



# 2020/21 End of year report

(in place of the AGM Minutes)

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# 2021/22 Membership Application Form

An awards and presentation evening will be planned, if possible, later in the year, watch the Facebook page and the DDAS website for news.

Facebook - [Dorchester & District Angling Society \(DDAS\) | Facebook](#)

Facebook Junior Section - [DDAS Juniors | Facebook](#)

Website - [Dorchester & District Angling Society \(d-das.com\)](#)

Junior Section Website - [DDAS Juniors](#)

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# Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

**NOT** held April 2021

*Dear Members*

The DDAS AGM which was due to be held in April 2021 has been cancelled due to the Covid restrictions. In place of the minutes, please find attached reports from main sections of the society and most importantly, details on the new society year membership subscriptions:

It was decided by your committee that membership subscriptions would kept at the same level as the pre-Covid prices in 2019/20. This means that we have not raised the cost of membership for the last three years.

We will continue to take subscription payments made via PayPal as well as the usual cheque method or by cash if you can drop it in personally. You are still required to complete and post the attached MAF if paying by PayPal. PayPal payments are to be made to: [membershipsec@ddas.com](mailto:membershipsec@ddas.com) including your FULL NAME & 'DDAS'. The slight increase in cost for using this method is due to the charges that PayPal make for every transaction made.

Additionally we will have a new online membership system in place before the start of the season called Clubmate, work is currently well underway to implement the system and train some of the committee members in using it. Please watch the Facebook page and website for news on this development which will bring significant benefits to the club.

DDAS membership subscription costs remain one of the lowest in the country for the amount of lakes and rivers that members can fish, this is in no small part due to the amount of voluntary work done by your committee and a selection of members and this work has continued throughout the lock downs. They deserve the thanks of the membership for continuing this work and managing the club during the last 18 months.

We would like to thanks all those who kept to the club and government Covid rules and the guidelines set by the Angling Trust on where and when to fish. We are aware of some breaches of the rules and members should note that we will be policing them more stringently if needed in the future. Please bear with us during these difficult times, remember: 'Live to Fish Another Day'.

*Gary Biles – Club Secretary  
April 2021*

## **Society Appointments:**

The following appointments were made:

<b>2021/2022 Committee</b>	<b>Role</b>
Chris Watson	Chairman
Chris Ward	Deputy Chairman Trustee (Luckfield Lake) - <b>NEW</b>
Jerry Bracey	Treasurer - <b>NEW</b> Trustee (Luckfield Lake) - <b>NEW</b>
Gary Biles	Secretary – <b>NEW</b>
Paul Haigh	Membership Secretary
Glenn Richards	Match Secretary
Graham Howard	Junior Secretary

Tom Foyle	Assistant Junior Secretary
Steve Sudworth	Club Captain
Tim Broughton	Risk Management Carp Secretary
Roger Fulbrook	General Officer
Terry Dell	General Officer
Si Wagner	General Officer
Johnny Johns	General Officer
Mick Brown	General Officer
Andrew Foyle	General Officer
Dave Tattersall	General Officer

Dave Beadnell-Smith	President - <b>NEW</b>
Steve Sudworth - <b>NEW</b> Mike Park Derek Pride Stuart Murgatroyd John Parkes John Halford Mick Brown Dave Tattersall	Vice Presidents

All of the appointments were proposed, seconded and voted on by the committee on behalf of the club membership.

#### **Trustees:**

Dave Beadnell-Smith and David Tattersall are stepping down from this role, Jerry Bracey and Chris Ward will take over once the legal process, which is currently underway, is completed.

#### **Appointment of Bank Signatures:**

The bank signatures are currently David Tattersall (outgoing Treasurer), Glenn Richards and Kevin Roberts.

For the new financial year this will be changed to Jerry Bracey (incoming Treasurer), Glenn Richards and Graham Howard.

#### **Account Verifier**

Mr Kevin Roberts will continue in this post for the foreseeable future.

#### **Treasurers Report to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021 (Dave Tattersall):**

The last year has been very difficult for us all; however I am proud to inform members of DDAS that the club remains in good financial health. The accounts show an excess of income over expenditure of £2,186. We attracted over 530 members which was an increase of over 40 from the previous year. The club members donated £369 to our charity of the year and this was topped up to £500 and paid to THE NEST a food bank which was established in the Westham area of Weymouth during 2020. We continued to improve our own lake at Luckfield both around the lake and attempting to improve the roadway down to the lake. Members who fish at Luckfield will no doubt benefit from the works on the pegs undertaken.

On a personal level I am stepping down from the role of treasurer after over 18 years and hand over to Jerry Bracey who will with doubt continue to provide the club with good financial management. I wish to thank all members for their support especially those who used the booking service for Luckfield during the lockdown period of last year, you all made operating that service

much easier by your courteous manners to my wife and me. I realised that I had too many commitments and I could serve the club by remaining as a committee member

### **Membership Sec Report (Paul “Whisky” Haigh):**

Well, that year was a bit different.....

