

Lough Ratra Anglers Association

22 - 9 - 1970

At a Meeting of the above held in the Imperial Hotel, Castlebar on Tuesday night, 22nd Sept. 1970, the following members were present - Messrs. J. J. Mc Gowan, J. J. O'Connor, J. Tierney, T. Kettwick, J. Finlay, L. Scott, P. Beirne, T. Baynes, P. Workan & S. Murphy.

Messages apologising for non-attendance were received from Mr. C. Hanley, Col. Blisse Lynch & Mr. P. O'Reilly.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, adopted & duly signed by the Chairman. (Mr. J. J. Mc Gowan)

A letter from Mr. Phil O'Reilly re the fencing just erected at Moonehill was read by the Secretary.

After several members expressed their opinions on the ~~water~~ points raised in the letter it was decided that the Chairman should discuss the matter with Mr. O'Reilly if possible before the next meeting.

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It was decided to hold a meeting on Friday night Oct. 9th to complete arrangements.

The question of the Annual Dinner was next

discussed. It was the decision of the meeting to hold the function in the Travellers Friend Hotel on Thursday night, November 5th, at 30/- per ticket. Instructions were given to enclose 2 tickets with circular re Pike Competition going out to all members with a further short circular-letter attached requesting support for the function.

Mr. J. Finlay informed the meeting that Mr. John Burns was presently ill in a Dublin Hospital. All present expressed regret at this news & it was decided that the Secretary should send him a "Get Well" Card.

This concluded the business of the Meeting

Signed : John J. Sean (Chairman)

9th Oct 1970 (Date)

(Compiled by. Sean Murphy.)