



**SHARK ANGLING CLUB OF GREAT BRITAIN  
EMERGENCY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 AT 7pm  
At Looe Social Club**

Present: - Bob Woodman - Chairman, C Kelly - Secretary, P Davis, M Collings, P Martin

Apologies: A McKay, D Stone, K Tapper, S Thomas, S Ward

**Matters Arising**

1. Late British Measured and Released Record and Trophy Claim from Simon Davidson (Full member) for a 550lb Porbeagle caught in Ilfracombe on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

After reviewing the two videos and three photos of the catch, the Committee considered both claims, which were received on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2021. This date was after the Committee had agreed all of the Trophy allocations and the Secretary had informed the winners of the results.

- i. British Measured and Released Record – The Chairman read the Claim form wording to the Committee, which stated that the shark had not been measured. It was agreed that as there was no photographic evidence with a tape measure, or any recognizable way of estimating the shark from the photo's available, this claim could not be upheld. The Secretary was asked to contact Mr. Davidson to check if there were any more photos with a tape measure shown and if there weren't, the claim would have to be refused.
- ii. Trophy Claim – the Secretary stated that nowhere, in the Rule book or on the Website, did it state a cut off date for claims, apart from the 4 week period from catching a shark to making a claim. It was agreed that as this was not currently in force, the claim had to be acknowledged as valid. Paul Martin expressed an interest as this would affect his claim, which had been agreed, on the W K Wileman Midland Trophy.

The Committee agreed that Mr Davidson's claim had won the following:

Mitchell Hedges Trophy

Sammy Porbeagle Trophy

W K Wileman Midland Trophy

K J Tapper Trophy

Venning Trophy

September Cup

This meant that Mike Wallis had now won the Mickey Wonnall Trophy (runner up to the Mitchell Hedges Trophy and Paul Martin had won the Carl Aldridge Trophy (runner up to the Midland Trophy).

Mr Wallis had been prewarned, by the Secretary, that a late claim had been received, which may affect his allocation of the Mitchell Hedges, Sammy Porbeagle & Venning Trophies. Understandably, Mr Wallis was very upset at this late claim, also having already paid a deposit for a room at the Hannafore Point Hotel for the presentation night. The Committee agreed to reimburse Mr Wallis for his non-refundable deposit if he no longer wished to attend, as a gesture of good will.

It was agreed that a cut off date had to be agreed and added to the Rule Book to prevent the same happening again. This to be discussed at the next Committee Meeting.

There were no further matters to discuss.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm.