



BDAA News Letter

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Welcome to yet another issue of the BDAA Newsletter! Summer has reached its peak, the waters are at their warmest and, fishing should be at its best. Well that's the theory! Seriously, Trow is fishing well as the photos will show and delivering some good results.

Since the last Newsletter another clean up has taken place and we have established further swims. These swims or channels are a godsend to the angler as the carp use them as waterways, cruising through them and thus making bait presentation easier. On bait, there is not one universal bait that will give consistent results. If there was such a "golden fleece" of fishing, it would certainly take the edge away from the sport! However if you're new to Trow and want to try to catch carp, then the following are tried and tested bait but they should not be considered exhaustive: Dog biscuits on the surface (ideally in the late evening), or off the bottom. Bread crust presented in the same way. Lobworm, either legered or float fished and finally sweet corn, cheese paste or luncheon meat. But let me know if you have a special bait that has proved successful at Trow and of course I'll keep stumm about it!

While fishing & perhaps waiting for some action why not take the time to enter a little competition? Below are ten facts about fish but two of them are not true. Can you find them? Telephone or email the two incorrect facts through to me and you could win a prize. First prize is either free membership next year or half a days fishing tuition from our resident expert. You decide!

1. Fish need to sleep.
2. Fish scales were once used as sand paper.
3. Pisces is Latin for fish.

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4. The study of fish is called Ichthyology.
5. Fish have all round, full colour daytime sight.
6. The largest fish is the whale.
7. Fish scales have growth rings just like trees.
8. Fish first appeared some 450 million years ago.
9. Some species of fish fly and walk on land.
10. The first four disciples, Peter, Andrew, James and John were all fishermen.

The competition ends on 30/9/01 so don't delay in responding and it's open to all, except committee members!

We plan to have a Christmas bash where members (currently over 115) can meet each other. This will be held in Bicester and Trefor West, a well known fishing celebrity, will be on hand to give a talk. It will be held in early December and the finer details are still being sorted but we will keep you informed of the developments. We envisage that members will be allowed in free.

I'm pleased to have received some photo's from other members or should I say the Vaughan family! But I still need more. Therefore please photo any Carp or Tench that you catch at Trow and get them to either me or Jason Harvey.



Garith Vaughan with 9 lb. mirror



Matthew Vaughan with 9 lb. common

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For all of you who believe in the after life with perhaps the possibility of everlasting fishing, the following poem scribbled on a pub toilet wall may be of interest:

I pray that I may live to fish until my dying day.
And when it comes to my last cast, I then most
humble pray:
When in the Lord's great landing net and peace-
fully asleep,
That in his mercy I be judged good enough to
keep.

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When fishing at Trow Pool, it's important that you take an active role in keeping it clean and tidy. Therefore please remember to put your rubbish into the bins provided, including any discarded line. YOU are an ambassador for the club so don't let us down.

Finally, remember that you must have a valid permit to fish Trow and you can be obtain this from many fishing shops nearby. At only £8.00 a year, it's a bargain. Don't forget your rod licence too. We make regular checks on the water and bailiffs also patrol. Tight lines and may the fish be with you - James B.



Darren Vaughan with Tench or is he getting ready for a 100 metres race?