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U97

Records of Salford Friendly Anglers' Society, 1819-1963, n.d.
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The origin of the Salford Anglers Society or the Salford Friendly Anglers' Society was an early one, the date of its foundation being given as 1817 on its membership cards and some of the records catalogued below commencing in 1819. The Society was associated with a Benefit Society, as indicated in U97/AB2/1-2. The Society also acquired records of the Ramblers' Angling Society, Salford, after the end of the latter Society (see U101).

The finding of some early records of the Society is described in U97/C2-7.

ADMINISTRATION

Bye rules or rules

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| U97/AB1/1 | Printed rules of the Society, with printed note on cover "Revised 1888" (1 booklet)
The cover of this booklet has the statement regarding the Society "Instituted 1815", possibly a printing error. | c.1888 |
| /2 | Printed rules of the Society, with printed note on cover "Revised 1904" (1 booklet) | c.1904 |
| /3 | Manuscript list of rules of the Salford Friendly Anglers' Society, with pencilled note of proposer and seconder (1 doc.)
See also note on U101/AB1 | n.d. |
| /4 | Printed text of rules of Society, with text following that in U97/AB1/3 (13 docs. found together) | n.d. |
| /5 | Manuscript list of rules of the Society, with label on cover incl. note "Rules 1937" (1 doc.) | ?1937 |
| /AB2/1 | Printed rules of the Salford Anglers' Benefit Society (1 booklet)
Rule 4 provided that every person becoming a member of the Anglers' Society, unless over 45 years of age, was to belong to the "Sick Society". Two proposals for rules have been entered in ink on the second page. | 1867 |

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ADMINISTRATION

Bye rules or rules (contd.)

U97/AB2/2	Printed rules as above, with name of Thomas Driver of Salford entered in ink on second page (1 booklet)	1867
/3	Draft of rules of the Salford Friendly Anglers' Society Sick Benefit Society (1 doc.)	n.d.
/4	Draft of amendment to the rules of the Sick Benefit Society (1 doc.)	n.d.
<u>Minutes</u>		
/AM1	Minutes, Salford Anglers Society, 1820-38, preceded by notes of text of some rules "Passed as a bye Rule" with list at end of members and their addresses, 1820 (1 small vol.)	1820-38
/AM2-4	Minutes, "Salford Friendly Anglers" (3 vols.)	1891-1903, 1915-50
<u>Registration</u>		
/AR1	List of names of members of the Society and their addresses, arranged in alphabetical order of first letter of surnames (entries under letter "A" missing) (1 vol.)	n.d.
<u>Administrative miscellanea</u>		
/AZ1/1-5	Membership certificates in form of small cards, with name of member added (5 docs., U97/AZ1/1, 3, attached to pieces of paper) No printed design appears on U97/AZ1/1. The printed design on U97/AZ1/2-3 differs from that as in U97/AZ1/4-9 and /AZ2.	1834,
/6-8	Blank membership cards found loose (3 docs.)	n.d.
/9	Blank membership certificates (1 bdle.)	n.d.
/AZ2	Printing block for certificates with design as for U97/AZ1/4-9 (1 item)	n.d.
/AZ3/1-4	Blank printed contribution cards, Salford Friendly Anglers' Society, Ring-o'-Bells, Bury Street, Salford, for year 1872-73, and Globe Inn, Bury Street, Salford, for years 1893-94, 1901-02 (a few pencilled notes added), 1902-03 (4 docs.)	1872, 1893, 1901-02
/AZ4/1-2	Printed cards of Robert Driver and Thomas Driver for recording payments of subscriptions and sick allowance by the "Friendly Anglers' Society", Ring-o'-Bells, Bury Street, Salford (2 docs.)	1861-62
/AZ5	Manuscript list of prizes divided into "Donor's Prizes" and "Club Prizes" (1 doc.)	n.d.
/AZ6	Rough pencilled note, apparently on nomination of Mr. J. Yardley, 11 Eskrigge Street, H igher B roughton , as a member (1 doc.)	n.d.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- U97/C1 Letter from John Heptall, 1 Cannon Street ^{off} Ford Lane, Salford, to a friend whom he proposes to introduce at the "Anglers' Supper" (1 letter mounted on card) n.d., 19th cent.
- /C2-3 Copies (one typed, one written in pencil) of letter of 8 Feb., 1897, from Tom Driver, President of the Society, 44 Bury Street, Salford, to Mr. G.R. Winder, of Bramhall, Cheshire, who had written to the City News concerning early records of the Society in his possession (2 docs.) 1897 or later
- /C4 Letter from G.R. Winder to Tom Driver in answer to the original of U97/C2-3 agreeing to an inspection of the records by Tom Driver, 11 Feb., "1896" (presumably in error for 1897) (1 doc.) 1897
- /C5 Copy of letter of 26 Feb., 1897, from Tom Driver to G.R. Winder with thanks for the presentation of early records of the Society (1 doc., very fragile) ?1897
- /C6 Letter from G.R. Winder to Tom Driver referring to original letter of U97/C5 and also to printing block, apparently a copy of a metal block presented by G.R. Winder to Tom Driver, 28 Feb. (1 doc.) 1897
- /C7 Letter from G.R. Winder to Tom Driver with thanks for presentation of block, of a rule book and a copy of the rules of the Society, 10 March (1 doc.) 1897
- /C8 Letter, 1901, with printed text from Alec Duncan, Trevallyn, Rossett, Denbighshire, for notification of club members that he had prohibited fishing in the Rivers Alyn and Dee from the banks of the Trevallyn estate, June (1 doc., with brief notes, n.d., of charges for drinks pinned to it; note of total amount of charges for drinks pencilled on back of letter) 1901, n.d.
- /C9 Letter from Thomas Snelson, 34 Croft Street, Lower Broughton, on behalf of the Lower Broughton Angling Society, Royal Archer Hotel, proposing an "Inter-club Competition", 27 May (1 doc.) 1903
- /C10 Christmas greetings card, in envelope addressed to Chairman and Members, Salford Friendly A.A., Kings Arms, Bloom Street, Salford, from Mr. and Mrs. W. Peer Groves (1 envelope, postmarked 23 Dec., 1926, containing 1 doc., n.d.) 1926
- /C11 Christmas greetings card, with printed heading "Souvenir of the "All England" match" of 24 Sept., 1932, and two photographs of anglers (one of W. Peer Groves with printed caption "The Captain doing his Best"), from Mr. and Mrs. W. Peer Groves (1 doc.) ?1932
- /C12 Christmas greetings card, with signed photograph of W. Peer Groves, from W. Peer Groves (1 doc.) n.d.

