

**Keowee Anglers Board Minutes**  
**April 09, 2026**

**Attending:** Rick Sommer, Tom Tamanini, Jim Cowan, Joe Galicic, Gregg Goff, Paul Yazel, Mick Elam, Harry Elrod, Mark Yarborough, Dan Eskew

President Rick Sommer called the meeting to order at 11:00 in the The Club at Keowee Key.

**Treasurer's Report - Mark Yarborough/Gregg Goff**

- Bank Balance: \$6111.63 after paying out the April Tournament prizes
- Membership Total: 166

**Tournament Director's Report – Paul Yazel/Bill Smith**

- **Longest Fish Competition**
  - Two additional bass entries will posted to the website later today
- **April Tournament**
  - Results will be announced at the luncheon and posted on the website
- **May Tournament**
  - Registration will end Sunday
  - So far 47 anglers have registered; five more boaters are needed for all the non-boaters to be able to fish

**Program Director's Report – Tom Tamanini/Charles Townson**

- Colin Smith, who participated in the Bassmaster Classic, will be the speaker in December

**Adopt an Island Update - John Rizzo/Dave Goeckel**

- No report

**Anglers Angle –Jim Cowan/Joe Galicic**

- For the month of March 2026, 3 tips were sent out: Secondary Points with a Sharp Cut for Prosperous Fishing, What Triggers Explosive Fishing, Skirted Ned Rigs: Search, Organize, Conquer

**Real Time Fishing Reports**

- For the month of March 2026 there were 52 reports submitted by 17 Keowee Anglers Club Members. There were 33 reports submitted by 11 Keowee Anglers Club Members in March 2025. Reports and

participating Members were UP year over year by 58% and 55%, respectively. A dramatic improvement over last year.

### **Top Real Time Contributors in January 2026**

- 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 KeoweeFishing, Helrod, Joe Galicic for bass and Bill Ragosta for crappie. We also thank all of the 1<sup>st</sup> time and 1<sup>st</sup> time in a long-time submissions. Your contributions make us all better at fishing Lake Keowee. Thank you!

### **Website Administrator – Mick Elam/Joe Galicic**

- The website is working well
- Rick asked Mick to check that the listing of Board members is up to date
- Paul will discuss issues with the tournament prize calculator with Mick

### **Old Business**

- None

### **New Business**

- Tournament Luncheon Planning – Gregg
  - Gregg reminded the Board that a replacement is needed to coordinate tournament luncheon menus at Keowee Key
- Pickens County Lake Keowee Overlay – Rick
  - Rick has been invited to participate in a Zoom meeting on this subject. While he can't attend, he will, with the Board's endorsement, submit written comments
- Members with Unpaid Financial Obligations – Paul
  - Paul reported that one member signed up for the March tournament luncheon, did not attend, did not cancel, and has failed to pay for the lunch as required, even after repeated contacts. The Board voted that anyone who owes the Club money for any reason will not be eligible to compete in our tournaments or for prizes in any of our competitions.

With no further business, Rick adjourned the meeting at 11:30