



Pulborough Angling Society

Spring

Edition 2022

The River season has now closed and all the tackle packed away for three months, but there's still fishing to be had at Goose Green for those who can't wait until June 16th.

There is still loads going on behind the scenes within the Club to hopefully improve your fishing experience for this coming year. The membership secretary is spending all her free time processing the constant flood of membership applications, whilst the rest of the committee are planning Membership activities and improvements at Goose Green.

- We are hoping to remove the majority of silver fish from Tench Pond over the next few months with a goal of achieving a Tench and Crucian pond.
- We intend to open up additional fishing swims on the pond to allow more of you to fish it.
- We plan to construct a small section of decking adjacent to New Pond to accommodate Junior coaching and wheelchair access, to promote angling to those that wish to take up the sport, but have not previously had the opportunity.
- We are undertaking fish stock assessments on all ponds at Goose Green this year to ensure our stocking is appropriate and

adequate for each pond. Upon completion restocking of any found shortfalls, will be implemented to hopefully further improve your catches.

There will be at least six Work Parties planned for Goose Green over the next three months to complete general swim and ground maintenance works, so please check out the website for dates and join us if you can. It would be great to see some new faces and maybe your skills could be what we require.

The new Defibrillator and associated equipment will be installed into the new cabinet on 1st April. The cabinet is situated on the dam between Kingfisher and Canada. Should an unfortunate incident occur that requires you to use the machine, access is granted using the Gate Code to open the coded lock upon the cabinet. The AED is semi-automatic and will talk you through the required actions you need to undertake. Please see the guidance on the cabinet.

Bring on Spring!!!

Finally, days are getting longer, and we start to feel some warmth from the sun. Just because we start to feel warmer, fish won't necessarily respond as quickly to a bit of spring sunshine and will take their time to come out of the winter-feeding habits and keeping tightly shoaled up, therefore how we move from hardly feeding anything to being able to put a bit of bait should be thought through.

With cold nights and mornings fish will sit at a level in the water that they feel most comfortable and will barely move until the sun pops out and starts to warm up the shallower parts of your peg. These areas are where you can afford to cast a bit more regularly to entice those fish that want to feed into your peg.

Fishing a method feeder is the perfect way of targeting shallower part of your peg especially pegs 5-7 and 17-21. Fish patrol

the far banks looking for food and a nice pile of pellets or groundbait can be too tempting for some fish.

For those who are not familiar with “the method”, it’s a flat feeder that can have pellets or groundbait moulded around it and with a short 4inch hook length with a bait of your choice presented in the pile of bait, fish will come along and suck up the bait hook themselves against the weight of the feeder. There are hundreds of videos on YouTube to further help you.

So, what tackle do you need? For most, fishing at Goose Green a 10ft feeder rod, a medium sized reel and line between 6-8lb will easily handle biggest of fish in the lakes.

Try and be as accurate as you can with your casting, (light lines and short rods make casting easier) most banks are undercut so the closer you can get the more likely you will catch, but fish may drop down the shelf at time so a shorter cast may pick you up an odd fish or two. Keep changing hookbait; maggots, corn, pellets and boilies in all their variances can catch on their day. Most importantly go out enjoy the spring sunshine and all being well the fish will respond.

As the clubs Level 2 angling coach I’m available for members to book FREE coaching sessions at a convenient time. If you would like to book, please email pasanglingcoaching@gmail.com

Tight lines, Adam

Open day for Members Friday 22nd April 2022

The club will be running an “Open Day” for members and their families on the above date. This will be an opportunity for members to bring along members of their family to come and have a go at fishing and for members to meet representatives from the club.

Members will need to bring along their membership card, as this event isn’t being advertised to the wider public outside of club membership.

Timings for the event will be 10am-2pm. Adam will be available to provide 1:1 coaching for those who wish to spend some time with our Level 2 coach. Bookable sessions will be at 10am, 11:15am, 1pm and can be pre booked by emailing pasanglingcoaching@gmail.com

Adam will also be on hand to speak to members outside of these times.

Members should also bring along their own equipment to use due to the club having very limited amount of equipment for people to use.

I hope to see you on the bank soon.

Adam