

Keowee Anglers Board Minutes
June 4, 2026

Attending: Bill Smith, Tom Tamanini, Jim Cowan, Joe Galicic, Gregg Goff, Paul Yazel, Dan Eskew, John Rizzo, Dave Goeckel

Vice-President Bill Smith called the meeting to order at 9:00am in the Lake View Room at Keowee Key.

Treasurer's Report - Mark Yarborough/Gregg Goff

- Bank Balance: \$5,347.09
- Membership Total: 170
- The need for a replacement treasurer was mentioned, deferred to New Business

Tournament Director's Report – Paul Yazel/Bill Smith

- **Longest Fish Competition**
We have 27 bass on the report for 2026, and additional entries for crappie, catfish, and bass.
- **Next tournament is October**

Program Director's Report – Tom Tamanini/Charles Townson

- Today we have a discussion on summer fishing. No meetings in July or August. We have a speaker for December.

Adopt an Island Update - John Rizzo/Dave Goeckel

- Our islands have been cleaned up.

Anglers Angle and Real Time Reports –Jim Cowan/Joe Galicic

- Two tips were sent out in May
- For the month of May we had 28 reports by 8 anglers

Website Administrator – Mick Elam/Joe Galicic

- The website is working well

Old Business

- **Limitation of Liability during Tournaments.**
At the last meeting Tom had agreed to send out a sample Limitation of Liability for discussion, which he did a few days ago. His writeup was noted and discussed. It was noted that each boat owner should have liability insurance even if they were not using their boats in tournaments. The club

itself has no assets except its bank balance. In the end we decided it was unnecessary to add the burden of this paperwork for our tournaments.

New Business

- **Tournament Culling**

A Groups.IO discussion and subsequent e-mails resulted in a request that the process for measuring and culling in tournaments be discussed, and specific wording had been proposed as follows: "When a fish is caught, it must be measured, recorded on the tally sheet, and released immediately." There was an extended discussion of this topic with several views expressed. For example, some would like the anglers to be able to keep fish caught in tournaments if they so desire and the above wording does not allow that. After much discussion a motion was made that the following wording be added to the tournament rules: "When a fish is caught, it must be measured and recorded on the tally sheet before that angler continues fishing." There was unanimous agreement on this and the tournament director was asked to add this wording to the rules before the next tournament.

- **Need for New Treasurer**

We need to find a new treasurer as Mark Yarborough needs a replacement by September. We also need a Keowee Key resident to act as liaison for luncheons and meeting spaces. Tom Taminini agreed to make an appeal for both to attendees of the Real Time meeting which follows this meeting.

- **Tournament Lunch Location**

It was noted that the cost of tournament lunches at Keowee Key has most recently gotten up to \$28. The club historically used other venues and caterers (Little Pigs mentioned). There is a new building at South Cove Park which might be used, for example. Also the meeting room at Rudy's could possibly be used for our regular meetings but it would be too small for tournament lunches. Joe Galicic agreed to check into South Cove as a possible alternative to Keowee Key for tournament lunches.

With no further business, Bill adjourned the meeting at 9:40.

Dan Eskew
Co-Secretary