

Spring has arrived but nobody told the fish

Wylands Int. House Lake - 16th March 2014 - Sunny & warm - 19c

On a beautiful early Spring morning, optimism was high for a productive day to make the long trip worthwhile. Unfortunately, again Wylands failed to live up to expectations. It was either the odd Carp or scratching for 4" Roach with an almost total absence of any sizeable silvers. Jerry Hutchins was the one exception who managed to snare a few decent perch fishing worm in the House corner, but it was never going to be enough to compete with the size of carp that a few managed to eek out. Paul Oliver managed five on the pole and corn up against the island for 25-2-0, Bruce Scott and Martin Cook managed three each for 21-14-0 and 21-0-0 respectively.

Fair Sport at Fairlight?

Fairlight Fishery - 9th March 2014 - Wind calm & mild - 14c

It can be a bit of a squeeze to accommodate the numbers and this venue can suffer from the pressure. It proved a bit of a struggle for many but Alex Whiting fishing at the right hand end of the extension, found a number of bigger carp after a slow start to finish with 36-0-0. Ken Barnard waged war by fishing in the reeds at the right hand end of the old section dragging a number of carpies from their winter home but losing many that did not want to leave. One more would have done it but instead had to settle for a close second with 35-5-0. Martin Cook was also on the extension to finish third with 25-14-0.

Mud, Mud & Mud

Orchard Farm Lake 6 - 2nd March 2014 - Gusty high winds but mostly dry -10c

Our visit to this popular venue on 2nd Mar 2014 was somewhat marred by the legacy of the wet and windy winter of 2103/14. There was virtually no grass left around the swims and it was a real struggle to keep tackle out of the sloppy mudbath. It was still very windy which did affect presentation and therefore the weights, but Martin Cook triumphed with 52-8-0 fishing the point of the spit. Close behind was Paul Oliver with 50-12-0 followed by John Gibbons on 44-3-0. All fished short with pole & pellet, the banker method on this lake.

Whitevane attracts numbers

There were 20 members plus a guest to **Whitevane Fishery** near Pease Pottage on February 23 where Jerry Hutchins took top honours fishing a 10 metre pole and red maggot over groundbait to net skimmers to 2.5 lb plus three perch for 20-8-0. Terry Merrett was also on the pole and landed 19-15-0 with guest Bob Bradford third with 16-5-0

More Sturgeon Wrestling

Micky Biles included the 12 lb 10 oz sturgeon landed previously by Alec Whiteing as WADAS returned to **Chequertree Fishery** on February 9 and his 20-2-0 total bag gave him third spot on the day. However he was well beaten by Martin Cook's 37-4-0 mixed catch on bread or chopped worm and David Adby who had 20-14-0.

Small fish only on Bassie

Only 12 members showed up on the **Basingstoke Canal at Heathvale Bridge** on February 16 on what was a nice day which probably worked against good fishing. Micky Biles was the best with 5-0-0 of roach, skimmers and perch ahead of Barry Stagg on 4-4-0. Mark Merrett and Bob Stone tied for third with 3-8-0 each.

Hat-trick for Nobby

It was all too easy for Alex Whiteing at Lake Ever, **New Claygate Lakes** on February 2 as he hammered out 77-10-0 of carp and bream on a really lovely winter's day fished in sunshine with temperatures nudging double figures. Martin Cook was second with 41-12-0 and Paul Oliver third on 37-2-0 with no blanks amongst the 14

anglers.

Back to back wins for Alex

Puma Lake on Monk Lakes complex was the outing on January 25 where 16 members turned out though a couple didn't bother the scalesman. Alex Whiteing fished pole and pellet to land one small carp plus skimmer bream on pole and pellet for 15-8-0. This was well clear of Paul Oliver on 10-8-0 and Martin Cook with 7-4-0.

Chequer Mate for Nobby

Alex Whiteing clinched his tenth victory of the season on a relatively mild January 19 at **Chequertree Fishery** where all the field caught. Alex offered a nine metre pole and pellet to tempt a 12-10-0 sturgeon but he lost an even bigger sample after landing it by hand, the slippery fish and the mud seeing it re-enter the water and smash his 0.13 hooklength! Two good carp, smaller samples three bream and skimmers topped his catch to 57-3-0. Second was John Gibbons with 42-12-0 on 13 metre pole and pellet with Micky Biles third on 30-8-0.

- **Chequertree Fishery has been re-booked for February 9 instead of Cackle Hill Fishery**

Five Oaks, Four Blanks

Although it was fairly mild and mostly dry, the 21 members who showed up at Five Oaks Fishery near Slinfold were restricted to scratching for bits. Generally the five anglers on the right hand pool had a better day than the 16 on the middle pole. Paul Oliver started off with pole and maggot before the fish backed off and so waggler and maggot boosted his bag to 3-14-0. Ken Barnard was on the same pool and but stuck to pole and maggot for 3-10-0, Bob Stone completing the frame with 3-1-0.

Its blustery at Beaver Farm

Heavy showers and blustery winds in between sunny spells at Beaver Farm's Maze Lake saw Steve Allen go through the smorgasboard of baits available to him before finding worm was the preferred morsles for the fish. Long pole sorted our four carp for 11-14-0 and a well earned victory ahead of Mark Merrett who had a mirror carp and four brown goldfish for 8-3-0 and Jasper Stevens who had two carp for 6-4-0.

Eva struggles despite mild conditions

Following the Christmas storms, things quitened down for the match at **Lake Eva, New Claygate Fishery** on December 29. The fishery is rightly proud of its "no mud - even in winter" environs but there seemed to be few fish about either. But it resulted in yet another win for Alex Whiteing who winkled out four small carp for 5-9-0 for victory well clear of Paul Oliver who was second with 3-8-0 and Steve Allen on 2-0-8. Just 13 anglers showed.

Christmas Outing attracts less than 20

Atrocious weather greeted the 19 members who fished for the Christmas Competition at **Fairlight Fishery** on December 22. Weights were on the low side as to be expected given the conditions, Mark Merrett wrapping things up with 20-8-0 of carp to 4lb long pole and maggot to the pads ahead of neighbour Les Griggs who fished down the edge for 19-14-0 and Martin Cook on 14-0-0.

Another win for Nobby

Furnace Lakes only attracted 17 anglers on December 15 and Alex Whiteing made no mistake landing 17-4-0 of skimmers on pole tactics. Former WADAS Secretary Ray Smee made a guest appearance to land 16-8-0 with Paul Oliver third on 12-8-0. Bruce Scott had 4oz less than Cackle Hill but fourth on the day once more.

Not many laughing at Cackle Hill

There was a good turnout of 21 members at **Cackle Hill** on December 8 but just three managed double figures on a rock hard day. Jerry Hutchins had a near normal day however as he fished pole with pellets over micros to land 42-14-0 of skimmer bream and carp. Either side of him were Paul Oliver and Bruce Scott who finished third and fourth with 11-8-0 and 8-12-0 respectively. Second place went to John Gibbons who put a small feeder in close to the near margin at the opposite side of the lake to land three carp for 17-12-0.

Yalding provides blanks for Balding and six others

More than half the WADAS anglers blanked in the CALPAC Invicta Shield fished on the **River Medway at Yalding** on December 1. Antony Stevens won this shocker with a mere 0-15-0 of roach from a peg that had seen Craig Winchester clinch victory in the past. Club Chairman Dave Harper was second with 0-13-0 of roach on pole and red maggot over hemp and caster but a dry final two hours cost him dear. Teamwise, WADAS were relegated to second place with 2-1-0 behind Banstead who had Peter Mason's superb 1-8-8 individual win to thank for much of their 3-5-8 total. Peter fished at 11 metres with pole and red maggot over groundbait laced with caster.

- 1 Antony Stevens 0-15-0 25
- 2 Dave Harper (D2) 0-13-0 22
- 3 Mark Merrett 0-12-8 20
- 4 Craig Winchester 0-8-8 18
- 5 Alex Whiteing 0-6-8 16
- 6 John Palmer 0-0-8 15
- 7 Paul Oliver DNW 0
- 8 Graham Stevens DNW 0
- 9 Andy Tickner DNW 0
- 10 Bob Balding DNW 0
- 11 Micky Biles DNW 0
- 12 Bob Stone DNW 0
- 13 Barry Stagg DNW 0

Woodpecker Lake

Just 14 members turned up on November 24 to fish **Woodpecker Lake** with two anglers not bothering the scalesmen. Mark Merrett landed three carp on the method feeder plus a further four and bit on pole and maggot for 31-0-0 followed by Bruce Scott on 16-0-0 and Brian Beacroft on 15-6-0. League leader Nobby Whiteing put 12-12-0 of carp and silvers on the scales.



Great bags at Tylers With Messrs Adby and Harper indisposed and Beacroft and King returning to Summers there were still 16 members who tried their luck at **Ash Lake, Tylers Common** on November 17. Charley Clarke (*pic left, credit Colin Bartlett, Lake John*) made her debut and a great impression with 86-12-0 for seventh spot, a pound behind Paul Oliver who won the past two matches. The top ten all broke 80 lb and 27-8-0 was last. But Nobby Whiteing did well to land 157-10-0 of carp to 7 lb to see off his Bruce Scott who was second with 133-14-0.



Elephants in the peg for some Cold overnight temperatures played havoc with sport at **Summers Match Lake** on November 10 but some of the carp landed amongst chub, skimmers and roach were monsters! (*pic left Dave Harper with a 17-8-0 brute*). Paul Oliver nailed seven carp on pellet feeder and 8mm hard pellet on the right hand bank for 97-12-0. This included a personal best of 18-8-0 plus others of 18-0-0, 17-12-0 and 15-0-0. At the next peg John Gibbons had a great morning using feeder with various baits but a quiet afternoon saw him finish with 58-12-0. Brian Beacroft and Dave King were on the opposite bank and also used feeder tactics for 54-0-0 and 53-2-0 respectively.

Grind at Back Arun

Whilst certain members tried to chance their arms at a Crawley venue and blank for their pains, at least there was only one dry net on **Back Arun Fishery, Arundel** on November 3. Paul Oliver did well to put 19-8-0 on the scales, well clear of Craig Winchester on 10-14-0. Brian Beacroft only had two carp for 9-0-0 but it was good enough for third spot.

Nobby the pre-hurricane

With the hurricane due to hit the south of England just hours later, the rational decision was made to cut the match from six to five hours at **Nick's Lake, Hartleylands Farm** on October 27 was made. Whether this made Alex "Nobby" Whiteing work any harder or not is subject to debate as he landed more than the next two anglers put together! Drawn at permanent peg 19, Alex fished pole and meat or corn in the margins to land a fantastic

234-0-0 of carp to 6 lb. Poor old Graham "Shaky" Stevens was left gasping as he fished pole and meat at four metres to land 117-0-0. Paul Oliver was last on "Cyanide Straight" on a SuperCup match but that was soon forgotten as he hammered out 107-10-0 of carp on pole and pellet up in the water.

King of the chub!

Dave King sailed to victory at **Elphicks Lake** on October 20 where a full house of 20 witnessed his catch of 65-15-0 of mostly carp but a 2-11-0 chub also. Mark Merrett was second with 41-0-0 and in form Alex Whiteing third on 39-6-0.

Eden Challenge Shield retained



It was another splendid performance by WADAS who retained the Eden Challenge Shield on October 13. On a rising river between **Chiddingstone and Peshurst**, safety checks were made before the go ahead was given. Mistakes over the pegging/draw were soon forgotten by the 36 strong field where only four weighed below the pound as printed results shields were available after the contest won by Colin Wood (Edenbridge who was at Broad A and fished pole and double red maggot to tempt three good bream, a 1 lb perch, 1 lb roach plus smaller roach and dace for 14-15-0. Team mate Alan Davis was at Mill Farm and opted for feeder with worm and dead red maggot for five

bream and bits for 12-12-0. Hugh Blake at Peshurst was cursing his luck losing a 5 lb bream at the net an hour from time and killing his swim. But five other samples on pole and worm gave him 12-9-0 and third spot. With three sections by Jason Courtney, Martin Cook and Graham Stevens, it was a comfortable victory in the end. **Teams:** 1 Warlingham DAS, 51 pts; 2 Edenbridge AS, 42; 3 Holland AS, 33.

- Good afternoon all,

Just a quick note to let everyone know that Warlingham retained the Eden Challenge Trophy yesterday.

It was touch and go in the morning if the match would proceed as the river was already up and pushing and the Edenbridge captain voiced concerns over the safety of some of the pegs. Following an inspection by the team captains and David Adby it was decided that we would start the match and should the conditions deteriorate then the section stewards would need to be informed and common sense be used.

Conditions were poor, the river was swollen, a heavy clay colour and pushing not to mention the rain lashing down most of the day. Some of the team spent five long hours fishing in pegs which would normally be deemed unfishable. Some had to combine that very long walks. Whilst some managed to fish for and find bonus fish required on the day I'm not sure if anybody had a particularly pleasant day.

Dave Harper and / or David Adby will have the full results which I'm sure will get posted online and be reported on in the match newsletter but on a personal (elected Captain's) level I would like to thank

all the members for what I believe to be an outstanding team effort.

Cheers all,

Craig (Winchester)

Warlingham Score Card

Location	Peg Name	Weight	Points	Comments
Mill Farm	A2 Barry Stagg	1-13-0	2	
Mill Farm	A3 Bruce Scott	2-14-0	3	
Mill Farm	B3 Micky Biles	5-10-0	4	
Mill Farm	B4 Paul Oliver	4-12-0	3	
Broad A	C4 Tom Barnard	3-13-0	5	
Broad A	C5 Antony Stevens	3-6-0	4	
Broad A	D5 Craig Winchester	4-15-0	3	
Broad A	D6 Jason Courtney	6-3-0	5	Section win by default
Penshurst	E1 Martin Cook	7-10-0	6	Section win
Penshurst	E6 Mark Merrett	4-7-0	5	
Penshurst	F1 Hugh Blake	12-9-0	6	Third Overall
Penshurst	F2 Graham Stevens	6-2-0	5	Section win by default
	Totals	65-2-0	51	

CALPAC Putney Cup retained

CALPAC Putney Cup retained The Basingstoke Canal at Ash Lock has never been easy but it has on the whole been kind to Warlingham as they once again won the **CALPAC Putney Cup** on October 6. End peg Alex Whiteing and Graham Stevens shared top individual weight with mixed 6-12-0 bags mostly on pole and squatts. Craig Winchester (pic right) included this nice perch in his 3-11-0 fourth place bag but also landed a football, which being filled his water tested his 12oz bottom severely! **Result:** 1 Alex Whiteing, Warlingham A and Graham Stevens, Warlingham B, both 6-12-0; 3 Dave Beard, Epsom A, 4-6-0; 4 Craig Winchester, Warlingham A, 3-11-0; 5 Mark Merrett, Warlingham C, 2-14-0; 6 Bob Stone, Warlingham C, 2-13-0. **Teams:** 1 Warlingham A, 21 pts; 2 Warlingham B, 18; 3 Epsom A, 17; Warlingham C, 14; 5 Epsom B, 10; 6 Banstead AS, 5



Shaky dominates on Cyanide Straight

Graham Stevens didn't let a draw on Cyanide Straight at **Nick's Lake, Hartleylands Farm** on September 29 put him off as he landed 130-12-0 of mostly carp on pole and meat to clinch victory. Alex "Nobby" Whiteing was second with 124-14-8 with Barry Stagg third with 117-8-0, also from the straight. Fourth placed Bruce Scott was on the point and had a five minute battle with a superb 7-5-0 barbel to finish on 88-13-0 and fifth spot.



Alex scores 160 lb at Framfield first half but loses! Alex Whiteing (pictured left) put 160 lb on the scales in a busy first half at **Framfield Fishery's Spring Lake** on September 22 but it was not enough! Instead Bruce Scott had a perfect dart score of 180 on his way to a record breaking total of 411-12-0! Drawn at peg 61, Bruce fished close in with pole and meat or maggots to set a new six hour club match record and his first ever quadruple ton. Alex had to settle for second spot with a mere 363-0-0 with Graham "Shaky" Stevens third on 347-8-0 just a whisker behind Mark Merrett's record breaking 349-9-8 taken in 2006. Graham was the butt of much laughter as at the weigh in he noticed one of his untethered keepnets sliding away. He had to run and dive full length to save the catch disappearing into the depths!

Oliver wants more!

Paul Oliver cruised to victory at **Bough Beech Reservoir** on September 15 where he landed 32-2-0 of bream and roach to ward off a strong challenge from Keith Bibby who attracted 29-0-0 and Terry Merrett who was third on 18-6-0. The lowest weight on this 11 peg match was 3-10-0,

Little bother to fish the Rother

Only 12 members turned up for the Kent Championship fished on September 8 at the **Kent Rother above Blackwall Bridge and Potman's Heath**. But there were 64 others which made it a big match by today's standards and generally well organised. Strenuous efforts were made to give easy access but the bumpy embankment spoiled what was otherwise a nice walk with no stiles or gates to worry about - quite a change from 20 years ago! Sport was patchy, each end of the venue being generally the best. Well known Kent angler Bill Postlethwaite was top with 10-13-0 from Potmans. David Adby was the top WADAS rod also from Potman's with a mixed bag made mostly up of a bream for 3-10-0 to beat Paul Oliver's 3-3-0 off the next peg. Third placed Micky Biles had 2-10-0 the other side of David whilst on a rare match excursion Jason Courtney had 1-10-0. John Palmer managed to win his 10 peg section with just 1-6-0. Thereafter weights were less than a pound with one angler dry-netting. Maidstone Victory's best four anglers weighed in 20-2-0 to win the team

event, WADAS best four contributing 11-1-0.

Epsom AS lift the CALPAC Central Cup

Just three teams of four bothered to support this CALPAC competition on the **Basingstoke Canal** on September 1. Fished a month earlier than usual at least two other clubs claimed their long standing fixtures took priority. With a fish kill at West Byfleet around four weeks previously, the **Sheets Heath section** at Brookwood was used. The canal was clear and still and not a single boat passed by, nor did crayfish fortunately. Instead a lethora of passers by and more risk from cyclists made for a vigilant day's fishing. Top weight went to Epsom's Rod Stoyle who landed a 4 oz skimmer first put in with bread. Thereafter two more skimmers plus roach on caster, squatts and bread and a pair of perch on worm saw him put 3lb on the scales. WADAS were lead by Dave Harper who fished pole and punched bread and then caster to land roach to 4 oz plus two perch on worm over chopped worm and caster for 2-8-0 and boost him to third spot in the Division 2 Points. Ever consistent Paul Oliver was third with 2-2-0 with Bob Stone fourth on 1-11-0. Epsom AS and WADAS A (Paul Oliver, Micky Biles, Antony Stevens and Bob Stone) tied on points with 13 apiece but Epsom retained the cup on weight countback. WADAS B (Dave Harper, David Adby, Mark Merrett and Barry Stagg) were third with 10 points in a closely contested affair.

Monday Blues at Osprey Lake

Only nine members fished the Dick Stafford Memorial at **Osprey Lake** on Bank Holiday Monday which was won by Paul Oliver who opted for a banded pellet and method feeder to land 9 lb of skimmers and tench plus carp for 33-1-0. It was close between the next two with Mark Merrett also fishing method feeder for 27-8-0 being sclippsed by Bob Stone on 28-4-0.

River Eden throws up sparkling sport

The midweek rain helped spice up sport on the **River Eden at Chiddingstone** on August 25 with 14 members all catching, six of those contributing double figures. Top rod was Graham "Shaky" Stevens who included a 3-14-0 tench in his splendid 28-4-0 net of bream, tench and roach taken on pole and maggot. Mark Merrett, never to be underestimated, included a whopping 16-6-0 carp on pole and corn in his 20-14-0 bag whilst Micky Biles had a 20-12-0 mixed bag for third spot. Steve Allen had a nice 4-14-0 tench in his 15-6-0 fourth placed bag.

Fourth win for Alex

Alex Whiteing scored a terrific win at Orchard Place Farm 6 on August 18 to beat 15 others - the spit bank proving favourite in blustery conditions. Alex opted for a five metre pole, fishing meat and maggot up in the water, feeding half a gallon of maggots and three tins of meat to tempt 175-8-0 of mostly F1s. Second was Antony Stevens who also fished pole and maggot up in the water but with pellets as feed for 111-2-0 with Mark Merrett third with 101-7-0 caught on pellet up in the water and later on the deck.

- Martin Cook found that Ye Old Oak Chicken Luncheon Meat was a hit for the barbel as his 70 lb+ net consisted of that species! Martin described the texture of the meat as being firm, darker than normal meat and the bait sank well as the fat content was low.



Juniors win new tackle THANKS to the generosity of former member Dan Diment, the top three in the Len Tutt Junior Cup received vouchers to exchange for five pole rigs of their choice. The match, held at Ladycross Farm on August 17 saw Callum Hutchins dash to victory with 19-2-0 from the point using pole tactics. Next to him Ryan Duffy used carp tactics with bread for 10-15-0. The two over-age invitees, both part of the Croydon team that won the Youth Games were next with Tom Barnard and Callum Blake weighing 10-8-0 and 9-15-0 respectively.

Paul picks the cherry on the Thames

On a busy day on the Thames at Cherry Orchard where 10 members fished on August 11, Paul Oliver romped home from the top end peg with waggler and maggot over hemp giving him 10-4-8 of roach to 12 oz. Second was Barry Stagg with 4-8-8 of skimmers on pole tactics with Bob Stone clinching third with 2-8-0, 4oz being joint lowest weights.

Plenty of ton up bags on Nick's

Alex Whiteing thought he was in trouble as he went walkabout during the match at Nick's Lake, Hartleylands Farm on August 4. But he returned and re-doubled his efforts fishing pole and meat in the margin to land 128-12-0 of carp and skimmers. Terry Merrett was second with 122-10-0 whilst Les Griggs, next to Alex, contributed 108-14-0. Three other members also broke the ton in a match that saw 22-8-0 being the lowest on the day.

"Northerners" win the Veterans Trophy

Former WADAS secretary Maureen Collier fished well at Woodpecker Lake on August 2 to lift the Veteran's Trophy with 20-8-0 of carp and silverd on pole tactics. Husband John, also from Skipsea in Yorkshire wasn't far behind with 19-12-0. President Len Tutt brought along one of his old pals Alan Richards from the 1950s who was a junior at that time.

Bough Beech Reservoir West Bank July 28 (16 fished)

Result: 1 Alex Whiteing 33-3-0; 2 Craig Winchester, 29-10-0; 3 Paul Oliver, 28-11-0.

Victory for John at last

John Palmer, who returned to match fishing in 2012 after a long lay off to play golf, kept up his rich vein of form with victory on the Ribbon Lake at Sumners Farm on July 21. Drawn at noted peg 8, eight metre pole and

yellow meat over hemp and casters gave him 38-0-0 of bartbel, chub, crucian carp and skimmer bream. Alex Whiteing was next best with 30-0-0 followed by Antony Stevens on 28-0-0 and Peter Crowhurst on 23-10-0.

John's weekend double marred by attempted theft



John Palmer had a nice fish filled weekend as he fished on July 13 at Summers in Pat Hill's open. Here he finished third with 63 lb of carp (*pic left of some of his catch*) but two lost fish cost him. The next day with WADAS at the first visit to **Puddledock Farmon** July 14, John amassed 65-7-0 of carp and silvers both on the pole and method feeder. This gave him second spot but on returning

to the car park found that the rear lock broken on his van. The two members who spent two days practising the venue also did well with John Gibbons at peg 11 using method feeder tactics for 72-2-0 for victory whilst cousin Martin Cook was third with 62-15-0 on one of the hottest days of the year. David Adby included carp to 11 lb on pole tactics for his 4th placed catch of 59-0-0.



Never mind Wimbledon - this was the real action! Whilst Andy Murray was busy winning the Wimbledon Championships, the surprise absence of Godalming AS allowed the pegs to be spread and the notoriously "unfair" corner pegs left out at **Monk Lake 3** on July 7. That policy paid off with a massive 1,719-4-0 being taken to the scales! Half the 18 strong field had over 94 lb and three anglers in a row broke the magic ton barrier for the first time. Pictured (L to R) Peter Rock, Peter Crowhurst and Keith Bibby all managed to beat one of the bag up kings Bruce Scott.

Pick of the bunch was Paul Oliver who started quietly enough at peg 92 with feeder and pellet but a switch to the pole and virtually any bait saw the carp queuing up and his 193-4-0 proved good enough to beat Alex Whiteing who fished pole and meat at five metres and in the margins for 185-4-0. Nigel Jones at peg 118 was third with 137-8-0 followed by five other bags over the ton. It was some match in the sunshine!

Close run thing at Back Arun

A dozen anglers, not distracted by an open at Framfield, made it to **Back Arun** on June 30 where just two pounds split the top three anglers. Bob Stone took top honours with 36-4-0 followed by Antony Stevens on 35-12-0 and brother Graham third on 34-4-0.

No whoppers at Pulborough

Hitting the bites was the chief problem on the **River Arun at Pulborough** for the nine anglers who turned up on June 23 on a day when the tide started to ebb after two hours. Graham Stevens whipped out 3-7-0 of dace and roach just beating Jason Courtney who tried caster with his stick float to end up with 3-5-8. Mark Merrett was third in this tight affair with 3-4-0.

Opening Day cold shoulder for Osprey

Only 14 bothered to turn up to one of the most central venues, **Osprey Lake, Woodpeckers** on June 16 but the balmy conditions saw no great drama, Paul Oliver alternating between feeder and pole and maggot to the island for 25-10-0. Alex Whiteing was second with 24-0-0 with Martin Cook third with 22-6-0.

It's frreeezzing at Monk Lakes

The weather forecast was set fair on June 9 with the sun due to burn off the cloud and to allow anglers to enjoy a balmy 22 degrees. But the cloud hung about and a cold wind made it pretty miserable with outer clothing essential for the 20 members and two guests. **Monk Lake 4** seemed to fish hard but the lowest weight was 21-8-0. Martin Cook on peg 145 spent most of the day with a method feeder and maggot to the island to land 92-0-0 of mostly carp. That proved too good for Alex Whiteing who saw some margin action late on and put 77-4-0 on the scales with Nigel Jones third on 67-8-0.

Kingscote Lake switch proves tough

With the Fairlight Fishery reporting a pollution, a switch was made to **Kingscote Lake** for the June 2 fixture. Despite assurances that the venue had received an injection of fish, the going was tough for those not drawn on the island. Marti Cook was able to fish a feeder to the island and was rewarded with 80-8-0 of carp. Alex Whiteing started with the feeder before switching to pole tactics and finally a bagging waggler which yielded a double figure carp to give him 50-0-0, Micky Biles contributing 29-4-0 on the feeder. Les Griggs was drawn on a nice weed feature close to the fishery entrance and landed 28-12-0 for fourth.

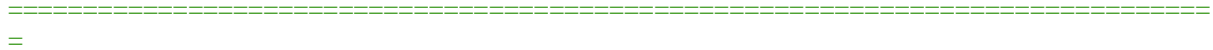
- **Max Aldous, the owner of Fairlight Fishery has asked us to mention that he lost a dozen fish following an incident upstream. Subsequently a further eight fish perished but no more problems have occurred and the water is fishing well. We are happy to put the record straight.**

Back to back wins for Bruce

The sun came out to play for the 29 anglers who flocked to Orchard Place Lakes No 6 on May 26. Former England international Dave Vincent was also present and aside from pleasure fishing gave one or two some tips on how to make the most of their swims. But Bruce Scott needed no encouragement as he plundered the best bag of the day from peg 20. Pole and 4mm pellet over pellets at first six and then four metres gave him 99-7-0 of F1s, barbel, bream and tench for his second win in a row. Paul Oliver was kept busy at peg 9 on the point of the spit where maggots and pellets gave him 87-7-0. Craig Winchester on peg 30 spent half the match up in the water with maggots before switching to pole and paste on the deck for better fish to end with 83-0-0, Nobby Whiteing clinching fourth spot with 81-0-0. Jerry Hutchins and Steve Mullins won section prizes with 68-1-0 and 60-11-0 respectively.

Framfield Blues

After winning the midweek open on **Framfield's Brookhouse Lake** with 152-10-0 from peg 7, Bruce Scott drew the same swim for the match on May 19. Any energy he used to run to his peg was largely wasted however as the venue fished very poorly with the fish refusing to come out to play. But he was still the winner fishing at seven metres with pole and pellet or maggot to land 71-14-0. This narrowly beat Terry Merrett at peg 9 who used pole and meat over pellets for 68-7-0. Alex Whiteing who was second on the open had to settle for third spot with 55-9-0 from peg 1 using pole and meat. Of the 22 who fished, two anglers had joint bottom weights of 12 lb.



Midweek Trip to Rolf's Lake a huge success



After sampling the fishing in an open, WADAS's intrepid 12 returned the following day to have a private crack at the double-figure carp that roam this fishery. You only have to zoom in on the picture left to see what was possibly in store. But as with so many other venues, the fish were less keen to show.



Top rod Steve Allen managed 98-1-0 from peg 34 followed by Bob Balding with 88-5-0 from peg 7. **Dave King** (pic left) included this 17-4-0 carp in his 72-11-0 bag to take yet another fiver off Dave Harper who returned two perch that would have avoided embarrassment the previous day. Host John Bennett made the stay most enjoyable as was the accommodation at the Talbot Inn at Eynsham.

Place	Angler	Peg	Weight (Previous Day)
1st	Steve Allen	34	98-1-0 (Not drawn)
2nd	Fluff Balding	7	88-5-0 (58-2-0)
3rd	Mark Merrett	5	87-3-0 (125-5-0)
4th	Dave King	8	72-0-0 (44-11-0)
5th	John Palmer	32	69-1-0 (36-15-0)
6th	Terry Merrett	40	58-2-0 (Not drawn)
7th	Paul Oliver	6	50-2-0 (75-6-0)
8th	Dave Harper	9	44-15-0 (26-4-0)
9th	Craig Winchester	36	30-0-0 (Not drawn)
10th	Peter Crowhurst	38	24-12-0 (Not drawn)
11th	Brian Beacroft	2	13-7-0 (Not drawn)
12th	Andy Tickner	4	13-4-0 (12-4-0)

Cold weather slows down the fishing

by Eddie Taylor Green



Today (May 15) saw a bumper turnout at **Rolf's Laketo** hopefully catch one of the big weights that had come out of the lake recently as with two 300lb + winning weights and double tons and tons a plenty all the anglers were hopeful of a good days fishing. With both the big and the small lake included and the pleasure anglers fishing the bottom of the small lake the pegging was cosy with 4,5,6,7 and 8 all together in the small lake making for little room and even no carp bay peg 11 had to be put in.

The match today would be decided on a main winner and then the top two in each section of 7 so you could even come third in your section to collect some money which was just

as well as I had drawn little used peg 17 with the added pleasure of John on feature peg 18 so I was going to have a noisy day with the stick coming my way or was I? There were lots of carp in the middle of the big lake cruising around eating the fly hatch coming off the lake bed and they were not interested in bait but quite content in mouthing the anglers floats as they kept swirling around them. Today also saw the return of lake record holder Jon Walker who had drawn a short walk to peg 29 who was next to form angler Micheal Corsini on peg 31 who in turn had drawn next to his dad Paul on peg 32 so a three-way battle was on by the hut.

With the turnout boosted by the **WADAS** club anglers practising for their match on the Thursday it was amazing how they drew all the form pegs leaving the regulars on the standard pegs so at least they were in for a good days fishing hopefully catching a few big fish too.

Today's overall winner was Reading Angling Centre's Geoff Edwards who was left with peg 5 in the draw bag and Geoff did a great job considering peg 6 was also in catching fish to double figures to record the only ton weight of the day. Geoff fished an 8 metre line slightly to his right in line with peg 38 and by fishing pellet and paste feeding pellet he was able to keep the fish coming to claim another win down the lake.

The car park bank section was won by John Walker who caught most of his fish fishing long and shallow on peg 29 with his weight of 85-15 and the motorway bank section was won by me Eddie with 39-13 from peg 17.

With the weather due to stay consistent by cooler the fish should settle down again and get back into feeding mode ready for this weekends round of club matches

Section A small lake

Place	Angler	Peg	Weight
1st	Geoff Edwards	5	125-05-0
2nd	Mark Merrett	6	75-06-0
3rd	Paul Oliver	7	58-02-0 (pictured in action above)
4th	Dave Harper	8	44-11-0
5th	Paul Corsini	32	36-15-0
6th	Steve Allen	9	26-04-0
7th	Mick Chappell	4	12-04-0

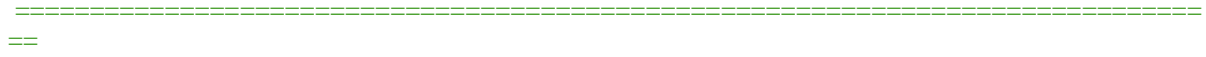
Section B motorway bank.

Place	Angler	Peg	Weight
1st	Eddie Taylor-Green	17	39-13-0
2nd	John Bennett	18	37-08-0
3rd	Paul Jay	10	36-00-0
4th	John Draper	13	32-10-0
5th	Terry Merrett	15	24-05-0

6th	John Palmer	14	19-02-0
7th	Peter Crowhurst	11	13-13-0

Section C car park bank.

Place	Angler	Peg	Weight
1st	Jon Walker	29	85-15-0
2nd	Micheal Corsini	31	53-07-0
3rd	Dave King	23	45-04-0
4th	Craig Winchester	22	34-02-0
5th	Fluff Balding	25	12-11-0
6th	Andy Tickner	26	DNW
7th	Brian Beacroft	28	DNW



Ten Degrees at Tylers Common



Two youngsters due to represent Croydon in the Youth Games on June 2 joined 20 others on **Horseshoe Lake, Tylers Common** on May 12.

Tom Barnard and Olivia Blake found the going hard with just 10 degrees and cold wind little comfort for mid May.

Earlier the fishery managers had confirmed that the normal colour of the water had returned and oxygen levels risen so it was decided not to switch venues late on.

Martin Cook on peg 36 alternated between method feeder and pole with cat meat to land 78-0-0 of carp to double figures.

Neighbour John Gibbons chose feeder and maggot to land 62-10-0 whilst Bob Stone was third on 54-8-0.

New member George Stone (pic left) had a late burst of action on meat to put 51-6-0 on the scales for fourth spot.

NOBBY TAKES THE LEAD

For the first time in what seemed an interminable run of poor weather, the sun shone brightly on the 32 anglers that visited **Summers Match Lake** on May 5 for the opening match of the new campaign.

Top rod was Alex “Nobby” Whiteing who landed a huge 123-8-0 of carp to 14 lb on the pole and meat over pellet and hemp. He was drawn by the tree on the island on the right hand bank.

Travelling companions Dave C King and Brian Beacroft were both drawn in the bowl and used method or cage feeder with meat to land 91-13-0 and 86-6-0 of carp respectively. Brian’s best carp went carp a massive 16-10-0.

Top of the Division 2 crew was 9-year-old Callum Hutchins whose weekend spent at the water paid off with 68-8-0 for sixth overall.

Carp were not the only species as Andy Tickner landed a 5-13-0 barbel whilst Don “the bomb” Boutell had a 2-4-0 chub in his 7-10-0 bag.

Dorking dishes out a lesson

The Angling Times SuperCup clash between Dorking AS, Royal British Legion and WADAS saw the hosts dominate at **Milton Lake**, Bury Hill Fisheries on April 7. RBL suffered some dry nets and were firmly last but Dorking won seven sections and the WADAS lads had no answer. **Teams: 1 Dorking AS, 9 pts; 2 Warlingham DAS, 16; 3 Royal British Legion, 26**

Peg Name	Club	Weight	Points
1 S Parkin	Dorking AS	27-2-0	1
2 Jim Archer	Royal British Legion	1-10-0	3
3 Martin Cook	Warlingham DAS	25-5-0	2
4 Dave Roberts	Dorking AS	13-12-0	1
5 K Bremner	Royal British Legion	5-8-0	2
6 Graham Stevens	Warlingham DAS	3-8-0	3
7 G Sharpless	Dorking AS	40-5-0	1
9	Royal British Legion	DNW	4
10 Antony Stevens	Warlingham DAS	4-6-0	2
12 Martin Cooper	Dorking AS	12-5-0	1
13 S Thompson	Royal British Legion	1-9-0	3
14 Paul Oliver	Warlingham DAS	10-2-0	2
15 Mick Sharpless	Dorking AS	6-15-0	1
16	Royal British Legion	DNW	4
17 Mark Merrett	Warlingham DAS	0-13-0	2
18 G Rose	Dorking AS	10-7-0	1
19 B Jones	Royal British Legion	2-15-0	3
20 Craig Winchester	Warlingham DAS	7-12-0	2

22	C Lunt	Dorking AS	9-2-0	2
23	T Lowe	Royal British Legion	1-2-0	3
25	Alex Whiteing	Warlingham DAS	16-7-0	1
27	Ian Farmer	Dorking AS	29-0-0	1
28		Royal British Legion DNW		4
29	Bruce Scott	Warlingham DAS	17-8-0	2

Les signs out in style

The final match of the season on March 17 was at **Gabriels Farm** where 17 members and two guests showed up. Martin Cook, already home and dry with the Weights Trophy was hoping to catch Mark Merrett to the Points Trophy. Alas it was not to be as Martin's 6-10-0 gave him 8 points to Mark's 2-13-0 and 6 points. Les Griggs finished off his season in style with a 41-4-0 victory. Drawn in an unfancied area about two thirds down the far bank of the lake, 12 metre pole with worm and maggot cocktail for 11 carp to 4.5 lb and 41-4-0. At the next peg Bob Stone used feeder tactics for 29-8-0, just behind a guest, "Terry" who had 30+ lb but ahead of Bruce Scott who had 27-6-0.

