

Stoke Pond Charity #2

9 members fished our second charity match of 2023. With the weather slowly starting to become warmer and a bit more colour in the water it was hoped that fishing would be improved. We met up at the Cartgate Lodge Café and after a hearty breakfast pegs' were drawn. Stephen Blunden drew the favoured peg 4, with Bob in 1, Andy in 2, Dave in 5 and peg 6 was Rob's for the day and Derek had 7. Leighton had 8 and HRH drew 9 from which he could choose 9, 10, 11, or 12 and 12 it was. Last to draw was Chris who was pleased with 3. With little or no wind and overcast sky with rain forecast the conditions were fair. There were plenty of fish moving up in the water so hopefully the pond would fish better than previous 2023 matches.

Full Results:

1. Chris White	peg 3,	66.02
2. Leighton Cox	peg 8,	13.09
3. Andy Burns	peg 2,	13.05
4. Stephen Blunden	peg 4,	12.15
5. Harry Robert Hebditch	peg 12,	8.09
6. Derek Goad	peg 7,	8.07
7. Dave Phillips	peg 5,	6.00
8. Bob Pamplin	peg 1,	5.11
9. Robin Cox	peg 6,	DNW

Fishing the edge of the reeds and right hand near edge Chris prospered in 3 fishing corn over pellet for an enjoyable 66.02. The other pegs did not fare so well but everyone caught bar 1 which was a great improvement over our earlier outings on the pond. Second spot was highly contested with Leighton fishing meat to the reeds just pipping Andy (on the feeder) by 4ozs. Dave Phillips's 6lbs was all silvers and was enough to take the silvers' spot. Thank you to Rob Cox and Chris Norton for weighing in.

Well done all and thank you for helping the club to raise £90. Stephen Blunden kindly also donated a fiver so £95 was raised on the day. Clearly the pond is now warming up with fish showing up in most of the pegs so all looks good for the remaining charity matches, the next one being June 18th. Hope to see you there but in the meantime

Tightlines All.