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CORRESPONDENCE (contd.)

- U97/C13 Letter from John H. Kenyon, 38 Alexandra Road, Sale, Cheshire, angling correspondent of the Evening Chronicle, to Mr. R. Longden, 19 Hulton Street, Salford, 5, thanking him for the loan of early prints of the Society's activities and announcing that he had written notes which he intended to submit to the Angling Times, 28 March (1 envelope enclosing 1 doc.) 1954
- /C14 Letter to Mr. D. Hooley, Secretary, from Mr. T. Carter, Harpurhey, Manchester, tendering his resignation (owing to inability to attend meetings) and also that of Mr. J. Yardley (1 doc. with signatures of T. Carter and J. Yardley) n.d.
- /C15 Duplicated circular letter from the Dutch Birds Angling Society (late Failsworth and District A.S.) appealing for contributions to legal costs incurred through a suit against a new club formed by breakaway members and not affiliated to the C[ounty] P[alatine] A[nglers'] A[ssociation] over the Club's right to fish in private waters (1 doc.) n.d.
- FINANCE
- /F1 Account of the Treasurer of the Society with entries for income and disbursements and entries for balances, 1819-25; at rear of book account for purchases and sales of copies of rules presumably of the Society, 1819-21, 1823-24; on first two pages of book a brief list of officers and apparently of subscribers to the Society, 1828 (1 small vol., marked on front cover "Treasurer's Account" and on back cover "Account of Rules") 1819-25, 1828
- /F2 Book recording monthly payments of subscriptions, 1819-22, with a few incomplete entries for 1823; weight book for fish caught, arranged under name of kind of fish and also under heading "Weight", giving name of angler, place or water where fish was caught and weight, 1819-25 (1 small vol., marked on front cover "Monthly Subscriptions" and on back cover "Weights of Fish") 1819-25
- /F3/1 "Contributions book" recording fortnightly or monthly contributions and with statement of balances, 1878-87, and with statements of expenditure, 1878-80 (1 vol.) 1878-87
The financial year for the monthly contributions, balances and statements of expenditure is given as beginning in May or June, presumably to accord with the fishing season. Balances were often struck for half of one of these financial years. Statements of balances and statements of expenditure were separate for "Angling" and "the sick".

