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SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2016

Dear Member,

Annual Family Fishing Day and BBQ

We had our annual Open Day at Runham Lake on 21st August. The event was part of our participation in the National Fishing Month 2016. It was a fantastic day and our best ever turn out with almost 80 people attending.



The weather behaved itself and Bill and his wife cooked some fantastic BBQ food and kept the tea, coffee and squash flowing all day. Big thankyou to Danny Williams from the Angling Trust and Paul Whibley who provided everyone with some much needed coaching which went down a storm with the kids and even got some wives fishing too!

We also welcomed Barry Reed from the Freshwater Informer magazine who spent a few hours chatting with everyone and making lots of notes so keep an eye on next months FWI edition for his piece on the days events.

All the kids went away with some goodies, medals and certificates so hopefully we will see them on the bank again soon.

Would you like to be a qualified angling coach?

We are looking for volunteers that would be interested in becoming LS2 or LS1 Professional Angling Coaches.

The club will subsidise all costs for your courses so you won't be out of pocket. All we ask for is some of your time to help us with our junior events.

You will need to be DBS/CRB checked and attend a Child Protection/Welfare course and also a First Aid Course (all paid for by the club). You will have the full support of the club as you go through your training. If you are interested please contact Tim Wood on 07800 705547 or email the club on info@cranbrookanglingclub.co.uk for more information.

Litter

Why do you leave your rubbish at the lake? You know who you are. Just take it home, it is very simple. Why should others clear up your mess? Don't drop it on the floor or throw it in the bushes. If you do see any litter, please take some pride in the club waters and pick it up.

Pattenden Lane

Thankyou to you all for your patience following the sudden closure of the lake due to some fish deaths. It was fishing really well and it was quite a shock for this to happen as our regular water clarity monitoring showed no signs of concern. Obviously we reacted quickly to involve the EA who took water samples and a few fish away for testing.

Following the results and advice from the EA we managed to re-open the lake as soon as possible. The cause of recent fish deaths at Pattenden Lane has been identified by the EA as being highly likely due to a dissolved oxygen crash caused rain hitting an algal bloom. The rain would quickly dissolve the algae causing an oxygen crash and leave bacteria working on organic matter — thus reducing oxygen levels and leading to the fish deaths. Pollution has been ruled out.

The alarm was raised by a concerned member and it was his swift action that helped us to react quickly to reduce further fish deaths. A big thankyou to him as it shows that if you notice something amiss, you must contact a Committee member immediately.

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Junior events

We again held several **FREE** angling coaching sessions this year plus junior matches as part of our participation in National Fishing Month. All sessions were a great success, with all the youngsters learning more about our sport and improving their skills.

A massive thanks to the angling coaches Kevin Durman, Brian Potter, Paul Whibley and Mel Dearing, they did a fantastic job.



This years 48hr carp match was at Burnt Wood. The change of venue from Lydd seemed to attract more interest with all places taken. Unfortunately only 2 Carp were caught over the weekend.

Well done to Derek Powell for taking 1st place and Adrian Harrison for 2nd place.

Work Parties

A work party schedule was sent out with your new membership pack (in the hope you can attend at least one) and is also available on our website. We have mixed it up this year with work parties on Saturdays, Sundays and midweek evenings in a bid to increase attendance but it hasn't worked.

Your last chances to get £10 off next season -

- Wed 5th October Afternoon/Evening Burnt Wood
- Sat 16th October Darwell
- Sun 13th November Burnt Wood

It is also a good idea to regularly check the **News** page of our website for any updates or changes as we sometimes have to instigate last minute work.

Join the Committee

We urgently need some willing and enthusiastic members to come forward and join our hard working Committee. All we ask from you is attendance to Committee meetings on the first Wednesday of every month at The Marden Village Club 8pm-10pm and some of your time to help with events and various projects and roles within this forward thinking club. Please contact Tim Wood on 07800 705547 or email the club on info@cranbrookanglingclub.co.uk for more information.





Read the signs

Can everyone please make sure they read the information we give out, the website News page and also the signs we put up at the waters.

