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SECRETARY'S ADDRESS

Dear members, now the summer season is in full swing the committee do hope you are enjoying our fisheries. However, some members are causing us some concern. We must remind all that our Landlords live in the bungalows adjacent to the Lambourne Fishery and they have had cause to complain to us on a couple of occasions. The complaints relate to car radios blaring out at 5.30am, cars beeping car horns at 7.30 am, speeding in the road leading to our fishery gates and being rude to residents. Please remember when you arrive at the fishery, quietly enter immediately, no radios, do not wait for friends as all members have their own fishery key and do not be rude if challenged about the noise, it may be our Landlord. Remember that our Landlord can terminate our lease if the disruption becomes unbearable to them.

RUBBISH

Once again we have to inform members to take away your rubbish. With all the hard work to keep our fisheries neat and tidy for you to have a good day fishing it is disheartening to see rubbish being left on the bank side or hidden in the undergrowth. You brought it, you take it home!



We have also found human poo in our fishery, which is rather unpleasant and also unnecessary, as we do have our own toilets. These are cleaned regularly and serviced. Please use them.

Please take your litter home

NEW PUNT

Our thanks go to Geoff Bowman for constructing our new punt at Beauchamps and to Ken Ives for his donation to buy the materials. This will make work easier with a much stable platform to work from.



FEEDING OF FISH

This is done on a voluntary basis and is usually carried out on a Friday at Lambourne but sometimes this may have to be carried out on a different day without prior notice. Beauchamps fishery is carried out on a Wednesday but again may have to be done on a different day. We know this can be difficult but the wellbeing of our fish stocks is paramount, without healthy well fed fish there is no point in having a fishery. Please be respectful to the volunteers, this is a very important and time consuming job.

MATCH FISHING

Due to the carp spawning at lambourne we had to cancel a club match, however this has now been rearranged for Sunday 3rd October.

FISHERY REPORTS

Lambourne has seen a lot of spawning activity, with the carp very active at this time of year. So for a week or so keep nets have been banned, so that the fish are not damaged at this important time. We will inform members when they can be used again.

Before the spawning activity some lovely carp have been caught by our members and the small lake has been fishing well for other species.



Beauchamps Fishery is fishing very well and any spawning activity finished a few weeks ago. Most species are coming to the net, with some good bags of F1s, Tench, roach and some Barbel. Sweet corn and pellets account for most of the bigger fish, maggots seem to attract the small roach and rudd.



KEEPNET BAN

The keep net ban at Lambourne has now been lifted. Please remember no fish over two pounds in weight to be kept in keep nets and nets should be emptied after 5 hours.

HELP REQUIRED

Help is required at our Beauchamps fishery, Jim Jobling and Paul Saunders are asking for volunteers to assist on a Wednesday. Even a couple of hours would be helpful as work parties were curtailed after changes to the committee and during COVID 19 restrictions. Lambourne has helpers and will deal with the sudden growth of weeds over the coming weeks.

CHARITY MATCH

Don't forget our Charity Match is on Sunday 29th August in aid of the England Disabled Match Team.

If you have any raffle prizes you'd like to donate please get in touch with Michael Noakes.

You can also donate via our go fund page <https://gofund.me/ef4f46a6>

BASIC FISHERY RULES

Barbless hooks only

All rigs must have a hook length

No braid or lead core in any part of your rigs or mainline
10lb maximum breaking strain monofilament line

No nuts, beans or peas not even in spod mix or ground bait

No fixed lead bolt rigs

Boilies may be used as hook baits and can be used in small quantities as freebies, the same applies to luncheon meat, cat meat and sweetcorn.

All fish over 2lbs must not be kept in keep nets, except in matches, where precise rules are covered.

Only fish from numbered swims, no stalking from unofficial swims

Members must be in possession of a landing net and used when landing fish.

Sorry to be so prescriptive but it appears some members are not adhering to these basic rules. Remember if caught breaking these basic rules you are opening yourself up to be suspended or have your membership terminated without compensation.