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Siberia meets Fairlight

To say it was cold at **Fairlight Fishery** on March 10 would be an understatement as 19 hardy souls tried to get the match lake to provide some sport. Many had to settle for small roach or blades but Paul Oliver, drawn in the corner of the car park bank did well with pole and maggot tight to his left hand side to land 21-4-0 of small carp and bits. With over a century of angling experience between them, near neighbours Bruce Scott and Dave

Harper on the spit had a nice battle also on pole and maggot over micro pellets in open water to record 12-0-0 and 11-4-0 respectively of carp and roach. But two lost carp may have cost Bruce the match.

Sandwich dropped for Beaver

With certain anglers objecting to the 150 mile round trip in order to visit Sandwich Lakes, a late switch was made to fish **Maze Lake at Beaver Farm** on March 3. Of the 14 members and a guest who attended, there were three dry nets despite the weather being cold and sunny. Top rod was Paul Oliver with 29-12-0 of carp and bream on pole and worm followed by Barry Stagg on 28-8-0. John Palmer made it a good day for Division 2 anglers with 9-0-0 for third spot.

Freezing Wylands attracts 22 anglers



You can understand why the image left is suffering from camera shake as the temperature was hovering around -1 at **Wylands House Lake** on February 24. Brian Beacroft was on the cafe bank and landed two carp on pole and maggot for 14-6-0 to beat 21 others. On the opposite bank, Dave Harper was after silver fish at six metres with pole and pinkie over micro pellets. His first bite saw a carp peel off to the left before the hook pulled out. Two minutes later a second fish was hooked and after a 25 minute battle on just six elastic and 20 hook saw this 12 lb common carp (pic left) landed. The elastic and the rig finished up in the tree but the fish fortunately was docile and did not jump out of the net! Third place went to Micky Biles whose solitary carp from the road bank carp went 4-4-0.

Furnace ensures all anglers catch

The far bank was the place to be on **Furnace Lake** on February 17 where Paul Oliver fished pole and worm to net 21-12-0 of silvers to beat Bob Stone on 15-13-0 and Graham Stevens third with 8-4-8.

Angling Times SuperCup Squad announced

The ten man squad to take part in the first round of the above competition on the weekend of April 6 and 7 is as follows: Craig Winchester (Capt), Mark Merrett, Steve Allen, Antony Stevens, Martin Cook, Micky Biles, Bob Stone, John Gibbons, Barry Stagg and Paul Oliver.

Beaver Farm brings unexpected results

With the Teise at Frant being almost impossible to access, a switch was made to **Beaver Farm's Maze Lake** on February 10 which produced some reasonable sport in January. None of the top three last time featured on this occasion but Graham Stevens, who hasn't been out this season as much as he would like, scored a great victory with 20-12-0 of silvers. Martin Cook, who was odds on to win in January, managed to provide a respectable second spot with 19-2-0 on a day where the rain stayed all day and was starting to turn to snow at weigh in. Guest Chris Payne was third with 18-12-0 of F1s and silver fish, 4 oz ahead of Terry Merrett. Results then dipped to David Adby who had 7-6-0 of bream and skimmers to give some heart to the absent Craig Winchester.

Canal of two halves

The top three on the Basingstoke Canal at Heathvale Bridge on February 3 were all behind the Swan Pub with Alex Whiteing scoring an impressive win to beat 13 others. He offered pole and worm over chopped worm to land four good perch plus bits for 6-0-0. Close by was Barry Stagg who fished similar tactics for eight perch plus roach on punched bread and 5-6-0, Bob Stone in the shadow of the bridge also using worm for five perch and roach on punched bread for 3-8-0.

Cook's comeback

After the snowstorm of the previous week, it was the big thaw at Monks Lake 4 on January 27 as 15 anglers battled it out with just seven matches left in this marathon season. With the lowest weight being 0-12-8, Martin Cook bounced back after a poor January with an emphatic victory. He fished a method feeder and maggot for 26 small carp and 29-12-0. This beat Micky Biles who made a welcome return after work commitments to land 11 carp on legered dead red maggot for 21-9-0. Third placed Bob Stone included chub in his bag of 15-1-0 on a blustery day.

Shiver Me Timbers at Chequertree

Sub zero temperatures and snow all day was not conducive to good fishing at **Chequertree Farm** on January 20 but at halftime there were only two dry nets in the shape of Paul Oliver and Alex Whiteing out of the seven who started. Dave Harper winkled out a 8 dm perch before leaving with Mark Merrett in the lead with two skimmers on pole and double pinkie followed by Bob Balding and Martin Cook with a skimmer apiece. But in the end it was Paul Oliver who scraped home with 6-8-0 from the causeway bank followed by Steve Allen who fished a whole Dendrobaena for 5-0-0 and Mark Merrett on 4-11-0. Bob Balding was best from the water pump bank

with a solitary 1-0-0 skimmer.

Chilled to the bone at Beaver Farm

With a sharp drop in temperature, only 15 hardy souls ventured out on January 13 to fish Maze Lake at Beaver Farm. Alex Whiteing won his second match of 2013 using pole and maggot over micro pellets to land 18-6-0 of mostly bream to 3 lb. Close by was Peter Crowhurst who contributed a similar 13-4-0 bag whilst third placed Steve Allen had a mixed bag of 10-8-0.



Nobby back in charge Furnace Lake was still extremely coloured for the second visit of the season on January 6 but all 22 were hopeful of better results with 11 anglers on each bank. Top rod was Nobby Whiteing at peg 10 who fished pole and worm over worm and groundbait to land this 12-8-0 net of roach and skimmers (*pictured left*). Steve Allen at peg 2 scratched around in the margin for some roach on maggot before switching to the long pole for a similar 9-8-0 bag whilst Craig Winchester at peg 48 was the best on the wood bank with 8-2-0 on pole and maggot over chopped worm and caster.

Peg to peg battle sees Cookie trump Nobby

In an exciting peg to peg battle on **New Claygate Lakes'** Eva pond, Martin Cook saw off a strong challenge from Nobby Whiteing on December 30 as the two battled it out off adjacent pegs. Martin had about 13 lb of silver fish on pole and bread and added some bonus F1s to put 22-8-0 on the scales, keeping his feed to a minimum. Alec Whiteing opted to fish pole and meat and landed a barbel plus F1s for 22-2-0. Les Griggs kept up his good run with 19-15-0 on pole and maggot.

Calum impresses but Les Griggs mops up at Fairlight

Les Griggs easily beat 20 others at **Fairlight Fishery** on December 23 where he fished 10 metre pole and worm to land 60-2-0 of carp to 4 lb on the small lake. On the other lake Bruce Scott offered pole and corn for 29-8-0 whilst eight-year-old Callum Hutchins robbed Mark Merrett of third spot by landing 23-13-0 to 23-0-0 on adjacent pegs!

Worm is the key for Graham

Graham Stevens did not mess about with redworms or similar at **Furnace Lake** on December 16. Instead a juicy lobworm managed fished under a pole sorted out the better skimmers and he romped home with 13-0-0. Paul Oliver was second with 6-14-0 with Alex Whiteing was third with 4-4-0.

Carp reluctant at Cackle Hill

Silver fish dominated at Cackle Hill Fishery on December 9 where Paul Oliver topped out a close match with 16-14-0 to beat 15 others. He used pole and maggot alternated with waggler and maggot for roach and skimmers as did Mark Merrett who scored a welcome second place with 14-4-0. Nobby Whiteing was third on 15-12-0 on a day where the lowest weight was 0-14-0.

Hat-trick for Cook

Martin Cook made it three wins on the bounce on a hastily arranged match at **Monk Lake 2** on December 2 that attracted 16 members following CALPAC's decision to cancel the Invicta Shield match at Yalding. Fishing a corn kernel over a maggot, this allowed Martin to land eight carp for 28-3-0 to beat Steve Allen on 24-8-0 and joint third placed Craig Winchester and David Adby on 24-4-0.

Cookie does it with rubber!

Martin Cook made it a back-to-back victory to beat 18 others at **Woodpecker's Lake** on November 25 on a day when the forecast was actually worse than the actual weather but there was still rain. Drawn at peg 17, method feeder and rubber maggot to enable the bait to float above the leaf fall saw him land 18-9-0 of carp. this was too good for Paul Oliver who had 15-9-0 and Dave King on 9-10-0.



Close encounter at Summers A good field of 22 anglers flocked to the match lake at **Summers Pond** on November 18 hoping to bag up on the large carp that inhabit the water. But with a sharp frost, the carp were in selected areas, mostly closest to the car park as opposed to the narrows. In the end there was not much in it with Martin Cook (*pictured left*) doing well with method feeder and single red lassooed maggot giving him 72-4-0



Opposite was Dave King who fished feeder and meat to finish six ounces behind on 71-14-0 whilst competition secretary David Adby (*pictured left*) used meat on the hair and maggot on the hook for his welcome third place weight of 51-10-0.

Les does well on the Res

On what is expected to be the last match on Hartleylands Farm Reservoir on November 11, Les Griggs did the business romping home with 83-5-0. Drawn at peg 11, he used an 11 metre pole to fish 4mm expanders over micropellets to land carp to 10 lb. John Gibbons was second with 43-14-0 followed by Dave King on 40-14-0.

Putney Cup comes home again

WADAS once again the CALPAC Putney Cup on the Basingstoke Canal, Ash Lock on November 4. The A team consisting of Paul Oliver, Jasper Stevens, Craig Winchester and Martin Cook beat Epsom AS by a single point on a day when leaves were a serious problem. John Gibbons was the top weight with 4-1-8 of roach and skimmers taken mostly on pole and punched bread, Jasper Stevens at the nbext peg contributing 3-15-4.

Others: Peter Mason (Banstead) 2-14-8; Craig Winchester (WADAS A) 2-11-0; M Merrett (WADAS B) 2-10-8; Joe Flower (Epom A) 2-8-8.

Teams: WADAS A, 19; Epsom A, 18, WADAS C 15; WADAS B and Banstead both 14

Wrong peg controversy

Division One leader Mark Merrett at peg 18 was at the centre of controversy at **Back Arun Fishery** on October 28 with a complaint that his third place weight of 22-4-0 should be disqualified as he fished the wrong peg. However a vote supported Mark's claim he had made a genuine error. This proved too much for long standing member Peter Crowhurst who announced he was resigning from the club after 14 years. But it was a match of two halves with 5-14-0 winning one board but beating only two on the other! Paul Oliver fished the middle and far bank with pole and red maggot to tempt 12 carp and two roach for 27-8-0. Two pegs away, at 21 Antony Stevens landed eight carp and a roach for 27-0-0

- *Following an extremely lengthy discussion by all members present at the November Management Committee Meeting, Mark Merrett confirmed his earlier decision that he wished to withdraw his points and weight. In addition he has agreed to return all his winings. However it was made clear that the Management Committee accepted that Mark had made a genuine error and had inadvertently fished the wrong peg.*

Steve Allen makes his point

Bough Beech Reservoir was an inhospitable place in poor weather on October 21 with only 11 of the 18 anglers bothering the scalesman. Steve Allen on the point used feeder and worm to catch the bulk of his 21-0-0 of roach, perch, bream and hybrids. Barry Stagg was next with 9-0-0 of skimmers and roach, Mark Merrett third on 7-14-0.

WADAS lift Eden Challenge once again



The River Eden between Haxted and Penshurst was running cold and clear for the **Eden Challenge Sheldon** October 14. Haxted was extremely tough and this was amply illustrated by three anglers walking and earning disqualification for their trouble. A fourth was similarly eliminated on another section. Haxted's wanderers allowed Jason Courtney to pick up a section win with just 1 oz 2 dm! Bruce Scott mopped things up for WADAS with a win from Chiddingstone where stick and bronze maggot gave him 13-11-0 of small roach, chublets, dace and bleak. Former Eden champion David Catteremole fishing for Holland AS

was at Mill Farm and opted for waggler and caster/maggot for 9-2-0 whilst WADAS's Graham Stevens completed the frame with 8-6-0. Teams: 1 WADAS, 62 pts; 2 Edenbridge, 54; 3 CALPAC, 39; 4 Holland AS, 38.

Epsom AS take Central Cup on rock hard canal

With just over 2lb winning the practice match Epsom staged the previous week, nobody was under the illusion that the **Basingstoke Canal above Ash Lock** would be a walk in the park. It was a cool in the morning but

otherwise pleasant day on October 7 for the CALPAC Central Cup with the Ash Lock end being hardest. Former member Graham Ralston (Banstead) had plenty of scraps on squatts to put 2-9-0 on the scales with Wars' Martin Cook (WADAS A) second with 1-13-0 from the same section and Bozy Beard (Epsom A) third an ounce behind.

Others: 4 John Oliver, Epsom B, 1-9-0; 5 Steve Aldworth, Epsom A, 1-8-0; jt 6 Barry Stagg, Warlingham C and Bob Smith, Epsom B, both 1-7-0.

Teams: 1 Epsom AS A, 26pts; 2 Warlingham A, 24; 3 Epsom B, 22; 4 Banstead AS, 18; 5 Epsom AS B, 17; Warlingham C, 16; 7 Warlingham B, 14; Warlingham D, 8

Elphicks provides plenty of silvers

On a hard day, **Sandwich Lake at Elphicks Fishery** on September 30 saw 19 anglers fish and land mainly silvers in the form of roach, bream and skimmers. Nobby Whiteing fresh from his holiday took top honours with 59-8-0 that included some bonus carp. Craig Winchester had to be the bridesmaid on this occasion with 29-9-0, Martin Cook third with 22-6-0.

Switch of venue but everyone catches

Once the shock of the car park charges had been taken in, a dozen members took to the **Thames at Laleham** on September 23 knowing that the rains and gale force winds were on the way. Dave Harper withdrew before as he had forgotten part of his trolley and box strap but caught by his car at Shepperton. Those that remained all caught, a solitary perch being the lowest. Craig Winchester proved once again he is a master of the rivers using waggler and maggot or caster for 4-8-0 of roach and dace from above the ferry. Second was John Gibbons above the caravan park using stick float tactics for 4-1-0, MArk Merrett by the ferry using waggler tactics for 2-14-0.

The "Doctor" wins his first trophy

Five-year-old Finley Hutchins is set to collect his first angling trophy in May as he and (to be brutally honest) his dad Jerry won the Dads and Lads Competition at **Ladycross Farm** on September 22. The contest was fished "Americano" style with the competitors sharing pegs with Jerry and "the Doctor" [Finley] using pole and worm to net 11 carp and silvers for 20-8-0. Aron and Jaidan Miles used similar tactics for second spot with 8-15-0 whilst Dave Harper and Callum Hutchins paired up to finish with five carp and bits for third spot and 8-0-0 using pole and meat.

- On the same day, Terri-Louise McNally retained the the Ladies Cup with an impressive 15-0-0 of carp and silvers using waggler and bread tactics.

Lucky 13 find Eden in sparkling form



With nice weather, many thought 2 lb would be sufficient to win on the **River Eden, Chiddingstone** September 16 but how wrong they were! Craig Winchester led an impressive charge with 37-0-0 of chub to 3-10-0, bream to 3-12-0, a tench of 2-8-0. caught mainly on half worm / full worm and caster cocktail or double maggot. *"I also go snapped up twice, had a size 14 hook straightened and pulled out of another good chub. After the day I had on the Medway I didn't think I would have another "River day" like that for a long time let alone catch this sort of weight in the same season out of the Eden!"* Martin Cook who was second included a fine 4-8-0 bream in his 15-12-0 net. Jason Courtney had a 4-2-0 pike in his third place 11-2-0 weight whilst the lowest weight was 3-12-0.

Framfield off colour

With nice weather and only 25 of the 36 pegs being occupied on Framfield's **Brookhouse Lake** on September 9, weights were expected to be good. But in reality it was a struggle for many and even NDP10 on the adjacent Spring Lake could only muster a 145 lb winning weight. The low numbers proved to be the best with Bruce Scott taking the only ton up catch. He was at peg 3 and alternated between pole and pellet or maggot to tempt 104-8-0 but had to contend with surface scum in the latter stages of the contest. Bruce's prediction that Nobby Whiteing would win from peg 9 ("he knows it like the back of his hand, having drawn it four times") proved unfounded as the venue ace finished on 84-10-0 using pole and maggot. A promising 41 lb first half for Mark Merrett at peg 15 turned to mush in the second half as he could only add 18 lb to finish third with 59-14-0, Paul Oliver at peg 10 finishing fourth with 53-10-0.

- *Just three days after WADAS's visit, NDP10's Charlie Chawner set a new Spring Lake open match record with 512-8-0 of carp on paste from peg 52. Our very own Bruce Scott and Nobby Whiteing finished fourth and fifth with a mere 302-11-0 and 299-0-0 respectively!*

Plenty of silvers on Ribbon Lake

This was a good silver fish match on **Ribbon Lake, Sumners Farm** on September 2 that saw Terry Merrett strengthen his promotion drive with a second well earned victory in a row. He landed 31-13-0 of silvers to beat 21 others including Craig Winchester on 24-12-0 and Nobby Whiteing on 22-12-0.

Patchy on Osprey Lake

It was a patchy affair for the Dick Stafford Memorial fished at **Woodpecker's Osprey Lake** on August Bank Holiday which attracted a dozen members. Top rod was Paul Oliver with a mixed bag of 49-4-0 followed by Steve Allen who landed 42-14-0 of mostly skimmer bream and carp on pole and corn with Jasper Stevens third on 41-4-0.

Dam fish is better than damn all

One or two grumbles from the 19 who showed up at Bough Beech Reservoir who were switched from the West Bank to the dam wall were put to bed with a very good result. Pope were a pain for those who tried worm on the hook but enough roach and bream showed up on maggot. Terry Merrett showed the way with 26-10-0, Barry Stagg extending his lead in Division Two with 20-14-0 whilst Mark Merrett was third on 19-8-0.

Humble maggot sorts out men from boys at Orchard Place

On what was probably the hottest day of the year, it was a struggle for most of the 27 members who turned up to Lake 6 on the **Orchard Place Farm** complex on August 19. Top weight was Graham "Shaky" Stevens who used pole and maggot over sloppy groundbait to land 119-14-0 of mostly F1s. Craig Winchester who was drawn on the spit fished similar tactics for 106-6-0. Jerry Hutchins was left cursing his luck after losing fish as he finished on 99-0-0 well clear of Paul Oliver who was fourth with 90-8-0.

- Preston Innovations Delcac match star Robbie Taylor wrote on Facebook in response to a certain person not taking maggots: *"Haha thats unlucky Dave. I hear they've been catching on paste shallow there! Good thing you didn't ask me, I've never taken a maggot there!"*

Heatwave and few fish at Ardingley

The 17 members who turned up to fish at **Ardingley Reservoir** found the going tough in tropical conditions on August 12 with only three having fair catches. Three anglers next to each other led by Micky Biles who did well to land 11-7-0 of perch on pole and worm. He was clear of Bob Stone who had 6-0-0 of perch on waggler and worm, similar tactics giving Paul Oliver 4-8-0 for third spot.

Craig bags up - wait for it - on a river!



Although rivers don't appear to be popular, they can provide top quality sport as proved by Craig Winchester at **Yalding 1** on August 5. Here he takes up the story: "Once again a poor turn out just because we were fishing moving water, 12 turned out. It was a walk off and I went up over the footbridge and fished in the woods opposite the lagoon. A peg I'd heard a lot about but never had a chance to fish (note to self: - never take a trolley to this venue again!) I actually checked on a running map site I use the peg is 0.81 miles from where I parked my car over very unfriendly terrain once you get past the free stretch!

Did my usual of balling in at 12 metres, I put in 10 baby's head laced with hemp, caster and sweetcorn. Fished pole over the top and started with maggot and caught roach and small skimmers from the off. Tried worm after around 30 minutes, nothing, tried again just past the hour landed a bream then lost one on a 16 hook so changed to a 14 landed a bream but then lost a good one, elastic too light. I had a feeling there was quite a few fish in the swim so changed to a ground bait feeder with the idea of keeping some feed going into the swim on the same 12 metre pole line. I then had 10 Bream (Skimmers) from 1lb to 3lb 8oz in the next hour before unfortunately they moved off the feed.

I left it for about 15 – 20 minutes before I topped the swim up with 4 more balls of ground bait. The bream never came back but I caught roach, hi-breds and skimmers steadily for the rest of the day. 2 more balls in the last hour

I fed 3 kilo's of ground bait containing 1 pint of caster, 1 pint of hemp and a tin of sweetcorn over the 6 hours."

Craig's 31-14-0 put him well clear of Paul Oliver on 10-9-0 and John Palmer on 9-14-0.



Adby Wins at Woodpecker David Adby has struggled to make an impression on Sunday matches but made no mistake on the Veteran's Myatch on August 3 at **Woodpecker Fishey**. A late burst of carp caught in the margins on pole and meat gave him 29-13-0 of mostly carp. John Palmer was second with 17-5-0 an ounce ahead of Don Boutell who lost some good carp on the feeder. Dave Harper was fourth with a level 17-0-0 of tench and skimmer bream on corn or pellet.

Monk Lakes makes monkeys of many

Monk Lake 1 on July 29 saw our 21 lads take on Godalming AS on what turned out to be another dreadful day weather-wise. The expected fliers on the left hand end of the lake simply failed to produce but that did not bother Nigel Jones who clinched victory with 59-10-0. But Brian Beacroft was also among the fish and was second with 59-2-0, the ever reliable Paul Oliver third with 43-8-0. Although no official record was noted, WADAS clinched the top three spots and our top 13 almost certainly beat their 13 for a change.

Les grills the field at Fairlight

Summer sunshine and plenty of fish, what could be better? Les Griggs did the business at Fairlight Fishery on July 22 using short pole and various baits to land 64-9-0 of carp to 4 lb, golden rudd, roach and a stray skimmer. At the opposite end of the lake, Peter Crowhurst used meat over pellet in the margins and had to use strongarm tactics to prevent carp diving into the rueshed. He ended with 42-10-0, Steve Allen using method feeder for 36-10-0 and third spot.

Flying fish galore at Lake John

For once the weather was sunny and warm for the 19 anglers that trooped to **Lake John** on July 15. The bream-packed Top Lake was in good form with corn on the deck at around five metres the preferred method with plenty of micro pellets and corn as feed (i.e. 8 large tins!). This worked well for John Gibbons on permanent peg 13 who had a 74-8-0 haul of mostly bream. Dave Harper at peg 9 started 20 minutes late but had an eventful match, helping Lawrie Way with a pole set up and a break for a bacon sarnie. His sandwich was soon followed by playing a 14-8-0 carp for around an hour on red hollo elastic, 5 lb main, 4 lb bottom and 16 hook. But the rest of the time, the bream queued up nicely, the soft red taming most of the flying fish! He finished up with 83-0-0 and looked assured of victory until the last peg opposite where Nigel Jones was located. Nigel was troubled by finicky bites and so owner Colin suggested changing to meat up in the water, a technique that was productive two or three seasons back. Nigel ended up with a superb 116-0-0 of bream to clinch victory on a day when most people had over 30 lb of fish and only a handful of carp being landed.

Dam wallmore productive at Bough Beech

After struggling on the **Bough Beech's** West Bank, the decision was taken to give the dam wall a go on July 8. This proved a good move with all 17 members catching fish led by Craig Winchester with 14-14-0 of roach and skimmer bream. Paul Oliver contributed 9-15-0 with Graham Stevens third with 9-7-0. Steve Allen trousered £60 for winning the Mystery Weight.

No room at Lake John in 2013

David Aaby was caught out when trying to book Lake John's Top Lake in 2013 as other clubs have flocked to fill the places. He is now trying for 2014 but that might be too soon for one or two Sussex based anglers!

Nick's provides good catches

Nick's Lake at **Hartleylands Farm** on July 1 reminded us that we have experienced the wettest June ever and some heavy showers in between the sunshine had the fish up and down in the water like a fiddler's elbow! But there were some terrific bags headed by Mark Merrett on the right hand bank who fished feeder, pellet waggler and pole with various baits to net 148-6-0 of mostly carp. Steve Allen was second once more on his favourite water with 144-15-0, Graham Stevens coming third with 129-9-0.

Poor show at Pulborough

Only 10 anglers bothered to turn up to Swan Meadow on the **River Arun at Pulborough** on June 24. Jasper Stevens topped out with a mixed bag of 6-8-0 consisting mostly of roach, a chub and skimmer whilst Steve Allen's 5-14-0 net included three eels. Jasper's brother Graham completed the frame with 4-1-0.

Steve scores at Woodpecker

Steve Allen's family problems were put to one side at **Woodpecker Lake** on June 17 as he rose to beat 24 others with 32-10-0 of mostly carp on method feeder and maggot tactics. John Gibbons was second with 22-10-0 just ahead of Tom Barnard who included a 15-8-0 carp in his 22-0-0 bag on a day when the rain held off.

Bobby Dazzler at Tylers Common

A good turn out of 21 turned up to Horseshoe Lake at **Tylers Common Fishery** on June 10 causing Competition Secretary David Adby to read the Riot Act with respect to anglers booking in. Fortunately another club was short and so an extra peg was available. Bob Stone was at peg 49 and caught plenty by the Willow Tree to put 89-6-0 of carp to 14 lb on the scales. Martin Cook was the early leader on the point, peg 46 catching on method feeder tactics but at least one good fish was lost and he was second with 72-4-0. Eddie Derrick completed the frame with 68-4-0 from peg 47, the weather just holding off as it had done at Monk Lake the previous week.

London gets soaked but WADAS stay dry at Monk Lakes

On the day of the Queen's Jubilee River Pageant, apart from a bit of mizzle at the start and a bit of drizzle halfway through, the weather was kind on June 3 at **Monk Lake 4**. It was Craig Winchester's chance to shine with a mixed bag of 111-2-0 well clear of Martin Cook on 96-2-0 and Les Griggs on 86-6-0.

Excess turnout at Frant curbed by SuperCup practice

Worries that there would be too many people at **Frant Fishery's Horseshoe Lake** were alleviated by many opting to practice in an open at Passies Ponds on May 27. Some good carp were lost but Terry Merrett managed to bag a 12 lb specimen in his 36-3-0 bag. But Mickey Biles continued his good start with a winning bag of 68-12-0, well clear of Paul Oliver on 40-7-0 and Brian Beacroft's 36-12-0.

First silvers match attracts good field

Just to ring the changes, WADAS visited **Ribbon Lake at Summers Pond Fishery** on May 20 to sample silver sport. With 25 anglers lining the banks, weights were a bit down but Keith Bibby romped home with 32-10-0, well ahead of Alex Whiteing on 19-0-0 and his travelling companion Bruce Scott on 16-2-0.

Pear Tree gives 2nd Division Anglers a tonic

With many engaged in the AT Clubman event (story below), some of the 2nd Division Anglers had a chance to shine on **Pear Tree Lake, Hartleylands Farm** on May 13. Best was John Gibbons with 77-1-0 of carp with returning member Gerry Hutchins coming second with 60-8-0. Third was Kevin Hyam on 58-2-0 with another returning member John Palmer netting 50-14-0 for joint fourth. Best in Division One was Martin Cook who also had 50-14-0 in a match where 21 attended.

- With the Farm Reservoir no longer staging matches from next year, WADAS have booked three matches for 2013 at Nicks Lake in August, September and October.

WADAS into semi-final of AT SuperCup!



Feltham Piscatorials Red put up a terrific fight in the Angling Times/VDE Clubman SuperCup match at Brookhouse Lake but lost by five sections to three. There was an early scare at the weigh in as Mark Merrett and Steve Allen were trounced but after that only Graham Stevens (in action left) couldn't beat his neighbour. Top rod was Peter Styles at peg 20 who had 101-4-0 on pole tactics. Framfield regular Alex "Nobby" Whiteing was second from peg 36 with 83-8-0 on pole and meat with Jasper Stevens third on peg 26 with 66-4-0. WADAS now go to the Southern Semi-Final to be fished at Passies. *Jasper Stevens showed sportmanship when neighbour Mick Farrington lost his landing net head in the water. He lent his own net and Mick landed a double only for the net to snap off the handle! Fortunately, fish, net and handle finished up in the correct place!*

Peg Name	Weight	Comments	Peg Name	Weight	Comments
16 Mark Merrett	25-6-0		17 Malcolm Fowler	51-7-0	
18 Steve Allen	24-8-0		20 Peter Styles	101-4-0	1st Overall
22 Paul Oliver	65-4-0	4th Overall	24 Malcolm Bridges	20-0-0	
26 Antony Stevens	66-4-0	3rd Overall	27 Mick Farrington	28-8-0	
28 Bruce Scott	61-8-0		29 John Farrington	44-8-0	
30 Graham Stevens	46-12-0		31 Mark Reed	63-6-0	
33 Craig Winchester	61-4-0		34 Stuart Ballard	15-0-0	
36 Alex Whiteing	83-8-0	2nd Overall	1 Brian Wallin	43-12-0	

434-6-0

367-13-0



Brass monkey weather at Framfield For early May, the weather was particularly cold and wet with the temperature reaching at best five degrees. The usual suspects, Bruce Scott and Alex Whiteing certainly didn't have it their own way, though both broke the ton in this split six hour contest. Instead Terry Merrett at peg 40 did well with paste over pellets to clinch 120-4-0. On the opposite bank, Martin Cook at noted peg 63 started with feeder and pellet in the morning, reverting to the pole in the second session for

115-3-0. On a day when several good perch were landed on sweetcorn, Micky Biles at peg 60 completed the frame with 112-6-0 on pole and jelly pellets. Catch of the day was eight-year-old **Callum Hutchins** (pictured above) who just missed out on a ton by 2 lb and left many seasoned seniors red-faced on his debut with WADAS.

Close Season not stopping WADAS anglers

WADAS members have taken to the Open Circuit with Graham tevens and Mark Merrett getting places at Back Arun. Mark also featured at Sumners with Ken Barnard coming second. At Framfield, Nobby Whiteing and Jasper Stevens were fifth and sixth respectively. Steve Allen took second spot in the A & I match at Orchard Place Farm

Second Round AT SuperCup Draw

WADAS play hosts to Feltham Piscatorials Red for our second round match revealed in *Angling Times* on March 27 for the match to take place on May 13, a clash with Hartleylands Farm.

Tom bids farewell to the juniors with a fab win

Tom Barnard scored an impressive victory over 16 others at **Oxcope Farm** on March 18 in the last match of the season to lift the Les Ball Cup. On a tough day, only three broke into double figures, Tom landing 19-12-0 of quality perch followed by Brian Beacroft on 15-9-0 of carp on feeder and dead white maggot and Graham Stevens on 11-12-0.

WADAS romp home in Angling Times VDE SuperCup match

Peg	Worcester Park Social Club	Wt	Pts	Peg	Croydon Postal	Wt	Pts	Peg	Warlingham DAS	Wt	Pts
1	J Archer	34-0-0	3	2	Andy Russ	74-0-0	1	3	Paul Oliver	44-8-0	2
5	K Bremner	43-14-0	3	6	Vince Sicklemore	64-4-0	2	7	Mark Merrett	84-12-0	1
9	M Hewin	16-8-0	3	10	Dave Martin	42-8-0	2	11	Antony Stevens	66-14-0	1
13	M Gibson	46-8-0	2	14	John Vincent	39-8-0	3	15	Craig Winchester	56-12-0	1

16	B Jarvis	15-0-0	3	17	Neil Beard	46-0-0	2	18	Graham Stevens	46-4-0	1
48	S Spence	22-0-0	2	49	Andy Hodd	40-12-0	1	50	Steve Allen	8-12-0	3
51	T Lowe	17-10-0	2	52	S Rouse	13-10-0	3	53	Alex Whiteing	60-2-0	1
55	S Thompson	4-4-0	3	56	Clive Mills	23-8-0	2	57	Bruce Scott	31-12-0	1
		199-12-0	21			344-2-0	16			399-12-0	11

In a one sided affair against hosts Croydon Postal and Worcester Park Social Club, WADAS cruised through to the next round of the Angling Times VDE SuperCup on March 11. Orchard Place Farm Lake 6, a switch of venue from Elphicks, suited WADAS who won six sections and had a second and a third. Mark Merrett won the match overall with 84-12-0. The side now progress to the next round in May to vye for a semi-final spot.

- Meanwhile over at Fairlight Fishery, 12 members and three guests witnessed Steve Longhurst lift the Les Ball Cup landing 31-8-0 of carp and silvers. Martin Cook was a pound behind on 30-8-0 with guest Kyran Payne third on 25-7-0.

Mark has last laugh at Cackle Hill

Rain lashed down at **Cackle Hill** on March 4 and saw Peter Rock's 2-12-0 perch displace Mickey Biles' fish caught way back in May. Mark Merrett opted for a banjo feeder and bread to land eight carp to 8 lb plus two skimmer bream and two roach for 32-14-0 for a clear victory. Alex Whiteing and Les Griggs both opted to fish close in with the pole to fishing on 19-8-0 and 19-5-0 respectively.

Bruce's tinca seals victory

Bruce Scott's return to the fray after domestic problems saw him take top honours in the match fished on the **River Eden, Chiddingstone** on February 26. He beat 17 other members and two guests with a solitary 4 lb tench plus bits for 4-2-0. This put him clear of Graham Stevens who had roach and a chublet for 2-14-0 and a welcome back to Steve Longhurst who had 2-11-0 of silvers.

Furnace Lakes better

After two weeks of adverse weather, 20 members and two guests went to Furnace lakes on February 19 to see if things had improved since the January match. Fortunately things had improved and all caught. best was guest Kevin Dowell who carefully fed his swim with pole and maggots in groundbait to land 14-8-0 of skimmer bream. Alex Whiteing was thwarted from another win as he was a on 11-1-0 whilst Mark Merrett's late burst saw him clinch third with 9-0-0.

- Junior Kieran Bibb bravely fished with an arm injury suffered during a rugby game. A subsequent X-Ray revealed that he had fractured his ulna in two places!

It's Snow Go at Beaver Farm

Despite a late change from the **Basingstoke Canal to Beaver Farm, Lingfield**, the match due to take place on February 5 was called off the day before and the snowfall on Saturday night vindicated the decision.

Bibby makes impression

Despite the temperature plunge, 21 brave souls visited **Monk Lake 4** on January 29 but only one failed to catch. New member Keith Bibby impressed with his third place weight of 34-7-0 of small carp on the feeder. But it was Mark Merrett who impressed the most with 40-8-0 with a banjo feeder and maggot with travelling companion Steve Allen snapping at his heels with 39-5-0 on the method. Club Champion elect Alex Whiteing had a bad day for once coming 12th with 8-8-0.

Brian makes a Bea-line for the carp



Brian Beacroft proved to be the popular winner of the match held on **Chequertree Fishery** on January 22. Though the fishery did not provide the weights some were predicting, it was a very interesting day with a blustery wind keeping some pole anglers at bay. Drawn at peg 27, Brian used method feeder and triple red maggot to the island to land five carp to a massive 18-2-0 (*pic left*) and put a 55-4-0 total on the scales. Amazingly, Brian was fishing a 3 lb trace! Fishing with his back to Brian on the same spit, Alex Whiteing toiled most of the day with a 14.5 metre pole and meat over pellets. But he was left kicking himself after swapping to legered meat over his feed line to net three carp in the final hour to boost his score to 31-4-0, MickyBiles was third with 25-0-0. Birthday boy Tony Gaughan won the £130 mystery weight prize for his seventh placed 18-13-0.

All dry at Laleham

With sixteen members and guest Simon Pavey, nobody was under any illusion that a clear **River Thames at Laleham** on January 15 would be easy, especially after two harsh frosts. Three anglers boasted they had sucked maggots but that was it! Roll on **Chequertree Fishery** on January 22!

Furnace gives WADAS a cool reception

With 23 anglers flocking to Furnace Lakes near Slinfold on January 8, the mild conditions betrayed what turned out to be a grueller. Alex Whiteing netted his third victory on the venue using pole and pellet or maggot to land 6-0-0 of skimmers. Paul Oliver was second with 5-2-8 whilst Bob "Fluff" Balding topped the far end end with 4-13-0. On the opposite bank former Dorking captain Andy Love was third in his match with 8-0-0 of mostly roach but a 1 lb bonus perch.

Lake Eva provides Christmas Fayre

A good field of 25 anglers turned up to fish **Lake Eva** on December 18, part of New Claygate Lakes. David Adby invested in some excellent prizes in lieu of the usual Christmas meal but before that the fishing was pretty good. And the owners' claim of having a largely mud-free venue proved to be largely true. The far end of the lake seemed devoid of fish and that is where the two of the three blanks were. Top rod was Martin Cook who used pole tactics to land a 26-5-0 mixed bag, thwarting Tom Barnard by just three ounces! Mark Merrett at peg 24 used waggler and red maggot tight to the island to tempt 23-9-0 of carp for third spot. Overall, the venue was a good choice on a day when the temperature scarcely rose above freezing.

Patchy sports on Summers Pond

Poor light conditions along with rain and then a gusty wind hampered anglers at **Summers Match Lake** on December 11 but the weights were fair with Eddie Derrick at peg 1 running home with 47-2-0 of carp and silver fish using a pellet cone from the far bank. Ont he near bank, Mark Merrett at peg 12 caught early using legered cat meat before switching to the pole at six metres for another carp plus two chub and 42-0-0. On the top end of the far bank, Paul Oliver caught silvers plus carp to 15 lb on maggot to take third spot with 36-8-0. Steve Allen used a method feeder to land good carp for 34-6-0. And it was welcome back to Kieran Bibb since his ducking at Framfield. he used a method feeder for two carp and 11-0-0, just 8 oz behind near neighbour Jasper Stevens! Specimen fish included a 5-8-0 barbel for David Adby and a 2-4-0 chub for Andy Tickner.