If you see a 'Water Closed' sign attached the entrance, it means no entry, please do not try to go in or even fish as there is a good reason why it is closed.



We have Polo Shirts, Hoodies, Woolly Hats and Baseball Caps, all with the clubs logo on. There is a choice of colours, black or green and sizes range from Medium to XXXL. You can find an order form on the website or contact Dave Sherwood to get yours now.

Cub Fishing Evenings

Earlier this year we hosted several evening cub fishing sessions which saw **120 cubs** in all come along to Runham Lake and have a go at fishing. They all really enjoyed themselves, many who had never been fishing before soon realised that fishing wasn't boring after all and we are sure we will see them fishing our waters again as members.

A guy rings his boss and says "I can't come to work today"

The boss asks why and the guy says "it's my eyes"

"What's wrong with your eyes" asks the boss

"I can't see myself coming to work, so I'm going fishing instead...."

Man: Is this river any good for fish? Fisherman: It must be. I can't get any of them to leave it!

River Medway East Peckham

Unfortunately the owner of this stretch has decided not to let anglers fish here anymore as she does not want anyone on or near her property. It has nothing to do with us, it is just a personal decision and we must respect her decision so please do not go to this venue from now on. We will try our best to find a replacement asap.

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Thankyou to everyone who has been using the EasyFundRaising portal when buying anything online. You have raised £135 by simply going to your chosen retailer (Ebay, Amazon, Tesco etc) through EasyFundRaising first.

Imagine how much we could raise if every member used it!

Organised Fishing Trips

Is anyone interested in organised fishing trips to different venues for specimen fish with likeminded people? For example Barbel on the Kennet, Carp fishing in France, Pike fishing at Chew Reservoir, UK Catfish, big Perch, Chub on the Dorset Stour.

A member has kindly offered to organise trips if there is enough interest. Trips could be a day trip or several days. Cost will be shared on an actual basis. The details would be agreed by the individuals prior to any trip. For foreign trips and possibly some UK trips a non-refundable deposit in advance will be required. Trips for over 18's only.

Please send an e-mail to gasouth@hotmail.co.uk and state the type of fish, area and country of interest (if you have preference).

Please include your name e-mail address plus a contact number.

This is NOT a commitment at this stage. It's purely to find-out the level of interest. If this interests now or possibly in the future please respond.

Darwell Reservoir

Somehow, some characters managed to evade security and launch a boat with an outboard onto the reservoir which our members spotted. If anyone sees anything like this or something suspicious at this venue, please ring the bailiff Trevor McGregor on 07737 320961 or if you can't get hold of him, call Dave Sherwood on 07917 307942.

Some very nice sized Tench are coming out of here now so hopefully we will see more of you down there to catch even more.

Your fishing reports

At the last AGM, a few members requested that more information was given out on catch reports but the problem is we don't get many members sending in their fishing reports or catches. You must be catching but it only seems to be Carp that we get told about. Either phone or email us as we'd like to hear all about your catches big or small.

Remember these things this season

- Read the rules
- Carry your membership card when on our waters
- Don't drop or leave any litter
- Don't leave your rods unattended at any time
- Use your unhooking mats
- · Park in the designated parking areas only

Casting practice needed?

When we do our work parties we have pulled loads of rigs, leads, floats and trailing line out of the trees on most of the waters. It is great for the Committee as they haven't had to buy any leads or floats for years but we'd much prefer it if you could try to retrieve as much as you can as it is a hazard to the wildlife and it makes the place look very messy.

Congratulations to Paul Whibley who is now a fully qualified LS2 angling coach.





We always have loads going on, so make sure you keep checking our website (www.cranbrookanglingclub.co.uk) for the news and updates. This should be your 1st point of call if you want any information on news, waters, rules, events, frequently asked questions, guest tickets, memberships, catches etc. If you cannot find the information you need, you can of course phone us or email the club on the info or membership email address.

We look forward to seeing you on the bank over the winter months and of course at the work parties!

The CADAC Committee



