

The Committee met this day Saturday January 5th 1907
when there were present Mr. Barron, Chairman
Messrs. Dister, John Hoare, Edmunds, Messrs. Seale
Tollit & May Hon. Sec.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Treasurer read his Report which was considered
very satisfactory, the receipts being more than in
any previous year.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Dister and seconded
by Mr. Tollit that the sum of £25 be given to
the Starvation Tenants & that Mr. John Hoare
be added to the distributing of it.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Seale and seconded
by Mr. May that the Annual General Meeting
be held on Saturday January 26th at the Commercial
at 5 o'clock.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Barron and seconded
by Mr. Seale that the following offer be made to
the Dart Board of Conservators and Riparian Owners

that if the Riparian Owners and the Dart District
Fishing Board of Conservators would make a grant
of £50 to the Association, £30 worth of fresh run Salmon
would be put over the weir during the months of
March and April and the remainder during
the rest of the Season, that the price per lb
would be 20 per cent less than the London Market
price.

Salmon would not be put over the Weir if Salmon
were taking the Pass freely.

W. F. Tollit (Chairman)

The Committee met this day Saturday January 26th 1907
when there were present Messrs. Tollit, Edmunds, Seale
Dister, J. Hoare & May Hon. Sec.

Mr. Tollit takes the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

The Annual Report was read and adopted.
H. J. Dister

£23. 6. 8
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for Starvation
Mill Land
unoccupied.
W.F.T.

DART ANGLING ASSOCIATION.
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
 the DART ANGLING ASSOCIATION
 will be held on
SATURDAY, JANUARY 26TH NEXT,
 AT THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL, TOTNES, AT 5 P.M.,
 When all Members are requested to attend.
COLIN M. E. MAY, Hon. Sec.
 Staverton, Totnes, January, 1907. gt

ANNUAL MEETING.
 NEW RULES FOR ANGLERS.

At the annual general meeting of members of the Dart Angling Association at the Commercial Hotel, Totnes, on Saturday evening, Mr. A. M. Champenowne (President), was in the chair, and there were also present Messrs. F. S. Gadesden (Faginton), H. Searle, J. Hoare, L. P. Horwell (Staverton), J. Edmonds, H. T. Distin, E. Distin, M. Revell, W. F. Tollit (Totnes), H. Full (Ivy-bridge), and C. M. E. May, secretary (Staverton).

The Committee presented their tenth annual report, which stated the sale of tickets for the season was 47 whole season salmon, against 53 in 1906; weekly, 17 against 11; daily, 15 against 10; trout whole season 49 against 40 in 1906; monthly, 52 against 30; daily, 71 against 70. The salmon and trout whole season tickets showed a slight falling off, but the sales of shorter period ones showed an increase, indicating that more visitors were availing themselves of the fishing facilities in the neighbourhood than formerly. This was encouraged, as the desire of the Association was to keep as much fishing open to the public as possible. The prolonged drought made the greater part of the season very poor from an anglers' point of view, but on the other hand it saved a great many fish farms being caught, which should be beneficial to the stock of the river, and it was hoped there would be better sport in consequence next season. Altogether, with the rod and line, 39 salmon were caught against 41 in the season 1906. The Committee thought it advisable in the interests of trout fishermen to put 1,000 yearling trout in the Association water, 250 of them being Loch Leven. Five hundred were put in the river above Hood Bridge and 500 between Hood Bridge and Sedge Pool, the Loch Levens being put in the deep pools. Mr. Champenowne very kindly gave a donation towards the cost of them. This introduction of new blood should further improve the prospects of sport for the trout fishermen. Anglers who had much leisure, it was hoped, would not fish the river too persistently, but consider their less fortunate brother anglers. A new rule had been framed with a view of preventing net-hunting, and the Committee trusted it would receive general approval and support. The agreeable and sporting feeling between the tenants of the Ecclesiastical Commission and the Association was the same as in former years, and the Committee were very pleased that they were able to again give £25 to them as compensation for trespass. The first season of the Hempton's Net Fishery, which was rented by certain members of the Association, had shown a satisfactory result on the year's working, notwithstanding the drought. The take of salmon for the season was an average one, though unfortunately a very poor one for trout or sea trout. After paying all expenses there remained a small balance on the working, which had been placed to the Reserve Fund of the Weir Fishery. With a view to increasing the stock of salmon in the river for spawning purposes and for sport, arrangements were made with the Dart Board of Conservators to place a number of fresh run salmon over the weir into the fresh water, and during the season 29 salmon, weighing 345 lbs., were carefully lifted over. The lease of the Weir Fishery had offered increased facilities for the coming season, and hoped that arrangements might be made for a representative number of salmon from each fresh run from the sea to be placed over the Weir unless the fresh water is sufficient at the time to induce them to ascend of their own accord.

Please sign your Name and Address upon the Counterfoil.

1907.

1.—No fish is to be retained under 1 inches measured from nose to fork of tail. All fish are to be

carried in baskets or bags, which must be exhibited to the keepers, or any Member of the Committee on demand, under a penalty of 5/- for each offence.

2.—No fishing is allowed in any part of the River below the Weir after 1st April.

3.—No hook to be used with any minnow larger than No. 2.

4.—Fishing is not allowed on Sundays.

5.—Anglers must confine themselves to the path by the margin of the River.

6.—No angler may use any artificial bait or any other bait which is not natural.

7.—If the Committee are satisfied that any Member or Ticket Holder has left a gun unlicensed after having passed through it, he shall pay the sum of 5/- to the Secretary on the demand, and will be liable to addition for any injury caused by such carrying or trespassing or any other damage.

8.—All complaints of unfair fishing, improper methods, conduct, or any other matter, must be sent to the Secretary.

