

Mid-week Match Rules/Points System

Preface:

A series of ten matches will be fished from May to July, on Wednesday nights for a duration of three hours per match. 6-9pm. These rules work as an addendum to the club's current match/club rules which can be viewed on the website. They are designed to lend clarity to the mid-week match system and outline procedures. Other general match/club rules are available on the website, anglers are advised to read these fully before competing.

The lake will be closed for the matches to non-match anglers, the times will be decided by the match secretary and advance notice will be posted on the website.

Species Counted

These matches are silverfish only matches, the only species that can be counted at weigh in are:

Roach, Rudd, Tench, All types of Bream, Crucian Carp, Perch and Eels.

Match Start/Finish

The match start and finish will be signalled by the blowing of a whistle by the organiser.

Swims/Pegs.

All match swims will be checked for viability prior to match start, any angler wishing to report an issue with a swim must do so before the draw takes place.

A peg fee of £1 will be charged for each match. This will go into club funds.

The Draw

In the event of more anglers turning up than there are swims available, priority will be given to work party attendees.

The draw will be held in the car park at 5:15pm, anyone not present at the draw but still intending to fish must call the organiser/match secretary ahead of time to indicate they wish for the organiser to draw for them.

In the event that an angler is unable to fish a match, it is appreciated if they let the match organiser know ahead of time, so they have an idea of the number of anglers fishing.

The first angler to draw a peg is determined at random by the match organiser, who will draw a name from a bag. The first angler then draws a peg from another bag and reports the number to the match organiser, who records it. The first angler then draws the next anglers name from a separate bag, this second angler then draws a peg, which is recorded, and the second angler draws the next name, the draw continues in this fashion until all anglers fishing have a peg recorded.

Anglers are not to leave the draw area until all anglers have drawn a peg.

Points System

An angler must fish at least eight of the ten matches to qualify. Only eight matches count for each angler, an angler can drop their two worst points results if they fish all ten matches. If an angler is not present at a match then they will be awarded ten points, however if there are more than nine anglers present at the match the non-attending angler will be given points equal to the amount of anglers present plus an additional point.

First place is awarded 1pt, second place 2pts and so on. Positions are awarded by total weight caught in the match, the highest weight will be 1st place followed by second best weight gaining 2nd place etc.

In the rare event that two anglers have the same weight in a match, they will be both jointly awarded the same place in the match, so it is possible for 10 to fish and 9 places to be awarded, this does not affect the system of points for non-attending anglers.

The Weigh-In

The order of weigh in will be determined by the match secretary at the draw and may change from week to week, this is to make it easier for the match team. Anglers must be present in their swim at weigh in or they may be disqualified at the match secretary's discretion.

All weights will be in pounds and recorded in digital format and not in pounds and ounces, this makes it easier to record results from week to week.

If an angler has caught fish and the weight does not register on the scales that angler will be awarded 0.01 lb in weight.

If an angler has a disappointing catch, it is still advisable to always weigh in as the winner may be determined using total weight in the event of a tie. Further information on this system is available at the end of the document.

All anglers must be present at weigh in to qualify for a place, if an angler packs up/ leaves early or returns their catch they will be awarded the same amount of points as someone who did not attend. There may be exceptional circumstances which means it is necessary for an angler to leave early, emergencies etc. Awarding of points in this scenario will be down to the discretion of the Match secretary. This is to avoid joint finishes for those who leave before the match ends.

The Winner of the Series

The winner shall be determined as the person with the lowest points score over the course of the eight matches that are counted.

In The Event of a Tie

In the event of a tie on points values, the winner will be determined by the angler with the greatest number of first place finishes. In the event of a tie on first place finishes also, joint winners will be declared.

Match Results

The results of each match will be declared on the night by the match secretary following the last weigh in. Results of each individual match will be available to view on the club website in due course. Results of the overall series will be published by the match secretary at the next scheduled committee meeting, after this they will be published on the website.