

Keowee Anglers Board Meeting September 8, 2011

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

KA Member Guest– Rodger McCafferty

Carl Davidson called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM at The Seneca Family Restaurant. The following agenda items were discussed by the Board –

- Treasurer's Report – John Wilson
 - Bank Balance - \$885.18
 - Membership – 95
- Tournament Directors Report – Bill Walker
 - October 5-6 Tournament - We have 22 people registered with 3 weeks remaining for others to register. There are 14 Strat A Anglers registered and 8 Strat B Anglers registered. So far only one of the registrants has indicated to me that he can only fish on one day, specifically a Strat B angler who can only fish anytime on Wednesday. If we get an even number of anglers without him, and no one else tells me that they can only fish on Wednesday, I will inform this person that I was unable to find a partner for him with whom to fish on Wednesday and since he can fish only one day, I did not put him into the random draw. If we get an even number of registrants including this individual, I will try harder to match him with someone. I have not yet arranged for the luncheon to be catered by Pigasso BBQ as we have in the past, but I plan to do that the last week in September after I return. Random Match assignments will be sent out on September 27.
 - Newcomers – I will send out a message to everyone who signed the sheet at our table giving them more information about upcoming class, and asking them to confirm whether or not they are planning to attend. At that time I will send out to the Keowee Anglers a last notification about the class, and ask any Keowee Anglers who are coming to let me know. Everything is set for delivering the class from 9AM to Noon in Room 203 at St Mark's Church on Quincy St. on Tuesday, October 11.
- Program Chairman – Dave Goeckel
 - Dave's Replacement – No one has volunteered. Dave will officially step down as of 12/31/2011. **If no one volunteers to take his place, there will be no programs until we have a replacement.** Dave is willing to help any volunteer transition to the position. There is a program lined up for our December meeting - Brad Fowler, local guide and contributor to "SC Outdoors".
- Lake Sweep – Bob Skipp and Pat Murphy
 - The fall lake sweep is scheduled from September 17 – 25. We have enough volunteers to cover the areas assigned to KA.

- Adopt an Island – Dave Goeckel
 - We have inspected and cleaned our island twice during 2011 and will do so again during lake sweep week in September.
- Anglers Angle & Real Time Fishing Meetings – Bob Stromberg
 - Members have reported to Bob that the Anglers' Angle tips he e-mails to the membership are well received.
 - The Real Time Fishing meetings are being well attended and good discussions are being held. The August and September meetings were well attended.

New Business

- Pat Murphy initiated a discussion as to whether or not we shouldn't consider using a donation offer (if still available) of an on board battery charger (Bass Max II) that acts like an alternator in a car, as a drawing prize for any member that fishes in all four of our tournaments in 2012. Pat feels that this might increase the participation by our members. Pat asked that a vote on his proposal be held until the October Board Meeting.
 - The following comments were made during the discussion –
 - Is the competing in all four tournaments to qualify reasonable? Possibly three of four might be more accommodative.
 - This prize is a complex piece of equipment and it is questionable as to whether or not the winner would even use it. (The response was it could be sold by the winner).
 - What would be done in subsequent years if no prize were donated?
- Larry Madden asked if we had a “starter kit” for new members so that they understood the club's activities, had some fishing tips to start off with, etc.
 - It was stated that we do have a CD of fishing tips for Lake Keowee, but no one was sure it was being distributed to new members. Bill Walker will be asked if he is giving it out when he returns. It was suggested that the Treasurer should distribute them since he knows who the new members are when the dues are paid.

There being no additional new business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 AM.