



Work parties

In co-ordination with the river manager, it falls to the secretary to turn out the membership when work parties for various river and bank maintenance tasks are required. The response this season has been very good, especially the support for the weed cutting over both days of a July weekend. I want to say thank you for your willingness to help. In fact, volunteering for work parties should be seen as an unwritten requirement of membership. While we use contractors as far as possible, the cost saving to be made from “doing it ourselves” is an important contribution to keeping the rod fees affordable for all the membership. Also, there is no better way to understand the



The summer weed cut is important to keep the river fishable, especially the Yarrow beat.

river and meet fellow members. If you have not been able to be part of one of the maintenance teams this season, there will be more opportunities between now and when we reopen in April 2021.

Web site and FaceBook page

Both the web site and FaceBook page are intended to provide a forum for members. www.bintrymill.com provides a depository for admin documents such as rules and reports as well as giving us an impressive online presence. The professional presentation, pictures and drone footage are all the work of Committee member Bill Emrich. The Face Book page has not had a huge uptake, but there is enough activity to warrant continuation. It is due to be relaunched as a closed group as your committee is concerned that it might start attracting poachers.



Waiting list

The waiting list stands at 38 applicants. At present we are not adding any more names from the web site. Member's recommendations for anglers who would like to be added to the list are continuing to be accepted. It depends on the number of vacancies and recruitment for next season when the list will be reopened.



A lot of work is required to keep the river in top condition throughout the season.



River Manager's Report

Mark Williams

A Busy Season

River works got underway in February when a number of eager and enthusiastic volunteers started cutting-back the over-grown willows on the Jamiesons' bank immediately downstream from Yarrow Bridge. Much of this work was hampered by very high water, similar to the levels experienced at the end of the season. It was successful in the end and this stretch of the river can now be fished much more easily.

The fence and rusted gate at the rear of the parking area by Yarrow Bridge has been replaced and the new gate gives easy access to the right-hand bank above the bridge. The trees have also been cut back to allow this stretch of the river to be fished by members only.

The banks were cut twice by the tractor cutter and strimmed regularly. Small scale tree pruning was carried out as necessary.

A large quantity of stone was put into the cattle drink on the Bintry Mill Beat to reduce damage to the river bank and to help prevent silt getting into the river.



A lot of time and effort went into in-channel work to reduce the amount of unwanted weed growth. The weeds included those with large cabbage-like leaves, others that resemble chives which have gone to seed and plenty of ribbon weed. This work is ongoing.

This year saw the first full weed cut for a number of seasons and involved a large group of members. The two days of cutting using the punt were preceded by selective hand-cutting of shallow areas and more hand cutting was done afterwards. A considerable amount of weed was cut and removed from the river, mostly by using a 360 excavator. While the electric cutter is quite efficient, raising and lowering it as the river depth changes is very hard work. We are looking at mechanising this in some way for next season.

County School clearance

The work on the willows on the Yarrow Farm Beat was very similar, but on a much smaller scale than the major tree surgery planned for the County School Beat. The start of that work has been delayed in part due to the heavy autumn rains but also the gales at the end of September meant most tree surgeons are fully booked for quite some time. The volume of material to be cut down and processed is more than can be managed by club members however enthusiastic they may be. When the trees are cut back most of the beat will be fishable again.



A number of enthusiastic volunteers cut back the overgrown willows on the Jamiesons' bank immediately downstream from Yarrow Bridge in February.



A major restoration is planned for next spring on the County School beat to improve access and habitat.

Gravel jetting had been planned to start in late September but was “washed out” by the heavy rains which left the river far too high and coloured to be able to do it successfully. We may need to make a start at the beginning of September next season in case we have similar weather in order to get the work done before the early spawners start their activities.



A superb 5lb brown trout goes back into to the river. Caught at Bintry this year.



The annual weed cut had its best turnout for some years. A great way for members to get to know each other.

Bintry Mill Trout Fishery Financial Report 2020

Income and Membership

Overall income for 2020 of £15,575.00 was a slight decrease on the 2019 figure. As fewer ceased their membership there was a reduction in joining fees. This reduction in income was offset to some extent by the increase in day-ticket income.

Day Ticket Sales increased from 67 to 87

Expenditure

Stocking cost was decreased by £641.10 on last year's figure due to Covid 19 restrictions.

Admin expenses decreased by £165.28.

River Maintenance decreased by £796.63 due to more effective river management and hard work by our River Manager.

River Improvement decreased by £5,062.20. No river improvement works were carried out.

Other expenses were in line with the previous year.