Invicta Shield Victory once more

Though Peter Mason of Queen Victoria took top honours with 5-10-0 on the **River Medway at Yalding** on December 4, it was WADAS that lifted the CALPAC Invicta Shield. The next three weights were ours headed by Graham Stevens with a mixed bag of 5-5-0. Mr Consistent, aka Paul Oliver was second with 3-3-0 whilst young Tom Barnard underlined his all rounder credentials with 2-8-0. Credit to all the members who switched from the proposed River Mole at Cobham to the Medway without demur. **Teams:** 1 Warlingham, 19 pts; 2 Banstead AS, 33; 3 Southwark and Camberwell, 40

Poor show at Woodpeckers

On Sunday 27th November just fourteen of our members turned out to fish at **Woodpeckers Fishery** on Osprey Lake. Nevertheless, those who made the effort enjoyed a nice days fishing catching a variety of species on a pleasant day once the early morning light rain had passed over.

David Adby drew permanent peg 19 and found that he was all alone along one side of the lake. Mark Merrett informed him before the start that it had been arranged to keep him out of everyone's hair! But his 24-1-0 was sufficient to give him third place. Brian Beacroft looked as though his 25-0-0 might win him the day but Alec Whiteing rained on his parade with a 28-5-0 victory. The lowest weight was 4-2-0.

Frost hits Hartleylands Farm weights

Well it was all rather mild until WADAS visited the **Reservoir at Hartleylands Farm** on November 20 but the frost certainly affected sport. The 24 members who turned out witnessed Micky Biles take top honours with 41-4-0 of carp and silvers followed by Tom Barnard with 34-14-0. Leading points and weights scorer Nobby Whiteing had to settle for third spot with 32-8-0 with Tony Biddle fourth on 30-8-0.

Adby's the Daddy

Well for one match anyway! Former secretary Ray Smee was guest to bump the number to 21 for the visit to **Old Bury Hill Lake** on November 13 that saw Competition Secretary David Adby snare six bream and two skimmers on feeder and red maggot for 20-1-0. Paul Oliver included a small Zander in his bag of 12-12-0, Tom Barnard's four bream going 11-5-0.

Epsom win Putney Cup

After enjoying a few years of success in the CALPAC Putney Cup, WADAS had to give up their crown to Epsom AS. The match was fished on the **Basingstoke Canal at West Byfleet** on November 6. But with three section wins and a second, the result was never in doubt for Epsom AS. WADAS A were second with 11 points and were led by Craig Winchester who had 3-9-0, Nobby Whiteing was second with 1-13-0 whilst canal specialist Hugh Blake was third with 1-12-0.

Orchard Place provides several ton-up bags

Our first visit to Orchard Place Farm on October 30 provided memorable bags for many including six 100 lb plus bags of F1 hybrids. Pick of the bunch was inevitably Alex Whiteing who put 135-3-0 on the scales. But Craig Winchester, who seems to be warming to smaller carp at least, wasn't far behind with 128-10-0, Graham Stevens completing the frame with 125-13-0. The lowest weight was 21-2-0 and fishing doesn't get much easier than that at the end of October!

Bream and skimmers at Bough Beech

Unlike the previous week, more subtle tactics had to be employed at **Bough Beech Reservoir** on October 23 and saw Paul Oliver take top honours with 18-2-0 of roach and skimmers on worm and caster or maggot. Craig Winchester was close behind with 16-10-0.

Alex leads the Monk Charge

There were some good bags on **Monk Lake 4** on October 16 with Alex Whiteing taking top honours with 61-8-0 of mainly carp on pole and pellet but Paul Oliver was just behind with a mixed bag of 57-10-0 using pole and

feeder tactics.

Eden Challenge bid falls flat

After the "hollow" Central Cup win, it was a much more serious business on the **River Eden between Haxted and Penshurst** on October 9. After a good record in the past few years, the team flopped to last on the day with 44 points. Edenbridge lifted the trophy with 66 followed by a good result for CALPAC on 53 and Holland AS on 51. But it was a great individual result for Steve Longhurst who lifted the individual title from Mill Farm with 15-7-0

Poor turn out for CALPAC Central Cup

Only two Banstead anglers turned up to challenge three WADAS teams at the **Grand Union Canal at West Drayton** on October 2. But to be fair, one can sympathise with the stayaways as sport was dire with Craig Winchester scratching out top weight of just 0-12-0. But this was double his closest rival, Graham Stevens who had 0-6-0 and Alex Whiteing on 0-5-0. WADAS B just nicked the team win so well done to Graham Stevens, Mark Merrett, Steve Allen and Tony Gaughan. The poor turn out resulted in competition secretary David Adby banging out a letter to CALPAC officials.

Sunny conditions make fish scarce

The four pairs who fished the Dads and Lads Match at **Old Lodge Farm** on October 1 were basking in near tropical conditions. The unseasonal weather seemed to make the fish scarce but Neil Elliott landed a solitary carp of 1-0-0 to secure victory and retain the trophy along with son Joe. Meanwhile Terri-Louise McNally used waggler tactics on the opposite shaded bank to land four small carp for 3-8-0. But the remaining nine anglers all dry-netted.

Frant's River is no Teise

It was an adventurous 20 who showed up to fish the **River Teise on the Frant Lake complex** on September 25 but their faith proved to be fully justified with plenty of double figure bags. Top rod was Martin Cook who offered pole and chopped worm to land seven bream plus bits for 20-0-0. Bruce Scott also used worm with chopped casters and landed three small carp, perch to 1.5 lb plus roach for 18-9-0 and hailed the venue as being "far better than the Eden" and felt it could be a cracking winter venue.

Chiddingstone provides the goods

Once again there was a good return from the **River Eden at Broad A** on September 18 where 21 members all caught fish. They were led by Dave Cattermole who had a mixed bag of 15-4-0 to beat Craig Winchester on 12-10-0 and Paul Oliver on 8-9-0. A polite request to fish the Thames for next year's fixture at the same time was refused and on this result perhaps justified.

Ribbon Lake provides a tight contest

Whilst the Match Lake at Sumners Ponds was providing ridiculous weights in excess of 550 lb, things were a little calmer on the silver fish venue as 20 members fished the **Ribbon Lake on September 11**. Steve Allen used

pole and chopped worm to top out with 14-6-0 of silvers. This thwarted Alex Whiteing who had 11-14-0 closely followed by Brian Beacroft on 11-12-0 and Graham Stevens an ounce behind him.

Alex bounces back

After being the bridesmaid at Framfield the previous week, Alex Whiteing emerged as top rod at **Elphick's Sandwich Lake** on September 4. His 55-4-0 of carp and silvers on pole and meat closed the weight gap between him and Bruce Scott, the latter losing a double-figure carp running out of time at the end of the contest. Graham Stevens was second with 41-1-0 on feeder and pole tactics with in-form Tony Biddle third on 30-1-0.

Kieran has an early bath at Framfield



Thirteen-year-old Kieran Bibb had an eventful trip to Framfield's Spring Lake on August 28. Within half an hour of the start, peg 52 suddenly collapsed pitching the hapless youngster into the lake with all of his tackle! Dave Harper assisted his rescue with most of his tackle recovery but was later thrashed by Kieran who had 66-4-0, a personal best. But there was no stopping Bruce Scott hammering out 292-14-0 for victory over Alex Whiteing's 222-8-0.

Disappointment at Willow Park

Middle Lake at Willow Park attracted 21 members on August 21 but weights were on the low side, Bob Stone taking top honours with 26-12-0 of carp and bream. Craig Winchester was second with 24-2-0 with Brian Beacroft also framing with 16-10-0 with pellet, paste corn and maggots the best baits. However, with open matches on the water usually restricted to 18, this venue may be just too small and so perhaps a split between Small and Middle might be justified as numbers increase?

Broadwater Lake blues

On August 14, with the promise of yet another fine summer's day ahead of us 15 of us took several diverse routes to avoid the practice bike road race for next year's Olympics to get to our meeting place in Godalming. Dave Cattermole was the last to arrive having been half way around the world before he eventually got to the venue. We were all made extremely welcome once again by Roger Howe and the remainder of the Godalming angling club who were there and having sustained ourselves with a hearty breakfast went up to the draw bag full of anticipation. It was such a pity that despite our enthusiasm, the majority of us struggled to have any fun throughout the day with the great big carp that reside in Broadwater Lake.

The one person in our club who did manage to make contact with the carp in numbers was Dave Cattermole, who managed to weigh in 45lb with his best fish weighing more than 20lb. Steve Allen was second with just

over 29lb and stranger to the frame Brian Beacroft, weighed in 17lb to fill third place. Brian's travelling companion Dave King said that he felt "That may have been Brian's best ever catch weight in a match"!! As for the rest of us, I think our results are best forgotten. Such a shame really, as the WADAS voodoo continues to dog our footsteps. Roger Howe, like Ray Smee the previous week was full of apology and suggested that if we wanted to go back again next year perhaps we would like to go to Marsh Farm instead?

Mole below par

What a shame it was that only twelve of our group managed to turn out for the friendly match with Dorking A.C. on their gorgeous stretches of the **River Mole** on August 7. It was also a pity that the river was out of sorts for this trip. Ray Smee, Dorking's match organiser was truly sorry that the river didn't fish better than it did on the day and hoped that we weren't put off by our results. It goes without saying that Dorking beat us hands down as they managed to fill at least four of the first six weights. Our best angler on the day was young Tom Barnard. He managed to weigh in over 7lb of fish, nearly three pounds better than our next man, who was Graham Stevens. Graham had just one fish, a lovely bream of 4lb 1oz and then Tom's dad Ken finished third in our club results with almost 3½lb. Well done to all three, especially Tom, who showed the rest of us a clean pair of heels.

Tylers turns up Trumps!

After the brilliant weights at Nick's Lake the previous week, **Horseshoe Lake at Tylers Common** on July 10 certainly had to provide a good show and in many ways it did with the top four all having over 70 lb. Almost without exception, good fish were lost and many were landed. Pick of the bunch was Antony Stevens who opted for pole and cat meat to land 85-4-0 of mostly carp to beat 20 others. Tony Biddle was second with 81-11-0 followed by Paul Oliver on 78-0-0 and Craig Winchester on 77-0-0. Fishery managers Arthur and Janet Birch provided us with a warm welcome and Medway Trotters provided the pre-match entertainment causing a four car shunt at the fishery entrance!

Match of the Season at Nick's Lake

With a corporate match being held on the Thursday, a knock up with visiting West Midlands stars on Friday and the Nick Puncher Memorial on Saturday, it was a degree of trepidation that 26 members turned up wondering how hard **Nick's Lake, Hartleylands Farm** would be. In the end, with one or two exceptions, the fishing was excellent and 100 lb needed to frame. Kieran Bibb made his match debut and despite being pegged between Bruce Scott and Graham Stevens acquitted himself well with 34-0-0 - whilst mentor Dave Harper was stone last with 9 lb! Top rod was Mark Merrett who used floating bread with pole or waggler to land 128-7-0 of carp from peg 9. Three away was Craig Winchester who opted for a method feeder for 115-12-0 whilst Hugh Blake managed to beat off Martin Cook by a pound. Hugh fished pole and paste over pellets for 106-0-0 whilst Martin opted for method and marshmallow for 105-0-0. With other good weights, it is difficult to imagine a better contest unless Spring Lake at Framfield comes up trumps.

Mikey's good deed at Ardingley

On June 26, WADAS visited Ardingly Reservoir, a very popular Activity Centre. It was a really hot sunnysummer's day for a change and after the morning mist had cleared away it was a joy to see the youngsters out in their dinghies and canoes and

learning how to windsurf and sail. Later on it was evident that families had brought picnics and their dogs out for the day and all were out to make the most of the fine weather. It was just a shame that the fishing couldn't have been a bit better. However, despite all that was going on it was a pleasure to see one of our most popular members Mickey Biles, win this match. After so many weeks of bringing his old pal Bob Stone out to mid-week and Sunday matches and forever helping Bob fetch his tackle to his peg and back to the car park someone was obviously looking down on Mick and felt that it was time he got some kind of recognition for his good deeds. Mick weighed in just over 22lb. Bruce Scott was second with just under 21lb, after being plagued by pike whilst Dave King finished in third slot with almost 12½lb. After that the majority of us were down into single figures.

Fair Weights at Furnace



On June 5, Bruce Scott was at **Milton Lake, Bury Hill Fishery** where he again dished out another lesson from an unfancied swim.

Drawn at peg 28, he hammered out this 55-10-0 of crucian carp, bream, roach, rudd and tench using pole and 4mm expander pellet to beat 20 others. Bruce revealed afterwards that he had to fish with just 2 lb hooklengths to get bites. Fellow Shirley angler, Alex Whiteing fished similarly at peg 22 for 34-0-0.

On June 13 Wars went to Frant Lakes where they were on Skirmish Lake where it rained most of the day and poor old Bruce was drawn in a no hope swim due to the numbers. Paul Oliver fished a method feeder to the island to take top honours with 31-4-0 followed by Alex Whiteing on 28-2-0 and Jasper Stevens on 25-8-0.

The following Sunday, June 20, the River Arun at Pulborough was the venue. Overnight rain made the river colour up and those that walked furthest generally did the best. Top bag was Craig Winchester who made the best of his number one away (the match was an old style rover) and he landed 8-14-0 on pole and caster. David Adby managed a 4-10-0 bream, an eel of a pound plus two smaller samples on feeder and double red maggot for 8-8-0 but Steve Allen had a 4-12-0 bream and a 1-4-0 eel in his net of 8-5-0

Mark doesn't mind missing the flier!

With two pegs left in the bag and one of those being peg 1, Mark Merrett was not pleased to pluck peg 67 when WADAS visited **Passies Pond, Lancing** on May 30. But one carp on legered corn plus others on pole and pellet gave him 43-14-0. Brother Terry Merrett wasn't far behind with 38-0-0 taken on hair-rigged legered baits with Hugh Blake third on 36-2-0 who survived the windy conditions!

The nearly Kings of the Castle - thwarted by Bruce Scott



Dave King was one of the few to have a bag up session on a below par Summer's Pond on May 22. In fact with one exception, the right hand bank was the place to be and then the early pegs. Dave King (pictured left) was in with a shout after doing well with cage feeder and corn to finish with 83-14-8.

But his brother Stephen on a rare outing beat him with 84-10-8 from the left hand bank. But the king of them all was Bruce Scott who had to use seven tins of corn and six pints of pellets to keep the small fish at bay. He landed 89-1-8 for victory. Fourth on the day was Steve Allen with 61-9-0.

The fixture attracted 30 members and two guests - now the carp to be targetted next are at Passies Ponds where meat seems to be doing well.

Wood you believe it - three dry nets at the Pecker!

It was incredibly tough going for some at Woodpecker Lake, Old Hollow on May 15 with three dry nets recorded. But it was Alex Whiteing's day as he led the field with a mixed catch of 30-0-0. Paul Oliver used a method feeder to the island but had to keep chopping and changing with long and short pole in the margins with maggots for 27-12-0 of tench, skimmers and carp. Bruce Scott was third with 22-14-0 with Craig Winchester six ounces behind. Fish of the day fell to Les Griggs who included a 16-14-0 carp in his fifth place catch of 21-12-0.

Things don't go pear-shaped for Alex

Warlingham's second outing of the season was to Peartree Lake at Hartleylands Farm near Cranbrook where Alex Whiteing ran home the easy winner. Using pole and pellet, he landed 62-12-0 of carp to 4 lb to secure victory. Second place went to Bromley's David Hyam, a new member, with 52-8-0 whilst Peter Rock surprised many with 52-2-0 for third spot though he only lives down the road from the fishery so should know how to fish it.

Huge turnout at Brookhouse

A huge turnout of 29 members and a guest flocked to Brookhouse Lake at Framfield Park on May 1 for Warlingham DAS's opening match of their new season. Sadly the venue was below par and many struggled - two anglers actually blanking in the first half. Shirley's Bruce Scott at peg 3 did really well, picking off odd fish tight to the island in the first half to finish with 108-8-0, the bulk of his fish coming to pole and pellet over pellet close in during the second half. Alex Whiteing wasn't far behind with 95-0-0 whilst Steve Longhurst used plenty of dead maggots close in to finish third with 82-2-0.

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New Season starts at Framfield

Brookhouse Lake is the scene for the first match of the 2011/2012 season with good weights expected. An open match held on Sunday, April 24 saw over 150 lb win and our very own Bruce Scott coming second and Alex "Nobby" Whiteing seventh. However Graham Stevens is the hot tip to do well in Division 1.

David Adby's February Round-up

Well that was a better start to the month than we had in January. The weather since New Year has turned a little milder albeit a lot wetter and windier but at least the fish have since started to come on the feed a bit and that has restored my confidence once again; and now that I've caught a few fish recently I look forward to getting out each Sunday to face the challenge again.

On Sunday 6th February we made a return visit to The Basingstoke Canal at Heathvale Bridge. It is a few years since we have been to this stretch of the canal and I found that it doesn't look as if it has changed much since we were last here.

I was lucky this time to be sitting on fish and had a most enjoyable day. I caught fish from the off. Next to me Jasper Stevens was also catching fairly steadily, although he seemed to have the odd altercation with Mr Esox.

Talking of altercations Fluff Balding got into a verbal exchange with a dog walker before the match, all

because of the dog walker's lack of good manners. It was touch and go for a minute or two as to who was going to throw who in the canal, but fortunately both parties backed off and there was no blood to clear up. But it just goes to show how easily a disagreement can flare up over nothing at all. I thought that I was the one who got into scrapes like this, obviously not.

As far as the match went I was pleased to see that Craig Winchester had found a return to form after a fairly long quiet spell. Craig won the match with a little over 5½lb just pipping Paul Oliver by five ounces. And guess who finished in third place, IT WAS ME with a weight just a couple of ounces under 5lb.

Unfortunately, there were four people with dry nets which is a shame really, having travelled all the way to this venue without getting so much as a single bite. Let's hope that next week at Furnace Lakes will produce fish for all of us.

I'm pleased to say that despite the appalling weather the next outing the following Sunday at Furnace Lakes did produce the goods. This was the second time this winter we have been to this place and although it is one of the more expensive places that we go to, it has proved capable of producing some good weights and virtually all anglers are guaranteed to see their float go under or their tip twitch or swing round to find a reasonable skimmer or roach on the hook.

Nobby Whiteing (he ought to be a fish with a name like that) sitting next to me on peg 43 showed us all how to do it once again. If you recall he won our first match here last November with a lovely net of roach. This time he won the match with a net full of skimmers. He caught right from the off and continued to catch fish despite the rain, the entire match. Nobby weighed in over 33lb. Paul Oliver was the closest to him with more than 22lb and then we had Bruce Scott with 19½lb and just three ounces behind Bruce was Hugh Blake (out for the second week in succession). Then we had six anglers all with double figures between 18lb and 10¾lb, all very good weights for this time of the year on any fishery. You'll be pleased to learn I am sure, that I have already booked this fishery for a couple of visits next season.

I wonder if you have observed from the info' that I send out each month that we have actually had forty different members out fishing with us this current season. That is sixteen from Division 1 and twenty four from Division 2. In order to balance things up and following consultation with a cross section of the Match Group members, I have already put in place proposals for changes next season.

If you look at the Points Trophy sheets you will see that at the end of this current season there will be four people relegated from Division 1 down to Division 2 and eight people promoted from Division 2 up to Division 1. The eight people in line for promotion are mostly new members to the club this season and are pretty good anglers so it should make Division 1 next season very competitive.

By relegating four and promoting eight we should start the season with twenty members in each division, making things a little more balanced. Any new members next season will of course automatically go in to the second division as has been the case in the past.

If the match group continues to grow, then we will have to reconsider two divisions being further divided into three divisions. What a nice thought 'if the match group continues to grow'. Furthermore, I am considering implementing separate 'Pools' prizes for each division just so long as it doesn't get too expensive or complicated. As well as the 'Pools' I am thinking of altering the Points system to 20 points for a win down to 1 instead of 10 down to 1. Hopefully this will give all attendees to the matches an opportunity to gain points just as long as they catch fish. Dry nets will still fail to have points awarded.

I hope that you like the sound of these new proposals as I always wish to make our matches enjoyable for you all. I also hope that you like the look of next season's Fixture List, a copy of which will be sent to you along with your Renewal Form for next season. It was with mixed feelings and a certain amount of trepidation that fourteen of us turned out for a second try for the fish at Laleham on the River Thames on Sunday 20th February. If you recall, a dozen of us went here back in January following the snow and ice melt and we all failed miserably. So I must be honest, we weren't all in favour of making fools of ourselves again. However, a decision was made to peg it and give it a go. And I must admit that for those half dozen members who did manage to latch on to a few fish it seemed to have been worthwhile. I must admit that I have yet to come to terms with this river and so I will go back, even if it means going on my own, to have another try. I will also endeavour to do some research to see if there are any other likely stretches of the Thames that we could fish as an alternative to Laleham for next season.

In the meantime I must congratulate Graham Stevens on two counts. First of all for his catch of nine skimmer bream that he weighed in for a little over 16lb and to runner-up Steve Allen who nearly always manages to latch on to the bream here, who weighed in over 12lb and then Jasper (Graham's Dad) who came third with just over 9lb of skimmers. There were three others who managed to get lucky and eight of us with dry nets.

Secondly, it was only as I was updating the match results the following day at home that I realised that with Graham's success at Laleham yesterday he managed to pull off a remarkable victory in this season's Winter League Series by one point over his 'Dad'. So very well done to the pair of you, well done indeed. There's nothing like keeping it in the family is there?

Next Sunday we are booked in for Bough Beech Reservoir. I wonder what that has got in store for us. What an exciting conclusion to the Points trophy we have to look forward to as we approach the final two matches of the season. At the end of last week's match on the River Thames Mark Merrett had given up all hope of winning the title this season. However, following yesterday's results at Bough Beech reservoir Mark has bounced back and has regained the lead by one point over Jasper Stevens. So with two matches to go it is anybody's race between these two contenders.

Unfortunately, you can forget my each way bet of Paul Oliver getting in the mix. When I wrote last month's review I was unaware that Paul was scheduled to be going away on holiday and would be missing at least one of our final matches. Anyway, yesterday at Bough Beech we had a reasonable turnout of thirteen members all wondering why we had actually bothered to leave our warm beds on such a cold and blustery day. The wind was at least a force 5 or 6 and blowing across the reservoir straight down our throats and it didn't feel at all inviting. None of us had ever seen the water level as high as it was this day and if you wished to venture across to the other side via the dam you would have to walk either on top of the dam wall or along the grass at the back of it.

At 2.30pm I was pleased to blow the whistle to end my own and several other people's misery. Of the thirteen of us who ventured out only five people were lucky enough to catch anything. Steve Allen was the lucky one to win this one with a mixed bag of silvers weighing in at an ounce below four pounds. Steve beat Graham Stevens into second place by just one ounce and Mark Merrett was third with one and half pounds. So well done to you three and also the other two Craig Winchester and Martin Cook who were the others to catch fish on this day to forget. I couldn't even boast a sucked maggot.

In case you haven't heard from the grapevine I shall be taking on the Membership Secretary's roll again for the coming season. Unfortunately, Ray Hambling's wife is not a well lady and Ray feels that he must devote his time in caring for her instead of continuing with his outdoor pursuits. I have agreed to do this for the coming season as I have been involved in the discussions regarding the trial merger/alliance with the Rookery club, and if our club members vote in favour of the trial, the Membership Secretary's role may get a little complicated.

I promise you that you will be sent, either by e-mail or Royal Mail all relevant Renewal forms before the end of this current season. It will be of considerable help to me if you are rejoining WADAS that you return your completed forms and payment to me without unnecessary delay. Thank you.

One final item before I sign off. Mark has reminded me that as we only have two more matches before we get to the end of this current season, you should really make every effort to return any trophies that you may have received last year to him in order that he can get them engraved for this season's winners.

Fair Weights at Furnace

There was a turnout of 22 members on 13 February to **Furnace Lakes**, despite the poor forecast; which proved to be dismally damp. Top rod was Alex Whiteing with 33-2-0 of skimmer bream and roach taken on pole and maggot over pellets. Paul Oliver was second with 22-6-0 with Bruce Scott third on 19-7-0, four ounces ahead of Hugh Blake.

The previous week saw 14 members turn out on the **Basingstoke Canal at Heathvale Bridge** on 6 February. Due to a mix up, we fished the wrong side of the bridge and there were a few dry nets. Dave Harper packed up

early and fished opposite the pub and had a bite a chuck on punched bread. His discarded casters were clearly to the fishes liking as a league match saw impressive weights of bream, roach and perch six days later - yes you guessed it on casters! Craig Winchester took top honours on the day with 5-10-0 of roach and skimmers to beat early leader Paul Oliver who had 5-5-0 whilst David Adby closest to the bridge had 4-14-0 for third spot.

Forthcoming Matches and David Adby's Diary

13th February 2011: - Furnace Lakes, Slinfold, Nr Horsham. We fished this one last November if you recall and had a very good day by comparison with some of the other matches that we've been on recently. When it became known that The Angling Times Supercup Round One matches had to be fished on 6th March I thought that I would see if we could get back to Furnace Lakes on the date that I had previously set aside within our programme for our Round One match. I was lucky and they said that they could accommodate us on 13th February. Once again we will be on the same side of the Big Lake as we were on last time. Directions: - This fishery is located along the A281, the road that runs between Horsham and Guildford. From the Horsham and/or Dorking direction, the fishery can be found on the right side of the road shortly after passing through the two roundabouts intersection with the A29. Look out for a 'sign post' in the grass verge at the bottom of the drive on the A281.

20th February 2011: - River Thames - One or two members of the Match Group have suggested going back to Laleham and giving that another try this year. I don't mind where we go, you'd better let me know where you would like to go, just so long as I can organise it on time and let everybody know the venue.

27th February 2011: - Bough Beech Reservoir. This will be our second visit to a reservoir this season and will surely be a bit different to our previous visit to Ardingly. You all have a Bough Beech Ticket, so make certain that you bring it with you.

Directions:- From junction 6 on the M25 Godstone, take the A25 eastbound towards Westerham. After bypassing Oxted go across Limpsfield High Street traffic lights and turn right on to the B269, the road to Edenbridge. Stay on this road for a couple of miles or so. After going across Limpsfield Chart you will start to descend Crockham Hill. Look out for the Royal Oak Public House on the right. You need to turn left opposite the Public House (Pootings Road, B2027 - Four Elms and Tonbridge). Keep on this road through Pootings to the Four Elms crossroads and then continue straight over on the B2027 to Bough Beech. When you get to Bough Beech cross over the railway track taking care as you navigate the narrow bridge, swing left opposite the Wheatsheaf P.H. and then continue along this road for a mile or so until you crest the top of a hill opposite Sumners Farm. Turn left here and drive about a third of a mile along this road and you will find the entrance to the reservoir on the left. Watch your speed as you drive to the car parking area. We will either fish the dam wall or the Club House bank this time.

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David Adby's diary

On Sunday 16th January we went to Woodpeckers and fished Osprey Lake. Most of you will know that during the previous week, because of the rain our fixture on the River Mole had to be altered. Ray Smee, Dorking A.C's match organiser telephoned me the previous Thursday to inform me that because of all of the rain we had had, the river was over its banks and was unfishable. Also as a result of the recent prolonged sub zero cold spell their club had suffered a fish kill on one of their lakes and they had had to close it for the time being. And as the pre-arranged match had been set up as a three way match, Ray did not think that there would be sufficient pegs for all of us. Ray's question to me was could I find an alternative venue for WADAS to fish instead of the River Mole?

The outcome of that was as you now know, after several telephone calls I managed to get us on to Osprey Lake at Woodpeckers, Worth. Disappointing I know, but at least it was somewhere to fish and for all but one member, we caught fish. I know that it wasn't easy fishing and although the wind blew quite strongly all day it was a day out in the fresh air doing what we all like to do. Of the sixteen of us who attended it was Bob

Balding who showed us how it should be done. Bob weighed-in a mixed bag comprising carp and silvers weighing nearly 16lb. Following him was Ken Barnard with 9½lb and then Mark Merrett with 8½lb. Ken's son Tom was next. He had a couple of carp and silvers with a total weight just under 7lb. Well done to the top four and especially everyone who turned out. Thank you for your continued support.

It's now Monday 17th January and I'm sitting at my desk filling in all of yesterday's results on the Weights and Points charts and updating the monthly Newsletter and I'm in a quandary. It's raining, not snowing, not freezing, but raining, again. The forecast is for it to continue raining on and off until sometime Tuesday, and then they say it should dry up but start to turn colder again as the week progresses. Already I am beginning to think about next Sunday's match and match venue.

From your fixture list you will see that next Sunday we are scheduled to fish the River Eden at Chiddingstone. I was told again yesterday that the Eden, like the Mole is in flood. Now what do I do? Do I wait for two or three days to see if the rain stops and the river looks as if it is fining down for the week-end, or do I bite the bullet now and try to find an alternative venue; because obviously the earlier in the week that I start this process, the more chance I will have of finding somewhere.

There is the option of course, of leaving the final decision until Sunday morning, the day of the match. If the river looks o.k. then we've lost nothing. If it is still in flood and looking a bit 'iffy' then we can always jump back in our motors and trot up the road to Bough Beech Reservoir which is literally five minutes away from Broad 'A' and won't cost us anything to fish as we are all ticket holders. If we have to do this we should hopefully, be able to get on to the Eden next month instead of the reservoir at Bough Beech. The more I think about it the more I like the idea of not making a decision until next Sunday.

The three foregoing paragraphs were sent by e-mail on 17th January to those Match Group Members who get their match news in that fashion. One or two members responded in a reassuring manner giving me their support and were happy to leave the final decision until the Sunday morning. Hopefully the foregoing gives you an insight as to what can take place behind the scenes between matches during the winter months. It is not easy sticking to a pre-arranged programme of events when the weather is against you. It transpired that we did, in the end, fish the river. It was pushing through a bit, but not so much that it was unfishable. But by the heck it was awfully muddy I can tell you. We had fifteen members out for this one, surprisingly. Bruce Scott (suffering withdrawal symptoms) finished with the top weight of just over 7lb comprising four chub. Graham Stevens was second with a little more than 6lb and Martin Cook was third a pound lower with just over 5lb. So well done to all of you, let's hope that conditions won't be so difficult next time we fish here.

For our final match of the month on Sunday 30th January we journeyed south to a fishery that had been recommended to me some while ago. The fishery, unofficially known as Bernie's, 'Oxcopse Farm', near Ashington, West Sussex is a mixed fishery and doesn't take too long to get to and is also reasonably easy to get to for all members.

Unfortunately, the turnout was just under twenty, where I had anticipated possibly 23 or 24. But perhaps those members who may have made the effort new a bit more about the conditions that greeted us when we arrived at the fishery. There had been a rather severe frost for the two nights preceding the match and this had obviously had an effect on the fish and the fishing. Obviously we had to spend some time breaking ice and clearing swims, and just for once, (because until this occasion I had previously been surprised at our catches following ice breaking), the fish did NOT want to cooperate. We had a grueller. Of the nineteen members who attended ten members failed to catch. And of the nine people who managed to catch, apart from two carp and one decent perch, the rest was rubbish.

It obviously wasn't a fair trial for this fishery as I know from talking to Don Bouttell and Dave Harper that this place can fish its nuts off in better weather conditions. So I am determined to try and get us back there again some time next season. However, I'll not end this report without congratulating Paul Oliver for coming out on top in such difficult circumstances with a catch of two carp that weighed in just over 9lb. Second was Graham Stevens who was responsible for catching the only decent perch on the day and Mark Merrett who was third.

The Points Trophy competition is beginning to get very exciting now as Mark Merrett and Jasper Stevens vie for top honours. The top place has been see-sawing between the two of them during the last month and where after one match they both finished with the same number of gross points. At this moment in time Mark is just one point ahead of Jasper. However, I would not discount Paul Oliver, who with six matches to go, and only 24

points behind the leader, could be a good each way bet for the title.

As for the Weights trophy, well that looks as though it is sorted; to my mind, and a lot of others it has been a foregone conclusion for a long time now. I can't see any one knocking Steve Allen off of his unassailable perch. None of the fisheries left in the remainder of the fixtures are likely to produce results to topple Steve now. So it looks as though the majority of us are competing for lower places.

I know that there are one or two mini competitions being held between members, who for their own pride want to beat their last season's results. So let us hope for one or two decent matches now before the end of the season.

Cackle Hill provides fair return

Waringham paid their first ever visit to **Cackle Hill Fishery** near Headcorn in Kent on January 9 and 20 out of 21 caught which was a good result bearing in mind the previous couple of trips. New Addington's Steve Longhurst made a welcome return and took top honours with 11-0-0 of roach and skimmers using pole and maggot followed by Martin Cook on 9-7-0 and Paul Oliver on 7-14-0.

Poor start to 2011

Although 11 members and guest turned out to **Laleham** on January 2, few wish they had made the effort as Steve Allen claimed a sucked maggot and that was it. Hopefully things will be better at Chiddingstone!

David Adby reports on a bleak December set of matches

On December 12, we did manage to get out to **Elphicks Lakes** but we had to break the ice for everybody before we made the draw. Two pegs away from me Paul Oliver had a brilliant match. He managed to attract 11½lb of four, six and eight ounce roach steadily throughout the match. Next to him Graham Stevens caught roach, perch and skimmer bream for a total weight of 7lb.9oz and his bother Jasper finished in third place with 2lb.14oz. As for the rest of us we were either down to ounces or failed to catch at all. Our Christmas match, scheduled to take place on December 19 nearly didn't take place. The day before we had 5" or 6" of snow dumped on us in a relatively short space of time and my telephone kept ringing non stop by members wishing to know whether the match was on or off. A number of people who had previously 'booked in', I later learned would not be coming out and conversely, people whom I didn't expect to attend rang to say that they would be going. However, it was just as well that I hadn't reserved a Christmas meal for the regulars after the match, as at the end of the day we only managed eleven members who came out to attend our last match to be held at Lake View fishery. It took us two and a half hours to break out just enough ice for each of us to drown a maggot or piece of worm and the winner on the day was Jasper Stevens with almost 6½lb. Second was Paul Oliver with exactly 1lb, then we had three people all with the identical weight of 12oz. And that was it, the rest of us all blanked!

Angling Times Clubman KO

Due to comments received, it has been decided not to enter in 2011. Instead a match will be held at Gabriel's Farm, Edenbridge

Invicta Shield canned but Lake John provides top sport



The CALPAC Invicta Shield due to take place on the Basingstoke Canal on December 5 was called off midweek after the weather conditions made it an early snowfall for most of the UK. Efforts to cobble together an alternative also failed due to the heavy snow at the time. However Mark Merrett and Dave Harper managed to get to an open at a relatively ice free **Lake John**. Mark at peg 28 was unlucky enough to be the only angler needing to smash the ice and struggled but managed a pound skimmer and losing another fish. Dave landed four roach and a perch on 16 metre pole and pinkie at peg 4 but dropped three other roach swinging them in, rather like an Aussie fielder! Gary Miller you may recall holds the match record at our former Charts Plain Fishery and did well here to land this 27-12-0 net of mostly skimmer bream but also roach to a pound landed on a 14.5 metre pole and single maggot over groundbait on one line and pellet on another. The top eight managed well over 130 lb of fish between them but the water started to freeze during the weigh-in!

Mark suns himself to victory

The big freeze saw Croydon Postal's match at Frant on November 28 being called off despite efforts by fishery staff to use a large pump in one of the lakes, Warlingham soldiered on at **Osprey Lake on the Woodpecker Fishery**. Woodpecker Lake itself was not surprisingly empty!

Top rod was Mark Merrett who used single and double red maggot for 7-9-0 of skimmer bream, roach and perch. He had the sun warming him up and presumably the lake all day. Graham Stevens included a 1-1-0 roach in his 3-11-0 runner up bag whilst brother Antony was third with 3-3-0 an ounce ahead of Steve Allen. But with

only two dry nets, the efforts of the ice-breaking were rewarded.

Good silver fish match at Furnace Lakes

Warlingham DAS were at **Furnace Lakes** on November 21 for what proved to be a silver fish contest. Alex Whiteing fished pole and a variety of baits to tempt 24-14-8 of roach and skimmer bream to beat Paul Oliver on 20-8-0. Craig Winchester was third on 18-6-8 with Steve Allen closing the gap slightly on leader Mark Merrett with 16-2-0 for fourth spot.

Quality rather than quantity at Milton Lake

A remarkable 25 members and two guests turned out for Warlingham & DAS's trip to fish **Milton Lake at Bury Hill Fisheries** near Dorking on November 14. Conditions were hard with five people not bothering the scalesman. Bruce Scott did well with 18-3-8 of mostly roach followed by Steve Longhurst with a 12-5-8 mixed bag on pole with chopped worm and caster.

Mark Merrett had a good roach of 1-3-0 and a 12 oz zander whilst Graham Stevens had a 1-9-0 rudd. Two other roach broke the pound barrier and there was a perch of 2-1-8 so there were no arguments about the quality of the fish.

Another victory in the Putney Cup

In CALPAC Putney Cup fished on the **Basingstoke Canal** on November 7, a rock hard venue saw the top two have a pike assist with Dave Beard (Epsom AS A) landing 5-4-0 on punched bread, Antony Stevens (Warlingham DAS B) fishing similarly for 4-0-0. Joint third was Warlingham A's Hugh Blake with 3-3-0 who led his side to victory with 6 points. Hugh's team also consisted of Craig Winchester, Bob Stone and Paul Oliver. The B Team of Dave Cattermole, Antony Stevens, Mark Merrett and Steve Allen were second with 12 points.

