



## *Kingswood Legionnaires*

### **President Storms Out of Meeting and Resigns Over Trophy Issue**

Welcome to your September issue of the K&H RBL AC newsletter. What's new? Quite a bit and not least that our president Ted Brown has dramatically resigned his post due to his adamant view regarding the runner-up trophy issue. In a previous committee meeting, the discussion centred around club finances and how best to make savings, with a view to meeting our financial commitment towards the annual rent of the river Frome at Wolverton. The subject of discontinuing the award of a runner-up trophy, as a means of saving money, was originally aired a year earlier but no action was taken due to a slight majority of members supporting the awards. However, since then a number of factors have contributed to the original proposal, not least the general rise in the overall cost of trophies and the fact that very few runner-up candidates even bother to attend the AGM to collect their awards. Subsequently, in the interests of the club's financial position, the committee have decided to discontinue awarding the runner-up trophy. Unfortunately, Ted, who has been a steadfast member of the club for more than 27 years, missed out on a planned life-membership presentation in recognition of his services, which was to have taken place directly after the meeting.

#### Match Results

##### **Inter-club – Alcove - Whitehouse Farm - Aug 6<sup>th</sup>**

Phew! The weather was certainly hot but the fishing wasn't quite so hot. It was one of those days where you had to wait patiently for bites, even from small fish. The winning strategy on the day was to target the large carp and hope to land one or two. And that's exactly what Antony Hole did and it paid off. Antony landed 2 carp weighing in at more than 10lbs each together with 3-6-0 of 'bits' for a total winning weight of 24-4-0. The overall team weights were the closest they've been for many years with Alcove just pipping the post with 36-6-0 to the Legion's 35-13-0.

##### **Inter-club – Airsprung – Swineford – Sep 10<sup>th</sup>**

With only 5 Legion members attending to represent the club, the general feeling amongst the team was that of imminent defeat. However, although the Airsprung army outnumbered us by 2 to 1, we still managed to secure a second place. Top gunner on the day was Dean Adams of Airsprung with a healthy 9-4-0, followed by club mate Roger Green with 8-3-0. Heading the Legion's charge was Glen Welsh with 3-4-0. Predictably, the team effort was a whitewash as Airsprung amassed a top 5 score of 30-14-0 to the Legion's pitiful 10-6-0.

#### **Forthcoming Matches**

Our next match will be held at Wolverton on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Please make every effort to attend. The whole length has now been permanently pegged and bigger fish are beginning to show. On October 15<sup>th</sup> we return to Swineford to take on Golden Valley in yet another inter-club contest. Can we count on your support?

#### Other News

##### **Angler's Mail Feature**

The Legion club and the lower Bristol Avon are to be the focus of a feature soon to appear in the Angler's Mail. Yours truly will be interviewed by Paul Hamilton, whilst hopefully catching a few fish on the Jackie White's stretch at Keynsham on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September. From the club's viewpoint, the object is to recruit new members and promote river fishing. If you want to know the publication date, contact me or Brian after the 19<sup>th</sup>.

##### **Ken Davis, Alcove**

For anyone who knew Ken Davis, chairman of the Alcove Angling Club, you'll be sad to learn of his sudden death last month. Ken had been a member of Alcove for many years and everyone who knew him would undoubtedly agree that the club was a very important part of his life.

##### **Ireland 2007 – The Last Cast**

Brian and I are planning another fantastic fishing trip to Cavan 'lakeland' area of Ireland beginning Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2007. We'll be staying at the Shamrock pub/guesthouse in Killashandra for 7 nights. Anyone interested in joining us should contact me or Brian for details.

##### **National Pairs Open – Bradford-on-Avon – March 2007**

It would appear that Tilehurst Legion intend to take over the organisation of this very popular event, but as yet nothing has been confirmed. Watch this space.

##### **Time for a change**

If you don't already know, I've changed my name. My surname is now Knight and I would appreciate it if everyone would now address me as Bill Knight.

##### **All that Jazz**

Looking for a good night out? Then get on over to the Whitehall Rugby Club on Friday October 20<sup>th</sup> and treat your ears to the sounds of the Savannah Jazz Band. Contact Brian for further details.

**That's all folks!**