



Newsletter

May 2016

Recording in the Rain

The next Annual General Meeting will decide whether to introduce an element of 'Catch & Release' before the time bonus, into the Association Rules.

The problem of how to record fish caught and returned on a soggy piece of paper has been worrying me.

It seems to me that all other difficulties about matches fished with a catch and release element can be easily overcome.

But how do you record fish returned on a day when it blows and rains and EVERYTHING in the boat gets soaking wet? Including inevitably any written record.

Whatever scheme is adopted I suspect that it will be necessary to weigh in by boat. Both anglers will have to attend the weigh in together. Each angler will have to confirm their partners number returned.

At least one solution would be not to have a written record but use plastic tokens. Each angler would have their own eight tokens and every time they return a fish they would hand one to their boat partner

(who would make a serious attempt NOT TO LOOSE THEM).

The person recording the results would only need to be shown the number of tokens held by the boat partner.

No Match Report

Very, very rarely, there is no match report or photos.

From the very beginning of the Association, nearly thirty years ago the match organiser has provided the Association with a Match Report, and for the last few years photos of the winners.

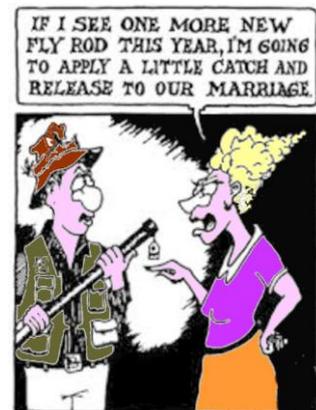
John and I get to over half the matches so we do the report and take the photos.

Here is a list of matches that neither John or I plan to get to. The organisers for these matches will be responsible for

the Match Report and Photos.

Most member clubs have put our Match Reports onto their club web sites.

The A.M.F.C. now has its own web site which will inevitably be accessed by a wider public. It seems evident that we should make sure that this web site should present the Association in the best way possible. To have a blank page in any Monthly News Letter does not seem the sort of message that we should be publishing.



<u>Date</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Organiser</u>
June	Thurs 9 th Group Three	HANNINGFIELD	Neil Cohen
	Sat. 25 th Group One	GRAFHAM	Chris Bobby
July	Sat 23 rd Group Three	PITSFORD	Terry Boyes
Sept	Sun 4 th Group One	PITSFORD	Dean Rudd
	Thurs 8 th Group Three	GRAFHAM	Derek Bravington

Bowl proves difficult with Fish well Spread Out

Local Teams have mixed Success

*Boats hurrying back to
Get there on time*



A hard fought contest on a day that was kind to some and disappointing for many and where possibly the rod average of 4.8 flattered to deceive.

It was actually a difficult day with the trout spread well out in small pods in almost every corner of the reservoir. Great if you found yourself among them but they were so easy to miss.

However, those who bothered to practice definitely had an advantage and found pockets of fish in some of Bewl's more obscure hideaways.

Winning team Soldier Palmer 'A's top rod Sean Hanlon bagged up at around lunchtime in Browns Inlet at the top of Hook Straight. That is a long way from home.

The match started with a brisk North wind and showers which convinced most of the fleet to start in the relative shelter offered by the main dam and drift out from there.



Soldier Palmers 'A' WINNERS

The main bowl had held a good head of fish of late but they were not that evident on the opening drift and many carried onward to Ferry Point and beyond into Copen's

Late morning saw the rain disappear, the wind drop and conditions became much better for both predator and quarry with rods bending regularly

Certainly by 4 pm there were one or two boats back at the jetty, obvious evidence that some got it right.

The match finished as always at 6pm sharp and with the fish weighed the band of brothers, or most of them anyway, retired to the Brown Trout in Lamberhurst for evening dinner.

'Another good day with good fishing and amicable banter. The show moves on.'

Ray French

GROUP ONE								
Team	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Total Points	POSITION
Bewl Bridge F.C 'A'	5	4					9	2=
Fish Hawks	2	1					3	6
Grafham Water F.A. 'A'	1	3					4	5
Rutland Water F.F.	6	5					11	1
Soldier Palmers 'A'	3	6					9	2=
Tunbridge Wells TFS	4	2					6	4

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GROUP 1 RESULTS 2016

Round 2

Venue:

Bewl

Date:

28 May 2016

1st	Soldier Palmers 'A'	6 pts
2nd	Rutland Water F.F.	5 pts
3rd	Bewl Bridge F.C. 'A'	4 pts
4th	GWFFA 'A'	3 pts
5th	Tunbridge Wells F.F.S.	2 pts
6th	Fish Hawks	1 pt