Nothing spooky at Nick's Lake

Warlingham DAS were busy at **Nick's Lake**, part of the Hartleylands Farm complex on October 31. Weights were pretty good with Alex Whiteing taking top honours with 85-2-0 of carp taken on 11 metre pole and pellet alternating with feeder and maggot.

Second was Steve Allen on his favourite match fishery with 67-4-0 whilst Steve Longhurst was third with 54-5-0. Fourth was Bob "The Seagull" Stone on 50-4-0.

No big perch but quality carp at Tylers

The day after Essex match angler Graham Dack rocked the match world with a brace of perch for 8 lb, WADAS visited the **Horseshoe at Tylers Common** on October 24. After impressive open match weights the previous day, heavy cold rain followed by a frost didn't do any favours. Puddledock, Frant and Monks all had smaller top weights. Paul Oliver on his first visit to the fishery was at peg 35 where feeder tactics and then pole and maggot gave him 96-12-0 of carp to 10 lb. Tony Biddle at peg 31 was able to enjoy fishing into the corner and had 67-8-0 with Martin Cook third with 67-0-0. The 40s and 50s were hard but Les Griggs was an exception coming

fourth with 53-6-0. The carp were extremely hard fighting and solid muscle, no flab.

Pete has something to crow about

After two team triumphs, Warlingham DAS were back to their normal fixtures with all 20 available places being taken at **Tandridge Lane Lake** near Lingfield on October 17. Pete Crowhurst was drawn on the right hand bank, towards the island and fished six metre pole and maggot to land four carp plus roach for 20-5-0. Second was Paul Oliver from the same bank with 14-11-8 with Competition Secretary David Adby third on 12-8-0.

Eden Challenge Shield won again by Wars

It seems an even year is a lucky year with Warlingham lifting the trophy once again after wins in 2006 and 2008. And their talisman Craig Winchester once again took top honours as he did in 2008. Drawn on the "armchair" swim at Chiddingstone, Craig spent a good hour mapping out his peg for snags, feeding hemp and maggots. After that he balled in groundbait laced with casters and used a 1 gm Lollipop float laying on to land three bream, the best a stonking 6-12-0. Adding a 3 lb chub, perch and silver fish, he finished with 15-12-0. At Mill Farm Harvey Fennell (Edenbridge) contributed two bream plus bits for 9-10-0, Steve Longhurst including a 3 lb tench in his 9-5-0 also from Mill Farm.

Teams: 1 Warlingham DAS, 64 pts; 2 Edenbridge AS, 61; 3 Holland AS, 46; 4 CALPAC, 45

WADAS win CALPAC Central Cup again

Warlingham DAS retained the CALPAC Central Cup on October 3 on a tough **Grand Union Canal at Hayes** with Jasper Stevens using pole and punched bread for 4-8-0 of small roach backed up by Craig Winchester recovering from the Great North Run with 4-5-0 on similar tactics.

Paul Oliver and Hugh Blake were the other two anglers weighing 2-3-8 and 2-0-0 for fifth and joint sixth respectively, dropping only two points to finish with six penalty points. The B team included Graham Stevens, who had 2-14-0, Mark Merrett on 2-10-0 and Martin Cook with 2-0-0 who finished with nine points. Thereafter were Banstead, 14, Warlingham C, 15 and Epsom AS, 16.

- WADAS have a great chance of a CALPAC cup treble as both the Putney Cup and Invicta Shield matches are destined to be fished on the Basingstoke Canal at West Byfleet

Frantic sport at Frant

There was such a good turnout on September 26 for the at **Frant's Skirmish Lake** that three pegs had to be put in on Stumps Lake also to fit everyone in! Top rod was new member this season Tony Biddell of Beckenham who fished pole and dead red maggot for 63-1-8 of carp to 10 lb from peg 1. Alex Whiteing was second with a mixed bag using method feeder and maggot for carp to 17-8-0 plus roach, skimmers and tench on pole and pellet or maggot for 54-10-8. Eddie Derrick was third with 32-7-0 and John Gibbons fourth with 28-1-8.

Canal fishes well

The **Basingstoke Canal at West Byfleet** produced fair results on September 12 with Bob Stone using punched bread, chopped worm and caster for 6-1-0 of roach and fair perch. Paul Oliver was close behind with 6-0-0 of

roach on punched bread whilst Steve Longhurst used maggot and caster for 5-0-0.

- Due to the Lower Thames Championships, there was no match held on September 19

River throws up some nice fish

Although the Thames is very much in the limelight currently, the **Eden at Chiddingstone** produced some nice fish on September 5 with Steve Allen netting a 3-5-0 chub and Terry Longhurst a 3 lb tench. Along with his chub, Steve Allen in the armchair swim also landed another chub, two bream and bits for 19-0-0. This was well clear of Dave Cattermole who had a hard worked for 8-8-0 net of bits. Jasper's brother Graham Stevens made a welcome return to WADAS with his third placed catch of 7-3-0.

Reservoir produces the goods

This was a very good match fished at **Hartleylands Farm Reservoir** on August 29 though after Framfield it was a surprise only 19 came out. Bruce Scott did the business landing 137-0-0 of mostly carp using pole and paste over pellets to beat Tony Biddle on 120-6-8 and Les Griggs on 90-1-0

Micky the mermaid fails to impress

Never one to avoid the limelight, Micky Biles made a splash at **Framfield's Spring Lake** on August 22. With urgent works needed to plug a leak, 29 members fished the lake with the seven guests going on to Brookhouse for the Bill Barber Memorial.

Drawn at peg 67 Micky opted to fish the method feeder most of the day. On one occasion after casting out, he was rolling a fag when a savage bite threatened to drag his rod to the island. In diving to catch his rod, Micky went in, right up to his pork pie hat! Craig Winchester who had just landed a carp went to the rescue and duly landed the fish on the rod and then pulled Micky out (*should the fish have counted? Answers on a postcard to the usual address*). Good Samaritan Craig went on to weigh 66-14-0 whilst Micky had 69-2-0! However it was the new members who shone with pole and paste over pellet giving Alex Whiteing to weight of 191-15-0 followed by Bruce Scott on 182-11-0, Best in Division 1 was Jasper Stevens with 164-8-0.

Meat on the ledge at Back Arun

With 21 lining the banks of **Back Arun Fishery** on August 15, it was close to the maximum for comfort. With a pellet ban meat or corn was the bait of choice, though it is unclear if anyone broke out the Koshida. Craig Winchester racked up a nice victory from peg 4 landing 41-4-0 of mostly carp with the odd small barbel using pole to the far bank or down the margins. Similar tactics at peg 5 saw Andy Tickner contribute 35-6-0 with Jasper Stevens and Mark Merrett putting 32-10-0 and 27-0-0 on the scales respectively.

Few bother to fish River Arun

Only a handful turned out for Warlingham's match on the **Arun at Pulborough** on August 8, Antony "Jasper" Stevens winning with 8-12-0 of chub to 3 lb plus roach and dace using waggler and maggot followed by Phil King on 5-2-0 and league leader Mark Merrett on 5-0-0.

Grist to the mill for Alan

In the Veteran's Trophy at Oxted Lake on August 6, Alan Gristwood surprised us all by setting out his stall for small fish and using whip and pinkie to land 14-9-0 of small roach, rudd and perch. Dave Harper stumbled in third after choosing to go for big fish all day on the method feeder and being pestered by roach despite fishing double corn. A 4 lb tench was his "get out of jail" fish which boosted him to 6-0-0 and third, nine ounces behind David Adby who also took the small fish approach close to the winner.

Silly rumours hit attendance

Only sixteen turned up to fish at **Henfold Lakes** on August 1 after a rumour did the rounds suggesting the venue was not very good. But Mark Merrett did well using method feeder and triple meat or corn and then pole and paste close in for 54-0-0 of carp and skimmer bream. Bruce Scott was second with 44-0-0 followed by Paul Oliver on 38-4-0.

Godalming dish out another hiding

Worries that there would be too many anglers for too few pegs proved unfounded at **Monk Lakes 2** on July 25. But Godalming AS did well led by Lee Simmons who landed 116-9-0 from peg 62 backed by Paul Etherington who had 106-6-0 from peg 90. Les Griggs was WADAS's best result with 94-9-0 of carp and barbel from peg 48 on pole and paste followed by Steve Allen on 82-8-0 from peg 56 just 4 oz ahead of John Gibbons on peg 57!

Bury Hill blues

The visit to **Old Bury Hill Lake** front bank proved tough for some with some not bothering the scalesman. After a disappointing performance at Lake John, Coulsdon's Micky Biles romped home with 77-5-0 of bream from the end but one peg. Paul Oliver was second with 11 bream and a tench of 3.5 lb on pole tactics as well as the feeder for 32-9-0, Mark Merrett using feeder tactics for 12-14 bream for 30-5-0.

Bream fest at Lake John

Fishery boss Colin Bartlett ensured that the best pegs were made available on the Top Lake of **Lake John** on July 11 and in line with the best fisheries ensured that landing nets and keepnets were provided at every swim. The toilet facilities previously could best be described as basic and a fair walk from the lake but now a new purpose built facility adjoins the café.

Craig Winchester was at peg 11 and fished long pole and meat up in the water for 81-12-0. On the opposite bank Martin Cook on his first visit to the water did well with 73-12-0 with Ken Barnard contributing 67-8-0 from peg 12.

Lake John Latest

With WADAS due to fish the Top Lake on July 11, all the signs are that the match could break the record for a silver fish weight. Carp of course may alter that! But on a pleasure session on June 18, Dave Harper and former treasurer Dawn Elliott comfortably had 40 lb plus of bream and crucian carp. Midweek matches have also shown terrific catches with Matthew Hart landing 240 lb to win on June 30, fishery manager Colin Bartlett contributing a mere 180 lb. New visitors were putting 90 lb back and going home without any coin. Had Hart landed either of the two carp he lost, Graham Dack's 250 lb match record would have gone

World Cup England hits Reservoir Match

Only a dozen members turned out on June 27 to **Ardingley Reservoir** on the hottest day of the year but David Cattermole put in a very good performance with waggler and maggot to land 47-9-0 of roach and bream. This put him clear of travelling companion Bob Stone who had 24-2-0 on feeder tactics and Craig Winchester who also fished feeder tactics for 16-2-0.

- **There is only one free place left for Sunday, July 4 at Ribbon Lake, Sumner's Ponds. Check availability to avoid disappointment!**

Martin does the business

Warlingham DAS visited for the first time **More House Lakes**, Wivelsfield on Father's Day, June 20. Martin Cook won his third match of the season fishing pole and pellet to the far side to land 59-5-0 of carp to beat Bob Stone who alternated between long pole and sweetcorn or a method feeder for 50-2-0.

Big Turn out at Passies

An amazing turnout of 26 members and two guests showed up at Passies Ponds on June 13. And with a further 26 anglers taking part in an open match on the high numbers, the 68 peg Match Lake was pretty packed.

Top weight went to Paul Oliver who was at peg 26 (pegs 24 and 25 either side of the access bridge being left out). He alternated between pole and feeder tactics, mainly towards peg 25 to net 36-12-0 of carp to 6 lb. New members John Gibbons and Martin Cook were next with 24-12-0 and 21-7-0 respectively whilst Bruce Scott was fourth with 20-8-0.

Breakfast before winning

When Ken Barnard found himself pegged in a corner of Middle Lake, **Willow Park** on June 6, he did not fancy the peg and returned to his swim after the match had started, having enjoyed breakfast in the cafe. In order to support Tom, he decided to fish and found that the fish were in front of him. He duly landed bream to 3 lb, a carp of 5 lb and a 3-2-0 tench to put 55-10-0 on the scales for victory. Bruce Scott saw it a good day for Division 2 anglers taking second spot with 33-14-0 whilst Steve Allen did his championship aspirations no harm with third place with 31-11-0.

Bough Beech waves prove too much

Warlingham and DAS also struggled at Bough Beech Reservoir on May 30 in the first round of the Reservoir Trophy where blustery conditions saw foot high waves. Normally a good blow is desirable but clearly proved too much for six anglers who failed to catch. Mark Merrett fished an open end feeder in the middle of the dam wall and double red maggot to tempt around eight skimmer bream for 4-12-0.

Jasper Stevens was second with 4-8-0 whilst Martin Cook was some way behind on 1-7-0. This Sunday WADAS visit Willow Park's Middle Lake and are likely to encounter the new owners of the venue as well as

better sport.

- **Look on the League Tables for the first Points and Weights tables of the new season**

Steve Allen scores a win double

Warlingham DAS travelled to Hartleylands Farm on May 23 to fish Bramley Lake and venue specialist Steve Allen won for the second week in a row with 55-2-0 on the method feeder. Club Champion Steve Longhurst was second with 51-10-8. With a large turnout, Division 2 anglers fished Finches Pond where new member Bruce Scott had 78-13-0 followed by Alex Whiteing on 68-14-0.

Method Man rides again

The third outing of the new campaign saw them visit Woodpeckers Fishery near Crawley on May 16. Steve Allen did well with method feeder and corn to land 63-7-8 of mostly carp and chub to thwart Martin Cook of a hat-trick of wins. Martin also fished the feeder with maggot but also tried paste close in to finish with 43-10-0.

Second win for the Master Chef

Warlingham & DAS have attracted some new match anglers this season and they shone in the second match of the new campaign at Framfield's Brookhouse Lake on May 9. Martin Cook won his second match in a row using method feeder and pellet for 74-15-0 beating 26 others on a very cold day for May. Steve Allen kept the old guard in the hunt with 57-9-8 on method and maggot but new member Alex Whiteing was third with 53-5-0 followed by another newcomer John Gibbons on 52-0-0.

Former postie delivers winning performance

Warlingham DAS had their first match of the new campaign at Fairlight Fishery on May 2 with former postie Martin Cook take top honours with 27-8-0 of small carp taken on method feeder and maggot. Craig Winchester opted to fish in the margins with corn or soft pellet for nine carp and three other fish for 25-8-0 to take an early advantage over reigning champion Steve Longhurst who was third with 23-6-0.

- Steve once again failed to get through the cut in respect of the Garbolino Club Angler event fished at Gold Valley Lakes on April 29 finishing with 27-0-0 from peg 121 on Syndicate Lake, needing 73-10-0 or more to clinch a place in the final.

It's seventh time in a row for Longhurst

Warlingham and DAS had their final match of the season on the Silver Lake, Gabriels Farm near Edenbridge on Sunday with 21 members and a guest lining the banks. Steve Longhurst of New Addington at peg 5 cast aside his previous dislike of the venue to land 15 carp to 5 lb plus bits on pole and corn. But a surprise 2 lb chub boosted his score to 49-7-0 and that proved to be the tipping point as rival Craig Winchester at peg 9 landed 11 carp to 9 lb plus bits on pole and maggot for 48-2-0. That allowed Longhurst to net the Points Championship for the seventh successive year but only by a slim three points. And dad Terry also went away happy also collecting

£72 for being closest to the Mystery Weight at 2-6-0.

Final Points Table: 1 Steve Longhurst, 281 pts; 2 Craig Winchester, 278

Mark signs off at Charts Plain with a win

The final match at Charts Plain whilst the fishery was under WADAS control on March 7 saw Mark Merrett on peg 26 landing six carp on feeder and corn tactics before coming in on the pole line to land rudd plus three more carp for 32-12-8. Neighbour Bob "Fluff" Balding was second with 20-5-0 but Craig Winchester's third place with 15-0-0 from peg 23 put the cat amongst the pigeons as Steve Longhurst was fourth from the island with 13-9-0. That put Craig within two points of Steve who has 271 points.

Longhurst flops at the Sandwich

Warlingham & DAS fished Sandwich Lake, part of **Elphicks Fishery**, for the first time on February 21. The ice had to be smashed and Dave Harper's dumbbell affair came in handy for clearing a few pegs. The far bank wasn't highly rated but in fact produced the top two with Brian Beacroft fishing feeder and maggot for three carp and a bream for 15-3-0, neighbour Steve Allen of New Addington landing a fair carp of around 6 lb plus silver fish using pole and feeder tactics for 8-10-0.

Third place went to Paul Oliver who had 5-1-0 of silver fish on pole and maggot or pinkies from the right hand bank. But the shock of the day was Steve Longhurst dry netting for the third match in a row whilst Craig Winchester was able to catch some silvers and close the gap at the top in the Points Championship.

David Adby and his jack pike

There were 12 members out at **Chiddingstone** on the River Eden on February 14; six members packed up early as they either didn't fancy their peg or they just weren't seeing any action. Only one member was fortunate enough to see any action today **and that was David Adby who** caught two gudgeon on single red maggot, 20 hook, 1lb.7oz bottom and a very small maggot feeder on the tip. He later added a pike of 4-4-8 to put 4-5-0 on the scales and collect nearly £100 in pools.

Farce on Surrey Lake

Despite 19 rods turning up to a certain Surrey Lake on February 7, only two bothered the scalesman on a venue that simply is a waste of time as a match water, especially in winter. David C King took top honours with four small fish caught in the margins for 0-4-8, Mick Cove fishing a waggler 12 inches deep to land five even smaller fish for 0-2-0. Hugh Blake lost a very good fish in the final minute on gossamer tackle but that was it.

Monk Lake proves difficult in freezing conditions

Paul Oliver once again showed his consistency at Monk Lake 2 on January 31 where feeder and maggot and then pole tactics gave him 14-4-0 of carp, roach and skimmer bream on a day when the ice needed to be broken again. New member Bob "Fluff" Balding made an impression with 13-5-0 whilst 13-year-old Tom Barnard was third with 12-6-0. Sadly there were four dry nets amongst the 17 who took part.



Jasper triumphs on Woe Nav It was as grim as could be on the Wey Navigation below the White Hart on January 24 with half the field blanking. But there were a couple of good weights with Antony Stevens three below the outfall landing six bream plus roach on long pole and punched bread for 20-6-0. Steve Longhurst on the outfall left it late but managed three fish also on bread for 10-12-0. Thereafter it was pretty dire, Paul Oliver's three roach, a perch and chublet giving him 0-10-8 whilst Craig Winchester managed to include a pike, two roach and three gudgeon in his 0-10-0 bag. Dave Harper, Phil King and Bob Balding shared the final place with 0-0-8.

AT Clubman Match date agreed

NICK'S Lake, Hartleylands Farm is the venue for the match against Epsom AS and Comets AS on Sunday, February 28

Mole match cancelled

With a thaw due over the weekend, the friendly match against Dorking AS on the River Mole at Dorking on January 17 is under threat - and indeed was cancelled, surrounding lakes still iced up.

Bad weather sees off Chiddingstone

With snow still affecting the minor roads, the match due on the Eden at Chiddingstone on January 10 was cancelled

Blankety Blank for a dozen

But one did manage to catch - Craig Winchester who caught three small roach on a 22 hook using a segment of worm for 0-0-8. Crucially it gave him 10 points to put him within striking distance of Steve Longhurst in the Points Championship.

Deans Farm abandoned

Due to the venue being iced up and the owners not being keen on having the ice smashed, the match scheduled for December 27 was called off just before Christmas

Paul's winter double

On a day when the picture postcard scene was in keeping with the spirit of Christmas and the chill kept the ice reforming, Paul Olover clinched his second win in as many weeks. Lakeview Fishery on December 20 had to have plenty of ice-breaking at the start which put the match back to 10.00. And the 14.30 finish could not come fast enough for many, especially for those who had a dry net. But at least the Prince Albert afterwards provided a nice meal! Paul Oliver fished pole and pinkies to tempt 8-6-0 of roach and the odd skimmer bream but Mick Biles was one of the few who might have wished for an extra 30 minutes. He landed a carp early on red maggot but caught some late roach on pinkie for 6-7-0. Jasper Stevens took third spot with a carp, eight roach and four perch for 6-2-0, David Adby coming fourth with 4-7-0.

Oliver would like some more!

Warlingham & DAS visited Osprey Lake on the **Woodpecker Fishery** complex near Worth on December 13 and had a fair sprinkling of species on a hard day. Paul Oliver has not had the best of form recently but bucked the trend with a nice win from peg 7. Here he fished pole and double red maggot over micro pellets for 22-0-0 of chub, skimmer bream and tench. " I really enjoyed the day and wouldn't mind some more," he quipped.

Steve Longhurst wasn't far behind at peg 31 with a near 10 lb carp, 2.5 lb perch and skimmer bream on pole and red maggot over micros, David Cattermole third from peg 11 with 12-1-0 of chub, skimmers and tench on a float fished white maggots. Thereafter the weights fell off with an odd bonus carp saving many from poor returns.

CALPAC Invicta Shield victory gives WADAS Triple Crown for the first time

With the Medway at Yalding in flood, the CALPAC Invicta Shield was switched to Claygate Fishery's **Lake Eva** on December 6. Setting up was a nightmare in the rain and it looked like for the third week running the weather was going to be extreme but then it brightened up. Steve Longhurst at peg 2 had no time for train spotting (the venue must be an anorak's paradise!) as he was busy bagging after a quiet first hour. He went on to land 12 carp plus 7 lb of silvers on pole and corn over pellets for 34-1-0. This easily beat Keith Bygrave (Banstead) who was pegged opposite on peg 31 and landed five carp on pellet plus silvers on maggot for 17-3-0. Craig Winchester was third with 11-9-0 from peg 33 as WADAS won with 19 penalty points, Banstead second with 28 and Southwark and Camberwell third with 33.

Dave blows away the opposition



To say that the weather was unpleasant would be like sawing off your finger with a hacksaw and saying that wasn't bad! Rain, hail, thunder, lightning and of course the blustery wind made the odd sunny spell be instantly forgotten at **Summers Ponds** Match Lake on November 29. But Dave C King had no concerns as he hammered out 8 carp to 11-13-8 for 53-8-0 on the method feeder and corn from the left hand bank. This beat brother Phil who was drawn on the peg Dave wanted. Phil (*pictured left*) used method and maggots to also land eight carp but his were smaller and so he was second with 44-0-0. Guest Peter Howe was third with 38-6-0 whilst club champion Steve Longhurst had to settle with fourth spot on 37-12-0

Rainy day followed by Monday at Framfield

Another wild weather day at Brookhouse Lake, Framfield saw Steve Longhurst charge to victory with 30 carp on pole and dead red maggot over maggots for 68-4-8. This proved too good for Craig Winchester who had 59-3-0 and Ken Barnard on 34-6-0. It was nice to see Pete Crowhurst out once again as he claimed fourth spot with 31-15-0

Bream show at Laleham



Thirteen members plus guest Steve Alborough turned up to find the River Thames at Laleham on November 15 starting to increase in speed but no excessive colour or height. Mark Merrett was at peg 1 on the slipway landing five bream plus bits on feeder and red maggot for 17-1-0. Steve Allen, drawn at peg 11 just above Keith Arthur's swim in the Lower Thames Champs, lost at least three fish but managed 12-8-0 of bream and chub using similar tactics whilst Steve Longhurst (*pictured left*) on peg 10 had 7-14-8 of skimmer bream and dace, also on the feeder. Only three didn't weigh in, though only two blanked.

Super Cup Squad 2010 - in no particular order!

Paul Oliver	David Cattermole
Steve Allen	Ken Barnard
Dave Harper	Eddie Derrick
David C King	Antony Stevens
Micky Biles	Tom Barnard
Steve Longhurst	Brian Beacroft
Kevin Longhurst	Andy Tickner
Jason Courtney	Bob Stone
Hugh Blake	Phil King
Craig Winchester	Mark Merrett

Patchy at Milton Lake

There was a good turn out at **Milton Lake near Dorking**. Many used chopped worm and caster to no avail but Bob Stone found something better in the form of punched meat where he landed carp plus two roach over a pound for 14-4-0. Steve Longhurst used chopped worm and caster, ironically as he likes fishing meat but had 11-4-8. Thereafter the weights plummeted with some anglers not bothering the scalesman, Ken Barnard being the best of the rest with 4-13-8.

Putney Cup triumph for the fifth time in a row

WADAS swept the board in the CALPAC Putney Cup held on the Basingstoke Canal at West Byfleet on November 1 led by an impressive display by Craig Winchester. Drawn to the right of Woodham Lock, Craig was struggling in the first half but came good to thwart Peter Mason (Queen Victoria) at the next peg. Craig fished with pole and punch throughout for 6-4-0 of skimmer bream. Peter fished similar tactics and landed a bonus 2-8-0 tench but could not keep up the pace with Craig and finished second with 5-9-0. Andy Tickner (Warlingham C) was third with 4-13-0 whilst David Adby's return to the fray saw him include a pike in his fourth placed net of 4-10-8. Sadly he elected to fish solo for Warlingham D.

Teamwise, the selections were correct with Craig Winchester, Steve Longhurst, Hugh Blake and Paul Oliver triumph on a blustery and rainy day that saw the leaves stop many from wetting a line for periods. Paul in particular struggled on his peg and so the B team consisting of Dave Harper, Jasper Stevens, David Cattermole and Bob Stone were just a point behind but one ahead of the C team that included Mark Merrett, Lawrie Way, Andy Tickner and Micky Biles.

Others: 5 M Merrett, Warlingham C, 4-3-0; 6 D Cattermole, Warlingham B, 3-3-0; 7 B Stone, Warlingham B, 3-2-0.

Teams: 1 Warlingham A, 10 pts; 2 Warlingham B, 11; 3 Warlingham C, 12; 4 Queen Victoria, 16; 5 Epsom A, 19; 6 Epsom B, 24.

A match of two halves

Windy conditions at **Nick's Lake, Hartleylands Farm** on October 25 saw it easy for some and hard for others in what was largely a match of two halves. But there was no stopping Steve Allen racking up an impressive win with 94-3-0. Only Gold Valley Lakes and Alders Farm produced a higher winning bag as Steve in calm water started with feeder and maggot before switching to pole and corn close in for 62 carp beating 14 other members and two guests. Steve Longhurst made a welcome return to the top three with 74-9-0 on pole and pellet whilst guest Martin Cook came third with 56-1-8.

Harris Lake fails to produce

This was one of the hardest contests of the season so far with nobody breaking double figures at **Harris Lake, Marsh Farm** on October 18 though Paul Oliver came close with waggler and maggot giving him 9-2-0 of roach to four ounces. Quite a way behind was Jasper Stevens who included a 2.5 lb tench in his net of 3-8-0 taken on pole and chopped worm whilst pole and maggot gave Bob Stone 3-4-0 and Phil King 2-8-0.

Brave Wars lose out to Edenbridge

Warlingham DAS's aims to land the Grand Slam consisting of the CALPAC Central Cup, Putney Cup, Invicta Shield and the Eden Challenge were scuppered on **October 11** by a good performance by Edenbridge AS who won by just 1.5 section points on the river between Haxted and Penshurst..

But it was bad luck on Wars who lost Chris Dulley after an hour into the contest after he was taken violently ill – no substitutes allowed in angling unlike other sports. His section at Haxted was won with just 9 ounces and Chris pricked a couple of fish but as sickness took over he even considered abandoning his gear.

But David Cattermole netted his second individual title, his first being in 2002, to give Wars some cheer. Drawn

at Mill Farm, he fished a canal dart and maggot over hemp and caster to land 11-13-0 of chublets, bleak, gudgeon, perch, roach and skimmer bream. "Although I obviously enjoyed winning the match before, this match was more satisfying as I was able to catch throughout," said the landscape gardener.

Second was Gary Johnson (CALPAC) who was in the same section but five pegs downstream. In contrast to the winner, he was unable to entice small fish, instead five chub to 3 lb and a bream on stick float and red maggot over casters gave him 10-8-0. Pete Cross, remarkably one of six brothers all fishing for Holland AS, was third from the bridge at Penshurst where pole and maggot over hemp and castergave him 10-2-0 of small fish. Hugh Blake was fourth with a mixed bag on caster that went 8-5-0 from the top end of Mill Farm, his chopped worm being ignored.

Edenbridge won with 58.5 pts followed by Warlingham on 57, CALPAC on 50 and Holland AS on 49.5.

D C King	0-1-0	2	
Chris Dulley	0-0-0	0	
Steve Longhurst	3-9-8	8	Section
Mick Biles	2-1-0	6	
Hugh Blake	8-5-0	8	4th
Phil King	5-7-0	5	
Dave Cattermole	11-13-0	8	1st
Antony Stevens	6-6-0	6	Section
Jason Courtney	2-14-8	4	
Ken Barnard	2-2-8	3	
Mark Merrett	2-6-8	3	
Craig Winchester	3-2-0	4	
Total	48-4-0	57	

WADAS net Central Cup at last



Warlingham Black consisting of Craig Winchester, Paul Oliver, Steve Longhurst and Hugh Blake scooped the CALPAC Central Cup dropping just three points on a tough **Grand Union Canal at Hayes** on October 4. Hugh Blake (*pictured left*) led with just 3-2-0 of roach on pole and punched bread over liquidised bread to the right of the Anchor, not usually the side you want to draw. Jasper fishing for Warlingham Gold (along with Dave Harper, Micky Biles and Mark Merrett) helped his side to second with 2-9-0 using similar tactics. Mark Merrett also celebrated toppling Steve Longhurst out of the KO with 1-5-8 which included a nice eel, Steve having 0-15-0. Warlingham Silver (Ken and Tom Barnard, Andy Tickner - who had a 1-1-0 eel and Kevin Longhurst) finished joint 4th.

Result: 1 H Blake, Warlingham Black, 3-2-0; 2 A Stevens, Warlingham Gold, 2-9-0; 3 K Bygrave, Queen Victoria, 2-3-0; 4 C Winchester, Warlingham Black, 1-13-0; 5 B Smith, Epsom A, 1-7-0; 6 M Merrett, Warlingham Gold, 1-5-8.

Teams: 1 Warlingham Black, 21 pts; 2 Warlingham Gold, 17; 3 Queen Victoria, 14; jt 4 Warlingham Silver, Epsom A and Epsom B, all 10.

Guests do well at Weir Wood

Addington Rods and Reels members did well on a tough **Weir Wood Reservoir** on September 27 with Chris Payne using groundbait feeder and flouro maggot top land six bream and bits for 19-6-0 and "Fluf" coming second with 15-8-0. Pole and feeder tactics saw Cari Winchester score the best within WADAS on 14-12-0 with Dave Cattermole second on 11-10-8 and Kevin Longhurst with 9-4-0.

Neil and Joe Ride again!

Would you Adam and Eve it? Joe and Neil Elliott returned to **Charts Plain** to fish the Dads and Lads Match on September 26 expecting to be beaten by Dave Harper and Robin Mahachi in the absence of Tom and Ken Barnard but once again riding off with the silver! Drawn at peg 2, Neil landed three carp on meat with Joe landing small fish on pole and maggot to give them 13-3-0. Dave Harper landed just two carp and a skimmer bream on method feeder and corn whilst Robin fished pole and corn or maggot to land a carp plus bits for 10-0-0 from peg 7. Cliff and Jenny Slogrove were third on 1-2-0 from peg 8/9.

- The Ladies Cup was a really exciting contest with a 100% turnout, Anita Evans at peg 10 using pole tactics to land 20-10-0 of carp to 8 lb whilst Dawn Elliott on unfancied peg 5 using pole and paste to tempt 20-0-0 of fish to 7-14-0 in a nailbiting contest. Third place went to Heather Rolls at peg 3 with a small carp and bits for 2-6-0.

Back Arun sees Steve net a nice victory

If it wasn't so far to travel and the fact that Steve Longhurst loves us so much, he could well take on the locals as he put in a powerful performance on September 13 at Back Arun. He offered pole and maggot close in to net 93-4-0 of carp and barbel, well clear of Pail Oliver on 75-7-8 and Mark Merrett on 53-2-8.

Nice silver match on the Eden

A good field of 21 turned up to fish the **River Eden at Chiddingstone** on September 6 to see David Cattermole win with 8-11-0 of mostly roach taken on hemp over maggot. Craig Winchester was second using caster, hemp and worm for a 7-12-8 mixed catch with Paul Oliver third on 6-8-8. Paul also won the mystery weight envelope worth £35 whilst Steve Longhurst was fourth with 5-4-0. Chris Duley was the only angler to find a chub, a nice 3-4-8 specimen.

Roberts Raines Trophy 31 August 2009 Charts Plain (Weather warm and mainly sunny)

Peg

2 Paul Oliver DNW

3 Brian Beacroft DNW

4

5 Bob Stone DNW

6 Keith Francis 5-9-0

7 Dawn Elliott 20-1-0 **4th** Caught mainly on paste, lost but three fish

10 Antony Stevens 10-7-0

11 Don Boutell 15-4-0

12 Mick Biles 34-15-0 **Winner** Caught early and landed his last after the whistle

13 Alan Gristwood 12-4-8

14 Andy Tickner 20-4-0 **3rd**

19 David C King 11-7-8

23 Lawrie Way 34-1-8 **2nd** Caught on method feeder and maggot but not tight to the lilies, lost fish late on

24 Dave Harper 6-1-0

25 Kevin Vickers 4-4-8

26 Mark Merrett 8-3-8

South bank quiet at Weir Wood

Whilst Godalming AS enjoyed a huge 271-0-0 winning bag at Broadwater, WADAS returned to **Weir Wood Reservoir** on August 30 to fish the south bank this time. Feeder and maggot worked for most and saw Steve Longhurst claw his way to victory with 11-4-8 of roach and skimmer bream, Craig Winchester coming second with 11-0-0, some on pellet and caster also whilst Andy Tickner was third on 10-8-0.



Oh you beauty! Chris Dulley shows off a superb fish (recorded as a 1-3-0 rudd) caught from the **Surrey lakethat** we are not allowed to mention by name which was fished on August 23. Hugh Blake's three carp to 11-11-0 for 20-15-8 on pole and paste from peg 4 would take some catching. But Craig Winchester using whip and maggot over hemp and groundbait landed a small carp, two perch around the pond and smaller samples plus roach and rudd for 27-15-0 and his hat-trick of wins. Steve Longhurst had to settle for third with 19-9-0 on waggler and maggot. Some nice perch also showed to Bob Stone and Steve Allen.

Broadwater Lake change of venue

Just in case you haven't picked up the vibes currently coursing through the ether. We will **not** be fishing Broadwater Lake in Godalming next Sunday, August 30. There is a carp virus around Willinghurst and other fisheries in that part of Surrey and Hampshire. In an effort to prevent the disease attacking any of the fish in Godalming's waters their committee have put a blanket ban on non-members fishing any of their still waters. Roger Howe telephoned David Adby to apologise that we may not fish Broadwater this time. It would seem that Godalming are now to purchase 200 landing and keep nets for distribution to anglers using their lakes and he hopes that we will be able to fish Marsh Farm later in the season. This means that our match has been switched to the south bank of Weir Wood Reservoir. Could this mean another win for Mr Winchester?



Victory for Tom Although he lost the toss, Tom Barnard chose his preferred swim, peg 2 and fished well to win the Len Tutt Junior Cup on August 22. The match was reduced to three hours and Robin Mahachi fished well to the lilies at peg 3 but could not tempt those all important bonus larger carp in the margins, despite trying with paste. Tom meanwhile did manage to catch close in on pole and corn, though his heart was in his mouth after losing a good carp with ten minutes left. But a 4 lb fish in the final five gave him 20-2-0, Robin contributing 12-11-0.

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Dulley back in the frame After an unfortunate accident on his debut outing at Lake Eva, Chris Dulley, refreshed after a trip to Spain, turned out at Ardingley Reservoir on August 16. He took third spot with a bag of bream that went 27-0-0. Steve Longhurst was hoping to bounce back following a dreadful result at Pulborough but Craig Winchester took top honours with 31-5-8 of bream to 3lb on feeder and maggot/worm cocktail whilst Longhurst had to settle for second with 30-7-0 using waggler and maggot. However at least two members got stung by aggressive super wasps whilst trying to keep them away from their groundbait



Craig -King of the River It was all one way traffic on the Arun at **Pulborough** on August 9 as Craig Winchester beat 16 others on a patchy venue. Things looked promising in the first hour or so but then many swims simply switched off. But it was all action for Craig towards the bottom end of the venue with five chub lost in the first hour. Three pike were also lost to pole and maggot but the security specialist managed to land two chub to 3-9-0 and this pike (pictured left) to win with 16-8-0. Thomas Barnard has made an impressive debut and at the tender age of 13 showed the seniors a thing or two. He fished waggler and caster over hemp and caster to land 7-9-8 of roach and dace for second spot whilst Antony "Jasper" Stevens came third with 6-3-0.

Dave empties Charts Plain

ONLY seven veterans showed up for this year's gathering at **Charts Plain** but with the lowest weight being 6-0-0 and five double figure bags sport was pretty good. Dave Harper was close to last away on this rover and had the choice of pegs 1, 2 and 10 and opted for his favourite swim, peg 2. Low water was a bit of concern but within the hour, carp were seen feeding on the pellets and Atomic Cloud. Pole and paste saw him land carp to 7 lb and put a superb 54-4-0 on the scales. Lawrie Way also did very well at peg 12 where method feeder and maggots to the lily pads saw him land nine carp before the lunch break but less thereafter to finish on 31-4-0. Third place went to John Collier all the way from North Yorkshire with 17-12-0 from peg 6.

Late burst wins Woodpecker

Steve Longhurst clinched his fifth win of the season at **Woodpecker Lake** on August 2 after going for broke at 1.30 and piling in 3.5 pints of maggots in the margin and hoping that the carp would show. Turn up they did and he landed carp to 8 lb for 47-8-0. This beat Steve Allen who managed 38-4-0 who dumped third place Anthony Stevens, who had 36-12-0, out of the KO Competition. Fourth placed Mark Merrett included a 10-12-0 carp in his 34-5-8 bag.