9.—Tickets and Licenses must be exhibited by Anglers to any Member of the Association on presentation of his Ticket, also to the Keepers when called for under penalty of forfeiture.

Varying numbers had been suggested and of all the number suggested by the Council that should be taken in a day. Some thought that was rather large.
 Mr. TOLLIT: I wanted three down.
 Mr. GADESSEN: It will only affect one or two per cent.

THE DART ANGLING ASSOCIATION.

SEASON, 1906.

is authorized by the TICKET in FISH with ROD and LINE for

PROOF

WHOLE SEASON OF 1906,

as from the date of issue, subject to the Regulations of the Association printed hereon.

Angler.

The waters over which the Association Tickets are available consist of:—

The Left Bank of the River Dart from Avonry's Barrow, Beckwithton, to the Mouth of the Hens, below Totnes Weir.

The Right Bank of the River from the Railway Station, below Avonry's Barrow, down to Hood Barrow.

Both Banks of the Hens from Ivy Chellars, above LITTLEHAMPTON, to the junction of the River with the Dart.

Subject to the Railway Company's Regulations, Ticket Holders will be entitled to travel by Rail to and from the Stations on the River for the purpose of fishing at a reduced fare from all Stations beyond Totnes on the Main Line, and the Branches between Exeter and Plymouth.

REGULATIONS FOR FISHING.

1.—Holders of Salmon Tickets shall be allowed to fish between the Head of Totnes Weir and the Railway Bridge below the Weir, after 9 o'clock at night, until one hour after sunrise, from the 1st June to the end of the Season.

2.—No fish is to be retained under 1 inches measured from nose to fork of tail. All fish are to be

Mr. MAY said the other suggestion of the Committee was that only the holders of salmon licenses should be allowed to fish from after 10 p.m. to an hour after sunrise. That was in the interests of pool fishermen.

Mr. REVELL thought the suggestions very good, but that the number of trout could be still further limited.

Mr. E. DISTIN considered 1½ dozen a day in March was quite sufficient for anyone.

Mr. EDMONDS: Not when they go out only once a week.

Mr. GADESSEN thought it would be hard on those who took day tickets and happened to hit on a good day. One and a half dozen would be all right for those on the river, who could fish every day. The day tickets had increased by the reduction in the charge.

Mr. REVELL did not think day trippers ought to have so much consideration, but more should be given to season ticket holders.

Mr. HOARE: The only thing is we get strangers who would not come else.

Mr. REVELL: They come by the first train in the morning, and go away by the last train at night.

Mr. HOARE: And bring their nose bags with them—(laughter).

Mr. TOLLIT: Thirty is a very fair basket.

Mr. MAY: Many more have been taken by fishermen, but the average fisherman doesn't get 1½ doz.

Mr. GADESSEN thought 30 was quite enough.

Mr. E. DISTIN: And too many in March, when the fish are no use to anyone, as they are small and very thin.

Mr. GADESSEN did not see that it made much difference whether 30 were caught in March, April or June. If the number was too many in March, it was too many all through.

Mr. E. DISTIN: They won't catch them after March. They are very uneducated in March.

Mr. REVELL said half an hour was not very long for fly fishing at a pool.

Mr. GADESSEN said a fisherman had only to move if requested to do so.

Mr. HOARE said that some occupied particular pools for hours, when others wanted to fish. A person ought to move without being directly asked to do so.

Mr. MAY observed that the rule would only affect salmon fishing and two or three particular pools, it being suggested because anglers monopolized those.

Mr. TOLLIT: Sit in a conspicuous place, and if they have any feeling they will move on.

Mr. GADESSEN: I know they think they have almost a lease of them—(laughter). I think the matter can be safely left to the Committee.

Mr. REVELL said he wished to bring forward his hazy annual. Could nothing be done to clear the Hempton's Leat, which was in a disgraceful state. It was almost impossible for fish to run there. As the Committee would not need to spend so much on re-stocking this year, he thought they could apply a few pounds to clearing the weirs. If they did something, perhaps the owner would be inclined to assist.

Mr. MAY: Would it be worth spending the money?

Mr. REVELL: It used to be. Pool never go in there now, because there is such a mass of weed that there is nothing to attract them.

Mr. GADESSEN: Perhaps the main river profits.

Mr. REVELL: Fishermen might fish the brook instead of going on the river.

The Chairman thought it would be a good thing to take some of the weed out, and put it in the main river.

Mr. TOLLIT: Instead of spending £110 to grow it in two acres of ponds—(laughter). That was an absolute waste of money. It was the sort of weed they wanted in the river.

Mr. REVELL: The time to cut it would be at the end of the fishing season, when the floods would carry it away.

Mr. MAY said that would not benefit the fishing, but

Mr. REVELL said it would in the following season.

It was decided that the Secretary should ascertain from the owner how far he would co-operate with the Committee in clearing the leat.

Mr. GADESSEN wished to impress on the new Committee the need for giving attention to the pollution.

The CHAIRMAN thought this was even more important than putting fish into the river.

Mr. H. T. DISTIN moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman, who, he said, attended the meetings very well, and brought forward practical suggestions.

Mr. REVELL seconded, and the PRESIDENT, in reply, said he hoped the Association would continue to be a success.

Mr. SEARLE moved and Mr. HOARE seconded a vote of thanks to the Secretary and Treasurer.

Mr. TOLLIT supported, saying that they were very energetic officers, and he hoped some day they would be in a position to compensate Mr. May for the trouble he took.

Mr. MAY said the work in the past year had been more than hitherto, but it was interesting, and he hoped would be for the benefit of the Association. In a few years they would, no doubt, be able to have better salmon fishing in the lower water, by being able to let the earlier fish go over the Totnes Weir. He hoped also that trout fishing would improve. Although there were not a great many caught, they were far better in size.