The Covid 19 pandemic reduced the available membership options to solely those that either came via the post through my letter box or were hand delivered to my address. No memberships, guest tickets or exchange tickets were placed in any of our six sponsored shops due the C19 restrictions imposed by the government.

That being said, the following are this year’s DDAS membership statistics:

- Adult Membership 173
  - Adult & Partner 46
  - Adult & Non-Angling Partner 22
  - Registered Disabled 18
  - Senior Citizen 180
  - Senior Citizen & Spouse 32
  - Junior Membership 14
  - Primary Membership 20
- Total 505

Our hope and intention is to resume normal service for the 21/22 season. If all goes well and the government roadmap to removing all legal restrictions by the 21st June is a success, then with the kind permission of each of our six sponsored shops we would hope to have membership applications, guest tickets and where applicable exchange tickets back in place.

Additionally, this forthcoming season, we are working very hard to have an online membership link on our website, which should go live before the start of the new season. Keep an eye out in the membership section of the website if you would like to join DDAS using this option?

Your outgoing committee have voted overwhelmingly in favour that all membership applications/renewals for the new season are to receive a full colour version of our handbook.

Last year saw the sad loss of our exchange tickets with Stalbridge AC and only two clubs attempting to exchange tickets last year primarily because the C19 circumstance mentioned above. This year we are hoping to re-invigorate the exchange ticket system when they return to the shops and also include the addition of a new club, Frome Valley AA to take us back up to six clubs in the exchange section. These six clubs and the membership of the SLAAC give a wide and varied area to fish in addition the DDAS waters.

DDAS pride ourselves by being able to offer a number of waters and stretches of rivers to fish for very reasonable membership prices and again this year’s outgoing committee has unanimously voted NOT to increase the 2021/2022 membership fees. We hope this meets with all our members’ approval.

That only leaves me to say I wish you all a happier 2021/2022 fishing season with DDAS and look forward to meeting some of you on the bank in the very near future. Tight Lines

### **Juniors Secretary Report (Graham Howard):**

With Covid taking hold of the world in 2020, junior activity was a bit thin on the ground. But here are a few notable events from the 2020/21 year.

- Junior trophies were handed out via a socially distanced presentation and home presentations by parents. These were filmed, edited and posted on You Tube.
- In addition to the Coarse fishing booklet written for the Juniors, I produced a further four booklets on Pole fishing, River fishing, Carp fishing and Pike fishing.
- In between lockdowns, a casting session and three coaching sessions were hosted at Kings Road Playing field and Sharnhill Green respectively.
- A dedicated Junior Website was launched on 1st March better highlight our activities with our Juniors, to introduce our coaching team to new anglers and for schools to learn more about what we have to offer them with our activity days.
- DDAS Junior clothing was made available for purchase.
- DDAS Juniors now has a Temporary loo and tent for use by our female anglers and mums. At venues with no facilities, the ladies and girls that come to fish with us do not have to worry or sit in discomfort. They are catered for.
- Our coaching team has swelled to eight, all of whom have been fully DBS checked.
- DDAS Juniors was awarded £500 by the Angling Trust to purchase some equipment for hosting events with local schools.

For the few events that we have managed to host in the last twelve months, I would like to extend my thanks to the DDAS committee for their continued support for what I am trying to achieve for our club, to the members that freely give their time and commitment to the Juniors, to the parents that are supportive enough to bring their anglers to the venues we use and, of course, to our Juniors themselves without whom the whole thing would be a waste of time.

If I may be self-indulgent enough to also offer a big thank you to my wife Trudie who has had to live with my frustrations and obsessions throughout the lockdowns.

### **Match Sec Report (Glenn Richards):**

#### **2020/2021 – Match Programme**

Obviously the matches suffered a huge amount of disruption in 2020 due to the Covid pandemic. New Covid related measures were introduced for the matches that did take place and we would like to thank those anglers who complied with the new rules. It is likely that these rules will stay in place for the remainder of 2021.

#### **Winners of the Matches:**

- Committee Shield – Glenn Richards
- Eric Sherwood Cup – Terry Dell
- Aldermaston Cup – Paul Haigh
- Bastick Cup – Jack Johns
- Costa Cup – Mick Brown
- Denning Trophy – Steve Crowford
- Dewlish Pairs – Mick Brown & Terry Dell
- Maurice Shaw Trophy – Alan Winsper
- Terry Hatcliffe Trophy – Richie Butler
- Jeffery Trophy – Alan Winsper
- Presidents Cup – Craig Andrews
- O'50's Cup – Craig Andrews
- Grayling Shield – Cancelled
- Mike Park Cup – Cancelled
- Rose Bowl – Julie Samways
- Scuffel & Handicap Cups – Craig Andrews
- C&S Locksmiths Winter League - Cancelled

#### **Specimen Cup:**

Only one entry, 3lb Grayling Jack Johns who wins the cup and gets a specimen badge.