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U97/F3/2-4	FINANCE (contd.) "Contribution Books" for fortnightly or monthly contributions, 1893-1909 (3 vols., U97/F3/3 containing at the end the following: statements of income and expenditure of the Society for angling and the sick for financial years (as above) 1874-78; notes on prize money for fish weighed from Whit week, 1875, to Whit week, 1876; rough notes on accounts, 1870-71, 1873, n.d.; and "Oldham Expense", apparently an excursion, n.d.)	1870-71, 1873-78, 1893-1909, n.d.
/F4	Cash book (1 small vol.)	1907-18
/F5/1-3	Balance sheets for the Society, signed as audited, for the seasons 1932-35 (3 docs.)	1932-35
/F6/1-8	Balance sheets for fishing matches, 1888-89, 1890 (date given on one page as 1891 and note added in pencil on prizes in 1892 and 1893), 1896, 1901, for fishing match and dinner, 1895, and for distribution of prizes in aid of the widow and children of the late T. Hannah, 1893 (8 docs.) U97/F6/1-7 include lists of prizes.	1888-1890, 1892-93, 1895-96, 1901
/F7/1-3	Receipt (with printed letter heading) by Henry Smith, Iris Office, St. Ann's Square, Manchester, letterpress-printer, for payment of bill for printing copies of rules, 1823; receipt by John Hignett, 28 Market Place, Manchester, for payment of bill for printing articles of Society, 1834; receipt by Thomas Mayers for payment of bill for engraving plate and 100 cards, 1839 (3 docs. mounted on cards)	1823, 1834, 1839
/F8	Receipt book with receipts for money received from the Society, incl. payments following decease of members (1 small book)	1893-94
	LEGAL	
/L1	Notice of judgement against the Society, plaintiffs, and for payment of costs to the defendant, J. Jeffs, in Manchester County Court, with receipt for payment (1 doc.)	1890
	OFFICIAL DECLARATIONS AND PAPERS	
/O1	Printed notice by J. Stott, 112 Clarence Street, Lower Broughton, Hon. Secretary, of a smoking concert at the Angel Hotel, Chapel Street, Salford, in connection with the centenary celebration and presentation of the C.P.A.A. Challenge Cup (18 docs., headed by design as for U97/A21/4-9)	[1922]
/O2	Shorter notice of same event (1 doc.)	[1922]
/O3/1-5	Members' cards of Manchester and Districts Amalgamated Anglers' Association, issued to Alfred Gee, 1873, to Thomas Heathcote of the S.F.A. Society, 1875, to Jos ^{ep} h Wainwright, Sen., of the same Society, 1880, to W. Ashworth of the same Society, 1881, and to the same Society with name of member left blank, 1888 (5 docs.)	1873, 1875, 1880-81, 1888

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U97/04	OFFICIAL DECLARATIONS AND PAPERS (contd.) Members' travelling card of the Manchester Centre of the Provincial Anglers' Association (late Amalgamated Manchester and Districts), left blank (1 doc.)	1895
/05/1-2	Printed rules of the Amalgamated Anglers' Association of Manchester and Districts (2 booklets)	1883, n.d.
/06	Printed rules of the County Palatine Anglers' Association (1 booklet)	1897
/07	Printed minutes of delegate meeting of the same Association, 1902 (1 doc., with printed note on proposal for meeting at Irlam, n.d.)	1902, n.d.
/08	Duplicated report on proceedings of delegate meeting of the same Association (1 doc.)	1963
/09	Duplicated extract from minutes of meeting of the Freshwater Fish Preservation League at the Swan Hotel, Fountain Street, Manchester, with statement of its rules (1 doc.)	1908
/010	Printed circular letter from the Hon. Secretary, Freshwater Fish Preservation League, with statement of its rules as in U97/010 (1 doc.)	n.d.
/011	Printed poster and duplicated balance sheet on the "Walness Social Angling Society Spastics' effort", 1962; duplicated circular letter with form for presenting a donation for their effort, 1963 (3 docs.)	1962-63
	REGISTRATION	
/R1/1	Weight book for fish caught, with entries (following brief statement of rules for weighing) chronologically arranged, noting date, angler, kind of fish and weight, 1820-26, and similar entries on first two pages of book for fish caught during June, 1828 (1 small vol.) See also U97/F2.	1820-26, 1828
/2-3	Weight books for fish caught, with entries arranged under name of kind of fish, name of angler, place or water where caught and weight, arranged by fishing season (2 small vols.)	1893-1915
	LITERARY AND MISCELLANEOUS	
/Z1	Short manuscript account by Thomas ?Hare (a member of the Society from 1898) of fishing at the annual match by members of the Society at Barton Moss (presumably before canalisation of the River Irwell as the Manchester Ship Canal) with references to his father (1 doc.)	n.d.
/Z2	Pencilled notes, "Hulme Ellesmere in existence 1872" and dates of death of various individuals from 1896 to 1906 (1 doc.)	n.d.
/Z3-4	Printed order of service in memory of Major W. Peer Groves and printed copy of his obituary notice in the <u>Ramsay Courier</u> (2 docs.)	1946