Total fish caught	163
Rod average	4.8
Average weight	1 lbs 15 oz
Largest fish	3 lbs 13 oz
Best Bag inc. time bonus	21 lbs 0 oz

caught by Roger Hurren (GWFFA)
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Bewl Bridge F.C. 'A'	No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Ray Burt	1	1 lbs 14.5 oz	1 lbs 14.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	1 lbs 14.5 oz
Hugh Frew	5	2 lbs 7 oz	9 lbs 0 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	9 lbs 0 oz
Andrew Green	4	2 lbs 8 oz	7 lbs 4 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	7 lbs 4 oz
John Frank	2	1 lbs 10 oz	2 lbs 15.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	2 lbs 15.5 oz
Clive Collier	8	3 lbs 4.5 oz	17 lbs 11 oz	16 hrs 15 mins	1 lbs 12 oz	19 lbs 7 oz
Ade Necci	8	2 lbs 12 oz	15 lbs 8.5 oz	15 hrs 15 mins	2 lbs 12 oz	18 lbs 4.5 oz
Team Total	28		54 lbs 5.5 oz		4 lbs 8 oz	58 lbs 13.5 oz

Fish Hawks	No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Dave Eames	3	2 lbs 10 oz	6 lbs 3 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	6 lbs 3 oz
Billy Miller	2	2 lbs 7 oz	3 lbs 14 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	3 lbs 14 oz
Matt Padcock	1	2 lbs 7 oz	2 lbs 7 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	2 lbs 7 oz
Arlon Jaundrill	0	lbs oz	lbs oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	lbs oz
Drew McIntosh	4	2 lbs 0 oz	7 lbs 3.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	7 lbs 3.5 oz
Steve Perham	8	2 lbs 8 oz	15 lbs 0.5 oz	16 hrs 15 mins	1 lbs 12 oz	16 lbs 12.5 oz
Team Total	18		34 lbs 12 oz		1 lbs 12 oz	36 lbs 8 oz

GWFFA 'A'	No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Richard Kesek	3	3 lbs 1 oz	5 lbs 11 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	5 lbs 11 oz
Roger Hurren	8	3 lbs 13 oz	18 lbs 8 oz	15 hrs 30 mins	2 lbs 8 oz	21 lbs 0 oz
Harley Smith	7	2 lbs 4.5 oz	13 lbs 4.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	13 lbs 4.5 oz
Peter Hartley	6	2 lbs 8 oz	11 lbs 12.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	11 lbs 12.5 oz
		lbs oz	lbs oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	lbs oz
		lbs oz	lbs oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	lbs oz
Team Total	24		49 lbs 4 oz		2 lbs 8 oz	51 lbs 12 oz

Rutland Water F.F.	No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Graham Pearson	5	3 lbs 9 oz	11 lbs 11.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	11 lbs 11.5 oz
Geof Wanless	3	2 lbs 12.5 oz	6 lbs 11 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	6 lbs 11 oz
Barry Vaughan	5	2 lbs 2.5 oz	8 lbs 11 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	8 lbs 11 oz
David Holroyd	8	2 lbs 8 oz	16 lbs 13 oz	13 hrs 30 mins	4 lbs 8 oz	16 lbs 13 oz
Mark Rose	4	2 lbs 2 oz	6 lbs 14 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	6 lbs 14 oz
John Hardy	7	2 lbs 13.5 oz	13 lbs 15 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	13 lbs 15 oz
Team Total	32		64 lbs 11.5 oz		4 lbs 8 oz	69 lbs 3.5 oz

Soldier Palmers 'A'	No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Jamie Thomas	4	2 lbs 4 oz	7 lbs 7 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	7 lbs 7 oz
Paul Wright	4	2 lbs 2 oz	7 lbs 0.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	7 lbs 0.5 oz
Jim Bond	8	2 lbs 13 oz	17 lbs 3.5 oz	15 hrs 45 mins	2 lbs 4 oz	19 lbs 7.5 oz
Sean Hanlon	8	2 lbs 5 oz	15 lbs 6.5 oz	12 hrs 45 mins	5 lbs 4 oz	20 lbs 10.5 oz
Jim Wright	2	2 lbs 8.5 oz	4 lbs 0 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	4 lbs 0 oz
Dave Prince	8	2 lbs 8 oz	14 lbs 7.5 oz	18 hrs 00 mins	lbs oz	14 lbs 7.5 oz
Team Total	34		65 lbs 9 oz		7 lbs 8 oz	73 lbs 1 oz

