

Avalon, Longs Lake

We had 24 sign-ups for this match. After yet another top breakfast at the Bowling Club we all met up for the eagerly awaited draw at Vic's place. Dave would be in charge of the scales and everything today so for some of us it felt like a busman's holiday.

Vic had sorted the pegs for the day and out came the numbers. Of the 4 fancied members 3 of them had end pegs (is that why they're so successful????) with Dave Chidzoy on 1, Dan Squire on 33, Steve Chant on 23, and Daryll Basstone on 22. The lake looked good, the weather was warm and sunny so a good day's fishing was expected.

Results:-

1. Dan Squire	peg 33,	122.01 (£50 + £50 Super)
2. Dave Chidzoy	peg 1,	103.14 (£35 + £40 Super)
3. Daryl Basstone	peg 22,	94.14 (£25 + £25Super)
4. Steve Chant	peg 23,	92.06 (Section B £15)
5. Roy Worth	peg 12,	83.10 (Section A £15)
6. Chris Norton	peg 19,	59.02 (Best Silvers £25)
7. Chris White	peg 16,	58.04
8. Andrew Phillip	peg 24,	48.12
9. Andy Burns	peg14,	42.04
10. Terence Morgan	peg 4,	41.09
11. Robin Cox	peg 30,	30.00
12. Jamie Rich	peg 7,	26.13
13. Craig Lyttle	peg 32,	23.14
14. John Dursley	peg 28,	22.07

15. Andy Downton	peg 10,	21.04
15. Nick Payne	peg 9,	21.04 (including best bream of season so far 4lbs 12oz)
17. Ian Burton	peg 6,	20.07
18. Josh Tucker	peg 26,	10.11
19. Sam Hinton	peg 20,	10.00
20. Steve Parker	peg 25,	6.06
21. Dave Pope	peg 27,	5.04
22. Jenny Payne	peg 21,	2,12
23. Emma Drysdale	peg 11	DNW
24. Paul Blake	peg 17	DNW

Yet again and as predicted Dan Squire, showing his pedigree, fished a quality session on the waggler and pole shallow to come out on top with 118.03 of carp and 3.14 of silvers. Close on his heels on the fancied peg 1 was Dave Chidzoy with 103.00 of Carp and a 0.14 Perch. Daryl Basstone finished a creditable 3rd beating Steve Chant by virtue of a 3.00 Tench there being only 0.08 difference carp-wise between them. Best silvers went to Chris Norton with a nice bag of mainly Bream to 38.10. Incidentally as far as the Club Rosebowl goes Chris came out on top with the most points of the day (3 pts per ounce of silvers Vs 1 point per ounce of Carp). Steve did pick up a well-deserved consolation section win as did Roy Worth so well done to all the framers. Also well done to Nick Payne who is now the new contender for the best Bream of the lake match season at 4lbs 12ozs. In total approximately 175lbs of silvers and 770lbs of carp were weighed in.

All in all a brilliant club day fished in the best sporting spirit with plenty of banter and laughs. Here's looking forward to the next qualifier at Thorney Lakes on the 5th June and until then Tightlines all.