

# River Leven Angling Club Annual Report 2020.

Well, what a year 2020 was.

First of all, we (The Committee) would like to thank all members for their support and for sticking to the rules when they were in force.

It has been a difficult year and hopefully none of our members have been medically affected and our thoughts go out to anyone who has been.

Due to Covid, and the ongoing restrictions, we do not think it will be feasible to hold an AGM, at this time. This Committee will continue in its present form until such times it is safe to arrange an AGM. We are always looking for new faces on the Committee, and anyone wishing to serve please do not hesitate to come forward. If the members feel that any position on the committee should change please send the Chairman your Thoughts. Only email suggestions will be valid.

In the last season we were stopped in our tracks, with plans for River Clear ups being put on hold.

Over the existence of this present committee, we have spent circa £2000 on a few projects on the bottom section of the river, from the Distillery down. We have also spent circa £700 on Saws etc for use on River Clean ups. The tools are Club Assets. The Tools can and will be used only on official Clean ups. We would like members to submit any thoughts on areas they feel we need to focus on. There is money for these projects but if any of the works needing carried out are deemed too dangerous for our members, we will ask Registered firms to tender Prices for said works. We have 4 depth Gauges that are purchased but never put in. Brian had said he would do this but due to personal issues this wasn't done. He apologises and hopes he can organise someone to fit them in the new season, when circumstances permit.

We are also working on a document that we intend to submit to see if there are any grants that we can get to pay for any works, clean-ups etc.

Robert has also prepared a Financial statement that will be made available to any member who wishes to see it in due course.

We have gained some ground in our efforts to get Pollution entering the river addressed. SEPA, have told us that a Settlement Pond is to be Dug and utilised at the source of this Pollution. They are also saying that an Electronic Depth gauge will be sited and up and running and will be accessible via the SEPA Rivers Levels website. We shall wait and see. We can assure our members that we actively pursue these issues but you, the members, could and should contact SEPA, or any other body you think will help our cause. The more people who do the stronger our cases become.

We were also very successful in gaining the fishing rights to the River area that is known as the "Glenrothes Town Park". This will be reflected in a new Map of the river areas to fish. There was no extra cost to the club for this. Some of this section is very overgrown and to be honest this adds to the beauty of it.

Prices will remain the same this year @ Full Membership £45 and Youth/Pensioner @ £30. After 15<sup>th</sup> March the Price rises to Full Permit Price @ £60. There will be no Day Tickets this year as we only sold a handful and the cost of producing them make this prohibitive.

Could any member who feels they have a grievance please contact the Committee/Chairman direct. It is only by sharing the grievance that we can deal with it. Discussing grievances regarding how the river is run with fellow members on the riverbank only breeds apathy, and it does not get things fixed.

We hope you all have a great season in 2021

The Committee.