He thought the 7-inch limit was now beginning to have an effect, and it was surprising how many were caught which were 8½ in—(laughter)—and went back into the river. He thought the Association had been a great success, and benefit to anglers in the neighbourhood.

The Committee met this day Saturday Feb 2^d 1907
when there were present Messrs Distin, Downing, Edmunds,
Seale, Killock, Col Studly & May.

Mr. Distin is voted to the Chair.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. May & seconded by
Mr. Killock that Mr. Barron is being the Chairman
for the ensuing year.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Killock & seconded by
Mr. Seale that Mr. May be the Hon. Secretary.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Distin & seconded by
Mr. Killock that Mr. G. Edmunds be the Hon. Treasurer.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Killock and seconded by
Mr. Seale that Messrs Barron, Distin, Edmunds,
Tollit & May be the committee of Management for
the Hampshire Net Fishing.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. May and seconded by
Mr. Seale that in the Regulations for Fishing Rule 1

reads as follows.

Holder of Salmon Tickets only shall be allowed to fish between
the head of Totnes Weir and the Railway Bridge below the Weir,
after 9 o'clock at night or in any other part of the river
after 10 o'clock at night, until one hour after sunrise
from the 1st of June to the end of the Season.

Resolved on the motion of Colonel Studly and seconded
by Mr. Downing that Rule 2 read as follows.
No fisherman may take more than thirty fish in any
one day and no fish is to be retained under 7 in
(measured from nose to fork of tail). All fish are to be
carried in baskets or bags, which must be exhibited
to the keepers, or any Member of the Committee
on demand, under a penalty of 5/- for each offence.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Edmunds and
seconded by Mr. Seale that Rule 3 read as follows.
No fisherman is allowed to occupy a run or pool
for more than half an hour if another member
is waiting to fish there.

Resolved that all the other Regulations for Fishing
remain unaltered and that the Hon Secretary
have the books of tickets printed.

Resolved that the Hon. Secretary write to Mr. Kellock and thank him on behalf of the Committee for allowing the use of the ^{hall} room for the Committee Meetings.

Charles Barrow
Chairman

List of Honorary Tickets
Summer Season 1906

1 self 1 guest	A. M. Champness Esq. Hood Manor, Totnes.	2 Tickets
1 self or guest	J. Fleming Esq. Bigden, Buckfastleigh	1
1 self or guest	R. A. D. Fleming Esq. Bigden, Buckfastleigh	1
1 self or guest	Miss Carrer, Marley House, Rattery.	1
1 self or guest	E. J. Fuller Esq. Colston House, Buckfastleigh	1
1 self or guest	Mr. R. Loveland, Rimpford, Buckfastleigh	1
1 self or guest	Messrs. J. Brown, Sons, Staverton Mills	1
1 self	Mr. L. P. Horwill, Strickford, Buckfastleigh	1
1 transferable	Mr. W. H. Beale, Staverton.	1
1 transferable	Mr. John Home, Suscomb Rattery	1
1 transferable	Mr. R. Tope, Colston Farm, Buckfastleigh	1
1 self	Mr. R. E. Bourne, Totnes	1
1 self	Mr. R. M. Bourne, Totnes	1
1 self	Mr. H. Bourne, Totnes	1
1 self or guest	C. W. Taylor Esq. Hampton House, St. Mary Ch. Torquay	1
1 self	Mr. Colin M. P. May, Hon. Sec.	1

List of Honorary Tickets
Tram Season 1906.

1 self 1 guest	Rev. J. B. Hughes, The Vicarage, Staverton	2 Tickets
2 transferable	Mr. John Home, Caddisford, Buckfastleigh	2
2 transferable	Mr. John Home, Mount Barton, Staverton	2
2 transferable	Mr. W. Barry, High Bears, Buckfastleigh	2
2 transferable	Mr. Jas. Hill, Minotile, Staverton	2
1 self 1 guest	Mr. G. F. Kellock, Southford, Staverton	2
2 transferable	Mr. G. Schinner, Strickford, Buckfastleigh	2
1 self or guest	Mr. W. Evans (son) Hampstead, Totnes	1
1 self	Mr. Jones, Station Master, Totnes	1
1 self or guest	Mr. H. S. Whiteley, Plymouth, G. W. Railway Office	1

The Committee met this day Monday May 25th 1907
when there were present Mr. Barron (Chairman)
Messrs Tollet, Distin, Edmunds, Downing & May.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

The list of the Vendors of Tickets was read when it was
resolved that the Vendors be those that reside in
the immediate neighbourhood of the river and that
the Secretary write to Messrs Jeffery. Son, Plymouth
and Mr. R. P. Green telling them so.

The list of those who received Honorary Fishing Tickets
was read when it was resolved that the same Tickets
of Salmon & Trout be granted ^{for this season} with the exception of
Mr. S. Miller, Colston House, Mr. L. P. Howitt & Mr. R. Tope
Colston Farm, these gentlemen having given up their
holdings.

Resolved that the Hon. Treasurer be given a
Salmon Ticket

Resolved that Mr. Barton ^{alias son} of Littlehampton be given a ^{Trout} Ticket

Letters from Messrs Rowe & Hill were read re the costs of
the County Court action when it was understood
that Rowe had paid his costs amounting to £2.14.5.
and it was resolved that Hills offer of 2/- per month
be accepted.

Charles Barron
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday March 25th 1907
when there were present Mr. Barron Chairman, Messrs
Tollet, Distin, Beale, Cousins, Edmunds Downing & May.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

a letter from the Clerk of the Dart District Fishery Board
dated March 2nd was read thanking the association for
their offer to put Salmon over Tolton's Weir but as
only one riparian owner was agreeable to the cost contribute
to the cost, they regret they were unable to accept it.
The Board decided to charge £16 for the services
of the Water Bailiff to the association.

