

## RULES OF THE ASSOCIATION GOVERNANCE AND COMMITTEE RULES

1. That this Association be called 'THE GRANTHAM ANGLING ASSOCIATION'
2. That the Association be OPEN TO ALL. Any proposition to alter this RULE must be carried by at least two thirds of those members voting at the A.G.M. If there is a two thirds majority in favour of a proposition to alter Rule 2, then there will be a postal ballot of the total membership.
3. That the officers of the Association shall consist of President, Vice Presidents, a Chairman and vice Chairman of Committee, Treasurer, assistant Treasurer, Secretary and assistant Secretary, plus a Committee of twelve and water bailiffs who shall be elected annually at the AGM. The office of Water Bailiffs may be fulfilled by Committee Members. The Committee will serve for periods of three years, each year four will retire. The Chairman and Vice Chairman, also Secretary, Assistant Secretary. Treasurer, Assistant treasurer will be elected for three years. Should there not be enough nominations to complete the numbers required for the Committee, the Committee have the right to co-opt members to fulfil this requirement. The Fly Fishing Section will consist of six officers, the Head River Keeper (ex officio) and six members who will serve for three years. The Head River Keeper will be appointed by the Committee and will be responsible for the appointment of River Keepers, who may or not be members of the committee. The officers of the Fly Section will consist of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.
4. That the Committee shall have the power to call a Special meeting at any time, seven to form a quorum, four for the Fly Fishing Section
5. The Committee shall have the power to adjudicate on any dispute or question not already provided for within the rules. Any appeal may be made at the AGM.
6. That all future Rules and alterations to Rules shall be decided at the AGM. Members wishing to make a new rule or amendment to present Rules must send in writing to the Secretary their new Rule or amendment to Rule (duly seconded) and be present at the AGM. Their letter to be in the hands of the Secretary fourteen days prior to the AGM.
7. Nominations for Officers and Committee must be submitted in writing to the Secretary, duly proposed and seconded at least fourteen days prior to the AGM.
8. Any member wishing to serve on the Committee must attend the AGM, or a letter be sent explaining his absence before the meeting, to decide if he be eligible for nomination. Nominees for the position of Officers shall have served two years on the Committee within the previous six years.
9. If any official or Committeeman absents himself from any three consecutive meetings without apology or extenuating circumstances, the Committee shall declare his seat vacant and shall have the power to co-opt the next highest one in the ballot at the previous AGM.
10. The financial year will end on the 31<sup>st</sup> December each year. The AGM will be held on the last Friday or thereabouts in February, venue to be announced, commencing at 7-30pm. Admission only by the production of a membership book. The Fly Section AGM will be at least one week before the AGM of the parent body.
11. Any GAA member or Affiliate club who separately or collectively enter into any negotiations with a riparian owner or tenant with the object of taking over the lease of any waters rented by GAA or previously rented, in which the GAA retain an interest in renting, will be barred from membership of the GAA until they have appealed successfully to an AGM for reinstatement.
12. All leases, rents and fishing agreements negotiated by and/or on behalf of GAA, or any section or sub section, to be paid for and be held by the GAA. Any such lease or agreement be also signed by the GAA Treasurer, and Chairman or Secretary, should any reimbursement be due, that this be done so by mutual agreement or discretion between the GAA and any section or subsection.