

CAITHNESS DISTRICT SALMON FISHERY BOARD

**MINUTES OF 2017 ANNUAL MEETING OF QUALIFIED PROPRIETORS OF FISHINGS
AND TRIENNIAL ELECTIONS TO THE BOARD**

held at the Ulbster Arms Hotel, Halkirk
on Friday 16 June 2017 at 1.30 pm

Proprietors present:	Viscount Thurso (Chair)	Thurso Fisheries Ltd
	John Mackay (Vice-Chair)	Wick Angling Association
	Sir Richard Dunbar	Wick River
	Tertius Threipland	Dunbeath River
	Simon Laird	Thurso River Ltd
	Fiona Kinnear	Forss House Fishings Association
In attendance:	Eleanor Constable	Clerk
Observers:	R Willis, T Stitt, E McCarthy, A Youngson	

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Sir David Black (Forss River), W Palmer CBE (Latheronwheel), V Grant (Keiss), and S Mackie (Scrabster Harbour Trust).

2. Chairman's Introduction

The Chairman welcomed all those attending the meeting.

3. Annual Report 2016

The annual report, including plans for the current year, was considered.

4. 2016 Accounts

The Accounts for the year to 31 December 2016 were approved and signed.

5. AOB

There was no further business for discussion.

6. Triennial Elections

There were 4 places on the Board for Upper Proprietors and 3 for Lower Proprietors. Nominations were as follows

Upper Proprietors

Sir Richard Dunbar	- Wick River
Tertius Threipland	- Dunbeath River
Anson MacAuslan	- Berriedale and Langwell River
Mark Newton	- Forss River/Achalone

Lower Proprietors

The Viscount Thurso	- Thurso nettings
John Mackay	- Wick Angling Association, Wick Bay nettings
Simon Laird	- Dunnet nettings

All were duly elected.

Viscount Thurso was elected as Chairman and Mr Mackay as Vice Chairman.

The new board members invited the following to serve for a further term of office as Co-optees and they have kindly agreed.

Salmon Angler Representatives

Tom Stitt - Thurso Angling Association
Ian Cormack - Wick Angling Association

Tenant Netsmen Representatives

Roddy Willis - Independent Fisheries Consultant

The AGM was concluded and was followed immediately after by a routine board meeting.