

Kingswood Legionnaires

Match Point! And It's Not Tennis...

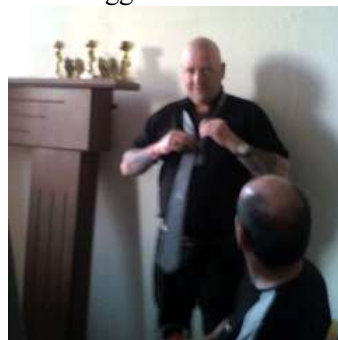
Welcome Legionnaires to the first newsletter of the new river season. Now as many of you know I put in a proposal at the AGM to change the way we award points at our matches. It was to be a simple system and one that I thought was fair to all. My proposal stated quite simply, that the amount of points available at any given match should be determined by the number of anglers competing. So if say 6 anglers turned up then the maximum amount of points available for that match would be 6 and so on. In previous seasons it was 10 points regardless, but now I think it is worse, as you have voted to up the amount of points to 15. So here's how it will go... 6 anglers turn up for a match and the winner gets 15 points. Last position gets 10 points. The winner had only to beat 5 other competitors to get 15 points. Now let's say at that the next match 11 anglers turn up. The winner again gets 15 points but this time he had to beat off 10 competitors, and the last position gets just 1 point. Sorry guys but this just doesn't add up in my book. However we have to run with it this season. You can be sure I will be putting in the same proposal again at the next AGM... backed by mathematical statistics.

AGM & Presentation

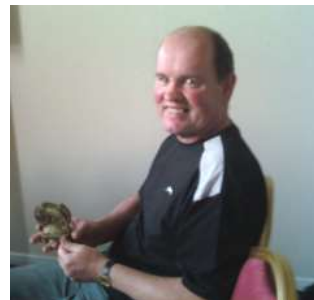
Once upon a time, many years ago we used to have our annual presentation in the main lounge at the Kingswood RBL club. It was a social evening and would attract an attendance of between 80 and 120 people, consisting of club anglers and their guests. Roy Garland from the Evening Post would also be there to take the photos for the paper and then write up a good piece worthy of any angler's scrap book. Nevermind guys you'll just have to settle for me and my camera phone now.



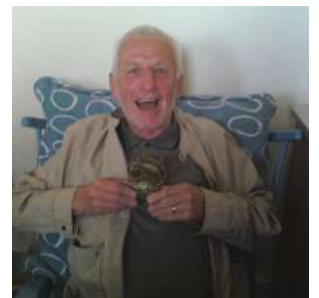
It was the Mick Stowford show at this year's AGM. The picture on the left shows Mick Stowford "bagging" up at the AGM presentation evening, looked on in awe by Alan Maggs.



The picture on the right shows Mick Stowford smartening up with the coveted individual aggregate winner tie, much to Alan's disbelief.



Picture left showing Alan Maggs with his winning trophy for a 15½ oz mixed bag taken from the Crane. As I remember, it was a very hard "day at the races" and a well-deserved victory.



Picture right shows a very happy Chris Thompson of the "Whitchurch Mafia", who collected a trophy for his win on the Christmas match held at Woolverton. One for the album Chris!

The other proposal for the AGM's consideration was the addition of 2 matches, which will now qualify for points. These are the August and March matches. All matches that will now qualify are highlighted in grey on the club tab match calendar section.

Many thanks to everyone who turned up for the swim clearing sessions. Much was done but there's still some to do. Peg 3 has now been lost due to the nearside tree breaking away from the bank, and peg 7 is temporarily out of action due to a branch across the water. Peg 22 is borderline due to the submerged branch, but apart from that... let's party! All for now!