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- U97/25 LITERARY AND MISCELLANEOUS (contd.)
Newspaper cutting referring to a ticket for membership of the Society dated 1824 and quoting details from it on the Society (1 doc.) n.d.
- /26 Official programmes of the English Angling Championship matches sponsored by the National Federation of Anglers (4 pamphlets) 1946-47, 1949, 1952
- /Z7/1-38 Coloured prints, supplied with copies of The Angler, of fish as follows: n.d.
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| /1 | Azurine, dobule, rudd; |
| /2 | Barbel, gudgeon; |
| /3 | Bleak, loach, spined loach, minnow; |
| /4 | Common bream; |
| /5 | Pomeranian bream, white bream; |
| /6 | Burbot; |
| /7 | Golden and bronze carp; |
| /8 | Crucian carp, Prussian carp; |
| /9 | Alpine charr, torgoch; |
| /10 | Cole's charr, Gray's charr, Windermere charr; |
| /11 | Loch Killin charr; |
| /12 | Dace, graining; |
| /13 | Grayling, gwyniad, vendace; |
| /14 | Lampern, Planer's lamprey, sea lamprey, pride; |
| /15 | Pollan, powan; |
| /16 | Grilse or young salmon; |
| /17 | Salmon (male); |
| /18 | Short-headed salmon, silvery salmon; |
| /19 | Sticklebacks; |
| /20 | Sturgeon; |
| /21 | Golden tench; |
| /22 | Black-finned trout; |
| /23 | Galway sea trout; |
| /24 | Gillaroo trout; |
| /25 | Great Lake trout; |
| /26 | Lochleven trout; |
| /27 | Rainbow trout; |
| /28 | Carp; |
| /29 | Chub; |
| /30 | Broad-nosed eel, sharp-nosed eel; |
| /31 | Miller's thumb, ruffe; |
| /32 | Perch; |
| /33 | Pike; |
| /34 | Roach; |
| /35 | Salmon trout; |
| /36 | Salmon trout (var.); |
| /37 | Tench; |
| /38 | Bull trout |
- (38 prints)

The fish are shown in side view, with a background representation of a bank or underwater rock and sometimes a landscape as well. The names appear on these prints of either E.T.W. Dennis of Scarborough (U97/Z7/1-27) or B. Fawcett and Co. of Driffield (U97/Z7/28-38).

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U101

Records of Ramblers' Angling Society, Salford, 1908-1919, n.d.
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The records of this Society, after it ended, were acquired by the Salford Friendly Anglers' Society. U101/F2-3 have been included below as they contain references to rambles, though it is not impossible that they were records produced by the Salford Friendly Anglers' Society.

ADMINISTRATION

Rules

U101/AB1 Manuscript list of "Amended (July, 1908) Rules of The Ramblers' Angling Society" (1 doc.) ?1908

The first few paragraphs closely resemble those in U97/AB1/3-4. It may be that the rules of one Society, whether in draft or another form, served in part as an example for the rules of the other.

Administrative miscellanea

/AZ1/1-2 Contribution cards of J.W. Whiteley and of H. Flowers for Ramblers' Angling Society, Albion Inn, Small Street, Trafford Road, Salford, with names of members and a few entries for the months Sept. - Dec., 1919 (2 docs.) 1919

/AZ2/1-4 Blank printed contribution cards, Ramblers' Angling Society, Albion Inn (as above) (4 docs.) 191-

FINANCE

/F1/1-3 Receipt from Dunstan and Sons, 40 Bury Street, Salford, printers, to Ramblers' Angling Society, 1915; receipts from County Palatine Anglers' Association to the same Society for payments for cards, 1917-18 (3 docs.) 1915, 1917-18

/F2 Pencilled notes (apparently all prepared at about the same time) of cost of postage and of ramble, Knutsford to Altrincham, 1915, of "honorariums" due to officers, n.d., and of "Specimen Test" for various fish, n.d. (4 docs.) 1915, n.d.

/F3 Printed notices by the Manchester and District Angling Association of the Walker and Homfray's Challenge Cup, 1913, all torn in half and two of these halves marked on back with notes of expenses of draw book and a ramble, 1916 (3 docs.) 1913, 1916