Accruals relate to unpaid river maintenance expenses as at 31st October 2020

Treasurer's Report



Andy Hunt



Financial Summary

2020 - a Surplus of £6642.16 – Surplus due to reduction in stocking and no river improvement works.

2019 - a Surplus of £1513.69 – Income increased resulting in surplus. This also takes into account the extraordinary River Improvement of £4512.

2018 - a shortfall of -£732 – Note: see Treasurers report 2018.

2017 - a shortfall of -£1117 – Note: this is operational shortfall and ignores the cost of the 40th Event.

2016 - a shortfall of -£1055

The fishery was again self financing in 2020, the second year running. We hope to achieve this year on year going forward to secure the future of the club and enable surplus funds to be used for river improvement.



Bintry Mill Trout Fishery Financial Report 2020

	Forecast 2021	Forecast 2020	Actual 2020	Actual 2019	Actual 2018
Income					
Membership 56 @ £295	16,520.00	16,815.00	15,575.00	16,980.10	12,340.00
Joining Fee 5 @ £150	750.00	1,000.00	750.00	1,400.00	
Day Tickets 60 @ £30	1,800.00	1,500.00	2,610.00	2,010.00	720.00
Total	19,070.00	19,315.00	18,935.00	20,390.10	13,060.00
Interest Rec'd £4.95@4	19.80	19.80	12.49	19.33	13.21
Other			50.00		
Total	19.80	19.80	62.49	19.33	13.21
Total Income	19,089.80	19,334.80	18,997.49	20,409.43	13,073.21
Expenditure					
Rent	6,440.00	6,440.00	6,438.50	6,035.00	5,985.00
Stocking	2,000.00	3,000.00	2,280.00	2,921.10	2,425.10
WTT Subs	55.00	45.00	55.00	45.00	45.00
Admin	1,400.00	1,000.00	1,413.76	1,579.04	756.75
River Maintenance	2,500.00	3,000.00	1,765.07	2,561.70	1,336.15
River Improvement	2,000.00	2,500.00	-	5,062.20	736.60
Depreciation	-	-	-	296.70	295.00
Insurance	415.00	415.00	403.00	395.00	375.20
Total Expenditure	14,810.00	16,400.00	12,355.33	18,895.74	11,954.80
Surplus/(Shortfall)	4,279.80	2,934.80	6,642.16	1,513.69	1,118.41
Adjustment for prior year as per previous notes					
River Maintenance & Stocking				1,850.00	-1850.00
Revised Surplus/(shortfall)				3,363.69	-731.59



Bintry Mill Trout Fishery Financial Report 2020

	2020	2019	2019 - 2020		2018 - 2019	
			Movement	%	Movement	%
Income						
Membership	£15,575.00	£16,980.10	-£1,405.10	-8.27%	£6,040.10	48.95%
Joining Fee	£750.00	£1,400.00	-£650.00	-46.43%		
Day Tickets	£2,610.00	£2,010.00	£600.00	29.85%	£1,290.00	179.17%
Total	£18,935.00	£20,390.10	-£1,455.10	-7.14%	£7,330.10	56.13%
Interest Received	£12.49	£19.33	-£6.84	-35.39%	£6.12	46.33%
Other	£50.00					
Total	£62.49	£19.33	-£6.84	-35.39%	£6.12	46.33%
Total Income	£18,997.49	£20,409.43	-£1,461.94	-7.16%	£7,336.22	56.12%
Expenditure						
Rent	£6,438.50	£6,035.00	£403.50	6.69%	£50.00	0.84%
Stocking	£2,280.00	£2,921.10	-£641.10	-21.95%	£496.00	20.45%
WTT Subs	£55.00	£45.00	£10.00	22.22%	£0.00	0.00%
Admin	£1,413.76	£1,579.04	-£165.28	-10.47%	£822.29	108.66%
River Maintenance	£1,765.07	£2,561.70	-£796.63	-31.10%	£1,225.55	91.72%
River Improvement	£0.00	£5,062.20	-£5,062.20	-100.00%	£4,325.60	587.24%
Depreciation	£0.00	£296.70	-£296.70	-100.00%	£1.70	0.58%
Insurance	£403.00	£395.00	£8.00	2.03%	£19.80	5.28%
Total Expenditure	£12,355.33	£18,895.74	-£6,540.41	-34.61%	£6,940.94	58.06%
Surplus/(Shortfall)	£6,642.16	£1,513.69	£5,078.47	335.50%	£395.28	35.34%