Tough test at Lake Eva

Warlingham & DAS visited **Lake Eva** on July 26, part of the Claygate Lakes Fishery near Yalding. Shallow water meant that the fish were difficult to tempt in open water, most being tight to the various features with either feeder or pole tactics being the best.

Top was Craig Winchester with 25-0-8 of silvers and small carp using pellet and corn with Pete Crowhurst making a rare frame with 22-1-0 whilst Mick Biles was third on 19-14-8. Chris Dulley, MD of Drywall Ceilings and Partitions made his debut catching around 6 lb before a mishap put his back out and early retirement.

Tough conditions at Weir Wood

Craig Winchester bounced back on July 19 at **Bough Beech Reservoir** where there was some more “pike wrestling”. Conditions were uncomfortable with foot high waves and squally showers but Winchester managed to land a superb 17-5-0 specimen on match tackle to add to his quality roach and skimmer catch. Using feeder and worm with caster, he ended up with 35-7-0 well clear of David C King who had 23-4-0 and Mark Merrett on 20-1-8. League leader Steve Longhurst had to settle for fourth place with 19-11-8.

Triple tons win at Framfield

WITH two triple tons being landed in the midweek open match at **Framfield Fishery's Spring Lake**, 23 members and eight guests turned up to fish Spring Lake on July 12 wondering whether the extra numbers and the Warlingham curse would see weights plummet.

Such fears proved unfounded as guest Dean Lock landed 175 lb in the first half of the match and looked good to top 400 lb. The likeable 28-year-old from New Addington, a former team member of the Croydon team in the London Youth Games finished with a mighty 382-0-0, the highest ever catch in a Warlingham club match. Dean caught most of his carp to 7 lb using pole and pellet close in to the left at peg 47.

Steve Longhurst had a nice draw and romped home with the best member's weight at 303-8-0 to set a new club record using pole and pellets or paste. Third place went to Chris Nicholls, another guest with Mick Lock, father of Dean, fourth with 163-11-8. Steve Allen was next best on the right hand bank with 133-7-8 whilst Mark Merrett was next best on the left hand bank with 133-7-0.

Steve makes a "monk-ey" of us all

Warlingham & DAS fished a friendly against Godalming AS on Sunday at **Monk Lake 2** on July 5. Steve Longhurst drew a virtual end peg 76, 77 not being drawn. But he absolutely trounced the field with 147-9-0 of carp, tench, golden tench, barbel and ide using pole and meat in the margins. Godalming took the next three places including Mark Hathaway of Purley who was at peg 72 and weighed 123-0-0.

Craig wins at Passies

Craig Winchester did well on June 28 when Warlingham visited **Passies Pond** near Lancing. He took top honours from peg 5 with 37-13-8 of mostly carp on pole and pellet tight to the far bank after starting shorter with maggots over groundbait for skimmer bream. Steve Longhurst was second with 28-13-0 and Steve Allen third with 22-0-0.

Skimmers dominate at Weir Wood

Warlingham's trip to **Weir Wood Reservoir** on June 21 saw predictions that the roach fishing was extremely good but in the end it was skimmer bream that dominated with Tony Garner taking top honours with 20-12-8 using method feeder and maggot. Second was Steve Longhurst who opted for pole tactics with various baits for 12-2-0 and Steve Allen on feeder and maggot for 12-1-0.

The meat of Steve at Pear Tree

Warlingham visited Pear Tree Lake on the **Hartleylands Farm** complex on June 14. Drawn at peg 11, Steve Longhurst used pole and meat over pellet in the margins for 86-6-0 of carp to 5 lb. Mark Merrett at peg 12 had three casts with a method feeder to land small carp before reverting to the pole close in with pellet or paste for 63-14-8. Third man home was Ken Barnard who fished pellet waggler for 35-10-8 whilst Craig Winchester saw his hoped for weight catch up demolished finishing fourth with 35-9-8.

Few show at Frant

Warlingham DAS visited Skirmish Lake, part of the **Frant Lakes** complex on June 7 and saw Craig Winchester made serious inroads on Steve Longhurst's already impressive total weight for the season.

He fished pole and meat over pellets to land a superb 67-13-0 of carp to leave the field gasping. But it was a welcome return for Scott Denton who has rejoined Wars this year after a house decorating break. He fished method feeder and corn to the island before reverting close in on the pole late on to land 38-12-0 of carp to 9 lb.

Pairs cracker throws up a surprise

Warlingham & DAS had a visit from Environment Agency officers on Sunday May 31 after the match had finished at Tandridge Lane fishery on Sunday. Predictably they were from the Kent and East Sussex office of the Southern Region – older anglers will recall the old Kent and Sussex area bailiffs of years gone by were always frequently seen as opposed to their Thames colleagues. Back to the fishing and I have had some good times at this fishery but Sunday was not one of them as I could not find any of the bonus fish needed to do well and finished up with a modest bag of roach and gudgeon. Being the Pairs Match with Steve Longhurst drawn with Paul Oliver, everyone thought they were fishing for second place but it was not to be.

Craig Winchester at peg 13 on the top of the island used waggler and maggot over pellets to tempt those all important bonus carp plus skimmers along with roach to put 26-15-8 on the scales whilst partner Kevin Longhurst at the next peg landed four bream on pole and corn over pellet, the best a real clonker at 7-0-0 in a 25-0-8 tally for fourth overall.

In between them was a tie for second spot with Mark Merrett on peg 3 using method feeder and double or triple corn to land a 4 lb tench and carp to 11-4-0 for 25-8-8, Steve Longhurst at peg 8 landing an identical weight of carp and bream, mainly on pole and meat or pellets.

- The May 31 match was altered to **Tandridge Lane Lake** from Hunter's Lodge due to Sky TV filming.

Bread does the business

AT a roasting hot Manor Farm Fishery, Headcorn on May 24, Mark Merrett proved once again he is the current bread king landing 42-14-0 of carp from peg 17 to leave Craig Winchester gasping on 24-3-0 of silver fish and carp taken on pole and maggot, Paul Oliver third with 24-1-0. In the second division, junior Thomas Barnard took top honours with 8-9-0.



Struggle at Willow

Park Warlingham & DAS visited Willow Park on May 10 and struggled for the most part with even roach fairly scarce. But Paul Oliver at peg 17 did well with long pole and a variety of baits to land 55-15-0 of stock carp to 2 lb. He was next to the peg that had produced 64-6-0 the previous day in an open match.

Steve Longhurst at peg 13 started well with pole and meat over pellet but then struggled, eventually catching more fish on pole and pellet for 36-8-0 of carp and bream. Ken Barnard, along with his son Tom had fair debuts with Tom on the culvert peg managing 9-0-0.

Ken along with most struggled but had this last gasp carp of 9-11-0 (pictured left) at peg 14 on pole and pellet to boost his score to 20-9-0 and third spot. Steve Longhurst leads the points with 18 out of a possible 20.

Patchy start at Bury Hill



With excellent weights recorded a couple of weeks previously at the Spring Festival, this match was expected to produce some nice bags. Worries over having sufficient nets due to weight/number/species restrictions proved to be unfounded. Top rod on the day was newly promoted Tony Garner at peg 15 who fished feeder and pellet to land 24-9-0 of bream to 4 lb. Steve Longhurst at peg 2 started off with a skimmer bream second cast on feeder and maggot, quickly adding a tench from close in. However a carp saw him off and he alternated between feeder and pole with pellets on the hook to end with 24-2-0. Craig Winchester on peg 7 had a good start on feeder and pellet but as the day wore on he struggled with many and finished third with 20-3-0. Dave Harper at fancied peg 1 struggled from the off but eventually landed a skimmer on a feeder with a pellet and maggot cocktail. Then pole fished double pellet saw this pb 5-4-0 tench plus skimmers, a second tench on meat and pellet for 18-7-0 and fourth on the day.

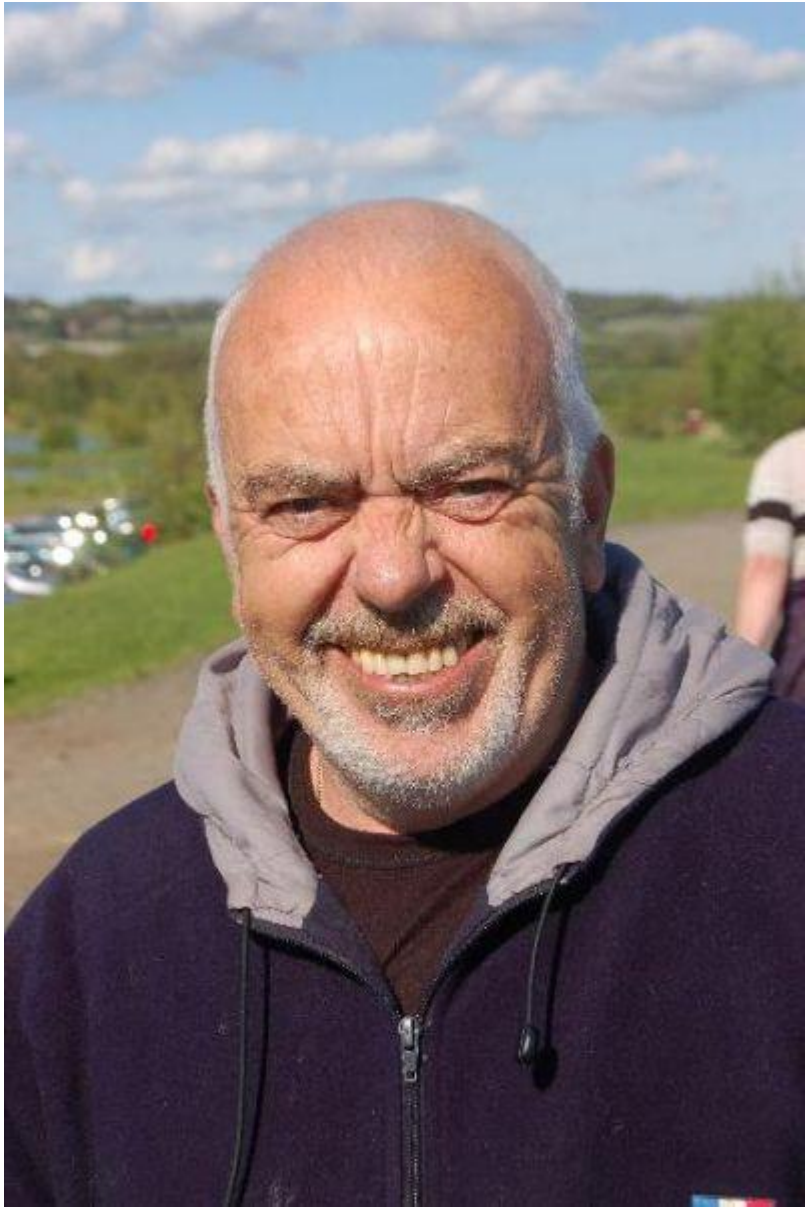
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Warlingham lose thriller at Monk
Lakes



Peg	Team Name	Weight	Points	Peg	Team Name	Weight	Points
	Judds of Hillingdon				Warlingham and DAS		
3	Roy Hayward	86-12-0	2	4	Steve Allen	47-2-0	1
5	Robbie Blackburn	63-0-0	2	6	Eddie Denick	45-10-0	1
7	Bob Church	27-14-0	2	8	Antony Stevens	21-10-8	1
9	Tony Salcynski	19-9-0	1	10	Craig Winchester	40-1-0	2
13	Jim Neate	57-14-0	2	14	Steve Longhurst	35-0-0	1
15	Tony Padden	22-6-0	1	16	Mark Merrett	23-12-8	2
17	Peter Howard	33-5-0	2	18	Hugh Blake	15-11-0	1
19	Colin Forsdick	55-14-0	1	20	Mick Biles	81-8-8	2
Total		366-10-0	13			310-7-8	11

Warlingham took on Judds of Hillingdon in the second round of the AT SuperCup on April 26 and were beaten 13 points to 11. At the start of the match the conditions were calm but the wind picked up during the match. WADAS looked to have had the match sealed at halfway but then Judds managed to catch close in generally far better and they emerged with three of the top four led by Roy Hayward (pic below) at peg 3 who caught barbel, chub, bream, tench and carp on pole and maggot for 86-12-0. Opposite him was Mick Biles (pictured above) who was physically exhausted after landing a similar 81-8-8 catch from peg 20.



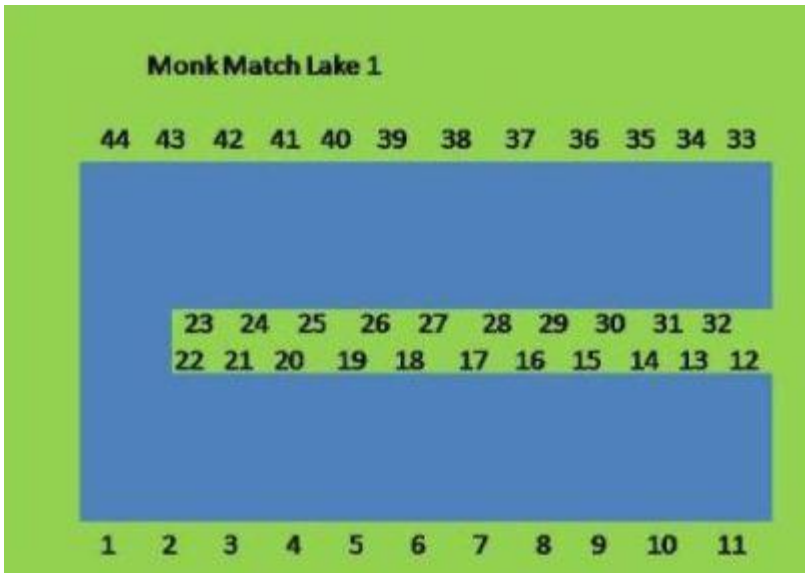
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Judds of Hillingdon Warlingham and DAS

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7 Bob Church 27-14-0 2 8 Antony Stevens 21-10-8 1
9 Tony Salcynski 19-9-0 1 10 Craig Winchester 40-1-0 2
13 Jim Neate 57-14-0 2 14 Steve Longhurst 35-0-0 1
15 Tony Padden 22-6-0 1 16 Mark Merrett 23-12-8 2
17 Peter Howard 33-5-0 2 18 Hugh Blake 15-11-0 1
19 Colin Forsdick 55-14-0 1 20 Mick Biles 81-8-8 2
Total **366-10-0** 13 **310-7-8** 11

No of section wins 5 No of section wins 5

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AT SuperCup on Monks Match Lake 1 has been confirmed as the venue for the second round of the AT SuperCup with pegs 1-22 to be used. The eight man side will be from: *Hugh Blake, David Cattermole, Steve Allen, Mark Merrett, Steve Longhurst, Eddie Derrick, Craig Winchester, Antony Stevens, Mick Biles, Tony Garner and Bob Stone.* Dave Harper is the non-fishing captain. *Paul Oliver* is

sadly not available for this contest.

Old Adversaries in second round of Angling Times SuperCup

JUDDS of Hillingdon are Warlingham's next opponents in the second round of the AT SuperCup which will be staged on Sunday, April 26. With both Woodpecker Lake and Hartleylands Farm not available that day, an application has been made to Monk Lakes for the 16 peg showdown. This should suit both sides as the semi-final of the competition is due to be held on the same venue. Judds won the last encounter in 2007 at Charts Plain.

The Longhursts amaze at Maze

Our final match the long season was at Maze Lake on **Beaver Farm Fishery** near Lingfield on March 8. And it produced a remarkable result for the Longhurst family with club champion Steve winning with 25-12-0 of carp and bream on pole and maggot or soft pellet to the far bank. However brother Kevin waded in with second spot with a similar 18-6-0 catch taken down the track on similar baits and father Terry completed the frame with 14-9-0 on feeder and maggot. However there were three dry nets with a further four good anglers catching under a pound.

Longhurst leaves it late but does enough to win Points Championship

HE left it to the final 30 minutes but two carp were finally netted by Steve Longhurst and his 9-2-0 was good enough for second spot on an out of sorts **Charts Plain** on March 1. True he lost six fish on light line but could not get a bite on heavy line and the one in between was, er... missing but eventually groundbait feeder and maggot at peg 19 paid off. Mark Merett was by the fir tree, peg 24, and used pole and double corn to land eight carp for 18-9-0 for a comfortable win, Andy Tickner on peg 10 landing two or three fish for 8-7-8. With one match to go, Craig Winchester can no longer catch up let alone overtake Steve and so has to settle up for the runner up spot.

Sensation as Warlingham win AT SuperCup Match



WITH the CALPAC Putney Cup and Invicta Shield already in the trophy cabinet along with the Eden Challenge Shield and runner up spot in the Central Cup, Wars' run continued at **Hartleylands Farm Reservoir** on February 22. In a three way contest against old adversaries Epsom Piscatorials and newcomers Tight Lines FC, it was always going to be a keenly fought but friendly contest. Steve Longhurst (**pic left**) set Warlingham on the way landing a carp first cast on feeder tactics and quickly adding a skimmer bream. But thereafter he struggled and added a few skimmers and roach for 8-12-8. By the halfway point, things were looking grim with Steve Allen still without a fish and Craig Winchester, Dave Cattermole and Hugh Blake without anything of note. Fortunately it all changed round with Dave Cattermole landing a good carp to add to his skimmers and roach for 12-10-0 though desperately unlucky to finish last in his section. Tight Lines Arron Betteridge landed a fine 10-7-0 carp late on for 13-4-0.



Dave's misery was compounded by having overall winner Tony Lock (Epsom Piscatorials) on the other side who lamed four carp plus bits on cage feeder and dead maggot for 17-9-0. Hugh Blake (**left**) had a late run landing four carp in the final hour plus bits for 15-15-0.



With section wins by Craig Winchester, Hugh Blake (**pic left with his 15-15-0 net**), Paul Oliver, Mark Merrett and Steve Allen, plus seconds by Antony Stevens and Steve Longhurst, Warlingham scored 12 penalty points with Epsom Piscatorials on 14 and Tight Lines on 22, the lowest weight overall being 0-4-0.



The successful side: From L to R - Hugh Blake, Mark Merrett, Dave Cattermole, Steve Longhurst in front of Antony Stevens, Craig Winchester, Steve Allen and Paul Oliver. They now look forward to see who they have drawn in Round 2 and will hope for and April fixture or miss a club match.

Angling Times Super Cup Weight in Sheet				22 February 2009				Hartleylands Farm Reservoir			
Peg	Team Name	Weight	Points	Peg	Team Name	Weight	Points	Peg	Team Name	Weight	Points
Epsom Piscatorials				Warlingham and District AS				Tight Lines AC			
1	Clark Neville	3-5-8	2	2	Craig Winchester	4-14-0	1	3	Sami Dinelli	1-2-8	3
4	Tony Lock	17-9-0	1	5	Dave Cattermole	12-10-0	3	6	Arron Betteridge	13-4-0	2
7	Colin Molloy	10-14-8	2	8	Hugh Blake	15-15-0	1	9	Dave Shallis	1-10-0	3
10	Dave Port	14-13-0	1	11	Antony Stevens	11-8-8	2	12	Steve Pearce	1-13-8	3
13	Geoff Pearson	3-13-0	2	14	Paul Oliver	5-8-0	1	15	Dicky Dumbrill	2-11-0	3
16	Dave Whitehead	2-4-8	2	17	Mark Merrett	4-4-0	1	18	Les Humphries	1-8-0	3
19	Tony Collis	0-4-0	3	20	Steve Allen	5-3-0	1	21	Ron "Chick" Bain	3-12-0	2
22	Steve Moore	15-9-8	1	23	Steve Longhurst	8-12-8	2	24	James Betteridge	5-13-0	3
Total 68-7-0 14				Total 68-11-0 12				Total 31-10-0 22			

No of section wins 3
No of section seconds 4

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Stars blank at Hunter Lodge

THREE of the eight to fish in this weekend's Angling Times SuperCup at Hartelylands Farm Reservoir dry netted at Hunter's Lodge on February 15. An amazing 20 anglers turned out and so the Mick's Lake had to be used as there were too many for Jack's Lake. But it was a poor session for Paul Oliver, David Cattermole and Antony Stevens who all blanked, as did Peter Crowhurst and Bob Stone. But it was a welcome return to form for Steve Allen who hammered out six carp and a fabulous Golden Orfe that went 4-0-8 to put 29-2-8 on the scales using method feeder and maggot. Second on the lake was Mark Merrett who used feeder and bread for two carp and 10-4-8, David C King coming third with 6-9-0. On Mick's Lake, everyone caught, the lowest weight being Dave Harper's 0-12-0 of gudgeon and tiny perch on pole and bloodworm over joker. After a dry two hours, Andy Tickner caught roach to just under a pound using pole and maggot over micro pellets for 10-11-0, Kevin Longhurst landing a similar 7-1-0 catch, also after a dry first two hours. In the Points Championship, Craig Winchester has been held back to within 13 points on Steve Longhurst with two matches to go at Charts Plain and Beaver Farm.

Top of Table

Name	Carry Forward	Lakeview Feb 1	Lakeview Feb 8	Hunter's Lodge	Chart's Plain	Beaver Farm	Total
Steve Longhurst	208	7	7	5			227
Craig Winchester	195	10	3	6			214

SuperCup Team named

The team to face Epsom Piscatorials and Tight Lines AC on February 22 at Hartleylands Farm Reservoir has been named:

Steve Longhurst Paul Oliver
Craig Winchester Antony Stevens
Mark Merrett Steve Allen
David Cattermole Hugh Blake

Reserves
Bob Stone
Mick Biles
Jason Courtney

Return to Lakeview sees Paul Oliver romp home

He may have missed the previous week due to a holiday (that was increased as he could not return due to the appalling weather) but Paul Oliver wasted no time at peg 11 on **Lakeview** on February 8 in landing two good carp on pole and maggot over micro pellets intended for silver fish. As the ice melted, he turned to his right and fished by a tree close in to land a further seven carp plus silvers for 39-3-0. Mark Merrett was kept busy (and quiet!) all day at peg 5 on the island where he fished pole and maggot to land 25-12-0 of skimmer bream, Mick Biles on the same peg that Jasper Stevens was on the previous week landing a carp and skimmer for 4-15-0.

New Season starts in May!

The 2009/2010 season will, for the first time, start in May with five fixtures planned on top of those already announced and will include the Pairs Match on Hunters Lodge with one angler on each lake plus fixtures at Old Bury Hill Lake (old lake) and Willow Park Middle Lake. See Fixtures page for details shortly (when Mr Adby has finished his lunch!)

It's snow joke at Lakeview but everyone catches, even the man that went home!

OUR first visit to **Lakeview Fisheries** near Worth on February 1 saw sixteen anglers fish an unusual complex that has a bailiff hut on a concrete island and up to six anglers fishing from it star fashion, the rest being on two of three fishable banks. Although Craig Winchester did well with 14-2-0 of roach and skimmers to pole and maggot from the island, the far end of the lake produced some fish also. Anthony Stevens used groundbait feeder and maggot to net five small skimmer bream early before switching to the pole. But he pulled out of a few fish and ended with 8-0-0 whilst Mark Merrett on the dam wall will choose his time to roll a cigarette more carefully next time as his pole was ripped round by a stray carp that undoubtedly cost him at least one place, he finished with 5-15-0.

Grueller at Lake Eva but everyone catches

Warlingham & DAS visited **Lake Eva**, part of the Claygate Lakes complex on January 25 and struggled but amazingly all caught, the lowest weight being an ounce. Mark Merrett was top rod with two tench and silver fish on feeder and maggot for just 2-4-0 to beat Paul Oliver who had 1-10-0 of pole and maggot. Pensioners David Adby and Lawrie Way were third and fourth with 0-13-8 and 0-12-0 respectively.

Some fish at last despite river match being pulled



WITH the River Mole at Dorking badly affected by an overnight deluge, the correct decision to switch to **Castle Gardens Lake, Pudden Hole and Mill Lake** was taken by Dorking AS who were joined by 17 WADAS members and Leatherhead DAS on January 18. There was no doubting top rod on the day, Leatherhead's Pete Turnbull who drew on the "spring", peg 21 on Castle Gardens and offered 16 metre pole and maggot over micropellets and a few casters to land 14 carp plus skimmers for 49-12-0, most of his fish falling in the first two hours of the match. Steve Longhurst was on Pudden Hole, a water that is quite natural unlike the fine platforms at Castle Gardens. Fishing for roach

with maggot, he latched into and landed a 12-15-0 carp that boosted his score to 20-3-0 for second overall and WADAS's best score. Mark Hathaway on Castle Gardens was third with 14-3-0 followed by Jasper Stevens on 12-2-0 from the same lake. Other weights included Craig Winchester on 9-15-0, the Bury Hill specialist Tony Garner who visits when nobody else does, with 8-6-0 and Mark Merrett second on Mill Lake with 7-6-0 of roach to 6 oz and skimmers to 8 oz on bread. **Picture shows Andy Honess with a carp from Castle Gardens with Tony Garner the chocolate soldier standing in the background!**

Where are all the fish?

THAT was the question on the lips of many after 15 turned out to the Thames just above **Teddington** on January 11 only to fail to catch, the worst result since Wallingford on 30 November 1980 when coaches were still used to take the anglers to the venue. The pools will be carried forward to the next match on the Mole at Dorking.

- On a positive note, Warlingham & DAS are grateful to the Hawker Centre YMCA for the use of their car park and easy access to the river.

Lawrie wins Den Wride Memorial

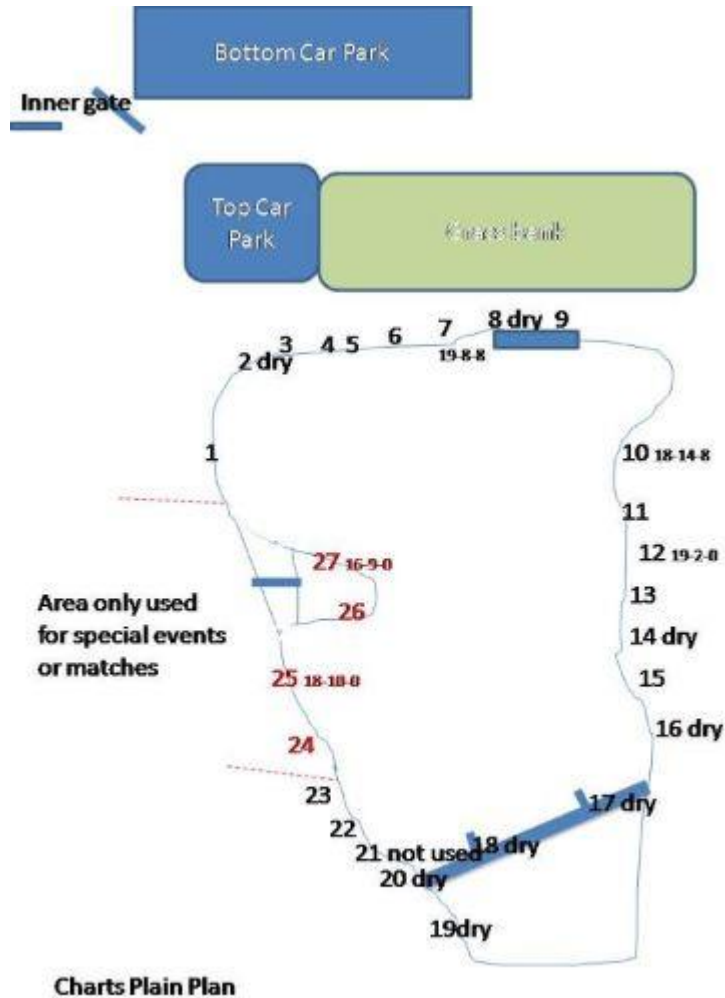
IT took until 10.30 to clear the 1.5 inches of ice at **Hunter's Lodge** on January 4 for the Dennis Wride Memorial but saw Lawrie Way win the first match of the New Year in convincing style. Offering pole and single red maggot the oldest man on the match landed perch to 6 oz, six small rudd and a gudgeon for 2-7-8. This put him well clear of Bob Stone on 1-8-0 and Paul Oliver on 1-1-0. "I should have had more but my elastic was too strong for the sort of fish I was catching," explained Lawrie. Venue owner Paul Vincent generously gave the water free for the day and treated those taking part to hot drinks.

Steve is Lord of the Manor

ON a bright and crisp day at Manor Farm, Headcorn on December 28, only 10 emerged from their Christmas puddings to test the water. Those that ventured out of the house to get some fresh air for a change had fair sport. Steve Longhurst fished pole and maggot to land a small carp plus silver fish for 7-3-0 to beat Paul Oliver who included a superb perch of 2-10-8 in his net of 5-11-0. Antony Stevens was third with a small carp and silvers

for 2-11-0.

Christmas Cheer at Charts Plain



A packed **Charts Plain** on December 21 saw 25 turn up for the Christmas Outing, only Hugh Blake, Peter Rock, Eddie Derrick, Colin Jerrom, Kevin Longhurst and Tony Garner out of the regular faces were missing. Inevitably there were dry nets, especially at the far end of the lake (see left). Well done to Phil King at peg 7 where cage feeder and triple red maggot gave him eight carp for 19-8-8. Jason Courtney at peg 12 was also on the feeder and managed 19-2-0 with Mick Biles on peg 10 landing five carp for 18-14-8. Thereafter it was Antony Stevens on peg 25 with 18-10-0 and Dave Cattermole on the island with 16-9-0. After the match most went back to the Prince Albert pub in Cophorne for ham, egg and chips and a pint or two.

Blankety-Blank on Thames

FIFTEEN member and a guest, who was due on the Lower Thames Champs but was forced to pull out prior to that event, experienced even worse results than that halycon day in September at Laleham on December 14. Fog was a common factor but the river was running hard and few fish fed. "Mr Consistency", Paul Oliver won another match landing a 5-6-8 breram plus a skimmer for 6-8-0 on pole and maggot. All the rest of the fish were caught on a quivertip, Steve Allen a 0-3-0 dace and Mick Biles a 0-1-0 bullhead. Steve Longhurst and Craig Winchester both had 0-0-8 bullheads whilst the rest blanked.

Invicta Shield to add to cabinet

WITH the River Medway at Yalding out of sorts, the CALPAC Invicta Shield was transferred to **Lake Eva** on the Claygate Fishery on December 7. Silver fish were the order of the day with pole and maggot over pinkies the

best. Craig Winchester snaffled a large skimmer bream at the death to put him on top with 4-0-0. And with backing weights of 3-0-0 from Andy Tickner, 2-8-0 from Jasper Stevens and 2-5-8 from the ever consistent Paul Oliver saw the Invicta Shield being lifted. Other clubs taking part included Southwark and Camberwell and Banstead AS.

Good turn out for Framfield

Warlingham & DAS attracted 21 members and 11 guests to Spring Lake at Framfield on November 30 where the weather was fairly cold and miserable. Maggot was the only hookbait that seemed to work and Steve Allen used method feeder tactics to land 72-5-8 of carp to beat Paul Oliver who had 54-10-0 and Mark Merrett on 50-12-0 using similar tactics.

Mark Merrett wins pneumonia contest

Well it seemed like that at **Hartleylands Farm** on November 23 with snow on the ground at the start and cold rain most of the day. However Bramley Lake produced fair weights on the method feeder with either maggot or corn on the hook, Paul Oliver coming third for a change with 20-12-8. So it was Mark Merrett who took top honours with 24-14-0 followed by Steve Allen just ounces behind on 24-3-8.

Oliver gets some more!

ON the day that the *Mail on Sunday* gave away a CD featuring the soundtrack from **Oliver**, it was perhaps predictable that Paul Oliver would return for more on the **Wey Navigation** on November 16. The water looked perfect with a nice colour and flow but leaves were always going to play a part, especially in the final hour. But canny Paul fished close in and avoided the worst of the debris catching 6-13-0 of roach and gudgeon, oh and one tiny skimmer, on punched bread. Bob Stone fished similar tactics for 6-7-0 whilst Antony Stevens in the rushes contributed 4-12-8. The fancied outfall failed to produce bream and so Steve Longhurst was out of the top three again.

Hailstorms but plenty of fish on Field Lake

There was a good turn out of 19 members and a guest for the match at **Field Lake**, Wylands International on November 9. But weights were good with Paul Oliver on the far bank fishing at 11 metres with corn and close in where he fed three pints of maggots to land 86-3-0 of carp to 4 lb and roach. Craig Winchester was opposite the winner and fished pole and various baits for 54-2-8 whilst Steve Allen wasted 90 minutes missing lots of bites on a normal feeder before switching to the method feeder to land 52-12-0. Club champion Steve Longhurst, one of the few who didn't erect a broily was fourth with 47-0-0 next to the winner on a day when few failed to catch double figures.

Putney Cup retained again

AFTER lifting the Eden Challenge Shield last month, Warlingham A retained the CALPAC Putney Cup for the fourth year in succession. The Basingstoke Canal at West Byfleet has been kind to the Wars, who fielded Steve Longhurst, Craig Winchester, Paul Oliver and Hugh Blake.

But they were pressed all the way by a pair of determined Epsom AS sides who missed out by a point thus reversing September's result when they lifted the CALPAC Central Cup at West Drayton.

Top rod was Paul Oliver who was drawn in the wides and landed 12-15-0 of roach and skimmer bream on pole and punched bread over liquidised bread. Epsom B's Keith Meredith was second with 6-13-0 followed by David Cattermole (Warlingham B) with 5-2-0.

Teams: 1 Warlingham A, 10 pts; 2 Epsom AS (A), 11; 3 Epsom AS (B), 12

Frant is Wet, Wet, Wet



RAIN was the main feature of the match held at **Frant Lakes** on October 26 and it was quite dark after the contest that was won by Paul Oliver on Stumps Lake with 53-13-0 of skimmer bream and carp on pole and corn. At the other end peg on Skirmish Lake, Lawrie Way (pictured left) did well with method feeder and triple red maggot to land carp to over 8 lb for 46-1-8 whilst Peter Rock saw off Steve Longhurst off the next peg with 27-15-0 to make it a good day for the pensioners.

Jerrom adds pike wrestling to his CV



Warlingham's trip to Bough Beech Reservoir provided some interesting sport with Monks Hill greenkeeper Colin Jerrom now being able to add pike wrestling to his CV. Using lobworm, Colin managed to hook and land a massive 20-10-0 pike that was far too big for standard landing nets and had to be landed by hand, Colin doing well with a 5 lb line and size 14 hook. But his 20-12-0 total wasn't enough to beat Banstead angler Craig Winchester who fished feeder and caster and had two pike one of 15-14-0 and another 9-0-0 in his total of 29-15-0. **To give you an idea of how big these pike were, as no pictures were taken, James McEwan of Ealing poses with a 12-8-0 pike taken from the Thames at Shepperton the day before the Lower Thames Chsampionship**

WADAS regain Eden Challenge Shield despite dry net

SUNDAY, October 13 saw the **Eden Challenge Shield** fished between Haxted and Penshurst with a nail-biting contest fished in good conditions with three teams in contention but only one winner. And big Jason Courtney who fished against William Raison at junior level was embarrassed to have the only dry net. Warlingham's 6 foot 7 inch Child Protection Officer was looking for offers of help himself in the car park afterwards as it transpired last year's holders Edenbridge had tied with Warlingham on 61. Holland were third with 59 with CALPAC on 27

But a superior weight saw Warlingham snatch back the trophy they won in 2006 with Banstead based Craig Winchester landing three tench and bits for 12-8-0 using pole, maggot, caster and worm. Edenbridge Veteran Ken Staton had a nice bream early and added bleak on the whip with chopped worm and caster whilst Dave Cattermole saw Wars home with 6-14-0 of mostly bleak on stick and bronze maggot over red maggot.

One fish short of Central Cup Win

The CALPAC Central Cup was originally destined for the Hayes section of the Grand Union Canal but was moved to Horton Road, **West Drayton** on the bailiff's advice on October 6. Well Hayes must have been pretty awful because nobody broke 2 lb on this grueller fished for much of the time in heavy rain.

John Oliver (Epsom A) was drawn past the sheds and managed 1-9-8 of roach and perch, Mark Smith (Epsom B) next to me recovering from a poor start to land a similar 1-4-0 catch. Mark Merrett (Warlingham) was third

with 1-1-0 but Queen Victoria won the cup by a single point over Warlingham who also fielded Dave Harper, Hugh Blake and Eddy Derrick

Meanwhile at **T***land Pond** in Surrey, silver fish were keen to feed with perch to 12 oz, a roach of 1-9-8 to Steve Allen and a 1-3-8 rudd for Lawrie Way. Top rod was Craig Winchester with 13-4-0 taken on pole and caster or maggot. Similar tactics yielded 10-0-0 for Jasper Stevens whilst David Cattermole used waggler with maggot and worm for 7-2-0.

High Pressure makes going hard at Framfield

THE visit to Framfield's **Brookhouse Lake** on September 28 saw the high pressure even affect weights on this usually prolific water but there was no stopping Steve Longhurst landing 101-7-0 of carp to 6 lb on long pole and corn over pellet and on the inside line. Steve Allen used method feeder and maggot or pellet close in for 45-15-0, Phil King third using pole and maggot for 42-7-8.

"Rubbish" dad wins at Charts Plain

THE Elliott family fished for the first time together on Saturday September 20 at Charts Plain under competition conditions and came away with mixed fortunes. Young Joe made out that he considered his dad was "rubbish" but was forced to eat his words as father Neil landed the biggest fish of the day.

