

Newsletter & Match Fixtures 2025



CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

Dear Member

Firstly, I would like to thank all the members who have contributed over the last twelve months in making Woodfields a flagship fishing amenity for North Bucks. The evidence supporting this claim being a significant increase in membership (80 more members than last year) and increasing weights and quality of fish catches.

Reflecting on the 2024-25 season the thing I am most proud of is that we have created a really friendly atmosphere within the club as remarked by some of our new members. Through the volunteers hard work we have achieved so much. Here are my highlights:

- The tench we stocked in recent years are growing and being regularly caught. The best weight being 4lb 6oz. These are very popular with our members and a likely factor in our increased membership as so many anglers love catching them.
- River fishing is improving after the pollution events of 2017 and 2018 with some good catches of roach, dace, chub and brown trout.
- Our River Warden group have been active carrying out monthly Riverfly Invertebrate surveys at two sites in Buckingham and confirm the river

remains healthy. A special thank you to that group and to Buckingham Town Council who awarded the group a £300 grant for new equipment.

- Membership is increasing and also it is good to see more youngsters fishing at the lake. Junior membership at it's highest since I have been chairman. We must be doing something right.
- Match fishing is also growing, becoming a friendly, competitive and engaging activity for many of the club's members. Matches are now frequently fished by more than 20 members. Unheard of a few years ago.
- From a fish stocking position in October we took delivery of 200 more crucian carp and 100 more tench in the 8-10in size. It was good to see a crucian carp of 11 ounces recently caught in a match and I do hope crucians become a target for pleasure anglers in the future.
- Improvements at the lake included the improved path round part of the lake and the addition of a gazebo adjacent to the cabin.
- Extending the car park as it can get very full on event days.
- Building of a new accessible platform at peg 2.

Going forward, we plan to improve the access pathway to pegs 30 to 38.

Later in the year, after evaluating the summer catches we also plan to add to the fish stock.

I am also pleased to report that our former chairman, the late Bernard Lewis, left us a small legacy. We shall be putting this money towards a new boat to help with maintenance and we are looking at investing in an aerator to support a more healthy environment for the fish and assist with fish recruitment.

On the coaching front we plan to hold three taster sessions during April and May, with further structured sessions taking any juniors interested through the Angling Trust Cast awards Level 1 to 3. A special thank you to Fran Smith, our level 2, coach who is leading this and also to the Get Fishing fund who awarded us £294 for new reels. Any member interested becoming a coach and getting involved should contact us.

Finally, a massive thank you to all of the volunteers that have made a huge difference to our fishing club and to all of you that have created a friendly atmosphere at the club. And remember don't forget to snap up one of our BDAA caps.

Barry Smith

Membership Renewal - Due 1st June 2025

Three ways to obtain a permit:

1. By Credit Card, Debit Card or Paypal, simply send an email to:- membership@bdaafishing.org.uk and we will send you an email with a link to pay.
2. By post, include a cheque made payable to BDAA to:-
BDAA Membership Secretary
10 Moreton Drive, Buckingham, MK18 1JQ
3. From one of the following outlets from Mid May:-
Tingewick Post Office - Tingewick
Gone Fishin - Wolverton

Membership Tariffs 2025-26

Adult Permit	£50
Concession	£40
Junior (16 and under)	£10

Concessions include - Senior Citizen(65+), Disabled and Intermediate (17-18 years inclusive).

An adult member may take up to two children, under the age of 12, fishing free of charge.

Guest Tickets are available for Woodfields
when fishing with a member

Adult £8 Weekend £6 week day.

These must be purchased in advance via email
membership@bdaafishing.org.uk



Woodfields Lake

Open all year - Members Only

River Fisheries

Open 16 June 2025 to 14 March 2026
All venues retained.

Facebook

Check us out

buckingham and district angling association.