Tunbridge Wells F.F.S.	No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Richard Denney	2	2 lbs 7.5 oz	4 lbs 0 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	4 lbs 0 oz
Mick Dwyer	5	1 lbs 14 oz	8 lbs 3.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	8 lbs 3.5 oz
Keith Lawrence	7	3 lbs 11 oz	15 lbs 6 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	15 lbs 6 oz
Bob Shaw	5	2 lbs 2.5 oz	8 lbs 10 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	8 lbs 10 oz
Mick Priest	5	2 lbs 5 oz	9 lbs 2 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	9 lbs 2 oz
Peter Thomason	3	2 lbs 4 oz	6 lbs 0 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	6 lbs 0 oz
Team Total	27		51 lbs 5.5 oz		lbs oz	51 lbs 5.5 oz

Home Team come Good - Bewl 'B' Winners

Time Bonus Critical in Win

The day started with a benign south-easterly, a modest cloud cover, and a relatively pleasant temperature. Great for fishing you'd think.

Pre match the shoals mainly holed up in the north shores and bays. One might have predicted they would stay there.

But fish don't see it that way; possibly they'd looked at the diary, and had then mostly decided to be somewhere else, which they were.

The weather was very changeable. There was a ferocious shower late morning for about 30 minutes (according to one report the roads around St Pancras were flooded)

This was followed by watery sunshine and an indeterminate wind until an awful flat calm in the latter part of the day.

Eventually a bit of a south wind moved in, which saw a bevy of boats in the Chingley side of the main bowl trying to pick up a late stockie.

The most productive method appeared to be a couple of blobs, with the optional middle dropper, on a Di3 hauled back at an arm breaking velocity.

The two Bristol anglers did very respectably twiddling nymphs on a floater. With more support from colleagues they would have really figured. Give them credit.

It appeared that every line profile was used apart possibly from Di7/8, although I may stand to be corrected,



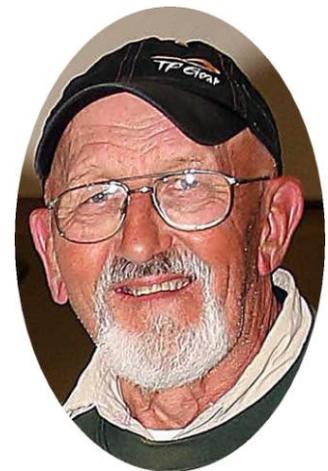
Keiran Bonus (Invicta 'A')
BEST FISH



Bewl 'B' Winning Team

This was also mirrored with a very wide variety of flies. This is perhaps what makes the AMFC such a good forum.

Mixed fortunes, not an easy day, but nobody blanked, and the post match meal and camaraderie at the Brown Trout was what makes it.



Ralph Painter (Bewl 'B') **BEST BAG**

GROUP TWO								
Team	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Rd6	Total Points	POSITION
Bewl Bridge F.C. 'B'	4	6					10	1=
Bristol Reservoirs	0	1					1	6
England Police	5	2					7	3=
Grey Lags	3	3					6	5
Invicta F.C. 'A'	6	4					10	1=
Queen Mother	2	5					7	3=

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GROUP 2 RESULTS 2016

Round 2

Venue:

Bewl

Date:

11 May 2016

1st	Bewl Bridge F.C. 'B'	6 pts
2nd	Queen Mother	5 pts
3rd	Invicta F.F.C. 'A'	4 pts
4th	Greylags	3 pts
5th	EPFFA	2 pts
6th	Bristol Reservoirs F.F.A.	1 pt

Total fish caught	139	
Rod average	4.3	
Average weight	2 lbs 0 oz	
Largest fish	3 lbs 8.5 oz	caught by Kieran Bonas (Invicta)
Best Bag inc. time bonus	19 lbs 3 oz	caught by Ralph Painter (Bewl)

Bewl Bridge F.C. 'B'		No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
John Dunmall	1	2 lbs 2.5 oz	2 lbs 2.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	2 lbs 2.5 oz	
Ray French	6	2 lbs 5 oz	12 lbs 6 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	12 lbs 6 oz	
Ian Watts	8	2 lbs 8 oz	15 lbs 2.5 oz	15 hrs 15 mins	2 lbs 12 oz	17 lbs 14.5 oz	
Ralph Painter	8	3 lbs 6 oz	16 lbs 11 oz	15 hrs 20 mins	2 lbs 8 oz	19 lbs 3 oz	
Andy Crossley	1	1 lbs 14 oz	1 lbs 14 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	1 lbs 14 oz	
Trevor Bourne	7	2 lbs 2 oz	12 lbs 14 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	12 lbs 14 oz	
Team Total	31		61 lbs 2 oz		5 lbs 4 oz	66 lbs 6 oz	

