the offending may be banned from the club and its affiliate clubs for life. [No refund will be given]. The committee's decision is, in all cases, final.**

As far as is possible the Club tries to provide a pleasant and safe environment for our members to enjoy a peaceful days fishing. We hope that all club members will respect this privilege and do nothing to upset the enjoyment of fellow members.

Return the stub below to: **GAC Mr M. Roberts, 4, Heol Don, Whitchurch, Cardiff CF14 2AU**

..... Cut or Tear carefully here

I have read the document above and I agree that my son/daughter should behave in a responsible mature manner when fishing Glamorgan Club Waters. I also absolve the club of any responsibility for my son/daughter when left unaccompanied. I also understand that it is my responsibility to ensure the safety and well being of my son/daughter if they are left unaccompanied.

SignedParent or Guardian of.....

I agree to abide by the club rules and behave in a sensible and mature manner. I will respect other members and obey the instructions of bailiff's.

Signed.....Junior applicant. Date