The Report from the Hempstone Net Fishing
showed that there was a considerable falling off
in the number of Salmon caught compared with

the previous year, the Report reads as follows.

683 Schum 904 1/4 lbs Gross Value £104.3.4. Net £96.9.0
 1 Tunt 2 lbs. 4.0

Charles Bawan
 Chairman.

The Committee met this day Monday April 22nd 1907
 when there were present Mr. Bardon (Chairman)
 Messrs Kellock, Cousins, Edmunds & May.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Report from the Lishing read as follows.

Total receipts to date

124 Schum 1531 1/2 lbs. Gross Value £182.14.6, Net Value £169.14.2
 25 Tunt 64 lbs do do 6.8.3 do do 6.7.8
£189.2.9 £176.1.10

Expenditure to date £38.4.9.

Estimated additional expenditure £11.15.3

£450.0.0

H. J. Dixon
 Chairman

List of Starvint Tenants and the amount they
 each received out of the £23.6.8 voted to them at
 a Committee Meeting held on January 5th 1907.
 The moneys being disbursed by Mr. John Hoare, Caddisford.

Mr. John Hoare	Mount Bate	2	10	
"	W. H. Seale	2	10	
"	Gas Hill	2	10	
"	Lowland	3	6	8
"	Horswill	2	10	
"	Shinner	4	3	4
"	Hoare, Caddisford	4	3	4
"	Sulway	1	13	4
Starvint Bridge Mill.	not occupied			
		<u>£</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>6</u>
			<u>8</u>	

The Committee met this day Monday May 27th 1907
when there were present Messrs. Distin, Tollet, Col. Studby,
Beale, Edmunds & May

2. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

1. Mr. Distin is voted to take the Chair

The Report from the Fishery read as follows.

258 Salmon	2922 lbs	Gross Value	£ 323.7.8	Net Value	£ 297.19.0
112 Trout	283 3/4 lbs		30.7.7		30.4.1

Expenditure to date	£ 57.10.8
Estimated additional exp.	392.9.4
	<u>£ 450.0.0</u>

Resolved that the Secretary write to Messrs Armstrong & Co
Newcastle and ascertain particulars of their weed
cutting machine.

H. J. Distin

The Committee met this day Monday June 24th 1907
when there were present Messrs Distin, Tollet, Col. Studby,
Messrs Beale, Edmunds, May.

Mr. Distin is voted to the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Report from the Fishery was read & adopted,
and was as follows.

550 Salmon	5840 lbs	Gross Value	£ 529.18.7	Net Value	£ 487.10.10
169 Trout	417 lbs		41.15.6		41.15.6
			<u>£ 571.14.1</u>		<u>£ 529.6.4</u>

Expenditure to date June 24 th	98.0.8
Additional estimated expenditure	351.19.4
	<u>£ 450.0.0</u>

Resolved on the motion of Col. Studby & seconded by
Mr. May that a Weed Cutter at a cost of £35. be
purchased from Messrs Armstrong & Co. Newcastle.

Charles Barran
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday July 22nd 1907
when there were present Mr. Barran, Chairman.
Messrs. Distin, Beale, Tollit, Edmunds & May

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

The Report from the Fishing was read & adopted
and was as follows.

660 Salmon weighing 6981 lbs	Gross Value £602.8.2	Net Value £553. 11. 11
177 Trout	456 lbs.	Net Value £42. 13. 3
		<u>£596. 5. 2</u>

Expenditure to July 20	£259. 0. 8
additional estimated expenditure	210. 19. 4
	<u>£450. 0. 0</u>

A letter was read from Mrs. Jas. Callaghan of Hill House Totnes
asking the Committee to transfer a ticket from Miss Callaghan
to Mr. John Callaghan, Miss Callaghan not being able to use
her ticket anymore.

Resolved that the request be not granted and that the
Secretary write to Mr. Callaghan returning the ticket.

The Hon Secretary reported that there had been one day's
weed cutting in the Haven and that the weed cutter
purchased by the Association answered very well.
Resolved that one day more of cutting be done but the
weed to be put out on the banks & not allowed to
float down into the tidal water and that a letter be
written to Messrs. Devine of Totnes asking them whether
Mr. Tailyear would contribute to the cost.

The question of Sopers testimonial was fully discussed
Resolved that five pounds be given from the
Association funds and the Hon. Secretary & Treasurer
get as many subscriptions to the testimonial as they can

H. D. D. D.
Chairman

The Committee met this day August 26th 1907 when there were present Messrs. Distin, Edmunds, Tollet, Cousins, Searle & May

Mr. Distin is voted to the Chair.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Report from the Fishing Committee was read & adopted and was as follows.

688 Salmon weighing 7247 lbs	Gross value	£615. 7. 9.	Net value	£565. 15. 4
178 Trout	"	439 ³ / ₄	"	41. 9. 0
				<u>£605. 4. 4</u>

Expenditure to date	£263. 7. 2.
Estimated expenditure	186. 12. 10
	<u>£450. 0. 0</u>

The question of the Ward Cutting in the Burns was fully discussed and a letter was read from Messrs. Bourne agent to Mr. Taylor asking how much the Committee proposed spending on the cutting.
Resolved that a letter be written to Messrs. Bourne

to this effect.

The Committee estimate the cost of clearing the Ward from the mouth of the Burns to the top of the meadow above the Railway Bridge to be £30, but owing to the lateness of the season they think it better not to proceed any further with it until next summer, by which time the effect of the money already expended will be seen.

