

YNYS MON ANGLING ASSOCIATION SPRING NEWSLETTER 2022

Dear members,

The YMAA committee and officers wish you all a happy, successful and Covid free New Year.

We have managed to have 2 meetings to get back on to something like a normal footing. At the last meeting 12th February last, we agreed that the Annual General Meeting for 2022 will be on the 30th April 2022 and held at the Mill Bank Community Centre, Holyhead. At 1 pm.

Nominations for the 3 principal officer posts are requested, Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. There are Committee positions also in need of nomination.

This is your club, and your involvement as members is very important to the ongoing well-being of YMAA.

We are currently looking for a new water as the lease on Llyn Tacan is finishing in 2024, so if any member knows of a potential new water locally on Anglesey please notify the current officers. Taking on new water will incur some cost and as the club is quite small we will have to be cautious in how we deal with this matter.

On a more up-beat matter, at our first meeting post Covid in October 2021 we had two volunteers to re-start the clubs match scene. Len Lee and Steve Windrum offered to arrange two memorial matches to get things going. The first was the Steve Whitley Shield which was held at Bron Eifion Criccieth on the 12th December. Four members braved the weather and a reasonable day was had. Mark Hill was 1st, Ken Parry 2nd and Len Lee 3rd. The 2nd competition will be in March at the same venue with the date to be arranged and notified to the members.

At our 2nd meeting it was agreed that competitions should be continued and that the winter and summer leagues be re-instated. It was also suggested that to try and draw more interest from the membership, that mid - week matches should be considered, either in day time or evening matches in the summer on our own club waters.

This is a matter for thought and response from you as members.

The matches' are as much a social and fun gathering with some gentle competition thrown in and it will give an opportunity on Llyn Maelog in particular to see what the silver fish population is.

Reports from the fisheries have been mixed, much like the weather.

Llyn Tacan has produced one or two pike to 19lbs and the silver fish are still slow in coming on due in part to the cold water.

Llyn Maelog has produced some small pike to all methods allowed and the interesting report of Silver fish activity near the shore indicates we still have a breeding population in the lake.

Breakwater Park Lake continues to produce Carp to double figures and the silver fish there are also active. Cormorants are a constant nuisance at the Park Lake especially with the coast being so close. The Council, our landlords have been informed of the damage to some of the pews and regarding the amount of litter now evident at the lake edge. As anglers we must show an example to the bird feeding public and dispose of our litter responsibly.

We will be requesting assistance from members for weed clearing commencing in spring, at Lyn Tacan and at Breakwater Park Lake. We are committed to weed spraying at Breakwater Park Lake, though this is a slow and methodical process.

One suggestion raised at our meetings has been to do with creating an opening for young people to join the club. It is a long time since we had a junior section. Members, parents, grandparents could bring youngster's along to a club fishery for a "Give it a go" session supported by knowledgeable club members. We are an all-inclusive club and would welcome, Sisters, mums, auntie's and grandmother's to also have a go.

The club can only move forward with your support, it is your club.

We look forward to seeing you all at our AGM on the 30th of April at the Mill Bank Community Centre, Holyhead at 1PM.