Bristol Reservoirs F.F.A.		No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Bryn Woodsford	5	3 lbs 5 oz	10 lbs 11 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	10 lbs 11 oz	
Malcolm Price	4	3 lbs 7.5 oz	9 lbs 2 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	9 lbs 2 oz	
		lbs oz	lbs oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	lbs oz	
		lbs oz	lbs oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	lbs oz	
		lbs oz	lbs oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	lbs oz	
Team Total	9		19 lbs 13 oz		lbs oz	19 lbs 13 oz	

England Police F.F.A.		No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Steve Short	1	1 lbs 13.5 oz	1 lbs 13.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	1 lbs 13.5 oz	
Alex Rothwell	1	2 lbs 0 oz	2 lbs 0 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	2 lbs 0 oz	
Henryk Pycz	3	2 lbs 3 oz	5 lbs 4 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	5 lbs 4 oz	
Russ Logan	1	3 lbs 8 oz	3 lbs 8 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	3 lbs 8 oz	
Doug Skins	8	2 lbs 8 oz	16 lbs 12 oz	17 hrs 15 mins	0 lbs 12 oz	17 lbs 8 oz	
Baz Reece	2	2 lbs 1 oz	3 lbs 12.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	3 lbs 12.5 oz	
Team Total	16		33 lbs 2 oz		0 lbs 12 oz	33 lbs 14 oz	

Greylags		No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Kim Green	8	2 lbs 6 oz	15 lbs 11.5 oz	15 hrs 30 mins	2 lbs 8 oz	18 lbs 3.5 oz	
Colin Faires	2	2 lbs 9 oz	4 lbs 6.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	4 lbs 6.5 oz	
Kerry Richardson	6	2 lbs 8 oz	10 lbs 8 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	10 lbs 8 oz	
Ian Whiteside	1	2 lbs 13 oz	2 lbs 13 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	2 lbs 13 oz	
Steve Ottridge	5	2 lbs 4 oz	9 lbs 11 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	9 lbs 11 oz	
Sag Griffith	1	1 lbs 14 oz	1 lbs 14 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	1 lbs 14 oz	
Team Total	23		45 lbs 0 oz		2 lbs 8 oz	47 lbs 8 oz	

Invicta F.F.C. 'A'		No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Gary How	6	2 lbs 3 oz	10 lbs 11 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	10 lbs 11 oz	
David Moore	2	2 lbs 5 oz	4 lbs 5.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	4 lbs 5.5 oz	
Mick Facey	1	1 lbs 15 oz	1 lbs 15 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	1 lbs 15 oz	
Jeff Hickson	5	2 lbs 7 oz	9 lbs 14 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	9 lbs 14 oz	
Graham Bodsworth	6	2 lbs 2 oz	10 lbs 14.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	10 lbs 14.5 oz	
Kieran Bonas	8	3 lbs 8.5 oz	18 lbs 7.5 oz	17 hrs 35 mins	0 lbs 4 oz	18 lbs 11.5 oz	
Team Total	28		56 lbs 3.5 oz		0 lbs 4 oz	56 lbs 7.5 oz	

Queen Mother F.C.		No.	Best Fish	Bag Weight	Finish Time	Time Bonus	Total Weight
Phil Hall	8	2 lbs 7 oz	14 lbs 11 oz	17 hrs 50 mins	0 lbs 0 oz	14 lbs 11 oz	
Martin Conroy	4	2 lbs 2 oz	7 lbs 9.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	7 lbs 9.5 oz	
Tony Kirkham	3	2 lbs 0 oz	4 lbs 15 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	4 lbs 15 oz	
Al Munn	5	2 lbs 7 oz	9 lbs 5.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	9 lbs 5.5 oz	
Andy Nowak	5	2 lbs 15 oz	11 lbs 5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	11 lbs 5 oz	
Ray Simpson	7	2 lbs 13 oz	13 lbs 4.5 oz	hrs mins	lbs oz	13 lbs 4.5 oz	
	32		61 lbs 2.5 oz		lbs oz	61 lbs 2.5 oz	