Dave C King and Adam Stainer start out as hot favourites especially as they drew fancied peg 2. Adam offered a method feeder to land two out of four carp hooked for 5-3-0 whilst Dave King contributed 3 lb of silvers for 8-3-0 between them. On paper that might have been enough but Mr Elliott senior had other ideas and fished with pole and corn over pellet to land 22-4-0 of carp to 8-14-0 to win, Joe contributing a useful 2-11-0 of silver fish to give them a total of 24-15-0. Neil announced his retirement after this match, at least until next year!

Third pair were Cliff and Jennifer Slogrove of Beckenham with 2-4-0. Steve Longhurst contributed two prize rods whilst Peter James of Biggin Hill Angling Centre provided two reels and with other donations, there was a rich array of prizes.

Meanwhile in the Ladies competition, it all went horribly wrong for reigning champion Dawn Elliott. Drawn at peg 6, she fished pole and soft pellet over pellets but lost six carp, two of which broke 6 lb line and four came off. She ended up with 2-12-0 to allow Anita Evans to win with 3-13-0, Heather Roll coming third with 1-9-0.

Chub win for Hugh

TWENTY anglers turned out on the River Eden at **Chiddingstone** on September 21 to witness Hugh Blake land two chub plus bits on pole and caster over hemp and caster for 8-8-0. Steve Longhurst fished similar tactics for lots of small fish but only one on similar tactics for 6-7-0 whilst Colin Jerrom did well with pole, maggot and worm for 6-5-8. The competition also acted as a practice for October's Eden Challenge Shield.

Willow off form

The visit to Willow Park's Small Lake on September 14 was far from easy. Steve Allen fished pole and pellet for six carp and 26-14-8 ahead of David C King who opted for feeder tactics also with maggot for 25-14-8 and Steve Longhurst on 21-14-8

Winchester in charge

A CHANCE was taken after heavy rain to visit the River Eden at **Chiddingstone** on September 7 where Craig Winchester ruled the roost. The river was pushing quite hard most of the match but slackened off when water was pumped into nearby Bough Beech Reservoir. Craig offered pole and maggot over worm and caster and switched his hookbaits around to land a bonus 4.5 lb bream plus skimmers, roach and gudgeon for 10-7-8 to beat Steve Longhurst on pole and caster over hemp and caster who had 6-2-0. Hugh Blake was third with 5-8-0 of silver fish on pole and caster.

Nosey carp amongst the silvers at Woodpeckers

THE silver fish match at Woodpecker Fishery near Worth on August 31 saw carp proving a problem but Paul Oliver was top weight with 27-12-0 of mostly skimmer bream on pole and maggot to beat Craig Winchester on 26-7-8 and Dave Cattermole with 23-2-0.

Winchester gets among the skimmers

AERATION problems at **Marsh Farm** meant a groundbait and feeder ban on Richardson's Lake for the visit on August 24. In truth, the wrong pegs were selected but Craig Winchester was drawn at noted peg 11 and fished pole and maggot to land a creditable 20-1-0 bag of skimmer bream, well clear of Jasper Stevens on 11-12-0 and Phil King on 9-2-8.



Robin confounds his critics and wins the Len Tutt Cup! Yes, it has finally happened and Robin Mahachi stayed at his peg throughout, fished a blinder and deservedly lifted the Len Tutt Junior Cup on August 23 at **Charts Plain**. Drawn at peg 3, Robin was pressed throughout the first half by Joe Elliott who landed a carp on meat at peg 7 first cast and then led three carp to two. But Robin kept his nerve and fished pole and corn over pellets throughout to land seven carp plus bits for 16-10-0. Adam Stainer at peg 10 was completely left in the starting blocks and only



spared his blushes with a late carp to add to two smaller samples to give him 5-12-0. Joe Elloitt's match at peg 7 hinged on losing a fourth carp and then struggling in the second half but ending with 4-5-0. Jennifer Slogrove (pictured left) did really well working hard with waggler and maggot at peg 9 for an all silver fish net of 3-3-0, Rebecca Hoy at peg 2 weighing 1-9-0.

Cattermole curses his new line

Warlingham & DAS visited **Broadwater Lake**, Farncombe on August 16 for a friendly match against Godalming AS, a unique event in itself as both club have achieved Clubmark status plus a handful from Dorking AS. As usual, Godalming members dished out a lesson with one angler weighing over 200 lb and another breaking the ton. Best score for the visitors was David Cattermole who was on the road bank and used method feeder and maggot to land four carp for 64-6-0 for joint fifth place. But losing two carp on account of his new line breaking inexplicably cost him third spot.

Peter Rock did well from the rugby bank to land three carp on method feeder and maggot, including a personal best of 18-5-0, which I doubt will be beaten this season, for 44-1-0. Peter's previous match best was 12-8-0 and all time best was a 15 lb fish in France.

Craig scores victory at blustery Pulborough

DESPITE a perfect tide, excessive weed coupled with a blustery downstream made the trip to the Arun at Pulborough one tough cookie on August 10. And at times there were no shortage of swans at Swan Meadow! Only the odd large fish featured, including a 4 lb plus bream by Mick Biles and a couple of fair chub by Craig

Winchester.

He had a long walk but settled in to a swim in "chub straight" and started on a stick float and maggot over hemp and caster before the pace picked up and he switched to a pole and lollipop float to land 8-8-8 of mainly roach but two chub, the best 2-2-0. Second placed Hugh Blake was even further downstream and fished pole and maggot over hemp and caster for 5-15-0 of roach and dace, Steve Longhurst fishing stick and maggot over hemp and maggots for a similar 5-10-0 net. Life member Dennis Pooley made a rare appearance on his local water (he lives over the road and has a piece of the Arun in his garden!) but finished up facing the wind and unable to present his bait correctly and left early.



Lawrie scores a fabulous win at Tandridge Lane Well would you believe it? Lawrie Way trounced the Society's best from peg 10 at Tandridge Lane Lake on August 3 and best of all hammered poor Tony Garner into the ground in the KO competition. This 7-12-0 common took 45 minutes to land on feeder, 6 lb line and multiple maggots. With further carp he put 22-9-0 on the scales to beat Steve Longhurst at peg 8 who managed four carp and a tench on pole and pellet for 17-2-8. In between them was David Adby who fished feeder tactics for 15-6-0. The best fish of the day was Dave Harper's 10-13-8 mirror carp to make it thus far three specimen species from this venue in six months.

Paul Oliver: Can I have some more please?

ON the hottest day of the year to date, Paul Oliver scored a convincing victory at Lake John on July 27. Drawn at peg 30 on the far bank, pole and pellet saw him land 66-0-0 of large skimmer bream and tench. Steve Allen at noted peg 13 switched between the feeder and pole with pellet or corn for a similar 39-2-0 net whilst Dave C King surprised a number from the opposite bank with 37-8-0 for third spot.

Brother Phil was just half and ounce behind but had a nice 4-11-0 tench in his net of 37-7-8 whilst Dave Harper had a 8-13-0 common carp and David Adby a 1-8-0 crucian carp. Just a shame we will have to wait until 2010 at least to return.

Tony scores a victory on the Medway

Warlingham & DAS's outing to the Medway at Yalding for the first round of the Summer League Trophy on July 20 was won by Tony Garner with 11-5-0 of roach and skimmer bream. Second was Paul Oliver back from his holiday on 8-3-0 with Steve Allen third with 6-14-8. This Sunday sees a trip to Lake John near Waltham Abbey where I expect a weight of at least 60 lb of bream and tench to win.

Mark is the bright spark at Charts Plain

INDIFFERENT weather once again affected weights on this six match series that saw Mark Merrett win two of the rounds and only really struggle on the silver fish round. Surprise was Craig Winchester who too an early lead with two wins but then only scored a six on round 4, was away for round 5 and then opted not to weigh on the final match, his position at ninth being a bit false.

Other match winners were second placed Brian "Whacker" Wales and our very able match organiser David Adby. The table below shows the top ten anglers but 18 took part all together.

Pos	Name	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3 (Silver Fish)	Match 4	Match 5 (Wag and Mag)	Match 6	Sub Total	Total discarding worst match score
1	Mark Merrett	4-15-8 (10)	11-13-0 (13)	3-6-8 (6)	25-0-8 (15)	11-13-0 (12)	22-11-0 (15)	71	65
2	Brian Wales	12-12-8 (14)	17-14-8 (15)	3-14-0 (9)	17-6-8 (12)	4-8-0 (8)	2-5-8 (9)	67	59
3	Phillip King	8-4-0 (12)	8-8-8 (11)	8-1-0 (14)	5-14-0 (7)	14-2-8 (14)	1-9-0 (7)	62	55
4	Antony Stevens	0-7-8 (5)	2-6-0 (6)	7-3-8 (12)	23-14-8 (14)	5-11-0 (9)	15-8-0 (14)	60	55
5	David C King	2-1-0 (8)	0-10-0 (1)	7-6-0 (13)	12-12-8 (11)	7-7-8 (10)	13-15-0 (13)	56	55
6	Andy Crouch	10-0-0 (13)	0-14-8 (3)	4-4-0 (11)	10-5-0 (10)	11-15-0 (13)	1-5-8 (8)	58	55
7	David Adby	6-3-0 (11)	3-7-8 (8)	3-8-8 (8)	6-11-0 (8)	24-13-0 (15)	1-4-0 (6)	56	50
8	Brian Beacroft	D.N.W. (0)	7-3-0 (10)	1-7-0 (5)	10-2-0 (9)	8-13-0 (11)	3-7-0 (11)	46	46
9	Craig Winchester	20-6-8 (15)	6-1-0 (9)	10-6-0 (15)	5-12-8 (6)	D.N.A. (0)	D.N.W. (0)	45	45
10	Stephen King	D.N.W. (0)	0-14-8 (3)	4-3-0 (10)	2-1-8 (5)	3-7-0 (6)	3-2-8 (10)	34	34

Silver Lake tarnished with low weights

GABRIELS Farm was a tough cookie with relatively few silver fish feeding and not many carp in Silver Lake on July 13. Top weight was Antony "Jasper" Stevens who fished a long pole and paste over pellet to the island for 31-0-8 of carp, Colin "Jammy" Jerrom using waggler and maggot for 18-12-8.

Godalming give Warlingham another lesson

Warlingham DAS fished a friendly against Godalming AS on **Monk Lake 1** on July 6 and got beaten but Wars had some fair weights in the wind and rain with Steve Longhurst once again taking top honours with 56-11-8 of carp and barbel taken on the pole and pellet. Brian Beacroft has not had much success recently but did well with

five carp and a net of barbel for 53-8-0, Steve Allen third with 53-5-0.

"Too far" Tylers produces best weights of season

STEVE Longhurst did not believe that fish would feed so close in a fairly featureless Willow Lake at **Tylers Common** on June 29 but 169-5-8 of fish later put paid to that thought! Pole and pellet did the damage with fish to 4 lb whilst on the opposite bank at peg 23 Mark Merrett alternated between pellet, meat and corn on the hook over pellets for 129-0-0, Eddie Derrick third from peg 12 with 87-11-8. David C King scored a personal best match weight with 56-0-0 from peg 16, the two lowest weights being over 20lb.

Weir Wood produces nice sport

WITH Leggat's Lake not being available at late notice, the action was focussed on the north bank of **Weir Wood Reservoir** on June 22 where there was some good sport with Steve Allen fishing feeder and worm to land 27-11-0 of skimmer bream to beat Craig Winchester on 19-14-0, Steve Longhurst having the best bream cat 3-11-8 in his net of 14-1-0.

No tea wagon at Hartleylands but plenty of fish

AFTER a "dry old party" at the start, due to the tea wagon being firmly shut, Pear Tree Lake at **Hartleylands Farm** provided an excellent match on June 15. Steve Longhurst chalked up his second win from peg 15 with method feeder to the island, long pole in the middle and then the margins for 78-1-0 of carp and barbel. Second was Mick Biles who opted for Sonu Baits pellet paste for 72-12-0 with Steve Allen with 69-1-0 using both feeder and pole tactics.

Match of two halves at Back Arun

IT was as if someone had thrown a switch at Back Arun on **June 8** when after a very quiet first half, the carp woke up and there were some fair weights led by Paul Oliver at peg 20 with 42-4-0 of carp on pole and meat over maggots in the margins. He saw off Steve Longhurst at peg 19 who fished meat over meat at six metres for 38-3-0.

Business as usual for Steve at start of new season

IT was a new season but an old face that took top honours in the opening match at **Passies Match Lake** on June 1. Steve used pole and pellets for 20-0-0 of carp to beat Bob Stone who fished feeder and hair-rigged pellet at peg 66 for 27-0-0. Craig Winchester managed four carp that basically got him out of jail with 19-7-0 beating rival Paul Oliver by three ounces.

- This match saw the introduction of the two division system, the vast majority voting in favour

Steve is the champion by a whisker!

HALFWAY through the final match of the season at **Charts Plain** on March 9, Steve Longhurst looked dead and buried as he toiled at permanent peg 5. But three late carp on feeder tactics saw him put 8-11-8 on he scales

to break Craig Winchester's heart.

The Banstead rod could only manage 8-8-0 and effectively lost the points trophy by four ounces as the two tied and Longhurst's superior weight saw him retain the Club Championship in the closest campaign in living memory.

Top weight on the day was Steve Allen who was on the rhododendrons and landed five carp on feeder and maggot plus one on the pole for 21-13-0 to beat Bob Stone who did well in the bay, peg 19 to land four carp, one on corn the rest on legered bread for 15-5-0. Mark Merret ensured nobody could touch his weights trophy with four carp on feeder and double red corn rom peg 6 for 13-1-0. in the most exciting climax to a season ever.



Godalming Charge On This was a one-sided match held at Richardson's Lake, **Marsh Farm** on March 2 with hosts Godalming AS romping through to the next round of the Angling Times Supercup. The home side won seven of the eight sections led by Mick Mahoney who used pole and red maggot over SwimStim and Krill groundbait for 11 tench, two crucian carp, roach and blade skimmers for 27-6-0. With Perry Gray at peg 9 landing 17-6-0 for second, it proved a nightmare for Jasper Stevens who could only muster 1-9-0 between them. But WADAS had third place with Paul Oliver landing 15-5-0 from end peg 16 as Godalming won by 7 Points to 15. Meanwhile at Fairlight, six

anglers turned up to a match won by Lawrie Way who fished close in with pole and meat for 26-10-0 of carp, bream and roach. Tony Garner was second with 22-11-0 from the Top Lake followed by Bob Stone with 19-8-0, Dave Cattermole on 17-6-0, David Adby with 13-7-0 and Terry Longhurst on 6-11-8.

Name	Club	Peg	Weight	Points
Paul Etherington	Godalming AS	1	5-2-0	1
David C King	Warlingham DAS	2	1-9-0	2
Gordon Stevenson	Godalming AS	3	3-15-0	1
Phil King	Warlingham DAS	4	1-15-0	2
Roger Howe	Godalming AS	5	7-1-0	1
Hugh Blake	Warlingham DAS	6	4-11-0	2
Mick Mahoney	Godalming AS	7	27-6-0	1
Antony Stevens	Warlingham DAS	8	1-9-0	2
Perry Gray	Godalming AS	9	17-6-0	1
Steve Longhurst	Warlingham DAS	10	9-1-8	2
Dave Carter	Godalming AS	11	12-12-0	1
Craig Winchester	Warlingham DAS	12	8-0-0	2

Dave Lake	Godalming AS	13	6-15-0	1
Colin Jerrom	Warlingham DAS	14	1-10-0	2
Chris Kampa	Godalming AS	15	3-1-0	2
Paul Oliver	Warlingham DAS	16	15-5-0	1



Craig on course for title COULD this be the moment when the Senior Championship Points Trophy is decided? After Craig Winchester landed this carp on pole and maggot and another late 6 lb fish on legered maggot it put a yawning gap between him and rival Steve Longhurst at Tandridge Lake on February 24. With Longhurst unable to land a bonus fish, Craig's 13-10-8 gave him second on the day behind David Adby on the opposite bank who landed five carp and bits mostly on feeder and corn/caster cocktail for 19-11-8. Dave Harper scored two personal bests, a 6-5-0 bream on pole and corn/worm cocktail over liquidised corn coloured blue (making it green) and with almond essence plus a 3-0-8 perch on the feeder using the same cocktail. With several tiny gudgeon early gave him 9-10-0 for third spot.



With one scoring round left at Charts Plain on March 9, Steve Longhurst knows he needs to draw well to have any chance of retaining his title. "Unfortunately I have missed seven matches but all power to Craig as it makes the title race a nail-biter", said Steve.



Match of two halves at Frant
THERE could scarcely be a more one sided match at Frant's Skirmish Lake on February 17 with the early pegs producing well whilst the high numbers struggled. Paul Oliver and Steve Longhurst (*pictured left*) could see the funny side as they tied for top place with 13-9-0 from pegs 2 and 3 respectively, Paul opting for pole and maggot over maggot whilst Steve used pole and maggot over groundbait for skimmer bream bags. At peg 5 Jasper Stevens opted for pole and pinkie over groundbait and chopped worm for 10-15-8 whilst Craig Winchester was the falling in the sandwich with 8-6-8 from peg 4 and Steve Allen on 8-5-8.

Hartleylands Farm Reservoir serves up a cracker!



THE much-awaited local clash between Clint MG, Epsom Piscatorials and Warlingham DAS B took place on a gloriously sunny day at Hartleylands Farm Reservoir on February 10.

Hosts Warlingham willingly took advantage of favourites Clint MG's offer of using the venue rather than run risking a patchy Charts Plain and it was a great contest fished in the right spirit.

Clint, built around the old New Addington MG, was much fancied to win but in truth all three sides had their chances with the match being closer than the score-line suggests.

Although carp decided the top two bags individually, it was the silver fish bags that proved to be the crucial bedrock for victory. Despite the conditions the temperature never quite got to the previous day's high and Clint seemed to set off as if the match was only 20 minutes long with quite a few bonus fish being landed early on feeder tactics.

But with roach in particular feeding at different depths, it was essential to keep altering depth, Dave Harper found for example that around a foot off the bottom worked well, alas no carp paid a visit and so a late 6 lb carp by Tony Lock of Epsom saw me off whilst early skimmers by Tony

Baker helped Clint MG to second in my section.

Clint MG skipper Steve Nicholson had a brilliant run late in the match with a nice quantity of roach in his 15-12-8 total and that helped him win his section and Clint MG to victory on the day with 13 penalty points. Epsom were second with 16 with Wars third on 19 but it could have been a whole lot different with Mark Merrett losing carp and Steve Allen losing a near 2 lb roach close to the net.

Top individual bag went to Epsom Piscatorials Kevin Howard who fished feeder and worm, landing a carp first cast and then adding six others for 30-9-0. But Wars took the next two places with Bob Stone landing two carp on pole and double red maggot and three others on feeder and double hair-rigged corn for 25-0-8.

Performance of the day was David Cattermole who landed nearly 19 lb of roach on waggler and maggot plus a carp for 22-9-0 but it wasn't enough with some poor results in other sections.

Angling Times Super Cup Match		Reservoir, Hartleylands Farm 10 February 2008							
Peg	Name	Club	Weight	Points	Weight	Points	Weight	Points	Comments
1	Bobby Hook	Clint MG	8-2-8	2					
2	Eddie Derrick	Warrington DAS			3-14-8	3			
3	Dave Whitehead	Epsom Piscatorials					14-12-0	1	
4	Richard Hall	Clint MG	11-6-0	1					
5	Mack Marnett	Warrington DAS			7-6-8	3			
6	Tony Collin	Epsom Piscatorials					10-9-8	2	
7	Pete Joiner	Clint MG	12-8-8	1					
8	Steve Allen	Warrington DAS			12-2-0	2			
9	Jeff Pearson	Epsom Piscatorials					10-14-0	3	
10	Paul Lamb	Clint MG	20-4-8	1					
11	Tom Garner	Warrington DAS			2-13-0	3			
12	Colin Molloy	Epsom Piscatorials					8-6-0	2	
13	Roy Jones	Clint MG	7-10-8	3					
14	Bob Stone	Warrington DAS			25-0-8	2			Second overall
15	Kevin Howard	Epsom Piscatorials					30-9-0	1	Winner overall
16	John Purney	Clint MG	8-15-0	2					
17	David Cattermole	Warrington DAS			32-9-0	1			Third overall
18	Brian Philpotts	Epsom Piscatorials					5-3-0	3	
19	Tony Baker	Clint MG	15-10-0	2					
20	Dave Elmer	Warrington DAS			9-0-0	3			
21	Tony Lock	Epsom Piscatorials					13-14-0	1	
22	Steve Nicholson	Clint MG	15-13-8	1					
23	Micky Biles	Warrington DAS			13-0-0	2			
24	Gary Backmaster	Epsom Piscatorials					11-0-8	3	
Total			93-5-8	13	97-13-8	19	105-3-8	3	

Kevin Howard fished feeder and worms (one or two mentioned his "beckchair" - actually a Korean snail) and landed a carp first cast before adding six others. Bob Stone landed two carp on pole and double red plus three on a pellet trigger feeder with double hair-rigged snail. Dave Cattermole used waggler and maggot to land 19 lb of silver fish and a 3 lb carp.

River out of sorts

WITH the River Mole at Dorking having suffered a downpour three days earlier, it was somewhat of a minor miracle that the venue was able to stage this friendly with Dorking AS on February 3. WADAS top rod was David Cattermole who fished a stick float and maggot to winkle out two nice 4 lb chub, the best 4-3-0 plus some smaller samples for 15-12-0.

It has been 12 years since Craig Winchester has fished at Norbury Park but he approached his two foot deep peg with a 1.5 gram lollipop float, though a 2 gram would have been easier, and used a 13 metre pole with double caster or double maggot to summon six chub to 3 lb plus bits for 15-11-0. Third place was Steve Longhurst who had two chub and bits for 8-4-0 from the North Bank whilst Hugh Blake on the Stepping Stones contributed 5-14-0 for fourth.

Waggler works for Oliver

DRAWN at peg 1 on Leggatt's Lake on January 27, Paul Oliver opted to fish waggler and maggot and was rewarded with ten small carp, perch and silver fish for 20-15-0 to beat 12 others. Phil King on pole and maggot managed a carp a bream plus silver fish for 9-4-0 with Antony Stevens third with 6-6-8.

Steady Eddie does the business at Hartleylands Farm

THE Medway at Maidstone was never going to happen following a deluge early in the week and so the inspired switch was made to fish the reservoir at Hartleylands Farm on January 20. With 22 members and a guest, only eight pegs were vacant but the lowest weight was 3-8-0.

With the wind proving too much, Eddie Derek fished a method feeder to land four carp, skimmers and roach for 29-8-0. Opposite was Steve Longhurst who had no joy with feeder tactics but fished at nine metres with pole and maggot for two carp, skimmers and roach that went 28-14-0.

But Colin Jerrom was left kicking himself after losing three of the six carp he hooked on pole and maggot as he ended up with 24-10-8 and third spot on the day.

Waggler and maggot win on Wey Nav

Warlingham's outing to the Wey Navigation at Addlestone on January 13 proved to be a tough nut to crack and even some well known names who tried bloodworm and jokers came unstuck. Two of these were Steve Longhurst and Steve Allen who finished 11th and 12th on the day with 0-7-0 and 0-3-0 respectively.

So it was a "traditional" approach that paid off with Paul Oliver fishing waggler and maggot to land 3-1-0 of small roach and gudgeon who took top honours. But the "little red men" worked for Hugh Blake who finished second with 1-15-0 followed by Colin Jerrom on 1-14-0.

Longhurst back in charge

DESPITE the venue still being iced up, Steve Longhurst did well at Charts Plain on January 6. Drawn at peg 12, legered hair-rigged corn gave him 18-11-0 of carp. At the next peg, 13, Don Boutell decided to give Back Arun a miss and also legered corn for 7-9-8 with David Adby finally managing to cast a leger through the ice in the final hour for 6-1-0 from peg 23.

Adby's in driving seat

The town centre stretch of the Medway at Maidstone packed with anglers, and so the dozen who showed up on December 30 moved upstream to Yalding to fish the CALPAC section. David Adby's winter run of form continued with maggot feeder giving him a bream and two skimmers for 4-5-0. Similar tactics gave Phil King a similar catch that went 3-7-0 whilst David Cattermole landed skimmers and an eel for 2-11-8.

- David Adby was involved in a minor accident on the way from this contest but fortunately was not hurt.

No Christmas cheer as ice bites

WITH Charts Plain solid with ice, too much to break through and possibly stress the fish, WADAS members moved to Edenbridge town centre on December 23. The river was thought too shallow and so Bough Beech was the final port of call where the natural bank produced no fish and for once everyone was glad of the hot meal provided in the Prince Albert pub afterwards!

Marsh Farm solid with ice so Wey Navigation is fished

WITH the advertised venue of Marsh Farm being frozen solid, a switch was made to the Wey Nav above the Anchor on December 16 where 12 anglers fished.

Pole and maggot saw David Cattermole cruise home with a 3-15-0 bag of small chub, roach and perch. Second was David Adby on 2-3-8 with David C King third with 1-4-0.

Adam lifts Thames Junior Shield

WELL done to Adam Stainer who lifted the Thames Junior Shield at Laleham on December 9 with a 0-9-8 skimmer bream his only fish.

Sadly he was not alone with overall winner Steve Longhurst netting a solitary 1-0-8 sample followed by David Adby with 0-13-0 on a day when four good men failed to bother the scalesman.

WADAS miss out in Invicta Shield

IT was tough going both from a weather point of view and the angling for the **Invicta Shield** on the River Medway at Yalding on December 2 with Southwark and Camberwell lifting the trophy. Warlingham's Hugh Blake was second overall with 3-0-0 followed by Phil King on 2-2-0 but they were in different teams unfortunately in the 21 peg contest.

"Speedy" wins predator match



GUEST "Speedy" Gonzales of Reigate beat nine members on the Medway at Watlington on November 23, his first pike falling after 15 minutes and this 9-1-0 fish towards the end for 15-13-0, both fish being landed on deadbaits. With the river fining down, conditions were better for general sport rather than pike or what proved to be non-existent perch and so ruffe decided second and third in the pools!

Posties go on strike

THERE were some odd goings on with the posties apparently refusing to weigh in Warlingham anglers despite allegedly stating they would prior to the contest held at Hartleylands Farm Reservoir on November 18.

What was certain however was that Steve Longhurst romped home with carp to double figures caught mainly on pole and pellet or maggot plus 15 lb of other species for 67-11-0 with Steve Allen using method feeder throughout for 53-6-0.

Jasper spared long walk to victory

THIS match held at Leggatt's Lake on November 11 proved to be a tough nut to crack. Anthony Stevens was closest to the car park at peg 28 and used pole and double red maggot over pellets to tempt five carp plus 1 lb of bits for 27-4-0 but lost four other carp. Dave C King at peg 24 doesn't often feature in the frame but feeder and pellet or maggot into deep water gave him three carp and a bream for 11-9-0 to pip Steve Longhurst at peg 22 who had 11-7-0 on feeder tactics.

WADAS retain CALPAC Putney Cup

ANOTHER brilliant performance saw our A team retain the Putney Cup on the Basingstoke Canal at West Byfleet on November 4 in bright, sunny conditions, though the trees prevented most from taking their coats off.

Craig Winchester was top rod with 2-8-0 and was ably supported by Steve Longhurst, Hugh Blake and Tony Garner who between them amassed 8 penalty points to thwart Epsom AS B by a single point. Warlingham B (Bob Stone, David Cattermole, Mark Merrett, Steve Allen) were third with 14 followed by Epsom AS A on 15, Queen Victoria on 17, Warlingham C (Anthony Stevens, Colin Jerrom, Mick Miles and Mick Cove) 24, Warlingham D (Lawrie Way, David Adby and Dreek Vincent), 25 and Banstead AS, 31.

Mr Consistent misses out to brilliant performance by Longhurst

A RIP tide in rainy, windy conditions did not bode well for the dozen brave souls who turned out on the Arun at Pulborough on October 28 but the venue produced well.

Steve Longhurst did the business with stick float and maggot over maggot or caster and indeed ran out of bait but not before landing a wonderful 19-7-8 bag of roach, dace and a bonus 3-15-0 chub to see off Mr Consistent, Craig Winchester who was again second with 14-8-8 of roach and chublets on pole tactics.

Paul Oliver was third with 11-10-8 of roach and dace taken on the stick float whilst Mark "Jaws" Merrett included a 6-4-0 pike in his 11-0-0 bag but was counting the cost of losing a second fish.

Steve Allen back on top

AFTER a lean spell, Steve Allen produced a good performance on Nick's Lake at Hartleylands Farm on October 21.

Drawn on fancied peg 8, the New Addington rod fished method feeder and flouro maggot to the island to land 88-4-0 of mainly small carp. Steve had a real headache as fishery rules limit the amount of bait and so had to use pellets to continue, a poor final period could have cost him

Craig Winchester was drawn on the road bank and many turn up their noses but he fished tight to the island, again with method feeder but kept spraying maggots over the top to land 87-15-8, Steve Longhurst being in a corner peg had no island but did well with pole tactics to finish on 64-1-0, including barbel.

Good performance but no stopping Edenbridge

WARLINGHAM'S attempt to retain the Eden Challenge Shield on October 14 may have evaporated due to a section being put on a lake.

With one farmer still hesitant about allowing anglers on his field due to possible Foot and Mouth problems, Mill Farm and Broad A at Chiddingstone were not available and so organisers either had to use pieces of river that were poor with long walks or the lake.

In the end eight swims were put on Hever Lake and not surprisingly five of the top six weights came from here. And it is here that Edenbridge scored maximum points to win with 70 points from a possible 90 leaving Warlingham second with 54, Holland AS on 49 and CALPAC with 44.

Top rod was John Dourley of Edenbridge who fished groundbait feeder with worm and caster for five bream and roach for 12-1-8 to edge it over team mate Harvey Fennell who alternated between feeder and pole tactics for 12-0-8 of skimmers and roach.

Pole and caster gave Owen Palmer (Holland AS) 8-6-8 of skimmers and roach whilst Warlingham's Paul Oliver broke the mould with four chub, a 1.5 lb roach and bits using pole and maggot over caster at Skeynes Farm on the river.

Bloodworm blunder costs WADAS Central Cup



WADAS were caught out at the CALPAC Central Cup contest on October 7 as the match rules prohibited bloodworm and joker and so expensive bait had to be left in vehicles whilst the two sides scabbled around for bait from other teams.

The annoying thing was that the Grand Union Canal at Hayes fished poorly and bloodworm may have made it a better match. John Wood (left) of Epsom had the dubious privilege of landing the most inactive bream ever, though it woke up in the net!

Peter Mason (Queen Vic) at the top end by Hayes Bridge used pole and red maggot over chopped worm and caster for 4-15-0 of mainly perch with the odd roach whilst closer to the wifes, Sutton based Hugh Blake (Warlingham Black) used pole and punched bread for 3-0-0 of small roach.

Epsom A took the cup with 9 penalty points Warlingham Blue (Tony Garner, Marke Merrett, Steve Allen and Bob Stone) sharing second spot with Warlingham Black (Dave Harper, Hugh Blake, Craig Winchester and Antony Stevens) with 12.

Meanwhile at Woodpeckers, the 12 member and four guests who fished for the most number of species had a three way tie between three anglers who each caught five.

They were Dreek Vincent, Phil King and Peter Crowhurst. Top weight on the day was Mick Biles of Coulsdon who used feder and maggot for 37-4-0 of carp, tench, chub and goldfish to beat David Cattermole's 33-13-0 on similar tactics.

Steve ignores rumours and attacks

Warlingham DAS fished a Summer League contest on September 30 at Bough Beech Rservoir. The rumour mill had suggested that the fish did want a lot of feed. Fortunately New Addington rod Steve Longhurst manages to sift out the tittle-tattle and launched 10 balls of groundbait at the start and fished over the top with feeder and chopped worm.

His reward was the usual skimmer bream and roach but also some nice perch to 2-5-0 for a total weight of 37-9-0. Craig Winchester was left gasping on 13-12-0 with Phil King third with 13-2-8.

Adby comes to form at last

Warlingham & DAS visited Broadwater Lake near Godalming for a friendly against Godalming AS on September 23. This water is widely regarded as one of the first bag up waters before commercial fisheries came on the scene.

Membership Secretary David Adby was top WADAS rod from peg 39 near the top of the lake and used an in line feeder with scalded pellet and double corn hairrigged on a 16 hook. This tempted eight carp, including three of double figures for 77-7-0. Second was Antony Stevens with 48-10-0 followed by in form angler Bob Stone of Coulsdon on 48-2-0.

All so easy for Mark Merrett

WARLINGHAM DAS travelled to Framfield on September 16 to fish Spring Lake where weights of 100 lb are common.

With CALPAC and Sunmead clubs filling up the remaining pegs and Croydon Postal on the adjacent Brookhouse Lake, it was a packed car park. The Riot Act was read at the start with anglers being told that floating feed was not permitted but on the hook was fine.

Although this hampered Mark Merrett to quite a degree, especially in the first three hours, the Thornton Heath rod was in the lead with just over 80 lb at the half time weigh in.

These were taken on floating pellet from almost anywhere at peg 61 but in the second period, things hotted up considerably when Merrett concentrated his efforts in the margins where the fish practically came out of the water to grab pellets sprinkled there and took a liking to the light hookbait.

This gave Mark more carp to 6 lb and a massive 259-0-0 total and yet another victory on what must his favourite venue.

Dawn follows plan and nets Ladies Cup



SEPTEMBER 15 saw the Ladies Cup and the Dads and Lads (or Lasses) at Charts Plain. Now three ladies may not sound a lot but it is the best for some years and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves, though the box of chocolates they each received afterwards enhanced this.

Dawn Elliott used to fish as a child but has this year resumed but lacks confidence. Well all that changed as she showed great determination to do well, even going to practice the day before. The rig that she was given to use was trashed by a carp during that session and so she had to tie her own, something learned at one of the coaching sessions the club provided.

Starting with silver fish on maggot the Whyteleaf rod amassed quite a few before trying for carp in the final hour using meat. This gave her one modest carp and some juveniles for 10-2-8 and a fine win.

Second was Anita Evans with 6-10-0 with Heather Roll third on 0-6-8.

Seasoned campaigners David C King and Adam Stainer lifted the Dads and Lads with a combined weight of 19-7-0 ahead of Cliff and Jenny Slogrove on 4-9-0 with Richard and Rebecca Hoy third with 1-12-0.



Longhurst breaks record?

STEVE Longhurst trounced the field of 15 at Tandridge Lane Lake on September 9 with a fine display where pole and paste and then pellet gave him carp to 15 lb plus bream to 6-4-0 for what is believed to be a match record for the water of 74-6-8. But for losing a good fish (change your elastic Steve!) that lost the fish for an hour he could have had a ton.

Second spot went to Craig Winchester who had 24-2-0 of carp on the feeder and pellet with Mark Merrett landing a nice bream plus carp for 21-15-8 using pole and pellet or feeder and pellet.

Mill Farm banks cleared whilst Jasper turns turtle

THANKS are due to the Longhurst clan and David Aaby for cutting 20 swims on the Eden at Mill Farm, Chiddingstone on September 1 to allow the 15 anglers taking part on September 2 comfortable pegs. Top rod was Paul Oliver who offered pole and maggot for 10-10-0 of small chub to thwart Steve Allen who included two tench to 5 lb in his 10-8-0 net. Dave Cattermole was third with 6-0-0 whilst Pete Crowhurst crept into fourth

spot with 5-8-0. Antony Stevens landed the biggest creature of the day an angry, spitting turtle of 8-9-0 on pole and worm. Sadly for him it didn't count!

Stone wins Robert Raines Memorial

WITH Messrs Winchester and Longhurst graciously giving others a chance, Bob Stone emerged triumphant on Monday, August 27 at Charts Plain. On a tough contest, he fished method feeder and corn at peg 25 to net 30-2-8 of carp, though two fish were landed on the pole. Steve Allen on the steps (peg 11) also used method feeder and corn and finished with 20-13-8, Jason Courtney third from the island (peg 26) with 16-12-0.

Craig gets a hat-trick

Fishing a pole and red maggot off the dam wall at an undisclosed Surrey lake on August 26, Craig Winchester landed roach plus a few perch to a pound using pole and double red maggot for 20-14-0. Opposite on the grass bank Steve Longhurst used waggler and maggot for 18-0-0 whilst Hugh Blake included a small carp in his 15-15-8 net also taken on waggler and maggot.

Back to back win for Mr Winchester

Things were a quiet at Silver Lake, part of the Gabriels Fishery near Edenbridge for Warlingham DAS on August 12. Craig Winchester started at short range with pole and maggot for 6 lb of skimmer bream, roach and perch before switching to the 14.5 metre pole tight to the island to net carp to 5 lb for 38-8-8 and win the Bill Barber Memorial Trophy. Second was Antony Stevens who fished pole and paste throughout for 25-2-0 of mainly carp, Paul Oliver losing some better carp behind the rushes but contributing 21-0-0.

Comfortable win for Craig at Chiddingstone

IT was an easy win for Craig Winchester on the River Eden at Chiddingstone on August 12 who fished the peg just below the metal footbridge and alternated between pole and stick float fed maggot fished caster for a weight of 14-6-0 of mixed silver fish (bleak, roach and chub up to 8oz). Second was Phil King on 6-12-0. He had two proper chub, the biggest 2-14-0 and was pegged half way down the stretch. Third was Paul Oliver 5-11-0, he had mixed silvers and a perch of around a pound fishing opposite the steam at the top end. This beat Antony Stevens by half an ounce, his 5-10-8 being landed above the footbridge.

Blazing conditions makes going tough

BOTH WADAS and Cheam Social Club experienced tough going in blazing hot conditions at **Passies Match Lake** on August 5. The 19 members who fished saw two of their number not bother the scalesman but Steve Longhurst did well with pole and pellet to land 25-10-0 of carp for victory over Bob Stone on 23-5-0 and David Adby on 16-7-0.