The Committee thank Mr. Taylor for his offer to contribute to the cost & hope that next summer they will be able to take the matter in hand more thoroughly.

A. J. Distin
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday Sept 23rd 1907
when there were present Messrs^{H^rs} Distin, J. Hoare,
H. Searle, W. F. Tollit, & Colin May.

Mr. Distin is voted to the Chair.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

Resolved that a Meeting of the Committee be held
on Saturday October 28th at 3.45 to consider ^{whether} the
Wear Fishery shall be continued or notice be given
to terminate the Tenantry.

The Secretary reported that the sum of £16.2.6
had been subscribed towards Soper's Testimonial
which with the £5 voted by the Committee
made £21.2.6 less expenses £1.2.6 bringing
the amount of the Testimonial to Twenty pounds.
which was presented to Soper by the Chairman
with the names of the subscribers on parchment.
the following cutting from the "Totnes Times"
gives the names of the subscribers.

Charles Barrow
Chairman.

PRESENTATION TO WATER BAILIFF SOPER.

At Totnes, on Monday evening, the members of the Dart Angling Association met for the purpose of presenting Water Bailiff Soper, who has retired after many years' service in the Dart Fishery District, with a testimonial. Mr. H. T. Distin was in the chair, and in making the presentation, referred to Mr. Soper's long and honourable service as water bailiff, and wished him every happiness in the future. He asked him to accept a guinea of twenty sovereigns and a illuminated address. In reply, Mr. Soper thanked the members for their kindness and assured them that during the many years he had been water bailiff he had tried to faithfully fulfill the duties, and he hoped he had to some extent succeeded. The text of the address was as follows: "This testimonial, together with a guinea of 20 sovereigns, was presented to Water Bailiff S. Soper on the 23rd September, 1907, by the Dart Angling Association, and the undersigned, in appreciation of his 40 years' faithful service in the Dart District." The following were the subscribers:—
Mr. F. P. T. Struben, Spitchwick; Major W. E. T. Bolitho, Hamsford; Mr. H. E. C. Braddell; Major R. C. Tucker, Ashburton; Mr. W. F. Tollit, Mr. J. Edwards, Mr. J. D. Manley, Mr. H. Revell, Mr. E. Distin, Mr. H. T. Distin, Mr. R. P. Marshall, Mr. J. S. Porch, Totnes; Col. Rawdon Kelly, Mr. Colin M. E. May, Mrs. Colin M. E. May, Mr. E. W. Salisbury, Mr. E. Downing, Mr. H. Eyre, Mr. H. Searle, Mr. R. Shinner, Mr. Edwin Thomas, Staverton; Mr. J. Hoare, Caddaford; Mrs. Waller, Mr. A. Rodway, Mr. A. Cousins, Buckfastleigh; Rev. A. H. Bartholomew, Hartbertonford; Major Sydney Bellfield, Ogwell; Capt. H. P. Bennett, King's African Rifles; Capt. C. P. Ogle, R.N., Harwich; Mr. A. L. Thomas, Portsmouth, Cornwall; Mr. C. R. Everett, Devon; Mr. R. Salisbury, Guildford; Dr. Frank Penhous, London; Mr. G. H. Davson, Ipswich; Mr. F. H. Evans, Littlehampton; Mr. Geo. S. Stynn, Folkestone; Mr. R. L. Fitzgerald, Mr. A. M. McArthur, and Mr. F. O. Gadsden, Paignton.
The address was ably engraved on parchment by Mr. Jno. S. Porch.

The Committee met this day Saturday October 26th 1907
where there were present Mr. Barron (Chairman)
Messrs. R. Downing, H. T. Distin, J. Hoare, J. Edmunds, H. Beale
& Colin May.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

The Treasurer reported that there would be a substantial balance
from the working of the Hampden Net Fishery at the end of
the year.

The question of continuing the Fishery was fully discussed
when it was Resolved on the motion of Mr. Beale
seconded by Mr. Distin that the subject be adjourned
to a Meeting to be held on Monday November the 25th
at 5.20 in the afternoon

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Barron, seconded by Mr. Distin
that the costs due from Harroped Hill in the County Court
action of Rome Hill against the association be considered
again at the above Meeting, and that the Treasurer
pay the Solicitor's & witnesses' fees in the action.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Reshmond of the Duckland
Fishery quoting price of 2 year old Trout when it was resolved
on the motion of Mr. May & seconded by Mr. Distin that
1000 of these Trout be ordered at the price quoted £17.10/-
on rail to Brampton.

Charles Barron
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday November 25th 1907
where there were present Mr. Barron Chairman
Messrs. R. Downing, H. T. Distin, J. Hoare, A. Cousins
H. Beale, W. F. Tollet, J. Edmunds & Colin May.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Cousins & seconded by
Mr. Tollet that the working of the Hampden Net Fishery
be continued and that with the substantial balance
in the two years working the Committee should be
able to considerably benefit the river by restocking

Resolved that the Annual General Meeting of the Association be held on Saturday January 18th 1908 at 5 o'clock at the Commercial Hotel Tetras and that a Committee Meeting be held on Saturday January 11th at 5 o'clock to receive the General Report & the balance sheets of the Net Fishing and the Association.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Cousins seconded by Mr. Tollet that a suitable Memorandum be granted to the Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer for their services to the Association and that the matter be considered by the Net Fishing Committee at their next Meeting.

Charles Barran
Chairman

The reason this page is cut out is the minutes of the Hampstead Net Fishing Committee were
written.
Edwin W. S. May, Hon. Secy.

The Committee met this day Saturday January 11th 1908 when there were present Mr. Barran Chairman Messrs W. S. Tollet, H. T. Distin, R. Dunning, J. Hoare, E. Killock, J. Edmunds and Colin May.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Annual Report was read and adopted.