## **2021-2022 – Match Programme**

The match programme for the coming season has been published on the club website and can be found at - [Match Programme \(d-das.com\)](http://d-das.com)

This programme runs from 18<sup>th</sup> April to the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

## **2020 48hr Carp Match**

The DDAS Carp Competition 2020 was held over the weekend of 21-23 Aug 20 on Heath Lake at Avalon Fisheries, Somerset. The eventual trophy winner was Dave Copp (ably assisted by his son Jack), with Gary Biles second and Chris Brown third. Dave also had the heaviest fish of the weekend with a 25.13 lb Mirror.

## **2021 48hr Carp Match**

To be held at the same venue as in 2020, this year's event is planned for 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> July. For further information and an entry form contact Tim Broughton by e-mail at [discovery66@live.co.uk](mailto:discovery66@live.co.uk) or by phone 07876 504924.

## **Reports on the Club Waters**

For obvious reasons there have been very limited reports about the fishing on the club waters in the past year. Without the log sheets at some waters and very little direct feedback to the committee it is difficult for us to assess how things have been going on the lakes and rivers

At Luckfield Lake quite a lot of work has been completed in the last year including:

- Removal of the fallen Oak tree between peg 5 and peg 6.
- Pollarding of the Willow hedge behind peg 3 to allow light and air into the lake
- New platforms in peg 8 and peg 10
- Microchalk spreading

Further work is planned including the stabilising peg 3 and peg 4. Catches have been good throughout the winter with Bream to 4-5lb, some very good Roach and plenty of good Tench and Carp coming out.

Jason has provided updates on Facebook about the "state of play" at Revels and has been able to make plenty of improvements during the lock downs.

Due to lock downs and flooding Grayling fishing on the River Frome was very limited this year. However anecdotally catches seem to have greatly improved on last year and fish at 3lb have been reported on river. The reduced fishing pressure on the river this year will hopefully prove beneficial next season. Unfortunately due to river conditions, weather and lock downs we were unable to hold the Grayling Shield match this winter.

The work on our new lakes at Silverlake to replace Heath Lake has made some major strides forward and we hope to have some significant announcements before the end of 2021.

The committee would ask that our members provide some feedback on how our waters are performing, good or bad, any special catches, any issues with access or land management especially on some of the lesser fished waters. This feedback can be given in a variety of ways, Facebook, e-mail, post, a phone call, Facebook Messenger. Whatever platform you use the feedback will help us in managing the club and its waters in the future.

## **Membership Application Form:**

The form is on the next page.

# 2021/22 Society Year: 1/6/21-31/5/22

## Membership Application Form

Please complete as clear as possible

New Member:  Returning Member:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

Partner/Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(for joint membership only)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (M)

Email Address: **AS CLEAR AS POSSIBLE PLEASE**

(please ✓ appropriate box)

New:

Previously supplied:

Age (all applicants): \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership Fees:

	Cheque	PayPal*	Online**		(please ✓ appropriate boxes)
Adult Membership	£55	£57 <input type="checkbox"/>	£56	18yrs to 64yrs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult & Partner (1)	£80	£83 <input type="checkbox"/>	£82	Both Anglers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult & Partner (2)	£60	£62 <input type="checkbox"/>	£62	Non-Angling Partner	<input type="checkbox"/>
Registered Disabled	£35	£37 <input type="checkbox"/>	£36	Photocopy proof required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Citizen	£35	£37 <input type="checkbox"/>	£36	65yrs+	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior Citizen & Spouse	£45	£47 <input type="checkbox"/>	£47	Both 65yrs+	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior Membership	£20	£22 <input type="checkbox"/>	£21	14yrs & under 18yrs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Primary Membership	£10	£12 <input type="checkbox"/>	£11	10yrs to 13yrs inclusive	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dog permit (by postal application only)	£5	-----	-----	Reqd for club exclusive still waters where permissible	<input type="checkbox"/>

Donation to chosen local charity (optional) £ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you very much!

I enclose a cheque/cash (payable to DDAS) for the amount £ \_\_\_\_\_ for a full year membership of DDAS from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2021 to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022 .

\* I have paid by PayPal and stated my 'full name & DDAS' to: [membershipsec@d-das.com](mailto:membershipsec@d-das.com)

\*\* Follow the link on the society website, do not complete this application.

I am happy to receive news, notices & future correspondence by email only: Yes  No

I agree to abide by the DDAS rules & regulations stated in the member's handbook & any additional notifications posted on social media/DDAS Website, or on noticeboards or signs displayed at fisheries.

(Admin Use Only) Membership No: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: .....

Your personal information will be held and used in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. DDAS will not disclose such information to any unauthorised person or body but where appropriate will use such information in carrying out its various functions and services. DDAS may also use this data in connection with the prevention or detection of fraud or other crime.

Note: Postal applications will only be processed once per week, please be patient. Thank you.



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Please send your completed application form to:

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