Website

www.bdaafishing.org.uk

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BDAA Events and Fixture List for 2025-26 Season - Issue 1 - 5 April 2025

#	Date	Draw	Event / Match	Time	Notes
1	Sat 24 May	9.30	2025 - Carp Cup (10 hour match)	10.30 to 20.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
2	Thu 29 May		2025 - AGM	From 7.30	Woodfields Lodge
3	Sat 7 Jun	12.30	Open -Jamie Ballinger Memorial Trophy	13.30 to 18.30	Open - Booking Required - Pegs 1 to 30
4	Sat 14 Jun	9.30 11.30 13.00	BDAA Junior Carp Match Club Match - Float Only BDAA Junior Match Club BBQ (from 5pm)	10.30 to 16.30 12.30 to 16.30 14.00 to 16.00	Junior Open - Pegs TBD Junior Carp Match - Pegs TBD Club Match - Pegs TBD
5	Fri 20 Jun	9.30	Friday Cup #1 & OAP #1	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 21 to 40
6	Sat 28 Jun	9.30	Bryan & Alan Bedward Memorial #1 & Summer Cup	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
7	Fri 4 Jul	9.30	Friday Cup #2 & OAP #2	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 21 to 40
8	Sat 12 Jul	9.30	Bryan & Alan Bedward Memorial #2 & Summer Cup	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
9	Fri 18 Jul	9.30	Friday Cup #3 & OAP #3	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 21 to 40
10	Sat 19 Jul	12.00	Open Junior Match	13.00 to 15.00	Open—Booking Required - Pegs 1 to 12
11	Sat 26 Jul	9.30	Bryan & Alan Bedward Memorial #3 & Summer Cup	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
12	Fri 1 Aug	9.30	Friday Cup #4	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 21 to 40
13	Sat 9 Aug	9.30	Bryan & Alan Bedward Memorial #4 & Summer Cup	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
14	Fri 15 Aug	9.30	Friday Cup #5	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 21 to 40
15	Sat 23 Aug	9.30	Bryan & Alan Bedward Memorial #5 & Summer Cup	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
16	Fri 29 Aug	9.30	Friday Cup #6	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 21 to 40
17	Sat 6 Sep	9.30	Bryan & Alan Bedward Memorial #6 & Summer Cup	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
18	Sat 13 Sep	12.00	Bernard Lewis Junior Trophy	13.00 to 15.00	Open—Booking Required - Pegs 1 to 12
19	Sat 20 Sep	9.30	Stan Smith Memorial Trophy (Teams of 4 Match)	10.30 to 15.30	Open—Booking Required - Pegs 1 to 30
20	Sat 4 Oct	9.30	Winter Series Match #1	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
21	Sat 18 Oct	9.30	Winter Series Match #2	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
22	Sat 25 Oct	11.45	Mugs Mug	13.00 to 17.00	Venue—TBD Invitation Match
23	Sat 1 Nov	9.30	Winter Series Match #3	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
24	Sat 15 Nov	9.30	Winter Series Match #4	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
25	Sat 29 Nov	9.30	Winter Series Match #5	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
26	Sat 13 Dec	9.30	Winter Series Match #6	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
27	Sat 27 Dec	9.30	Xmas Match	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
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28	Sat 24 Jan	9.30	Roach Cup #1	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
29	Sat 7 Feb	9.30	Roach Cup #2	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
30	Sat 21 Feb	9.30	Roach Cup #3	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
31	Sat 7 Mar	9.30	Spring Series Match #1	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
32	Sat 21 Mar	9.30	Spring Series Match #2	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
33	Sat 4 Apr	9.30	Spring Series Match #3	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
34	Sat 18 Apr	9.30	Spring Series Match #4	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
35	Sat 2 May	9.30	Spring Series Match #5	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
36	Sat 16 May	9.30	Spring Series Match #6	10.30 to 14.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30
37	Thu 21 May		2026 - AGM	From 7.30	Woodfields Lodge
38	Sat 30 May	9.30	2026—Carp Cup (10 hour match)	10.30 to 20.30	Club Match - Pegs 1 to 30

Club Matches are for BDAA members only.

Please check our website, Facebook page or Noticeboard at Woodfields for the latest match information in case there are any late changes.

Changes to match pegs will be posted on the Noice Board at least 24 hours before the match. Do not fish these pegs three hours prior the draw.

Common Carp and Mirror Carp do not count in any match except for the Carp Match when a steward will weigh, record and return.

See Website www.bdaafishing.org.uk/matches for details on each series format.

Pools are usually agreed at £5.

For BDAA Junior Matches participants under 14 must be accompanied by an parent / guardian.

For Open Matches Non-Members will need to register in advance and pay a Peg Fee of £5.

Please contact Barry Smith - 07710 299637 or Simon Bumstead - 07767 663928 or post a message on our Facebook page or email us at info@bdaafishing.org.uk to reserve a place.