Hard going at Brookhouse Lake

Those turning up at Framfield's **Brookhouse Lake** on July 29 hoping to seriously bag up came in for a shock with poor weights. The split match which also included CALPAC anglers saw Mark Merrett notch up just under 60 lb in the first half but he was miles ahead of the field.

Whilst many endured a worse second half, Mark fished well with a 14.5 metre pole and floating dog biscuit over slow sinking pellets to land 142-8-0 of carp to 7 lb for victory. Mick Biles was second with 83-8-0 followed by guest Peter Oggles on 47-3-0 and Eddie Derrick on 46-10-8.

Tony Garner notches up victory

THE first round of the Summer League series was held on the Medway at **Yalding** on July 22, Tony Garner marched to the top of the wood and fished groundbait feeder with worm and caster cocktail to land four bream and skimmers plus roach for 13-8-8.

Similar tactics gave Craig Winchester 11-13-8 of skimmer bream, perch and roach, though nobody tried a lollipop float in the fast flowing river.

Hard going at Headcorn

Manor Fisheries at Headcorn is a good looking water and Croydon Postal booked it up to replace Powder Mill on July 15 but saw Mark Merrett take top honours with just 23-2-0 of carp on pole and pellet over Antony Stevens who used pole and paste for 15-15-0.

Godalming beat WADAS by a century

OUR friendly against Godalming AS on July 8 at Monk Lake 3 saw the west Surrey side beat us by over 100 lb but nobody minded as there were plenty of fish to be caught, 648-11-8 being caught with our lowest bag being 6-2-0.

Eddie Derrick drew noted peg 135 and used mainly pole and pellet to land 97-8-8 of barbel, chub, ide, carp and tench to beat Jasper Stevens on 68-10-0.

Godalming AS have already booked Monk Lake 1 for July 6 next year!

Charts Plain improving

DUE to a booking mix-up, Legat's Lake at Kingscote was unavailable and so the venue was changed at late notice to **Charts Plain** for July 1.

Sadly no lady members turned out to contest the Ladies Cup and Adam Stainer only needed 0-7-0 to win the Len Tutt Junior Cup.

With the fish still not back to their best, Mark Merrett did well from peg 24 (just before the island) using pole and pellet for 26-6-0 to beat David Cattermole's 19-5-0 effort using feeder tactics at peg 7.

Long journey worthwhile

IT may be a long journey and has some bait restrictions but **Back Arun** on June 24 once again produced well with weights that the regular open anglers would be proud of.

Pole and maggot worked well, if somewhat an expensive option with Steve Longhurst notching up his first win of the season with 99-13-8 followed by Craig Winchester on 88-10-0.

Great contest on Pear Tree Lake

Things improved greatly on June 17 at **Hartleylands Farm** Pear Tree Lake with a great competition. Steve Allen did well from peg 11 using method feeder for 58-1-0 of carp to win the Brian Boddy Cup with Mark Merrett alternating between pole and pellet and waggler for 56-3-0.

Barretts Park Farm mortalities

MEMBERS who turned up to fish the upper lake at **Barretts Park Farm** on June 10 were dismayed to find a number of dead fish floating in the water. And sport was poor with other fish swimming lethargically, carp and silver fish being affected.

Buit once again Paul Oliver did well landing 23-9-8 of mainly carp on pole and pellets followed by Steve Longhurst on 23-6-0 using pole and maggot, being unable to hook silvers on that bait!

Tough going at Willinghurst

IT was a tough nut to crack on Christmas Tree Lake, part of the **Willinghurst** Fishery for the Society's first visit on June 3. But Paul Oliver did well with feeder tactics to the island to land 26-11-0 of carp to beat Phil King who fished similarly for 21-9-0.

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Don "The Bomb" scrapes a victory

AN east wind there may have been, but Plantation Lake at Stubpond was extremely hard for the first visit on February 18. Following brilliant sunshine the previous day, the day was very murky and many probably felt they would have been better off at Wateringbury which was called off earlier in the week.

Don Boutell on peg 24 did the business legering bread at peg 24 for two carp and 10-10-0 to beat David Adby's brace that went 9-3-8 taken on feeder and corn and Steve Allen's solitary fish of 7-9-0.

Tough going at Chiddingtone

ONLY five out of 19 anglers broke a pound on the River Eden at Chiddingstone on Sunday, February 4 and Mr Longhurst wasn't one of them!

Top rod was Mark Merrett who fished pole and caster or maggot over caster for three chub plus bits and 7-15-0. This beat Steve Allen's mixed catch of roach, chublets and gudgeon, though he lost an 8 lb pike at the net. Third man home Craig Winchester had 5-2-0 or roach and perch.

Match of two halves sees Steve win again

The friendly match against Woking on the wey Navigation at Send on January 21 saw the home side wisely choosing to fish two sections, one either side of the New Inn.

The wind was horrendous downstream of the pub and Mark Merrett secured a section win with just 1-1-0 though David Adby pressed him close with 0-13-8.

But the other side saw plenty of fish, albeit tiny bleak with Steve Longhurst on upstream peg 1 fishing with pole and double pinkie over Sensas Roach Gardon for 5-8-0 of bleak, roach and gudgeon. But he lost a massive perch hooked close in.

Woking's Rob Harvey was next with 4-12-8 taken on pole and maggot over hemp and caster but three lost chub cost him the contest, Warlingham's Paul Oliver coming next with 3-6-0 whilst Woking veteran Steve Carpenter was fourth with 3-4-0.

Steve Allen suffered the ignomy of a flotilla of canoes climbing out of the tail end of his peg to negotiate a fallen tree whilst Lawrie way will be laying mouse traps after finding a great hole in his keepnet losing most of his hard earned catch.

Flooded Medway allows Steve to clinch his 10th victory of the season

WITH Maidstone out of sorts due to heavy midweek rain, Charts Plain was the replacement venue for 20 hardy souls on January 14 for a tough match.

Steve Longhurst at peg 24 managed to land seven carp on cage feeder and red maggot for 17-2-0 using a mixture of Sensas Crazybait Gold and Lake Black.

Jasper Stevens at peg 25 landed two fish on the method feeder and another lump on the pole that smashed his number six section as he tried to stop the fish snagging him. Again red maggot was the hookbait as he put 16-13-0 on the scales, Dave Harper clinching third with seven carp for 16-8-0 from peg 11 using method feeder one fish on corn the remainder on dead red maggot.

Steve gets early Christmas Present



SUNNY but colder weather of late was order of the day for the Warlingham DAS Christmas match fished at Charts Plain on December 17 for the W Goodwin Trophy.

Predictably, not everyone managed to get amongst the carp and the normally reliable front bank proved to be almost barren of fish. One exception was Mark Merrett who managed 29-9-0 using pole tactics from peg 7.

But it was the feeder that reigned supreme for Steve Longhurst (left) who could not buy a carp on the pole line at peg 13. Instead the New Addington ace used a cage feeder with triple red maggot between the dying lily pads and the stumps. His 50:50 mix of Sensas Crazybait Gold and Match Black created enough interest for him to land 14 carp plus bits for 45-5-8, though he lost four carp.

Paul Oliver was on the opposite bank fishing one of the pegs not usually used and he managed to find a spot to his left that was 2.5 foot deep and pole and maggot saw him put 35-1-8 on the scales, though he nearly missed out because a 1-10-0 carp was overlooked. Fortunately the scalesman was in a festive mood and allowed the fish.

But it cost Steve Allen second spot as he fished peg 11 with his customary

method feeder and maggot or pinkie for 13 carp that went 34-7-8 and third spot.

Arguably the day's best performance came from David Cattermole who was drawn on no hope peg 20. Had it not been for high water levels, I doubt if he would have caught at all but he converted his two bites into big carp that went 16-12-0.

Mole wash-out doesn't stop Steve from winning

Warlingham & DAS were due to fish a friendly against Dorking AS at the River Mole on November 26 but with the heavy rain turning the river chocolate, there were clearly not enough fishable pegs available and so Castle Fields Lake and Four Wents Pond were used instead. Steve Longhurst won overall with 41-11-0 of carp on pole and maggot after drawing one of the few pegs without having the wind trying to wrench the pole out of his hands.

Dorking anglers took the next couple of places but David Cattermole landed 17-1-0 on the method feeder. Over at Four Wents Pond, Craig Winchester had a 14-14-0 mixed bag of skimmer bream, roach, crucians and perch on pole and maggot over pinkie, Hugh Blake using bread over liquidised bread for 14-12-0 of skimmer bream

and roach from the same lake.

Tough on Surrey Lake

Warlingham DAS visited a Surrey Lake on November 19, one that the owners prefer no publicity. With 20 anglers on the water, there were not many swims to spare and only 13 bothered the scales man on what was a silver fish only contest.

Colin Jerrom struggled to get any fish on the pole at peg 2 but a switch to waggler and maggot over loose fed pinkies gave him 131 roach, rudd and perch for 7-13-0.

Steve Longhurst had to scale down to a tiny 26 hook and had to wait until the final 90 minutes before getting his first fish. But thereafter a steady stream of small fish saw him catch 50 for 3-11-0. Third spot went to Bob Stone with 2-2-0, Paul Oliver fourth with 1-12-8.

Slow going at Wateringbury

IT was slow going on the opening round of the winter league on November 12 on the Medway at Wateringbury with some new names in frame for a change.

Mick Biles led the way with two bream and three skimmers on feeder and maggot for 8-1-0. He was followed by Jasper Stevens who included a 2-5-0 pike in his mainly roach catch of 8-0-0. Mark Merrett lost fish that undoubtedly cost him the match due to having the wrong tension in his pole elastic and so settled for third place with 6-5-0.

Robin stays put to win Dads and Lads

THE WADAS Dads and Lads match at **Charts Plain** on October 29 saw Robin Mahachi and Dave Harper successfully defended the trophy. But newcomers Mike and Amber from on new peg 7 did well and relegated Dave C King and Adam Stainer to third spot.

With a £5 sidebet for the most fish, Robin had the incentive to stay put most of the match at peg 3 but only had 4-5-0 of silver fish to show for his efforts. But 12 carp and bits on pole and pellet for Dave Harper him 29-11-0 in total and the combined effort of 34-0-0 was too much for Mike and Amber who managed 23-10-0, Dave and Adam coming third on 21-9-0 despite a strong finish.

Craig wins Summer League title

IN the final round of the summer league on the River Arun at **Pulborough** on October 29, Craig Winchester finished top of the league thanks to his 9-12-8 of mainly roach caught on pole and caster.

Steve Allen opted for the feeder and double red maggot for two bream, roach and small chub for 8-10-8 whilst Coulsdon angler David Cattermole clinched third spot with 5-12-0 of mainly bleak. Runner up in the league was Mick Biles.

Tough going at Tandridge Lake

THIS silver fish only affair at Tandridge Lake proved to be a grueller on October 22 with half the 20 strong field blanking, though quite a few carp were landed! David Cattermole landed two bream on waggler and worm and three more on maggot to 6-13-8 for 30-7-0 to trounce the rest.

Antony Stevens was closest with a bream of 6-12-0, a skimmer plus six roach on pole and worm/maggot cocktail for 10-6-0, Phil King including a 1-13-0 perch in third place catch of 1-14-8.

Seventh league win of the season for Steve Longhurst

A poor contest on the Wey Navigation at Pyrford on October 15 saw Steve Longhurst net his fifth successive league victory.

Pole and punched bread followed by pole and pinkie gave Steve a mixed bag of roach to 4oz and gudgeon for 7-3-0. On what was a poor match, this put him well clear of Bob Stone of Coulsdon who fished similar tactics for 4-1-8 whilst David Cattermole used waggler and maggot for 2-5-8.

Warlingham win Eden Challenge Shield

YOU have to turn the clock back to 1979 since Warlingham DAS won this shield and then Copthorne AC, Crawley AS and East Grinstead were part of the 20 a side competition.

But with less teams and sides reduced to 12 a side, one or two Warlingham regulars were upset at being sidelined as a carefully hand-picked team pulled off a terrific win, led by David Cattermole who was fourth overall.

But Edenbridge provided the top two individuals who were drawn at Penshurst, Mick Ashby landing 12-4-0 of chub to 3 lb on stick and caster, John Dourley sorting out roach to 8 ounces using similar tactics for 11-8-0 on a coloured and running river.

Result: 1 M Ashby, Edenbridge AS, 12-4-0; 2 J Dourley, Edenbridge AS, 11-8-0; 3 L Cross, Holland AS, 7-14-0; 4 D Cattermole, Warlingham DAS, 6-9-0.

Teams: 1 Warlingham DAS, 59 pts; 2 Edenbridge AS, 56; 3 Holland AS, 53; 4 CALPAC, 49.

Four in a row for Steve

IT was four points wins in a row for Steve Longhurst on the **Eden at Chiddingstone** on October 1 as he amassed a mixed bag for 10-8-8 to beat Paul Oliver's 8-13-8. Both results cemented their places at the top of the weights and points tables

Mark Merrett smashes club match record

YOU could not have predicted that an angler who has only once broken the ton previously in a match could do so three times over in a sensational contest at Framfield's Spring Lake.

Drawn at peg 69, Mark fished floating dog biscuits to hammer out 349-9-8 of carp to easily beat the old record. Second man home was Hugh Blake who fished paste over pellet for 255-8-8 with Steve Longhurst third with

238-5-8 using corn over pellets.

The lowest weight on the 15 peg match was 41-8-8.

Business as usual for Steve Longhurst

Waringham & DAS travelled to the Fairlight Fishery near East Grinstead on Sunday, September 17 where Steve Longhurst ran home the easy winner with 38-1-0 of carp to 4 lb on pole and corn. This earned him the KO Cup. Paul Oliver was second with 24-3-0 of carp on pole, pellet, maggots and corn whilst Steve Allen who was third included a bream in his 20-13-0 net taken using the method feeder.

Big Jas does business

ON his first outing of the season, Jason Courtney scored a convincing victory on the River Eden at Mill Farm, Chiddingstone on September 10 to beat 12 others.

Pole and worm gave him three tench to 4-8-0, a bream, roach, perch and bleak for 17-0-0.

Craig Winchester was second with 9-13-8 of roach on pole and caster whilst Kevin Longhurst beat his brother again with 8-4-8 of bits on pole and maggot.

Robin wins at last!

AFTER numerous attempts, Robin Mahachi recorded his first match victory on September 10 on the Thames above Teddington Lock. With more people cycling and running behind than boats in the water, it was a tough contest for a pole angler because there was no room to the left or right among the trees to unship the pole.

Adam Stainer had less of a problem as he was on open bank and was able to keep out of the way of the lycra louts and he went hammer and tongs for the first part of the match with the groundbait feeder that brought him bream success in 2005.



Alas the water was too clear and the bream were not present. Two perch were all that came out on that line. Three other fish came out to waggler and maggot but his five only went 0-3-12.



Robin Mahachi chose to start on the pole and maggot over chopped worm and missed his first bite but landed a nice roach followed by a perch. But another good roach missed the keepnet as a result of a passer by knocking the landing net handle. But without any more fish the two went 0-4-12 and that proved good enough to win the Thames Junior Shield.

Wag and Mag earns Steve the Dick Stafford Memorial Trophy

A good turnout 18 members and one guest witnessed Steve Longhurst win the Dick Stafford Memorial Trophy at a certain Surrey lake (the owners and the land agent don't want us to say the O word!), waggler and maggot

giving him 18-11-0 of roach and perch.

Dave Cattermole had a welcome return to form with 14-13-0 for second spot using similar tactics. Steve Allen was third with a solitary carp of 14-5-0 on banded pellet but lost an even larger carp that snapped his No 4 section and ran off with his top kit. Craig Winchester on his first competitive visit was fourth with 12-6-0 of bits using maggot, worm and casters over groundbait.

Steve Allen wins Robert Raines Trophy

IN the absence of holder Scott Denton, Steve Allen did well from peg 23 at Charts Plain to win the Robert Raines Trophy on Bank Holiday Monday.

Low water conditions limited the field to 14 and Steve had to use his waders at peg 23 to put his fish in the net. His usual Method feeder with scalded pellet and corn or pellet on the hook gave him 10 carp in the first two hours. A downpour saw the fish disappear for 75 minutes but they returned later to allow Steve to add another eight fish to give him 47-0-0.

Second spot went to Steve Longhurst who fished pole and pellet at peg 5 for 40-6-0 whilst "Don the Bomb" Boutell did well from unfancied peg 16 to come third with 18-2-8.

- Warlingham & DAS are grateful to "Civil Minds" for providing the live music at the after match barbeque.

Paul Oliver mops up at Leggatt's Lakes

IN form Paul Oliver did the business on the third round of the Summer League on August 27 at Leggatt's Lakes near Kingscote where pole and halibut pellets gave him 49-10-0 of bream. This beat Kevin Longhurst who fished pole and paste close in for 44-15-0 of bream and carp with Craig Winchester third on 38-0-0 of bream and carp taken on pole and corn or caster.

Warlingham win at Powdermill

The friendly contest between Warlingham, Croydon Postal and Woolich AS at Powdermill Fishery on August 20 saw Warlingham do well led by Steve Longhurst landing 109-15-0 of carp to 8 lb on pole tactics to beat Steve Allen who had 63-1-0.

KO Semi final draw (to be fished during August at Woodpeckers, Powdermill, Leggats Lake or Charts Plain)

Philip King v Paul Oliver v Dave Cattermole **Winner: Paul Oliver** (Woodpeckers)
Craig Winchester v Mark Merrett v Steve Longhurst
Steve Allen v Brian Beacroft v Michael Cove

Bag up at Woodpecker Farm for Bill Barber Memrorial

Woodpecker Farm near Copthorne was the scene for the Bill Barber Memorial Match on August 13. With 18 members and five guests out, it proved to be a popular venue and Mark Merrett scored a nice win. Fishing pole and floating dog biscuit, he tempted 56-9-0 of carp to 10-11-8 to beat Steve Longhurst who used pole and paste over pellet for 51-14-8.

Bob Stone alternated between feeder and corn and pole and paste or maggot for 42-13-8 for third with Scott Denton using a method feeder with maggot or corn for 41-5-0 of mainly carp, with a few tench, chub and skimmers.

Fair bags from the Medway

CRAIG Winchester did well on August 6 at Yalding on the Medway using a 13 metre pole and caster over groundbait for 14-11-0 of roach and skimmer bream. But Mick Biles alternated between feeder and waggler tactics for 13-8-0 to retain his place at the top of the table (see below). Jasper Stevens fished double and treble maggot on pole at seven or eight metres for 9-15-0.

Good bags at Back Arun

Warlingham's inaugural visit to Back Arun fishery on July 30 proved to be pretty good, if somewhat expensive as considerable quantities of bait seemed to be needed to get through the small silver fish. But it proved to be a welcome return to winning ways for Steve Longhurst who managed 69-9-0 of carp to 6 lb using pole and corn or meat.

His brother Kevin did well for second spot with 54-12-0 whilst new member this season Craig Winchester was third with 51-12-0, dumping Lawrie Way out of the knockout in the process.

Another drubbing, this time at Broadwater Lake

Mick Biles managed to land a 15 lb carp as Warlingham DAS fished against Godalming on their Broadwater Lake on July 23. But sadly for him that was the extent of his success as Godalming thrashed the visitors.

Warlingham's best score was Bob Stone who used a method feeder with Ringer's white boilies and maggot as hookbait for 60-7-0.

Mick Cove is also showed well with 52-15-0 fishing similar tactics with PVA bags and corn plug, Steve Allen coming third with 34-14-0.

Tough at Cobbetts Lake

WOKING DAA thrashed the visitors at Cobbetts Lake on July 16 scoring a top weight around 30 lb with good backing weights.

Warlingham's top rod was Brian "Whacker" Wales who landed three bream on the cage feeder and corn or maggot for 10-12-0. He was followed by Steve Allen who had a late 5 lb bream to add to his bits on the pole for 7-2-0. Mark Merrett was third with 4-6-0 of crucians and roach on pole and red maggot, Steve Longhurst coming fourth with 4-2-0.

KO 2nd Round (to be fished at Cobbetts Lake, Broadwater Lake or Back Arun)

Mark Merrett v Peter Crowhurst
Brian Beacroft v Dave Harper
D C King v Steve Allen
Paul Oliver V Scott Denton
Lawrie Way v Craig Winchester
Phillip King v blank ticket (bye)
Michael Cove v Colin Jerrom
Terry Longhurst v Steve Longhurst
Dave Cattermole v Jasper Stevens

Mark Merrett (Back Arun)
Brian Beacroft (bye)
Steve Allen (Cobbetts Lake)
Paul Oliver (Back Arun)
Craig Winchester (Back Arun)
Phillip King (bye)
Michael Cove (Broadwater Lake)
Steve Longhurst (Back Arun)
David Cattermole (Broadwater Lake)

Steve Allen clinches Les West Cup

IT was relatively easy for Steve Allen to claim the cup after closest rival Steve Longhurst flopped on the night with 4-13-0 for only 4 points.

Mr Allen's final round at Chart's Plain on July 12 saw him come second with 20-9-0 behind Brian "Whacker" Wales who had 30-0-0 on a night when pellet was superior to the maggots of the previous week.

Mark Merrett notches up a match win at last

AFTER a quiet period, Mark Merrett burst in with a good win at Brookhouse Lake, Framfield on July 9. He used floating dog biscuits along with bread to land 139-2-8 of carp for a good victory.

Scott Denton has a great record on the venue but had to settle for second spot with 121-6-0 using an in line feeder with worm and then corn whilst guest Terry Merrett contributed 81-2-8.

Craig shows them with waggler and maggot

A superb performance by Craig Winchester at peg 4 saw him win the fifth round of the **Les West Cup** on July 5 as Charts Plain once again produced well despite ever decreasing water levels.

Waggler and maggot gave him 46-1-8 of carp and silver fish using waggler and up to three pints of maggots to give him his second win of the series after doing well in the silver fish match.

Despite scoring two wins and and two second places, leader Steve Allen will be looking nervously behind his shoulder at Steve Longhurst who has to throw 4 points away whilst Allen could discard 9 after the final match.

Biles takes the Micky at Bough Beech

There was a terrific winning weight on a sun baked **Bough Beech Reservoir** for the first round of the Summer League on July 2.

Mick Biles on the left bank to the dam wall used maggot feeder with worm to land 76-15-8 of bream, roach and hybrids to finish well clear of Steve Longhurst who opted for a groundbait feeder and maggot for a similar 47-13-8.

Paul Oliver had a more novel approach, using freeze dried worm on the hook but it got him 37-6-0 and third spot.

Pos	Name	Bough Beech	Yalding	Leggats Lake	Mill Farm	Fairlight	Pulborough	Total
1	Mick Biles	15	14					29
2	Bob Stone	12	11					23
3	Craig Winchester	6	15					21
=4	Mark Merrett	8	10					18
=4	Anthony Stevens	5	13					18
=6	Peter Crowhurst	10	7					17
=6	David Adby	9	8					17
8	Steve Longhurst	14	-					14
=9	Phil King	7	6					13
=9	Paul Oliver	13	-					13
10	David Cattermole	0	12					12
11	Colin Jerrom	11	-					11
12	David C King	-	9					9
13	Mick Cove	-	5					5
=14	Steve Allen	0	-					0
=14	Kevin Longhurst	0	-					0
=14	Terry Longhurst	0	-					0

Phew, Adam just clinches it

ADAM Stainer had little to spare as he retained the Len Tutt Junior Cup at Charts Plain on July 2 that he shared in 2005 with Oliver Bowen.

Drawn at peg 2, Adam started on the groundbait feeder before switching to close in on pole and maggot to land four carp for 9-10-0. With 2-4-0 of silver fish, his 11-14-0 was good enough.

But he was pressed all the way by Robin Mahachi in the searing 31 degree heat who landed two carp to 6-3-0 and silver fish on pole and corn for 11-6-0 from peg 3 and he only left his peg once - for the call of nature!

- Sue Pemberton retained the Ladies Trophy at peg 10 with 11-10-8 of carp and roach taken using pole and meat.

Steve consolidates position

STEVE Allen put in a fine performance at peg 13 to win the fourth round of the **Les West Cup** on June 28 to clinch an enviable record of winning off every peg on the left hand bank.

Starting off with a method feeder he landed five carp before switching close in with the pole to land plenty more for an impressive 52-14-8. And that was despite dropping his mobile phone in at the start and having to retrieve it.

He was well ahead of Dave King who had 29-7-0 with Jasper Stevens third with 24-1-8.

Les West Series Table

Pos	Name	M1	M2	M3 (Silver Fish)	M4	M5 (Wag and Mag)	M6	Total	Best 5	Weight (all matches)
1	Steve Allen	14	15	9	15	14	14	81	72	174-10-8
2	Steve Longhurst	15	5	12	12	13	4	60	57	125-6-8
3	Craig Winchester	6	13	15	0	15	8	57	57	89-6-0
4	Brian Beacroft	11	10	13	9	11	8	54	54	77-3-0
5	Jasper Stevens	0	4	14	13	10	12	41	53	64-8-8
6	David King	7	12	3	14	7	11	54	51	78-10-8
7	Andy Crouch	10	11	5	8	9	-	43	43	68-8-8
8	Bob Stone	13	14	-	11	2	-	40	40	82-4-8
9	Mark Merrett	9	2	10	2	5	10	38	36	41-8-0
10	Brian Wales	12	8	-	0	-	15	35	35	69-10-8
11	Mick Cove	0	6	1	10	3	13	33	33	56-12-0
12	Phil King	0	0	4	7	12	6	29	29	53-5-0
13	David Adby	2	9	2	6	4	7	30	28	38-7-0
14	David C King	4	7	8	0	6	3	28	28	32-0-0
15	Micky Biles	0	-	-	4	8	5	17	17	25-1-0
16	Peter Crowhurst	8	1	7	1	-	-	17	17	17-4-0
17	Adam Stainer	0	0	11	5	0	-	16	16	13-4-0
18	Danny Brown	1	-	6	3	-	-	10	10	11-15-8
19	Scott Denton	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	5	8-1-0
20	Jason Courtney	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	7-2-0
21	Terry Longhurst	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	3	3-14-0

Wind sorts out the men from the boys at Leggat's Lake

DESPITE the picturesque looks, Leggatts Lakes was reluctant to produce its jewels on Sunday, June 25 and the wind certainly affected the result with the very high numbers producing the best.

Pole and pellet did the business for new member Paul Oliver who finished with 37-8-0 of small carp to beat Steve Longhurst who was at peg 1 and had 24-1-0 and Peter Crowhurst who had four small carp plus bits for 19-2-8.

Paul now takes over the lead at the top with 31 points as overnight leader Mark Merrett failed to score and falls to third place on 25 behind Steve Longhurst on 26.

Craig hits silver

NEW member Craig Winchester did well from unfancied peg 15 to win the third round of the **Les West Cup** on June 21 landing 7-10-0 of roach and rudd but Steve Allen still retains the lead as Steve Longhurst could hardly beat Adam Stainer who was fifth on the night with 5-6-0.

Dear Pamela, we love you even if you are ugly

A visit to Pamela's Pond at Passies on June 18 caught one or two out who were expecting to fish the match lake. But weights were good though the aesthetics were lacking, a 17 peg hole in the ground but with a reachable island.

Scott Denton was one of the first to find that tight to the island was productive but the final hour was tough and so he ended up with 43-2-8 for sixth place. In contrast Mark Merrett wasted time fishing in close and so he caught up at the end to finish third with 50-7-8.

But it was Brian Beacroft who stole the show with 73-2-0 from the far end followed by new member Paul Oliver with 53-10-0. Club champion Steve Longhurst, expected to do well on such a venue, finished a lowly ninth with 37-2-0.

Steve Allen won a low scoring **Les West Cup** Round 2 on Wednesday, 14 June with 26-15-0 edging out Bob Stone who had 21-9-8. Newcomer Craig Winchester was third with 17-15-0.

Knock-Out Draw (to be fished at Barretts Park, Passies Pond or Leggatt's Lakes)

Match

Outcome

Adam Stainer V Dreek Vincent	Both disqualified (DNA)
Antony Stevens V David Adby	Antony Stevens (BPF)
Bradley Garner V Lawrie Way	Lawrie Way (Bye)
Robin Mahachi V Dave Harper	Dave Harper (Passies)
Paul Oliver V Kevin Longhurst	Paul Oliver (BPF)
Philip King V Keith Francis	Phillip King (Bye)
Brian Beacroft V Eddie Derrick	Brian Beacroft (Bye)
Steve Allen V Bob Stone	Steve Allen (BPF)
Tony Garner V David C. King	David C KING (Bye)
Mickey Biles V Dave Cattermole	Dave Cattermole (Bye)
Blank ticket V Peter Crowhurst	Peter Crowhurst (Bye)
Colin Jerrom V Brian Wales	Hat
David King V Craig Winchester	Craig Winchester (Leggatts Lake)
Mark Merrett V Jason Courtney	Mark Merrett (Bye)
Michael Cove V Hugh Blake	Hat

Peter Rock V Scott Denton
Andy Crouch V Steve Longhurst
Don Bouttell V Danny Brown
Alan Gristwood V Terry Longhurst

Scott Denton (Passies)
Steve Longhurst (Leggatts Lake)
Both disqualified (DNA)
Terry Longhurst (Bye)

Longhurst's double

FRESH after winning the opening round of the Les West Cup at Charts Plain (results will be up shortly), Steve Longhurst did the business at Barretts Park Farm on June 11 winning with 52-0-8. Newcomer Paul Oliver was second with 41-2-8 with Mark Merrett fishing waggler and bread or pellet third with 36-0-0. But only 14 attended this contest the lowest summer turnout for quite a while.

Scalded pellet the answer at Hartleylands Farm

NORMALLY the opening outing has been to Barretts Park Lake (that is this coming weekend) but Nick's Lake at Hartleylands Farm proved to be a good choice.

Despite the balmy conditions, travelling companions Steve Allen and Mark Merrett decided to attack with a method feeder and scalded pellet to register 56-10-8 and 54-15-0 respectively, just one fish difference.

Scott Denton was third with 49-14-0 also on the method feeder but using corn or maggots on the hook whilst Adam Stainer, the only junior out of 20 anglers contributed 8-12-0.

WADAS get caned at Stubpond in the Inter-Club Challenge Shield

THE gulf between the club sides and the local match stars could not be more self evident than on this contest. But fifth placed Warlingham managed an average of 23 lb per man to demonstrate that this was by no means grueller despite it raining most of the match.

Mark Harrington was at peg 65 and landed 10 carp in the first hour on waggler and pellet before things slowed up but the remaining 16 fish were of better quality and he finished on 131-0-0.

In a match that raised £82 for Children Victims of Crime, there were four other ton up bags and with the Wednesday matches starting this week there should be some cracking sport.

Result: 1 M Harrington, Stubpond, 131-0-0; 2 S Turner, Leatherhead DAS, 116-0-0; 3 Z Brown, Stubpond, 115-8-0; 4 B Cope, Highwaymen, 113-0-0; 5 R Taylor, Highwaymen, 103-10-0; 6 L Parker, Highwaymen, 92-8-0.

Teams: 1 Highwaymen, 14 pts; 2 FMC Tubertini, 18; 3 Leatherhead DAS, 19; 4 Stubpond, 22; 5 Warlingham DAS, 36; 6 South Norwood AC, 37.

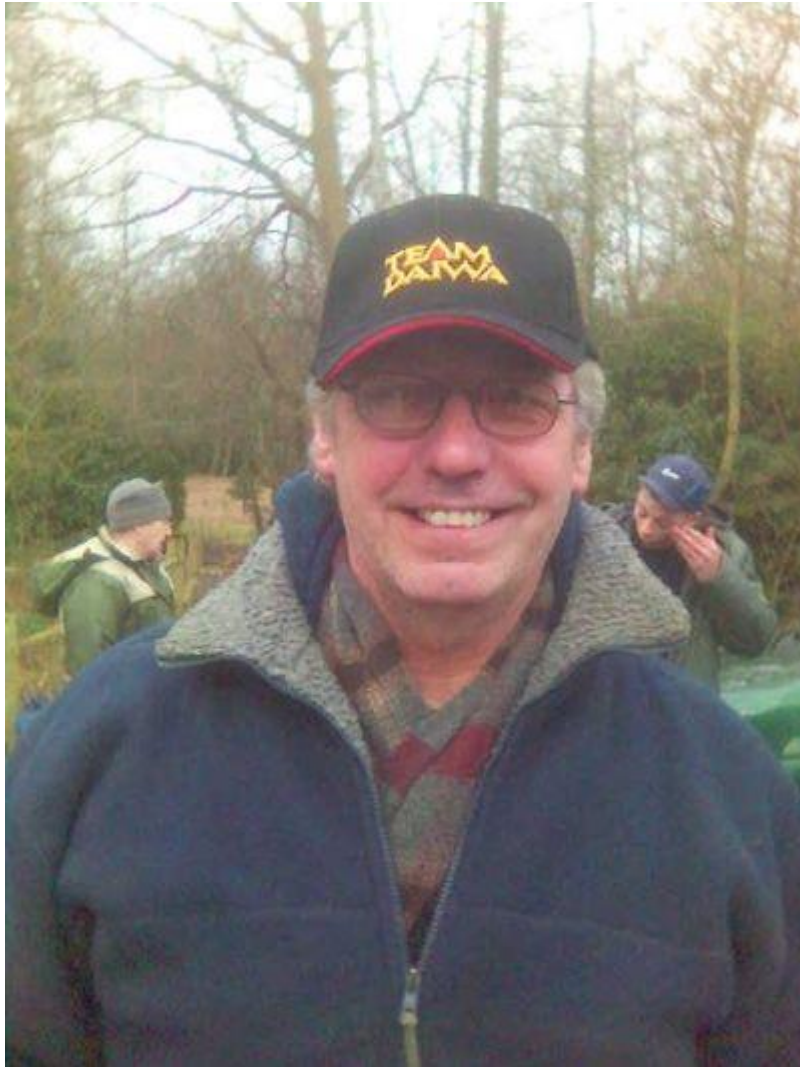
WADAS Card

Peg Name	Weight	Penalty Points	Comments
5 Hugh Blake	41-0-0	4	"I really enjoyed it but could not keep up"

14	Dave Harper	51-0-0	5	"Either side had 100 lb but I could not catch early. In the end I was catching but they were not."
21	Bob Stone	18-6-0	5	"Not many fish my end of the venue"
34	Dave Cattermole	3-12-0	6	Only had one carp
45	Eddie Derrick	9-0-0	6	"My line, which was new, badly let me down seven times."
58	Colin Derrick	17-2-0	5	
67	Brian Beacroft	0-8-0	5	"This was quite an eye opener for me on my first visit but I learned from the experience."

Final Senior Points and Weights Table 2005/2006

Name	Points	Position	Name	Weights	Matches
Steve Longhurst	163	1	Steve Longhurst	303-0-0	24
Tony Garner	99	2	Steve Allen	209-9-0	21
Dave Cattermole	94	3	Tony Garner	201-3-0	22
Steve Allen	90	4	Bob Stone	199-13-8	20
Bob Stone	81	5	Dave Cattermole	189-7-12	23
Mark Merrett	76	6	Mick Biles	163-13-0	19
Phillip King	68	7	Philip King	162-10-0	21
Eddie Derrick	60	8	Eddie Derrick	155-11-12	17
Mick Biles	59	9	Peter Crowhurst	145-11-12	17
David Adby	59	10	Colin Jerrom	138-9-8	15
David C King	55	11	Mark Merrett	128-14-0	23
Colin Jerrom	52	12	Hugh Blake	116-0-8	7
Peter Crowhurst	45	13	David Adby	111-14-0	24
Hugh Blake	44	14	Brian Beacroft	110-14-0	7
Lawrie Way	41	15	Kevin Longhurst	103-1-0	15
Kevin Longhurst	39	16	Lawrie Way	88-4-0	23
Dave Harper	29	17	Peter Rock	78-10-8	10
Brian Beacroft	25	18	Dave Harper	73-0-8	5
David King	13	19	Colin Derrick	64-2-0	6
Peter Rock	12	20	David C King	62-11-12	23
Dreek Vincent	12	21	Brian Wales	50-3-8	5
Michael Cove	10	22	Scott Denton	41-6-12	3
Colin Derrick	9	23	Terry Longhurst	34-3-8	13
Brian Wales	8	24	David King	27-1-0	7
Terry Longhurst	7	25	Michael Cove	26-6-8	10
Scott Denton	6	26	Dreek Vincent	14-9-8	10
Jason Courtney	2	27	Jason Courtney	14-2-0	3
Keith Francis	0	28	Keith Francis	12-3-0	5
Don Boutell	0	29	Don Boutell	11-13-8	5
Alan Gristwood	0	30	Alan Gristwood	2-14-0	4



Tony Garner, runner up in the Senior Points - has got what he wanted, his mugshot on this site at last!

Final Junior Points and Weights Table 2005/2006

Name	Points	Position	Name	Weights
Adam Stainer	15	1	Bradley Garner	40-15-0
Bradley Garner	8	2	Adam Stainer	24-8-4
Robin Mahachi	2	3	Robin Mahachi	3-10-0

Steve is on the Ball at Charts Plain

A storming win on a cold day at Charts Plain saw Steve Allen snatch runners up spot in the Weights competition on March 12.

Drawn on the steps, peg 11, Steve offered an in line feeder and maggot on a short link to land 43-15-8 of carp to 9-6-8. This beat hapless Bob Stone at peg 7 who had 12 carp for 29-7-0 but seven lost fish cost him dear.

