

Keowee Anglers Board Meeting May 12, 2011

Board Members Present: Carl Davidson, Bill Walker, John Wilson, Bob Skipp, Bob Stromberg, Pat Murphy, Larry Madden, and Dave Garrison

Absent – Dave Goeckel

KA Member Guest– Rodger McCafferty

Carl Davidson called the meeting to order at 9:35AM at The Seneca Family Restaurant. The following agenda items were discussed by the Board –

- Carl Davidson – Carl has made contact with former member Mike Cammick, to reply to his request for fishing guide recommendations. Carl suggested rejoining KA and taking advantage of our mentoring program, or contact The Fishing Hole for recommendations for a professional guide. In the meantime, Dave Garrison will e-mail Mike the KA website address where he can access more information on KA's mentoring program, as well as our 2011 Calendar.
- Treasurer's Report – John Wilson
 - Bank Balance - \$895
 - Membership Total – 95
- Tournament Director's Report – Bill Walker
 - Regarding the Tamassee School "fishing day" potential, the school has told Bill that out of 40 upper school students possibly 10 – 20 might be interested in a morning of fishing. The Board determined that the issues of student transportation, insurance coverage, and membership interest in such a project needed to be clarified. Bill agreed to poll the membership as to its interest as well as discussing the transportation and insurance issues with the Tamassee School officials.
 - Bill indicated that travel plans prior to our October tournament will not allow him to set up teams in time for two weeks of practice, but will allow for one week. The Board decided that we will go with the one week for this tournament.
 - Wounded Warriors Fishing – they do not have but 2 – 3 participants interested in fishing, so it is likely KA does not need to be involved. Bill will send an e-mail to the membership to see if anyone is interested in participating should there be a need for boats. This would require the member to rely on his/her own insurance coverage.
 - Wounded Warriors Procession – there will be a procession out of the Keowee Key South Gate on Monday, June 20th, at 4:00 PM. Bill suggests the KA might participate by sitting off shore on the lake in

their boats by that location and sounding their horns in appreciation as the Wounded Warriors pass by. (Dave Garrison will add to the 2011 Calendar and send an e-mail reminder on the 19th to our members as a reminder).

- Summer “Real Time Fishing Meetings” Locations – June 2nd, Cherokee Room; July 7, August 4, and September 8, Jocassee Room. Both are located in The Club at Keowee Key. (Dave Garrison to edit the 2011 Calendar accordingly).
- Newcomers Table – John Wilson and Bob Skipp volunteered to man the tables at the Newcomers’ meetings in September and October.
- Lake Sweep – Bob Skipp and Pat Murphy
 - The sweep has been completed, but no report on the activity has been generated yet.
 - We had 10 boats involved in covering our assigned areas which is an excellent volunteer response.
- Program Director’s Report – Dave Goeckel (written submission)
 - No one has volunteered to assume the responsibilities of the Program Directors position. It was decided to approach members directly to ask for their agreeing to join another member to run this function, with Dave Goeckel providing transition time. The following will be approached by Board members –
 - Bill Bearss (Bob Skipp), Ron Bode, Tony Marcengill, Fran Porte (John Wilson), Bill Smith and Pete Young (Bob Stromberg, only if Bob Skipp and John are unsuccessful in recruiting members).
- Lions Tournament for the Blind – Pat Murphy
 - Our participation was a success. We actually had more boats than required as the Lions had several participants drop out at the last minute.
 - We will continue our involvement next year and Pat has agreed to handle the details for KA.
- Anglers’ Angle – Bob Stromberg
 - Receiving good feedback on the tips sent out so far, so he will continue to do so.
 - It was brought up that possibly we should make the tips available at the Newcomers Club Meetings. It was decided that these are for our members, but a few might be shown at the meetings as an example of our “mentoring efforts”.

New Business

- John Wilson recommended raising the cost of the fish tournament lunches to \$10 as our cost is \$9.50. The Board agreed that the club should not be subsidizing the luncheons and raise the cost to \$10 beginning with the October 2011 tournament.
- Bob Stromberg questioned the consistency of requiring a picture of the fish on an approved ruler for the annual Longest Fish Contest but no picture requirement for the four Random Match Tournaments' longest fish contests. After much discussion, a motion by Bob Skipp to "drop the requirement for a picture for the annual "Longest Fish Contest retroactive to January 1, 2011". The motion was seconded and passed. Pictures will still be encouraged for the website.
- Bob Stromberg suggested that we require registrants to our Random Match Tournaments to commit to being able to fish both Wednesday and Thursday. The rationale is that weather could interfere with one of the days, or a sudden unavoidable conflict could arise for one of a team members for one of the days and if the other partner can't fish the other day, the tournament is lost to both. Pat Murphy entered a motion "that Random Match Tournament a registrant must commit to be able to fish either day when submitting his/her registration". The motion was seconded and carried.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.

Dave Garrison, Secretary