The balance sheet of the Hampstead Net Fishing was read, the total receipts being £749. 3. 1 and the expenses £467. 9. 6 which leaves a balance of £281. 13. 7 on the ^{two} years working £250 still remaining on the Deposit account being £31. 13. 7 for the Current account. Moved by Mr. Edmunds and seconded by Mr. Distin the balance sheet be adopted.

The balance sheet of the Association was read showing the receipts as £133. 2. 0 and the expenses £92. 4. 7 leaving a net balance of £15. 17. 5 and £25. on deposit moved by Mr. Edmunds and seconded by Mr. Distin that the balance sheet be adopted.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. J. Hoare and seconded

by Mr. Toller that the sum of £24 be given to the Staverton Tenants for trespass by fishermen and that Mr. Hoare see to the distribution of it Staverton Mill being unoccupied £1 was held in reserve in addition to the above making £25 the usual sum given.

Resolved that the next Committee Meeting be held on Saturday Feb 1st at 5 o'clock.

Charles Bawan
Chairman

List of Staverton Tenants and the amount they each received out of the £24 voted to them at the Committee Meeting held on January 11th 1908. The moneys being disbursed by Mr. John Hoare, Caddisford.

Mr. John Hoare "Mount Barton"	2	17	6
W. H. Seale	2	17	6
Jos. Hill	2	17	6
Loveband	3	15	-
R. Skinner "Stretchford"	5	5	-
John Hoare "Caddisford"	4	10	-
Sarsay	1	17	6
Staverton Bridge Mill <small>unoccupied by Mr. Seale</small>	1		
	£25	0	0

Hoare has 10/.

List of Honorary Tickets (Salmon)
Season 1907.

1 self 1 guest	MS. A. M. Champenoune	Hood Mann Totnes	2 Tickets
1 self or guest	MS. J. Fleming	Baydon Buckfastleigh	1
1 self or guest	MS. R. A. D. Fleming	Buckfastleigh	1
1 self or guest	Miss Carr	Marley House Rattery	1
1 self or guest	MS. A. Loveland	Quinford Buckfastleigh	1
1 Transferable	MS. W. H. Seale	Stamton	1
1 Transferable	MS. J. Hoare	Juscomb Rattery	1
1 self	MS. R. E. Bourne	Totnes	1
1 self	MS. R. M. Bourne		1
1 self	MS. H. Bourne		1
1 self or guest	MS. C. W. Taylor	Hampton House, St Mary Ch. Torquay	1
1 self	MS. Colm. M. L. May	Hon. Sec. Stamton	1
1 self	MS. J. Edmunds	Hon. Treas. Totnes	1
1 Transferable	MS. W. Sanson	High Berr	1

List of Honorary Tickets (Trout)
Season 1907

1 self or guest	Rev. J. B. Hughes	The Vicarage, Stamton	2 Tickets
2 Transferable	MS. John Hoare	Caddisford Buckfastleigh	2
2 Transferable	MS. John Hoare	Mount Barton, Stamton	2
2 Transferable	MS. Jas. Hill	Mentell Stamton	2
1 self 1 guest	MS. G. F. Kellock	Southford Stamton	2
2 Transferable	MS. A. Shinner	Stretchford Buckfastleigh	2
1 self or 10/6 Bond	MS. W. Evans (son H. W. Evans)	Hampstead, Totnes	1
1 self	MS. Jones	Station Master Totnes	1
1 self	MS. S. Whitley	Ex. W. Railway Office Plymouth	1
1 self	MS. Bartlett (son)	Littlehampston	1

ANNUAL

On Saturday evening, over the annual meeting of the Dart Angling Association, held at Totnes, and there were present: W. E. Dism, and C. H. E. The Secretary read the report of the Association for the year 1906. It shows that fishery in Dart water has been better than ever. The season was 55 whole sea trout, 1906. Weekly 18 against 1905, 38 against 50; daily increase in the sale of tickets open to the public the season 1906, which season the river in contrast to more salmon were waters, but in spite of this in the Association water 1906. Your Committee ports of the trout taken and trout fishermen generally are undoubtedly to be congratulated for the success they have had in having effect. The number of trout taken in any one day for the trout been so early in the season been stocked with over 1,000 two year old from the river between Ash Bridge. The fish were taken from the railway carriage. All the trout on November 13th, of condition, many of them were over 10 inches. The new rules have, it is thought, been the agreeable and successful tenants of the Dart Angling Association, is the same your Committee are pleased again vote the sum of £100 for the purchase of a boat for the Association, which is rented by certain persons, has shown a steady working. The take of about the average, although heavy as in the previous March being so dry, it is a good sign which usually do so. Your Committee to come to some arrangement for allowing salmon fishing, notwithstanding the fact that with a view to ensure a fresh run of fish should ascend the river to afford sport to anglers on the river.

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Please sign your Name and Address upon the Counterfoil.

Date 1907.

is authorized by this TICKET to FISH with ROD and LINE for SALMON in the Association Waters for the WHOLE SEASON OF 1907, as from the date of issue, subject to the Regulations of the Association printed hereon.

Mr. 1

THE DART ANGLING ASSOCIATION. SEASON, 1907.

The Waters over which the Association Tickets are available consist of:—

The Left Bank of the River DART from AUSTIN'S BRIDGE, BECKYATON, to the Mouth of the HERR, below TOTTENHAM WALK; The Right Bank of the River from the RAILWAY BRIDGE, below AUSTIN'S BRIDGE, down to HOOD BRIDGE; Both Banks of the HERR from BY CHILLAN, above LITTLEHARTON, to the junction of the River with the Dart.

