

Lough Corra Trout Anglers Association

14/4/72

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amendment was carried by 11 Votes to 4.

The stewards appointed for the various starting points were, Benegans - P. O' Malley
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