Third place went to Dave Harper who managed 20-8-8 at peg 12 using double hair-rigged corn and caster, his first fish biting 10 seconds after casting out whilst club champion Steve Longhurst was fourth with 14-5-0 from peg 15.



THIS 9-6-8 beauty from Charts Plain set Steve Allen well on the way to winning the Les Ball Cup on Sunday, March 12.

Stone gets Firm Cup

Fresh from his individual success in the AT Supercup, Bob Stone clinched the Firm Cup at the Fairlight Fishery near East Grinstead on March 5. There were doubts whether the match would go ahead due to the venue being frozen but the thaw came in time.

Bob won his second match in a row with a groundbait feeder and maggot accounting for 20-14-0 of carp that were attracted by his secret recipe. Second was Steve Allen who used scalded pellet in his feeder with either pellet or maggot on the hook for 14-13-0, David King Jnr coming third with 11-13-8 and David Adby fourth with 7-9-8.

DC loses a "dustbin lid" at Pulborough

Warlingham's outing to the River Arun at Pulborough found the river coloured and pushing so hard that feeder tactics were the only viable method.

In the end it was David Adby's single 2-7-8 chub on maggots that beat 14 others, David Cattermole contributing a 0-13-0 roach and smaller samples for 1-4-0.

David C King won the previous match on the River Eden and could have won his second match but for losing an enormous bream at the net and so settled for third spot with 0-8-0, five others contributing.

Final practise sees Thames Trinity emerge as favourites

THAMES Trinity and Epsom Piscatorials had their final practice at Charts Plain on February 12 prior to their three-way VDE Clubman KO clash with Warlingham & DAS at the same venue on February 26.

Thames Trinity angler Tony Frost on his first visit to the water did well from peg 7 using feeder and corn landing seven carp for 16-4-0 to narrowly beat team-mate John Colvin who opted for worm at peg 4 to land nine small carp for 15-12-0. But he snapped up on a larger fish with just minutes to go.

On the left hand bank Thames Trinity's Pat Tigwell at peg 12 landed eight carp and a roach on feeder and corn for 14-14-8 to narrowly beat Epsom's Tony Collis at peg 13 who had one near 9 lb carp and two smaller samples and a roach for 14-13-8.

With Thames Trinity's Eric Best returning his near double figure bag, Thames Trinity look a formidable outfit and Warlingham, even with Steve Longhurst agreeing to fish could be hard pressed to win.

Baker cleans up at Predator's match

MEANWHILE Warlingham were at the Medway at Wateringbury for a predator's match, the first being held in over 30 years. Alan Baker who knows the water well is a respected big fish angler within the club but would be hard pressed to compete against Messrs Longhurst Merrett and Allen in normal competitions. However despite turning up last, he was delighted to find that a spot near the wood was unoccupied and wasted no time banking a 2-9-0 jack on half a sprat, later adding a better 5-14-0 fish for 8-7-0 and £50 plus prizes donated by Biggin Hill Angling Centre.

Dave C King scores victory at Chiddingstone

Warlingham's trip to the River Eden at Chiddingstone on February 5 saw 17 anglers turn out but eight failed to catch on a very patchy venue.

David C King was at the bottom end of the venue and fished pole and caster or maggot to land chublets and roach for 8-14-8 to beat Steve Longhurst on 5-10-0 and Steve Allen who had 3-2-8.

Mystery man wins at Wateringbury

IN a closely fought contest, less than three ounces separated the top five anglers on the outing to the River Medway at Wateringbury on Sunday, January 22.

All 13 anglers caught which was nice but Mr X, who has asked not to be identified at present, used feeder and maggot to land 1-8-8 of small roach to edge it over Steve Longhurst who had 1-8-0.

Dreek Vincent was third with 1-7-0 with Steve Allen and Phil King each weighing 1-6-0.

It's easy for Mark at Slugwash Lane

Warlingham held their Committee match at their Slugwash Lane fishery near Haywards Heath and saw Mark Merrett land a winning 9-1-0 catch of roach and rudd whip and maggot.

This was well clear of Steve Allen on 1-11-8 and David Adby, who lost two carp but put 1-6-0 on the scales.

Come back Terry Wogan, all is forgiven!

THAT is what most of the dozen who fished at Walton-on-Thames on January 8 must have been thinking as they Blankety-Blanked their way through the day. Moral: Use Maidstone twon centre next time where there are fish and few fat cormorants!

- PS: There are at least nine fish in Apollo House pond in Wellesley Road, a nice near venue but the parking is dodgy!

Christmas Match Ice Breaker

ONCE again the ice had to be smashed in order for this 23 peg match to take place but only nine troubled the scalesman on a day when the temperatures were five below zero.

Dave Cattermole was drawn at peg 24 on the island and fished a method feeder with white maggot but also potted in white punch crumb to land two of the three carp he hooked for 12-6-0.

This beat early leader Steve Longhurst who fished pole and pinkie at peg 4 for 7-1-8 of small carp and Colin Jerrom who had two small carp for 4-7-0.

Mark Merrett had 1-11-0 of roach late on followed by David Adby who caught his 1-0-0 of roach fairly early.

Ice breaker for Bradley to win Peter Norris Cup



SCOTT Denton braved the boat to smash the ice to allow the Peter Norris junior match to go ahead on Sunday, December 11



Bradley Garner did the business at peg 3 landing four carp plus bits on pole and red maggot for 9-1-8



But Adam Stainer also put in a good performance landing 4-8-0 of roach and gudgeon from peg 6 using pole and single maggot

Fish 'O' Mania to be Internet only entry

CONTROVERSY is likely to surround the arrangements for entering the Fish 'O' Mania qualifiers in 2006 as anglers will only be able to enter via the Internet.

The National Federation of Anglers who administer the event on behalf of Matchroom Sport will give anglers just under a month to enter on-line from 4 January 2006.

But many will be asking whether the NFA, so often accused of being behind the times, have gone too far on this occasion. Not all anglers have access to the net but the National Executive endorsed the method of entry at their meeting in Nottingham on Saturday.

Anglers will be able to try to enter all 16 qualifiers but will be subject to a random computer draw to try and make entry as fair as possible and first come-first serve will not apply. In addition once an angler qualifies for the final, he (or she) will be prohibited from taking part in other qualifiers, thus allowing a person on the reserve list to take part..

Sutton tackle dealer and England international Steve Gardener expressed surprise when told of the method of entry: "Given the high average age of anglers, I wonder how many over the age of 50 have ready access to the Internet."

Local anglers will have an additional qualifier within reach if they choose to enter the event. Apart from the

venues used in 2005, Wylands on April 15, Monk Lake on April 29 and Stubpond on June 10, Willinghurst is being used on July 8 for the first time.

The entry fee for each qualifier is £20 for NFA individual members but non-members will have to fork out an additional £3.50 VAT fee. The number of pegs per venue also increases by 10 to 130.

And in a further boost, Matchroom Sport have also guaranteed the event for 2007 and 2008, the final of which is shown live on Sky Sports 2.

Warlingham Net Invicta Shield



NOT content with winning the CALPAC Putney Cup last month, Warlingham netted the Invicta Shield on the Medway at Yalding where automatic weirs opening every 20 minutes made the fishing very difficult due to the increased flow.

The top end of the venue produced the best weights that produced five of the top six weights, Warlingham A's best four anglers winning two sections, plus a runner up and fourth.

Bob Stone offered pole and maggot or feeder to land 6-3-8 of roach and skimmer bream whilst Tony Garner used a groundbait feeder and red maggot, for one bream, two skimmers, roach and gudgeon for 6-1-0.

David Cattermole was third with 5-5-8, Steve Longhurst scoring 3-7-0.

Warlingham DAS A won with 8 penalty points followed by Southwark and Camberwell on 13, Banstead on 14 and Warlingham DAS B on 15.

SuperCup Squad

This year's Angling Times SuperCup squad has been announced to take part in the competition during early 2006 against two or three other local sides.

Dave Harper, Steve Allen, David Adby, Scott Denton, Mick Biles, Kevin Longhurst, Mark Merrett, Bob Stone, Phil King, Tony Garner, Bradley Garner, David Cattermole, Eddie Derrick, Colin Derrick, Hugh Blake, Jason Courtney, Andy Crouch, Brian Beacroft, Peter Crowhurst, Garry Musgrove*

* If Stubpond do not enter a side/miss the deadline then we will use Steve Longhurst instead

Wey below par

An X certificate match on the Wey at Weybridge saw only six anglers out of 14 bother the scalesman in the second round of the Winter League Trophy. Bob Stone used feeder and pinkies for four small roach and 0-8-0 to beat Mick Biles whose solitary roach went 0-4-8. A perch for Mark Merrett on the maggot feeder gave him 0-3-0.

David Cattermole contributed 0-2-8, club champion Steve Longhurst, 0-1-0 and Phil King 0-0-8 to give a total weight of 1-3-8.

"Jammy" Jerrom dishes out lesson

IT was windy at the Fairlight Fishery near East Grinstead on October 30 and for once the top lake was the place to be as those on the lower lake were fully exposed to the gale.

Colin Jerrom ran home the easy winner with a 42-10-0 mixed bag of carp and skimmers on corn over pellet to beat 18 others.

His nearest rival was Tony Garner of Coulsdon who celebrated in a new Daiwa outfit with 27-4-0 of bream, eel and carp using meat or pellet over groundbait from the same lake, Kevin Longhurst of New Addington fishing similar tactics to the winner for 24-1-8 of carp.

Dads and Lads are "Duffed Up"

MICHAEL Duff, whose main ambition seems to be the next Jamie Oliver, came out to the annual Dads and Lads match at Charts Plain on October 23 and did the business with father Nigel.

Drawn on the side bank, Nigel contributed eight carp for 22-12-0 on float fished corn but Michael landed seven fish, including three on bread, for 13-12-0 to give them a brilliant 36-8-0 total.

Dave Harper was on peg 2 but after a fair start with silver fish could not really get amongst the carp and so finished with 3-8-0 of silver fish and four carp on pole and pellet for 12-10-0 with Robin Mahachi landing a carp and bits for 3-14-0 and a combined 17-0-0 total.

Adam Stainer had an off day at peg 4 with 0-14-8 of bits but David King caught a respectable 10-4-0 from peg 3 for 11-2-8 in all. Thanks are due to Biggin Hill Angling Centre for their prizes.

Longhurst nets Summer League Trophy

STEVE Longhurst clinched the Summer League trophy with a victory on the final round fished on a below par River Medway at Wateringbury on October 23.

Bleak seemed to be the only fish willing to feed in earnest after the first hour or so, but Steve ended up with a 7-3-0 mixed catch followed by David Adby on 3-10-0 and Mark Merrett on 3-7-8.

Steve tallied 67 points out of a possible 75 but Steve Allen pressed him all the way with 63 whilst Dave Cattermole and David Adby shared third spot with 49 each.

Hackbridge trounced on Wey Navigation

After last year's defeat at Pyrford, WADAS romped home against Hackbridge AS on the Wey Navigation at Pyrford on October 16.

Inevitably, Steve Longhurst led the way with a good performance from peg 7. Pole and pinkie set him off to a quick start but the roach could only be caught on punched bread as he easily won with 3-13-0.

A small jack pike helped Lawrie Way to his first top three place of the season from peg 2 with 2-15-0, Colin Jerrom on peg 7 coming third from peg 6 with 2-1-8. The best Hackbridge score was less than a pound.

Eden Challenge Shield

THE Eden Challenge Shield on October 9 saw the annual battle between Holland AS and Edenbridge AS who have alternated holding the trophy during the past five seasons.

This year Holland managed to keep their grip on the silverware by winning the contest, thanks to two section wins and two seconds for 68 pts to Edenbridge's 62. Warlingham DAS were third with 50 followed by CALPAC on 36.

The top individual was Alan Shepherd of Edenbridge AS who for once found himself away from Haxted that seemed to draw him like a magnet year after year. But the dustbin swim on Chiddingstone was a dream come true as he alternated between pole and caster for a 3 lb chub, perch and roach whilst feeder and worm gave him three slab bream to 4-11-0 and 20-6-0 in all.

Warlingham's Steve Longhurst has been on fire this season at club level but showed his credentials to a wider audience using a four metre pole and long lining maggots over hemp and maggots for 11-6-0 of roach, perch, gudgeon and chublets, Barry Carr (Holland AS) landing one perch in an otherwise all gudgeon net of 10-10-8.

Warlingham result card for Eden Challenge

Name	Section	Peg	Weight	Points
Steve Allen	A (Haxted)	3	2-3-8	5
Kevin Longhurst	A (Haxted)	7	1-7-0	3
Jason Courtney	B (Mill Farm)	4	7-1-0	3
Steve Longhurst	B (Mill Farm)	8	11-6-0	8
Peter Crowhurst	C (Chiddingstone)	1	4-6-0	5

David Adby	C (Chiddingstone)	5	3-0-0	3
Mark Merrett	D (Chiddingstone)	2	3-10-0	4
Colin Jerrom	D (Chiddingstone)	6	7-5-0	6
Tony Garner	E (Penshurst)	3	1-8-0	3
Eddie Derrick	E (Penshurst)	7	0-14-0	1
Phil King	F (Penshurst)	4	1-4-0	2
David Cattermole	F (Penshurst)	8	5-12-8	7

Steve Allen lands a whopper at Oxted

STEVE Allen stuck it out with a method feeder on the match fished at Barrow Green Farm Lake on Sunday, September 4 and landed a beautiful 15 lb carp to add to a smaller sample and perch and score a good win.

Those who went exclusively for big fish went home empty-handed but those who went for the bits at least had a fair day in baking hot conditions.

Mick Biles wins by miles - nearly - at the Mushroom Farm

In the Society's first visit to the race-track at Falconvile Fishery, there were some good weights for the friendly against Croydon Postal.

Andy Hodd used bread to lure 58-15-0 of carp on pole and bread to make sure Croydon Postal hasd individual honours and he was backed up by team-mate Bob Bradford who used pole and paste opposite for 58-4-0.

Warlingham's top scorer was Mick Biles who used pole and jelly pellet for 52-14-0 of carp whilst Eddie Derrick included a catfish of 2-13-0 in his 45-10-8 bag, Steve Longhurst taking third spot with 39-9-0.



Peter Rock shows the quality of the carp at Falconville Fishery

Longhurst tames Passies

DESPITE the deluge an hour before the end, the first visit to Passies Match Lake was hugely popular. There was no stopping Steve Longhurst taking top honours with 33-8-0 of mostly carp.

Hugh Blake was second with 29-1-0 followed by Brian Beacroft on 28-10-0.

G'day Bruce! Records tumble at Charts Plain

IN a sensational charity contest at Charts Plain, the five hour match record tumbled four times and a new target of 122-12-8 was set by Bruce Welfare.

The event, that raised £550 to be shared by Marie Curie Hospice and DebRA, was attended by managed fishery managers and bailiffs on Monday, June 11 and saw sensational sport from the off.

Colin Bartlett, owner of Lake John, practically ran to peg 2, the swim he fished last year when he heard that it had produced 36 lb in the previous Les West match. Corn over pellet and then punched bread gave him 62-15-0 for fourth place.

Nearer the dam wall at peg 6, debutant Pete Alland (Oakfield Fishery) fished pellet early before finding that paste produced better fish as he put 63-8-0 on the scales.

Last year's winner, 19-year-old Eddie Green (Back Arun) was drawn on shallow peg 23 but long pole and hair-rigged pellet saw him land 65-11-8 for second spot but at least one 7 lb fish was lost.

But there was no stopping Bruce Welfare (Lake John) who is in scintillating form at the moment from hammering out 122-12-8 of carp to nearly 10 lb using pole and pellet, alternating with maggot.

Both Bruce and Pete Alland donated their pools winnings to DebRA after the match that saw other notable weights from Pete Roberts (Magic Lakes) who had 44-5-8 from peg 10, Paul Ward (Hartleylands Farm) with 38-15-8 from the island and Graham Skinner (Puddledock Farm) with 37-8-8.

No nets but still wins match

DAVE Harper was left red-faced when he turned up to the second round of the Les West Cup without any nets but thanks to Dave Adby and Mark Merrett, he was able to borrow some and went on to win the match convincingly.

Drawn at peg 7, pole and corn over pellets fished under the tree gave him 35-7-8 of carp to 7 lb, Mark Merrett at peg 23 fishing similarly for 30-4-0, league leader Steve Longhurst scoring with a late rally on maggot with 27-6-8 from peg 13.

Furze Farm produces half centuries

Despite rumours of a fish kill, the top two rods got over 50 lb at Furze Farm led by Hugh Blake who fished pole and pellet over pellet to seal victory with 57-15-8 of carp, Bob Stone using feeder tactics for 50-5-0 whilst third placed Colin Derrick used pole, feeder and waggler for his 22-13-0.

Kevin Longhurst does the business at Barretts Park Farm

On what is fast becoming a traditional first venue, Barretts Park Farm again produced fair weights on June 5 when reliable early season venues can be notoriously hard to find.

Kevin Longhurst of New Addington was drawn at peg 4 where there is a big bush and some of the larger carp maraud and he offered pole and corn over pellets to tempt carp to just under 10 lb and 40-0-0 in total.

Phil King on the dam wall offered pole and double red maggot for 33-2-0, Colin Jerrom offering similar tactics on the right hand bank for 27-3-0 and Dave Harper fourth with 26-5-0.

Final Senior Weights and Points 2004/05

No	Name	Weight	No	Name	Points
1	Steve Longhurst	355-12-8	1	Steve Longhurst	130
2	Peter Ralston	268-10-8	2	Peter Ralston	105
3	Steve Allen	207-4-8	3	Steve Allen	92
4	Mark Merrett	207-4-8	4	David Adby	87
5	David Adby	171-2-0	5	Mark Merrett	86
6	Bob Stone	154-2-8	=6	Peter Crowhurst	65
7	Eddie Derrick	153-10-8	=6	Bob Stone	65
8	Peter Crowhurst	138-10-8	8	Lawrie Way	58
9	Tony Garner	133-10-0	9	Phillip King	54
10	Lawrie Way	129-10-0	10	Dave Cattermole	50

Final Junior Weights and Points 2004/05

No	Name	Weight	No	Name	Points
1	Bradley Garner	90-4-0	=1	Bradley Garner	14
2	Adam Stainer	14-13-8	=1	Adam Stainer	14
3	Tapfuma Robin Mahachi	14-0-0	3	Tapfuma Robin Mahachi	5

Final Senior Weights and Points 2003/04

No	Name	Weight	No	Name	Points
1	Steve Longhurst	390-10-0	1	Steve Longhurst	170
2	Steve Allen	369-3-8	2	David Cattermole	130
3	Mark Merrett	310-10-8	3	Mark Merrett	118
4	David Cattermole	266-13-0	4	Steve Allen	116
5	Tony Garner	265-11-0	5	Tony Garner	112
6	Peter Ralston	222-3-0	6	Bob Stone	91
7	Bob Stone	206-8-8	7	David Adby	79
8	Eddie Derrick	200-3-8	8	Petter Ralston	71
9	David Adby	186-6-8	9	Philip King	63
10	Philip King	176-0-0	10	Lawrie Way	57
11	Peter Crowhurst	144-3-8	11	Eddie Derrick	56
12	Lawrie Way	140-13-0	12	Colin Jerrom	43
13	Scott Denton	139-15-0	13	Kevin Longhurst	37
14	Brian Wales	134-5-8	14	Peter Crowhurst	36
15	Kevin Longhurst	123-1-8	15	Jason Courtney	32
16	Brian Beacroft	115-5-8	16	Brian Wales	30
17	Colin Jerrom	100-1-0	17	Dreek Vincent	26
18	David King	93-8-0	=18	David King	25

19	Jason Courtney	79-13-0	=18	Brian Beacroft	25
20	David C King	65-3-4	20	Scott Denton	23
21	Dave Harper	61-14-8	21	David C King	18
22	Peter Rock	53-12-8	22	Dave Harper	17
23	Terry Longhurst	51-8-0	23	Terry Longhurst	12
24	Ray Fleming	41-12-0	24	Don Boutell	10
25	Don Boutell	36-1-0	25	Robert Taylor	9
26	Dreek Vincent	24-9-8	26	Peter Rock	3
27	Robert Taylor	10-1-8	=27	Ray Fleming	2
28	Alan Gristwood	7-14-0	=27	Paul Taylor	2
29	Paul Taylor	4-2-0	=29	Alan Gristwood	0
30	Bryon White	1-3-8	=29	Bryon White	0
=31	Jim Gower	0-0-0	=29	Jim Gower	0
=31	Keith Francis	0-0-0	=29	Keith Francis	0
=31	Garry Musgrove	0-0-0	=29	Garry Musgrove	0

Len Tutt Junior Cup

More than half the junior membership turned up to Charts Plain on September 21 to fish for the Len Tutt Junior Cup with Michael Duff's expertise proving too much at peg 2 where he landed six carp on floatfished corn plus others on breadflake for 17-1-8.

Jonathan Egginton at peg 11 landed five small carp plus silver fish on float and various baits for 6-0-0, Adam Stainer's all roach and rudd bag of 3-2-8 netting third spot.

In a nice touch, competition secretary Lawrie Way who had forgotten to take numbers, came up with a novel idea of letting the youngsters draw a bar of chocolate with a number on the wrapper. Now we know why Lawrie is known as the "Milky Bar Kid"!

Merrett Nets the Summer League Title

Mark Merrett sowed up the Summer League title at Oxted Lake on September 21 by winning the final match with 25-6-0 of mainly carp taken on pole and maggots from the grass bank. And in a reversal of the Les West series, Phil King had to settle for second spot some three points behind. Second on the day was shared between Bob Stone who had 13-13-0 of roach and rudd and Peter Crowhurst who landed his first Oxted carp among the silver fish in his 13-13-0 mixed bag.

David Adby writes: *-Thank you for all your support in both the Les West and the Summer League and to those who helped with the pegging and weighing in. Some of you have requested that we do it all again next season. Well if the demand is there, then I'll be pleased to organise and both series again.*

Final Table

Pos	Name	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Match 5	Total
		Balls Green	Bough Beech	R Mole	Pulborough	Oxted	
		June 15	June 29	July 20	August 10	September 21	

1	Mark Merrett	11	15	16	14	16	72
2	Phillip King	14	13	14	16	12	69
3	Dave Cattermole	13	16	13	9	8	59
4	Tony Garner	15	11	15	12	-	53
5	David Adby	12	9	8	13	10	52
6	Steve Allen	DNW	10	10	15	13	48
7	Bob Stone	-	12	9	11	15	47
8	Dreek Vincent	DNW	15	-	10	5	25
9	Bradley Garner	16	-	13	-	-	29
10	Peter Crowhurst	DNW	-	-	-	15	15
=11	Scott Denton	-	-	11	-	-	11
=11	Peter Ralston	-	-	-	-	11	11
13	Don Boutell	DNW	-	-	-	9	9
14	Ray Fleming	DNW	8	-	-	-	8
15	Brian Beacroft	-	-	-	-	-	7
16	Brian Wales	DNW	-	-	-	6	6
=17	Steve Longhurst	DNW	-	-	-	-	0
=17	Kevin Longhurst	DNW	-	-	-	-	0
=17	Eddie Derrick	DNW	-	-	-	-	0
=17	David King	DNW	-	-	-	-	0
=17	David C King	DNW	-	-	-	-	0
=17	Adam Stainer	DNW	-	-	-	-	0

Broadwater Lake proves tough nut to crack

Warlingham returned to Broadwater Lake, Godalming on September 14 expecting to get amongst the big carp but the water fished poorly. Host club members won most of the money with only Tony Garner breaking the mould landing 12-15-0 for second place in his section. But Steve Longhurst was the best WADAS weight landing 21-12-0 of carp on the method feeder, Peter Ralston taking third spot with 12-4-0.

Warlingham raise most for Second Chance Three Years Running

A magnificent effort by Warlingham DAS saw them raise £600 of the £1,200 total raised for "Second Chance" in the Godalming AS Charity match held at their prolific Broadwater Lake near Godalming on Saturday.

Paul Williamson of the host club was on the rugby bank and fished a feeder packed with trout pellets and maggots on the hook to tempt 12 carp for 103-7-0 and helped the home team to a narrow victory.

Perry Stone (Davies Angling) was second with 87-3-0 whilst Warlingham's Jason Courtney returned to the water he last fished as a teenager to come third with 77-5-0.

His companions did not fare quite so well with Mark Merrett of New Addington landing three brutes of carp for 49-10-0 and sixth overall, Steve Allen also finding some carp but Scott Denton struggling with just a few roach.

In the team's stakes, Warlingham missed out by just one point from a famous team victory as Godalming clinched the team title 9 pts followed by Warlingham on 10 and Davies Angling on 11.

Furze Farm is no fun in the mud

Ongoing works at this fishery made it look a bit of an eyesore and conditions were muddy for the contest on September 7. The fishing was not much better with three guests taking the top four places led by NFA coach Tom Kilty of Burgh Heath who fished a floating pole and maggot over sprayed maggot or pellet to land 10 of the 16 carp he hooked for 32-3-8. Guest Paul Tinton of Epsom was second with 19-11-0 fishing tight to the island with a feeder, Tony Garner also fishing feeder tactics for 19-0-0.

Woodpecker provides fair sport

Warlingham DAS visited Woodpecker Lake near Copthorne on August 31 and had some fair bags as David Cattermole led the charge of carp caught predominately on the "Method" feeder landing 32-12-0.

Bob Stone was second with 26-1-0, David Adby coming third with 22-7-0.

Tony gets beaten up - by carp!

Whilst his son Bradley was busy helping Croydon to their victory at Crystal Palace (see Youth Games Final on Latest News), Tony Garner was being beaten up - by carp! The Belfry proved to be both an exciting and frustrating venue on the hottest day of the year with many carp being hooked and lost. And Tony found that too many rigs were being smashed to smithereens and so retired!

There was no stopping David Cattermole netting victory using the Method feeder landing 42-9-8 of carp and silver in the process, easily beating Brian "Whacker" Wales who landed 25-6-0.

Les West Cup Round 5 (July 9)

THIS was the waggler and maggot match and despite some serious leg pulling and queries over the rules, it went ahead and produced some excellent weights with Jason Courtney doing the business for the third week running this time from shallow peg 17 landing 21-8-8.

Another unfancied peg was peg 8 but Peter Crowhurst did well to land four goodcarp plus bits for 15-15-0 Phil King at peg 12 for the second week running finishing on 14-9-8.

Match of two halves at Framfield (July 6)

LOW numbers were best for the Society's visit to Brookhouse Lake, Framfield Park on July 6 where Mark Merrett did well with pole and bread to land about 25 carp and a skimmer on pole and bread for 49-8-8 from peg 13.

Club Champion David Cattermole wasn't far behind landing a mixed bag of mainly carp using waggler and feeder tactics for 46-3-8 at peg 10.

Eddie Derrick used pole and paste for 41-14-0 of carp whilst Peter Ralston was fourth on 39-11-0.

Les West Cup Round 4

AFTER a sunny start, the heavens opened and the deluge certainly put the carp off the feed for many but Jason Courtney netted his second win in two weeks at peg 13 where method feeder and maggot gave him 11 carp out of 20 for 26-7-0.

Phil King at peg 12 varied slightly using a standard groundbait feeder and triple red maggot to land carp to 8-9-8 and 22-10-0 in total.

Jason gets the silvers

In the third round of the Les West Cup on June 25, Jason Courtney did well from peg 14 to land 6-2-0 of roach, rudd and perch using pole and maggot over hemp and caster. Unlike others, the carp did not get in the way on this silver fish only match.

Runner up Mark Merrett was on peg 2 and had 5-10-8 with Mr Consistent, David Adby third from peg 11 with 5-0-8.

Phil is King of the Castle - for one week at least



Phil King scored a narrow but impressive victory in the second round of the Les West Cup at Charts Plain on Wednesday June 18. Drawn at peg 3, he hammered out 23-14-8 of carp and silver fish mainly on pole tactics.

David Adby was cursing his luck when he lost a fish right at the end of the contest, most of his coming close in on pole and meat from peg 10 as he put 22-15-0 on the scales for second spot.



Mark Merrett was third from peg 11 with 18-10-0, David King Jnr fourth on 17-5-0 from peg 6 on a three hour event that had five double figure catches.

Merrett does the Business

Sussex angler Terry Merrett, brother of Mark, did the business at the second match of the new season at Barretts Park Farm near Heathfield.

Drawn on the last swim before the dam wall, peg 5, he offered open end feeder and maggot, to land seven carp to 3 lb, adding crucian carp on pole and maggot over corn and pellets for 31-13-0.

At peg 2 Steve Longhurst was cursing his luck for losing three good carp close in as he fished pole and maggot over pellet for 27-3-0 of carp and roach, David Adby on peg 3 landing three carp on the Method feeder plus bits on the pole for 18-13-0 in a match that saw 14 double figure bags.

Dave is King of Wylands

Dave King took top honours on the first match of the season on a rain lashed Snake Lake, Wylands Farm. His lowly 9-1-8 mixed catch was enough to beat Club Champion David Cattermole who had 8-14-8 and Pete Crowhurst's 8-13-0.

This Sunday (June 8) WADAS visit Barretts Park Farm near Heathfield. Floating baits have been working well here as has pellet. Expect at least 40 lb to win.

It's That Man Again!

Scott Denton may be the butt of many a joke after claiming an 8 lb carp was 19 lb but had the last laugh at Furze Farm on Sunday, 24 November when he landed a superb 15-14-8 common on waggler and maggot. Along with some other smaller samples, his 22-5-0 total was enough to put him well clear of junior **Bradley Garner** who included a 7-7-0 common taken on the feeder in a 11-15-0 total.

Secret paste nets Eddie a victory

Sumner's Fishery near Horsham was the latest new venue that the Society visited on Sunday (November 10) and produced some fair mixed catches, Sussex angler **Eddie Derrick** alternating between pole with worm and a "secret" paste to land 19-1-0.

This was 2 lb clear of **Bob Stone** who alternated between waggler and feeder tactics with maggot for a similar 17-1-0 catch. **Phil King** had a late 6-14-0 carp which was landed in the 15 minute period allowed to boost his total to 16-8-0.

Chub, tench and roach also showed on this venue that saw David Cattermole win the KO cup over Tony Garner by 10-13-0 to 7-10-0.

Lost bream cost Mark dearly

NEW Addington's Mark Merritt was counting the cost of losing at least two good bream on the club match at Wateringbury on Sunday, 27 October. With the brave souls lashed by gale force winds, the water was reasonable to start with but soon started to rise during the contest.

Top rod was club leader Dave Cattermole who fished stick float and maggot to pluck out 7-7-8 of bleak, the fish that mysteriously appear when there is colour in the water. Mark offered groundbait feeder and double red maggot to land three bream and a 9 oz roach for 6-15-8 but his lost fish cost him the match.

Third man home was Tony Garner who also fished the open end feeder and maggot for 3-10-8 to beat fourth placed Scott Denton.

WADAS Top £1,000 in funds for Second Chance

Six members and two guests raised £1,222 for the children's charity Second Chance when they took part in the Godalming AS event that was originally planned for Broadwater Lake in August but took place on a frost-hit

Willinghurst on 19 October. In all the event raised over £2,200 for the Portsmouth based organisation.

This turned the fish right off and led to quite a few dry nets including guest Steve Crunkhorn and illness hit Dave Harper. Top rod was Phil Drake (Godalming AS) who was on the car park lake and offered pole and caster to land carp to 10 lb and a 2 lb perch for 36-3-0.



Jason Courtney waiting for a bite



The eight who raised over £1,100 for Second Chance. Charity Director Doug Hulme said: *"Many thanks for 'mustering the troops' on Saturday Warlingham really did us proud, between the eight of you you raised 50% of the total! I really do appreciate everyone's efforts and it certainly is not taken for granted or lightly."*

Warlingham B did well especially after being drawn next to past winners Hounslow Angling.

Oxford angler Robin Guppy guesting for Hounslow Angling had plenty of action on the spit where long pole and maggots gave him nine carp to 4 lb and 34-2-0.

Key to Pegs	First two on Back Hole	First eight pegs on Top Lake,	First two on Back Spit,	Car Park Lake	Totals
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Teams	Rest on Top Lake	last two on Back Spit	rest on Car Park Lake		
Hounslow Angling	Colin Lovelock 0-9-0 6 pts	Gary Knight 0-1-0 4 pts	Robin Guppy 34-2-0 (2nd) 10 pts	Clive Solly 0-0-0 0 pts	20 pts
Hounslow Silver	Andy Ryan 0-0-0 0 pts	Mark Kingsley 3-4-0 5 pts	Mark Fryer 5-9-0 7 pts	Gerry Simmonds 3-5-0 6 pts	18 pts
Warlingham B	M Redman (g) 2-3-0 7 pts	Scott Denton 0-1-0 4 pts	Pete Crowhurst 0-2-0 5 pts	David Adby 1-12-0 5 pts	21 pts
Hounslow Angling Gold	Tony Saunders 0-0-0 0 pts	Dave Hurrey 3-15-0 6 pts	Tony West 19-10-0 9 pts	Bob Poulton 4-14-8 7 pts	22 pts
Warlingham A	Mark Merrett 0-7-0 5 pts	Steve Crunkhorn 0-0-0 0 pts	Dave Harper 0-0-0 0 pts	Jason Courtney 0-5-0 3 pts	8 pts
Not drawn					
Godalming AS	Mick Keeper 24-6-0 (3rd) 10 pts	L Sherrif 6-7-0 8 pts	P Williamson 7-0-0 6 pts	Phil Drake 36-3-0 (winner) 10 pts	16 pts
Team Hounslow	Tony Kent 18-10-0 9 pts	Norman Dunn 8-15-0 9 pts	Darren Dunn 01-8 4 pts	John Ritter 10-8-0 8 pts	30 pts
Molesey Thamesiders	Neil Jakes 3-1-0 8 pts	Keith Hogg 12-1-0 10 pts	Dave Johnson 2-4-8 6 pts	Dave Fyfield 1-8-8 4 pts	28 pts



Scott Denton tries hard to muster an elusive carp from the nearside tree, meanwhile Robin Guppy in the background has a relatively easy day landing nine of the many carp he hooked on maggots.

Steady Eddie lands a brace to remember

Eddie Derek stunned the match fishing world on Sunday (October 6) with an amazing brace of carp from the tiny River Eden at Chiddingstone. The Cripps Corner Sussex angler offered pole and worm and within half an hour had landed a superb near fully scaled mirror carp of 18-6-0. And less than three hours into the contest against hosts South Norwood, added a second of 15-6-0. Small fish boosted his winning score to 35-2-0 as

WADAS thrashed South Norwood by 66-9-0 to 37-15-8.

The brace is believed to be one of the largest from an English river.



Sam's Lake

This was the Society's first visit to this venue near Headcorn and only a dozen members managed to make the long journey. This was a peggy venue with the fish tightly shoaled on end, Tony Garner of Coulsdon landing 11-5-0 of small carp to pole and feeder tactics. League leader Dave Cattermole used feeder and maggot for 9-8-0 and second spot. Eddie Derek was third with 8-12-0 and Pete Crowhurst was fourth with 8-5-8.

Due to the rules governing the Maver competition, this match will not count towards the final tally. However, looking on the bright side, below are the top three in the club.

Whatever the outcome, congratulations are due to Dave Cattermole who won at Decoy Lakes, Framfield, Wylands and Oxted and seconds at Borde Hill and Sam's Lake and a minor place at Waynefleet. This could well be enough to see him represent Warlingham at the next stage of the competition.

Maver Clubman Final Table *(subject to amendment)*

Name	Total Points
Dave Cattermole	240
Steve Allen	120
Tony Garner	100

Eden Challenge Result

After the euphoria of Eddie Derek's massive brace of carp at Chiddingstone the previous week, things came back to earth as WADAS slumped to last place on the day in the Eden Challenge Shield fished up and down

from Edenbridge.

There were only four blanks recorded with three coming from our side, though one of these was because of a withdrawal through illness. Membership secretary Dave Adby was Warlingham's top rod with a 4 lb bream on the waggler and red maggot plus a 2 lb chub on the pole at Chiddingstone for 6-7-0 and third spot overall. Steve Allen also won his section but was left rueing the loss of three chub that might have won him the match.

Winner John Hewitt (East Grinstead) was also at Chiddingstone and landed 1.5 lb of small fish on pole and maggot before adding two bream and a chub on worm and caster cocktail for 12-7-0, whilst team-mate Nick Walker was at Skinners Farm and worked hard for 7-14-0 of chublets.

Teams: 1 Holland AS, 80 pts; 2 East Grinstead AS, 73; 3 South Norwood AC, 65; 4 Edenbridge AS, 59; 5 Warlingham DAS, 50



Membership Secretary, David Adby (left) received the "Most Improved Angler" Cup from Daiwa Dorking captain Steve Sanders earlier this year and with his impressive form this term it is not difficult to see why he does so well in matches. Unlike many angling administrators, David regularly fishes as well as performs a vital role covering fisheries, Calpac delegate, competition deputy as well as his membership duties.

Second Chance Sponsored Contest

This Saturday, October 19, two sides will represent WADAS, who provided the most sponsorship last year, and look to further increase their contribution to the Portsmouth based children's charity Second Chance.

Early indications are that the eight intrepid anglers will raise in excess of four figures as they tackle the Top, Car Park and Spit at Willinghurst Fishery, Shamley Green. With the cold snap and low oxygen levels, maggot is expected to be the favoured bait.

August Barbeque Result

Scott Denton included an 8 lb common carp in a 26-6-8 net taken on freelined floating pellet to deprive Mark Merrett of New Addington of his fourth successive victory. However Mark did well to finish with 25-10-0 on pole and corn or meat, membership secretary David Adby clinching third spot with 24-1-0 on the Method.