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#### **WELCOME**

The POAS Angling Club extends a warm welcome to our new members and hope you have enjoyed your first season with us. A renewal form is attached and fees are as follows:- Adult membership £80, aged 65 and over who joined before 2018 is now £70 increasing by £5 per year until parity is reached with Adult membership. Please pay your fees before 1st April 2024 otherwise your membership may be offered to someone on our waiting list. If you are not re-joining please let us know ASAP. Please note the name and new Bank account details on the form.

# NEWS ON OUR PROPOSED MERGER

We sent out 275 ballot letters and the results were 152 for the merger and 8 against. Both Clubs are working closely with each other and our Solicitor to produce the merger agreement.

## **2024 AGM**

The first Essex Coarse Angling Society's AGM will take place at Saxon Hall, Aviation Way, Southendon-Sea, Essex SS2 6UN on 29th February 2024 at 7.30pm. The Maplin Room will be open from 7.00pm.

If any member wishes to stand for a committee position they must inform us two weeks before the AGM with a proposer and seconder.



## **RENEWAL FEES**

The fees for the 2024 season are now due and a renewal form will be sent out with this newsletter. If you are paying by Bank Transfer please put your name as reference and send in your renewal form.

Whilst we arrange the new email and website for ECAS can members continue to either post or

email their forms to fishing@poas.co.uk



Please note new bank details!

#### **OBITUARY**

Our previous Chairman, Gary Plant has passed away after a short spell in hospital. We extend our condolences to his family and friends and appreciate all the good work he did for our club.



## **FISH STOCKING**

September saw a delivery of 200 x 2" to 3" crucians for the small lake at Beauchamps. Some small ghost F1s were delivered and put into Beauchamps this January. We are expecting some bigger fish in February 2024 including some F1s, Crucians, Bream and Ide.



#### **FISHERY NEWS**

Paul Saunders and his merry band of workers have been very busy over the past year, working at both Lambourne and Beauchamps Fisheries. Everybody has remarked on how good both fisheries look and the angling has been the beneficiary of this good work.

The aeration systems at Beauchamps have been updated and the dissolved oxygen levels are very good, with Paul keeping an eye on levels each week.

The committee has also been able to get a defibrillator for Lambourne; a grant from the Finish Line Fund enabled this to happen. We now have a defibrillator at each fishery.



#### **BEAUCHAMPS**

Both lakes are fishing very well, with good bags of silvers and F1s, the top lake regularly has

winning weights of 50 to 60lbs of fish in matches. There has been some monster F1s caught over the year, some nice barbel and one surprise in the small lake.



## **LAMBOURNE**

As expected some really good bags of carp have been caught at Lambourne and the small lake has produced some good bags of silvers. !00lbs of fish must be caught to win the matches and John



Mashetter caught 288lbs in a recent Interclub match from peg 13, not unlucky for him.

## **CHARITY MATCH**

Over £1276 was raised for Cancer Research at our recent Charity Match at Lambourne on 15th August. Winner on the day with 145lb 14ozs was Andy Haynes.

## **BANNED TACKLE**

Just a heads up on a new piece of tackle that has come on to the market, it's called the Magic Twig. This is a new concept but it is still a fixed lead rig and is banned on our fisheries. In fact all fixed rigs are banned, as are barbed hooks and braid, which includes braid hook lengths and hair rigs. Just be careful when purchasing shop bought rigs as they may contain braid.