

Keowee Anglers Board Minutes
May 08, 2025

Attending: Gregg Goff, Mark Yarborough, Paul Yazel, Charles Townson, Mick Elam, Richard Sommer, Joe Galicic, John Rizzo and Bill Smith

President Rick Sommer called the meeting to order at 11:05 at the Club in Keowee Key.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Yarborough/Gregg Goff

- Bank Balance: \$5372.10
- Membership Total: 157

Tournament Director's Report – Paul Yazel/Bill Smith

- **Longest Fish Competition**
 - Results are up to date and posted on the website
- **May Tournament**
 - 22 teams participated in the May tournament. 7 teams that caught the full 5 by the 3/2 rule.
- Wording on tournament entry confirmation message will no longer reference a confirmation email.

Program Director's Report – Tom Tamanini/Charles Townson

- Bill Ragosta will give a Crappie presentation for our January meeting
- Friends of Lake Keowee Society (FOLKS) has Charles Townson giving his Fishing Lake Keowee presentation at Duke World of Energy at 2:30 on May 15. Tickets available at the FOLKS web site.

Adopt an Island Update - Dave Goeckel

- Dave will be in touch with potential helpers for the island sweep the week of the 19th
- John Rizzo agreed to work with Dave on the Adopt an Island team.

Anglers Angle –Jim Cowan/Joe Galicic

Anglers Angle – Tips

- For the month of April 2025 there was 3 tips sent out. Barometric Pressure Affects on Fishing. Top Baits used at Lake Hartwell Bassmaster Tournament. What Baits for May 2025.

Real Time Fishing Reports

- For the month of April 2025 there were 30 reports submitted by 13 Keowee Anglers Club Members. There were 28 reports submitted by 9 Keowee Anglers Club Members in April 2024. Both reports and participating Members were up year over year. Up is good. Thank you.

Top Real Time Contributors in March 2025

- We want to thank Members who contribute to Anglers Angle each month and support our mission of being a teaching club. This month we thank Rich Partynski, Keowee Fishing and Rip Lipper for the number and quality of their reports. They supplied 13 of the 30 reports.
- We would like to thank everyone that took the time to submit reports for the month of March 2025 and would also like to encourage others to participate as well.
- Following a group discussion of summer Reel Time Meetings, a motion was made by Bill and seconded by Charles to have a meeting in June to discuss summer fishing; the next meeting will be in September to discuss fall fishing. There will not be meetings in July and August. This motion was passed.

Website Administrator – Mick Elam/Doug Strain

- Web site is working fine. No system issues processing results from May tournament.
- Mick plans to add information on the club's largest bass on the web site.
- Some members were having an issue using their phone to submit results – Mick will review.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

With no further business, Rick adjourned the meeting at 11:29.

Submitted by Bill Smith

Note- During the luncheon, Paul recommended starting 2026 the tournaments will be March, April, October, November and December due to generally poor fishing in post-spawn May. Everyone agreed to this change. The first December tournament will be in December 2026.