Subject to the Railway Company's Regulations, Ticket Holders will be entitled to travel by Rail to and from the Stations on the River for the purpose of fishing at a Reduced Fare from all Stations beyond Totnes on the Main Line, and the branches between Exeter and Plymouth.

REGULATIONS FOR FISHING.

- 1.—Holders of Salmon Tickets only shall be allowed to fish between the Head of Totnes Weir and the Railway Bridge below the Weir, after 9 o'clock at night, or in any other part of the River, after 10 o'clock at night, until one hour after sunrise, from the 1st June to the end of the Season.
- 2.—No Fisherman may take more than 20 Fish in any One Day, and no Fish is to be retained under any circumstances from one day to another.
- 3.—No Fisherman shall be allowed to fish in any part of the River where the water is so shallow as to be dangerous to the public.
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Mr. MAY said that it was a great pleasure to him to be the Hon. Secretary, and if any little work he did was to their satisfaction he was very pleased.

The following are the charges made for Tickets since the formation of the Association

	Salmon			Trout				
	Whole Season	Weekly	Daily	Whole Season	Monthly from May 1st	Weekly	Daily to May 1st	Daily after May 1st
1895	1.0.0		5.0	10.0		5.0	2.0	
1898	1.0.0	10.0	2.6	10.0		5.0	2.0	
1903	1.0.0	7.6	2.6	10.0	5.0		2.0	
1905	1.0.0	7.6	2.6	10.0	5.0		2.0	1.0
1907	1.0.0	7.6	2.6	10.0	5.0		2.0	1.0
1908	1.0.0	7.6 after May 1st	2.6 after May 1st	10.0	5.0		2.0 after May 1st	1.0
1909	1.0.0	7.6	2.6	10.0	5.0		2.0	

The Committee met this day Saturday February 1st 1908 when there were present Messrs C. Barran, R. Downing, H. Seale, W. L. Tollit, G. F. Kelluck, J. Edmunds & Colin May.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. May and seconded by Mr. Tollit that Mr. Barran be the Chairman for the ensuing year.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. May and seconded by Mr. Edmunds that Mr. H. T. Disher be the Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Barran and seconded by Mr. Tollit that Mr. Colin May be the Hon. Secretary for the ensuing year.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Seale and seconded by Mr. ~~Seale~~ Barran that Mr. J. Edmunds be the Hon. Treasurer for the ensuing year.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Seale and seconded by Mr. Kelluck, that the following gentlemen be elected by the Governors of the Hampshire Net Fishing

as the Committee / Management for the ensuing year - the Committee consisting of Messrs C. Barran, H. T. Disher, W. L. Tollit, J. Edmunds, Colin May.

The following suggestions made at the Annual General Meeting namely that no exchange of tickets be allowed. That no day tickets be issued for Schum. That no day tickets be issued for Trout until May 1st, were fully discussed when it was resolved that they be adjourned and until more particulars be obtained.

The Report from Water Bailiff Smith about the worm fishing in Nursery Pool was read when it was resolved that the following rule be included in regulations for fishing -

No. 6. Worm fishing for Schum is only allowed with a single hook and no weight may be placed near the hook than ten inches.

Resolved that no further alterations be made in the Regulations for fishing for the ensuing year and that the Hon. Secretary have the books of tickets printed forthwith.

Resolved that the Hon Secretary have the Notice Boards repainted.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. May and seconded by Mr. Beale that a letter be written to Mr. Kellack thanking him for allowing the Committee Meetings to be held at his Office.

Charles Barron
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday, February 24th 1908 when there were present Mr. Barron (Chairman) Messrs H. T. Diston, R. Dunning, H. Beale, A. Cousins, J. Edwards & Colin May.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The list of Honorary Tickets for Salmon granted for last Season was read.
Resolved that the same Tickets be granted this Season.

The list of Honorary Trout Tickets ~~was~~ granted last Season was read.

Resolved that the same be granted this Season ~~with~~ the one granted to Mr. Bartens & Co, Littlehampton as he does not fish.

Resolved that Mr. Cousins instruct Mr. Dalrymple Smith to repair a crossing on Rill farm close to the Drum Bridge.

The question of putting Salmon over the Wair at Tokus was fully discussed and it was considered that an offer should be made to the Dart District Fishery Board, the Guarantors being prepared to do their share, should their offer be accepted by the Board.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Barron and seconded by Mr. Diston that the Guarantors of the Hampshire Mt Fishery offer the Dart District Fishery Board $33\frac{1}{2}$ per cent reduction ^{on the cost} for all Salmon that are put over Tokus Wair for this Season.

Charles Barron
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday March 25th 1908
when there were present Mr. Barron (Chairman)
Messrs H.T. Sistrup, W. F. Tollet, J. Edmunds, R. Downing,
A. Cousins, H. Beale, and Colin May.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read &
confirmed.

The Report from the Hampshire Net Fishing Committee
was read and adopted and was as follows.

139 Salmon weighing 2046 lbs gross value £275.16.7	Net Value £255.6.4
5 Trout 15 ³ / ₄ lbs .. 1-10.6	1-0.6
	<u>£ 275.7.1</u> <u>£ 256.16.0</u>

Expenditure to date £ 21.8.6
additional estimated expenditure 428.11.6
estimated Total ex. <u>450.0.0</u>

A letter was read from Mr. Geo. Waycott of Curving Lane
Buckfastleigh asking for a Salmon ticket he being a
tenant of Miss Curro.
Resolved that as Mr. Waycott's farm does not

adjoin the river and that he does not have any
trespass by fishermen over his land, that he was
not entitled to a ticket and that no notice be
taken, he not having answered the Hon. Secretary's
letter asking for more particulars than were mentioned
in his letter of Feb. 26th.

