

SOUTH MANCHESTER ANGLING CLUB

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Revised June 2014)

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(Established 1969)

- APPLICANTS SURNAME.....
- DATE OF APPLICATION.....
- CHRISTIAN NAMES.....
- ADDRESS.....
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- TOWN/CITY.....
- COUNTY.....
- POST CODE.....
- HOME TELEPHONE..... *Mobile.....
- OCCUPATION..... *AGE.....
- E-MAIL ADDRESS.....
- CAR OWNER YES/NO..... *REGISTRATION.
- CAR MAKE & MODEL
- Please list below any angling clubs you been a member of or hold a current membership with:
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- Did you leave of your own accord?
- To the best of your knowledge has any club or society ever blacklisted you?
- How did you learn about South Manchester Angling Club?
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Applicants should make sure they have read the clubs Constitution & Rules and rules for fishing club waters before signing below.
- Signature of Applicant.....
- Signature of Proposer if available

PLEASE MAKE SURE ITEMS MARKED WITH AN * ASTERISK ARE COMPLETED.

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

Before completing the application please read the following carefully.

- 1. WORKING PARTIES:** If you applying as a **SENIOR** member you will be expected to attend a minimum of ONE working party per year unless you are prevented because of a disability. All other members are encouraged to attend even those with health issues. Help can come in different ways and we do not expect all members to do manual work at times some verbal encouragement can be welcome. Members should remember Work parties are carried out to improve the clubs fisheries for everyone's benefit.
- 2. GENERAL MEETINGS:** These are arranged at various venues to give all members a chance to attend, location and dates will be published on the clubs website. Members are normally required to attend meetings or send an apology in advance to the secretary. This rule is designed to give a cross representation of opinions and to enable the Club to make decisions based on the views of a larger percentage of the membership.
- 3. LITTER:** Will not be tolerated. The Club has expelled members in the past and has no qualms about doing so again if necessary.
- 4. BAILIFFS:** All members of the club are classed as bailiffs and are expected to check any person they do not recognise found fishing club waters. If the person does not have a valid club card or EA licence they have no right to be fishing and you may ask them to leave. Please take note of any names addresses and vehicle registrations if applicable and pass this information to the Secretary as soon as possible.
- 5.** If you are happy to comply with the above conditions please complete all parts of the application form and return it to the Secretary. **PLEASE NOTE;** failure to comply with any of the above conditions may jeopardise your membership. The Club has the right to refuse membership or and/or terminate it.
- 6. In the event you do not know anyone to act as a proposer the secretary will still consider your application.**

Signature of Applicant.....

Signature of Proposer if available

Secretary's Signature Dated.....

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE OF SOUTH MANCHESTER A.C.

When filling in the form please print using capital letters. On completion, please post your application including a stamped addressed envelope cheque and/or postal order for the relevant amount made payable to South Manchester Angling Club to the Secretary, address as detailed below.

Stan Harrison, 79 Blackburne Close, Longbarn, Warrington, Cheshire, WA2 0PJ.

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CONSTITUTION AND RULES (Revised June 2014)

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1. The Club will be known as **SOUTH MANCHESTER ANGLING CLUB**.
2. The aim of the club is to provide **Natural** fisheries for members to pursue their sport, Day trips, Fishing Breaks and Social gatherings to encourage the pursuit of traditional coarse angling methods and conservation.
3. All matches arranged by South Manchester Angling Club will be on **Natural Fisheries** only.
4. The Club shall continue to exist and function as long as ten members shall remain.
5. The club's **Annual General Meeting** will be held on the **2nd Wednesday in February** each year venue and date to be confirmed.
6. Payment of membership subscriptions is due on or before the **last day of April** General Meeting.
7. Any person leaving SMAC owing money will not be allowed to rejoin SMAC until all debts are repaid in full.
8. Any members detected in any act of fraud or attempted fraud or misdemeanors in any way likely to bring discredit to the Club, will be expelled. The Officers of the club shall take whatever action they deem necessary against members who commit misdemeanors against the Club.
9. The Club Officers/Committee shall meet as deemed required and shall have full power to deal with all suggestions without calling an Extraordinary General Meeting unless the matters shall concern the existence of the Club. An Extraordinary General Meeting shall only be called for rules relating to the Constitution and Rules of the Club. Request for such a meeting must be put in writing to the Secretary and seconded by one other Senior member providing that two-thirds of a General Meeting agree.
10. The Officers shall be elected by ballot vote by paid up members. The Officers of the club shall consist of a Secretary, President, Vice President, Chairman and Treasurer.
11. A senior and/or lady member may nominate him or herself for a position (as an officer) provided that person's nomination is proposed and seconded by two other members, then he or she shall be eligible for election at an AGM. No member shall be eligible unless he or she has been a financial member of the Club for not less than 12 months prior to the closing date for nominations.
12. A full report of the Club's activities will be presented to members each year at the Annual General Meeting, together with an audited account of the books and a Balance Sheet.

13. Membership subscriptions are as follows:

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| • Seniors Male or Female | £30.00 | Per Year |
| • OAPs and Juniors | £15.00 | Per Year |
| • Initial joining fee (all new members) | £20.00 | Per Year |
| • Night Permit Green Lane (only) | £10.00 | Per Year – Subject to availability, see below. |

Please Note: Night permits are available in limited numbers and issued yearly on first come first served basis for our Green Lane fishery only. Members should check availability with the secretary before applying for a permit. Pre-baiting and/or reservation of pegs is not allowed, members found to have done either will be dealt with by the committee.

14. The minimum joining age for juniors shall be 11 years. However, juniors under this age may join and fish club waters provided they are under the supervision of a parent or guardian who is a member of the Angling Club.
15. Members over the age of 16 are allowed to vote at all meetings.
16. A club member shall become an Honorary Member of the Club after 25 years continuous paid membership. Honorary Members may be created for other reasons if approved by an AGM.
17. Standing Orders shall be adopted for Annual General, Extraordinary and General Meetings.
18. Resolutions for the AGM should be sent or delivered by hand to the Secretary no later than one month before the AGM. Resolutions must contain the proposer's signature and be seconded by another member.
19. Amendments to resolutions must be sent or delivered by hand to the Secretary no later than two weeks prior to the date of the AGM.
20. All Resolutions shall remain in force until cancelled or amended at an AGM.