

# Stoke Pond Charity #1 Match Report

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Members met for the first charity match of the season and the eagerly awaited draw brought some new faces to the fancied pegs. Dave Phillips found the lucky peg 4 out of the bag and freshman Chidzoy drew 6. Chris Haines was the lucky holder of peg 3 with Norts on 2, Burnsy on 1. HRH on 12, Rob on 11. Taking up the far bank was Les on 9, Craig on 8 and SRC on 7.

Marco Smith couldn't make it last minute but pledged a very generous donation of £50 to the charity pot, thanks mate. Also a mention for Chris Haines who bunged in an extra £10.

Nobody could blame the weather; it was perfect with a decent air temperature, light winds and some thin cloud cover. The water was not up to its full colour though so a difficult day was on the cards.

## Results

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| 1. Dave Chidzoy          | peg 6, 17.09                              |
| 2. Dave Phillips         | peg 4, 16.10                              |
| 3. Bob Pamplin           | peg 5, 14.00                              |
| 4. Andy Burns            | peg 1, 9.14                               |
| 5. Chris Haines          | peg 3, 8.13                               |
| 6. Les Braunton          | peg 9, 4.05                               |
| 7. Harry Robert Hebditch | 3.02                                      |
| 8. Chris Norton          | peg 2, 2.02 (Silvers spot with 12ozs!!!!) |

Steve Chant (7), Craig Lyttle (8), Rob Cox (11) DNW

Another difficult day on this lovely natural venue but much improved on the previous 2 matches. The framers all caught late in the day. Dave Chidzoy fished corn over pellet at 16m, whilst Dave Phillips managed to entice 5 carp out of the reeds and Bob Pamplin enjoyed his 4 carp on double red maggot fishing top 3. Chris Norton managed to scrape into the frame taking silvers spot with 12ozs of small roach.

This is the nearest thing we get to a natural venue and the pristine condition of the fish is testament to that. Unlike most commercials that are currently fishing well this water is extremely deep at 18ft for most of its area which equates to a massive volume of water. The water is still cold and therefore the fish have not woken up yet but as the weather gets warmer so will this venue.

It was, all in all, a good day with plenty of banter but disappointment for some. More importantly though, and thanks to our generous members who fished and/or donated, our charity pot has increased by a staggering £170 – thank you everybody.

Our next charity match will be on 30 April at Stoke Pond and there are plenty of spaces available so please sign up. Tightlines