Resolved on the motion of the Chairman and
seconded by Mr. Cousins, that the Chairman
be authorized to invite the Dart District Fishing
Board to put Salmon on Totnes Water during this
Season (only if necessary) the value not to
exceed £25 and that the Assessors of the
Hampshire Net Fishing grant the Board a
discount of 50 per cent off the Billingsgate quotation.

Charles Barron

The Committee met this day Monday April 27th 1908
 when there were present Mr. Barron (Chairman)
 Messrs R. Downing, H. T. Distin, J. Edmunds, H. Searle
 & Colin May

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

The Report from the Hempstone Net Fishing Committee
 was read and adopted and was as follows,

240 Salmon weighing 2481 lbs	Gross Value £457.10.8.	Net Value £424.16.1
81 Trout	194	18.5.2
		Net Value 18.5.2
	<u>£475.15.80</u>	<u>£443.1.3</u>

Expenditure to date	£75.16.1
Estimated additional ex.	£404.3.11
	<u>£450.0.0</u>

A letter was read from Mr. R. Q. D. Fleming of Baginbun
 complaining that branches & bushes had been cut on
 the Bell estate for the purposes of fishing without his permission.
 Resolved that the Hon. Secretary see the Water Bailiff
 & write to Mr. Fleming.

Charles Barron

The Committee met this day Monday May 25th 1908
 when there were present Mr. Barron (Chairman)
 Messrs. H. T. Distin, John Hoare, J. Edmunds, W. F. Tollet
 & F. Killock, H. Searle & Colin May.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The Report from the Hempstone Net Fishing
 Committee was read and adopted and
 was as follows.

294 Salmon weighing 4086 lbs.	Gross Value £520.5.4.	Net Value £479.6.8
239 Trout	598 lbs	50.6.6
		50.6.6
	<u>£570.11.10</u>	<u>£529.13.2</u>

Expenditure to May 25 th	£68.5.1
Additional estimated exp.	£381.14.11
	<u>£450.0.0</u>

Mr. John Hoare reported that some sailing & wire
 fencing ^{on the S. Higgins farm.} had been damaged by fishermen.
 Resolved that the matter of Mr. Hoare be considered
 by Mr. Distin that Mr. Water Bailiff ^{see} Mr. Schinner
 and have the damage made good also a
 stile put there.

Mr. H. Seale mentioned that he had taken the grazing of the fields belonging to Starvein Mills Resolved on the motion of Mr. Tollit and seconded by Mr. Distin that the sum usually granted as compensation for trespass be paid Mr. Seale.

J. H. Distin.

The Committee met this day Monday June 22nd 1908 when there were present Mr. Distin (Chairman) Messrs W. F. Tollit, J. Edmunds & Colin May.

The minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Report from the Fishing ^{Committee} showing the sales of fish was read & adopted and was as follows.

350 Salmon weighing 4626 ³ / ₄ lbs	Gross Value	£559.12.6	Net Value	£510.19.3
272 Trout	681 lbs	55.16.4		55.16.4
		<u>£615.8.10</u>		<u>£566.15.7</u>
Expenditure to date	84.16.4			
all estimated as of June 20.	365.3.8			
	<u>£450.0.0</u>			

Resolved that the apron of Tolms Weir be scrapped as in former years and that the man at the Weir fishing be employed to do it.

J. H. Distin

Chairman.

The Committee met this day Monday July 27th 1908. when there were present Mr. Distin (Chairman) Messrs W. F. Tollit, J. Edmunds, Colin May, A. Cousins, H. Seale.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Report from the Fishing Committee showing the Sales of fish up to Saturday July 25th was read & adopted and was as follows.

381 Salmon weighing 4876 ³ / ₄ lbs.	Gross Value	£572.16.3	Net Value	£519.4.4
278 Trout	688	56.3.9		56.3.9
		<u>£629.0.0</u>		<u>£575.8.1</u>

Expenditure to July 25 th	£122.6.5
add estimated as of	327.13.7
	<u>£450.0.0</u>

The question of restocking the river with trout was discussed and the Hon. Secretary read a letter from Mr. Richmond of the Surrey Trout Farm & United Fishermen's Club giving a quotation for trout.

Resolved that the Hon. Secretary order 1000 Brown Trout from 6 1/2 to 8 in at the cost of £26-10/- delivered at Sturminster Station sometime in the autumn and that the sum of £8-10/- be paid for such services to be delivered at Totnes Station at the same time.

A letter from Mr. Styan of 'Kingsleigh Mill' Buckfastleigh was read, stating that a bull belonging to Mr. John Hoare of Caddisford was in the field by a field near Mead Pool and that it alarmed him and other fishermen. The Hon. Secretary said that he had replied to the letter and had seen Mr. Hoare.

~~Resolved that Mr. Styan's letter be on the table.~~

Charles Bawan
Chairman

The Committee met this day Monday August 24th 1908 when there were present Mr. Bawan (Chairman) Messrs H. T. Austin, J. Edmunds, H. Beale, A. Cousins & Colin May.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Report from the Hampshire Net Fishing Committee showing the Sales of Fish for this Season 1908 was read and was as follows.

395 Salmon weighing 4998 lbs gross value	£577.17.11.	Net Value	£520.11.5
280 Trout " 692 lbs. " "	56.7.2.	" "	56.7.2
	<u>£632.5.1</u>		<u>£579.18.7</u>

Expenditure to date Aug 24 th	£268.1.11
add. estimated expenditure	£181.18.1
	<u>£450.0.0</u>

A letter was read from Mr. Richmond, "Surrey Trout Farm" confirming the order given by the Hon. Secretary for 1000 Brown Trout at £26.10/- delivered at Sturminster and that 350 Loch Lomond would be supplied for £9.10/- delivered at Totnes Station. Both lots of fish to be delivered on the same day.