Bintry Mill Trout Fishery Financial Report 2020

Balance Sheet	2020	2019	2018
Assets	-	-	296.70
Debtors	-	420.00	-
Bank	19,124.89	19,485.68	10,795.95
Creditors	526.39	7,949.34	650.00
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	18,598.50	11,956.34	10,442.65
Reserves			
Balance Brought Forward	11,956.34	10,442.65	9,324.24
Surplus/(Shortfall) in year	6,642.16	1,513.69	1,118.41
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Closing Balance	18,598.50	11,956.34	10,442.65



Bintry Mill Trout Fishery Bank Accounts

Barclays - Current A/c

Balance b/fwd	01/11/2019	9,551.21
Bankings		19,738.00
Bank Payments		- 20,111.28
Balance c/fwd	31/10/2020	<u>9,177.93</u>

Barclays - Savings A/c

Balance b/fwd	01/11/2019	9,934.47
Interest Received		12.49
	07/09/2020	<u>9,946.96</u>

Summary

Current A/C	31/10/2020	9,177.93
Savings A/C	07/09/2020	9,946.96
		<u>19,124.89</u>

BMTF Bank Payments

Date	Type	Description	Total	Rent	WTT Stocking	Admin & Sundries	River Maintenance	River Improvements	Sales Contra	Insurance	
04.11.19	Bkpd	D A Pitchers	522.34				522.34				
12.11.19	Bkpd	Bidewell rent	2,000.00	2,000.00							
14.11.19	Bkpd	Stower Grange	50.00				50.00				
15.11.19	Bkpd	Five Rivers	4,512.00					4,512.00			
15.11.19	Bkpd	Insurance	395.00							395.00	
13.01.20	Bkpd	Broughton hotel	100.00				100.00				
16.01.20	Bkpd	Lawton C T	67.50				67.50				
16.01.20	Bkpd	Mark E Williams	190.00				190.00				
16.01.20	Bkpd	Mark E Williams	58.55				58.55				
03.03.20	Bkpd	Salix	129.00					129.00			
10.03.20	Bkpd	Willowtree Print	60.00				60.00				
11.03.20	Bkpd	Mark E Williams	34.73					34.73			
18.03.20	Bkpd	C T Lawton	94.62				94.62				
20.03.20	Bkpd	R Nelson	96.92				96.92				
23.03.20	Bkpd	Anglia Trust	403.00							403.00	
23.04.20	Bkpd	Seaman Fms Rent	4,438.50	4,438.50							
13.05.20	Bkpd	Wild Trout	55.00			55.00					
13.05.20	Bkpd	Savoury Farms	848.86					848.86			
18.05.20	Bkpd	Willowtree Print	36.00				36.00				
27.05.20	Bkpd	CT Lawton	121.66				121.66				
08.06.20	Bkpd	Bidwell R J Rent	2,000.00	2,000.00							
09.06.20	Bkpd	CT Lawton	20.95				20.95				
25.06.20	Bkpd	C T Lawton	20.24				20.24				
25.06.20	Bkpd	Westacre Trout	736.00		736.00						
25.06.20	Bkpd	Westacre Trout	788.00		788.00						
02.07.20	Bkpd	Mark E Williams	55.00				55.00				
09.07.20	Bkpd	D A Pitchers refund	295.00						295.00		
27.07.20	Bkpd	W Emrich Internet	79.66				79.66				
28.07.20	Bkpd	FRS Countrywear	109.20				109.20				
30.07.20	Bkpd	Mark E Williams	284.51					284.51			
04.08.20	Bkpd	BEDA	150.00				150.00				
04.08.20	Bkpd	FTC Hire	243.87					243.87			
17.08.20	Bkpd	Felthorpe L/mower	92.71					92.71			
17.08.20	Bkpd	CT Lawton	39.04				39.04				
25.08.20	Bkpd	XEROX Cartridge	86.42				86.42				
27.08.20	Bkpd	Westacre Trout	756.00		756.00						
01.09.20	Bkpd	Mark E Williams	105.00					105.00			
06.10.20	Bkpd	Willowtree Print	36.00				36.00				
	Bkpd										
Actual Total			20,111.28	8,438.50	2,280.00	55.00	1,994.10	1,738.68	4,512.00	295.00	798.00
Accruals											
		Blackrow nurseries	25.00					25.00			
		Bolt Base	1.39					1.39			
		Willow Tree	42.00					42.00			
		Money paid into wrong a/c	38.00							38.00	
		WPL	420.00							420.00	
Forecast Total			20,637.67	8,438.50	2,280.00	55.00	2,036.10	1,765.07	4,512.00	753.00	798.00