

Lough Derga Trout Anglers Assn

A. G. M. 1977

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Secretary's Report: Secretary's Report was adopted.

Treasurer's report:- Arising out of the Treasurer's report Mr. G. Hanley proposed that the donation to the I.F.T. for 1977 be increased to £50 & this was seconded by Mr. T. Maguire. The Treasurer's report was then adopted on the proposition of Mr. G. Hanley & seconded by Mr. L. Scott.

Election of Officers:-

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Vice Pres:-	B. Hanley, T. Hayes, J. Reilly, T. Maguire	
Chairman:-	J. M. Gowan	L. Scott
Treasurer:-	J. S. Corcoran	W. Corcoran
Secretary:-	J. Hanrahan Murphy	W. Corcoran

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spending money on these streams. He said that there were 67 boats on the lake during the year compared with 47 in 1975 & he again appealed to anglers to fill in ^{the} ^{creek census} streams. To a question put by Mr L Scott he said that the gulls were doing a lot of damage on the lake — feeding on fly & fish & spreading disease. The Land had found no trace of A.D.N. in the lake in 1976 and there had been no increase in the nitrate and phosphate levels. Mr Tolson then thanked the Club for its assistance during the year. This concluded the business of the meeting.

H. J. Tolson
3/3/1978.