

SUMMER NEWSLETTER 2017

Dear Member,

Annual Family Day and BBQ

We had our annual Open Day at Runham Lake on 20th August. The event was part of our participation in the National Fishing Month 2017. It was another fantastic day and it was great to see almost 50 people attending. The weather behaved itself and Bill and his wife cooked some fantastic BBQ food again and kept the tea, coffee and squash flowing all day. Big thankyou to our professional coaches Kevin Durman 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'd also like to thank Svendsen Sport, Fladen Fishing UK, Fosters of Birmingham and Pure Fishing for providing various items of tackle that we were able to give to all the juniors who attended.

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



Runham Lake Coaching Shelter

Members who have visited Runham lately would have noticed that we have built a wooden coaching shelter. This to provide a central area for our coaches to meet and greet our junior fishing visitors and provide some form of shelter during inclement weather.

It is also for use by our members of course, so please look after it and it will give us many years of use.

A big thankyou to the whole team that was involved in the project and to our Junior Membership Officer Mike Coward who managed the project from start to finish.

Report ALL issues

If you see anything (or anyone) unusual or rule breaking whilst on our waters you must report it to Paul Franklin who is our head bailiff. He can be contacted on 07704 139511.

Please do not moan about incidents that have occurred weeks or months earlier if you have not reported them. We cannot be expected to do anything about these issues if we are not told what is going on. If you report it immediately, we can sort it out. The information or evidence can also be presented to the water owner if necessary, if it is something they need to resolve.

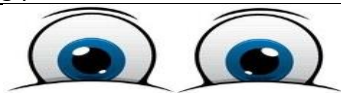
Wateringbury

Can members who fish the Wateringbury stretch of the Medway please be considerate to boat owners as we have received complaints from the marina owner. Also you are not to go to the opposite bank or access the pontoons to bait up. Stay on our side of the river.

Brookland Reservoir

This venue is proving to be very popular with plenty of Carp being caught, biggest so far is 22lb. Some Roach and Tench have also been caught and a good sized Pike has been seen cruising around. It does get a bit weedy at certain times of the year but this should not put you off, you just need to change your tactics to catch.

We will keep control of the marginal reeds which we will do at the work party on 15th Oct which we hope will be well attended by the members that fish here. Bring your weed rakes, strimmers, mowers etc.



Our website is full of information for you and is regularly updated to make sure we get as much information out to you as quick as possible. We have loads going on during the season, so make sure you keep checking our website for the news and updates otherwise you will miss vital information.

Also, send in your catch reports and photos so we can keep other members informed plus keep an eye on fish growth.

Junior events 2017



Committee member Mike Coward is our new Junior Membership Officer.

Contact Mike on 07958 536421 to book places or email the club.

We held lots of **FREE** coaching sessions this year plus junior matches and of course our annual Family Day & BBQ at Runham Lake as part of our participation in National Fishing Month.

Springwood Fish Kill

Unfortunately during the hot weather spell in June, we lost some good sized Carp and Catfish. The Environment Agency were quick to visit the venue as soon as some deaths were reported.

The hot weather caused an algae bloom which severely depleted the dissolved oxygen and sadly resulted in the deaths. We closed the venue for 3 weeks to let the water settle and allow the fish to recuperate following advice from the EA. We thank our members for their understanding and patience during this time.

Work Parties

A work party schedule was sent out with your membership pack (in the hope you can attend at least one) and is also available on our website. 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.

They are fun and not hard work at all so it would be nice to see more of you come along, as the Committee can't do everything, surely you can spare just one morning or evening in a year?

Plus, if you do come along your name will be entered into a draw at the AGM and you could win a whole seasons membership. Next dates for your diaries are:

Sun 24th Sept at Rosemary Lakes

Sun 1st Oct at Darwell

Sun 15th Oct at Brookland

Sun 19th Nov at Burnt Wood



We had our annual 48hr carp match this year at Brookland lake on Friday 1st Sept.

It was a great social event as usual but unfortunately the fish were not playing. But a few fish were caught (and lost) with Nigel Goldup claiming to the top prize money, Mike Parfitt 2nd and Dave Sherwood 3rd.



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.

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Fish Care

It is of utmost importance that our fish are looked after and kept in good health in order to ensure you catch good specimens for many years to come. We need you to do your bit and below are a few tips on how you can do this:

Keepnets – You may use keepnets but only keep fish for short periods, try not to use them in hot weather, do not overcrowd them, make sure they are carp friendly and ensure the net is totally submerged.

Unhooking mats – Always have one with you and use it, even when taking photos. Keep it out of the sun and ensure it is wetted before laying fish on it.

Fishcare kits – Every angler should have one. They are cheap to buy and can be used to treat hook holes, cuts, wounds and dislodged scales. They are first aid kits for fish and help to keep our fish fighting fit.

How to get guest tickets

Members can purchase guest tickets if they would like to take friends or family fishing on our waters. They are £15 per 24hrs. Contact Mark Lindsell on 07973383952 or membership@cranbrookanglingclub.co.uk giving the guest name and address, date of trip and venue. Then simply post the cheque to our address or pay by BACS and Mark will either text, email or post the guest ticket to you depending on your preference and notice given. Please give Mark as much notice as possible to sort tickets out. A week is ideal and two days is about the limit. Please don't ask for a guest ticket for the next day.

Pattenden Lane – Good News!

We have managed to secure a deal with the owners of Pattenden Lane Reservoir to carry on fishing here on a month by month basis.

So to all members - keep fishing here until told otherwise.

Big Perch caught at Runham

Every venue throws up some surprises and this season, Runham has seen a few members catch some fabulous Perch to around the 2lb mark. We think they are originals as the ones we stocked in 2015 would not have grown to that size just yet.



Photo courtesy of Kevin Winder

Thinking of Pike fishing this winter?

Darwell is our premier predator water with Pike, Perch and Eels.

Other venues to try are Wateringbury, Windsurf, Park Farm, The Dowells and any of the Rother Fisheries Association stretches of river.

Remember these 4 important things this season

- **Read and comply with all the rules – our bailiffs will not accept any excuses**
- **Carry your membership card when on our waters – no card no entry, you will be removed from venue if no card**
- **Don't drop or leave any litter – if you see any litter in or around your swim pick it up otherwise you will be the one punished. Bailiffs have a zero tolerance on this.**
- **2 rods only on ALL waters except on Darwell & Lydd – These two waters are the only venues where you can use 3 rods, ALL our other waters have a 2 rod maximum limit. Again, no excuses!**

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

The CADAC Committee