



OBAN AND LORN ANGLING CLUB

Charity No. SCO47428

Dear Member

I was hoping that this Newsletter would be upbeat and give news of a new loch added to our list of waters. Instead, this is a short newsletter, and one that I greatly regret having to send.

I am writing to advise you that as the Covid-19 shutdown now has legal force, fishing on all our lochs and the River Awe has been suspended from 1st April 2020 until further notice.

Police Scotland have made it clear that they will enforce the law, which came into force on Thursday March 26th. This states that we are to stay at home except for essential shopping, medicines, to care for a dependent, or to take exercise near the place where we live. We must comply.

If the law is changed, as we hope that it will be when the coronavirus infection recedes, then our waters will re-open for fishing as soon as possible and you will be able to get out and fish as normal. In the meantime please do not go fishing; just using a gate or padlock could spread the infection.

If you have not yet paid your subscription, then please do not withhold payment if you can possibly afford it. We still have insurance premiums and leases to pay. Boat repairs will resume as soon as we are given more freedom of movement. If subscriptions cease then there will not be a Club for you to join after this nightmare is over.

I hope that you are well and are able to avoid the coronavirus.

Yours aye

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