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## 1.0: Contest dates.

The dates of the club competitions to be decided by the committee, but will generally be as close to the following;-

Match Series	Match/ Trophy	<b>Date</b>	Notes	Calendar Order
1.1: Winter Pools	1st Contest.	1st Saturday in Jan.	Local Pool	1st Sat. Jan. WP1 & P
WP Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup> Contest.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday In Jan.	Local Pool	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat Jan. WP2 & P
1 3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Contest.	4th Saturday in Feb.	Local Pool	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. Feb. 1st A & P
	4 <sup>th</sup> Contest.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in Mar.	Local Pool	4th Sat. Feb WP3 & P
	5 <sup>th</sup> Contest.	4th Saturday in Mar.	Local Pool	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. Mar. WP4 & P
1.2: Spring League:	1st Contest.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in April.	Commercial Fishery	4th Sat Mar. WP5 & P
SL Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup> Contest.	Last Saturday in April.	Commercial Fishery	1st Sat. Apr. 2nd A & P
Pairs Trophy (Pools)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Contest.	2nd, Saturday in May.	Commercial Fishery	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. Apr. SL1 & P
	4 <sup>th</sup> Contest	Last Saturday in May	Commercial Fishery	Last Sat. Apr SL2 & P
	5 <sup>th</sup> Contest	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in June	Commercial Fishery	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat May SL3 & P
1.3: Aggregate & Pairs:	1st Contest.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in Feb.	BAA River venue	Last Sat. May SL4 & P
Agg. Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup> Contest.	1st Saturday in April	BAA Canal venue	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. June SL5 & P
Pairs Shield (Rivers)	3 <sup>rd</sup> Fladbury Cup.	1st Saturday of season	Fladbury	1st Sat. Season 3rd A & P
	4 <sup>th</sup> July Contest.	1st Saturday in July	BAA River venue	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. July 4 <sup>th</sup> A & P
	5 <sup>th</sup> Contest.	3rd Saturday in July	Fladbury	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat July 5 <sup>th</sup> A & P
	6th Lou Greatrex Shield.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Aug.	Fladbury	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. Aug 6 <sup>th</sup> A & P
	7 <sup>th</sup> Annual WW Shield.	1st Saturday in Sept.	BAA River venue	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. Sept. 7 <sup>th</sup> A & P
	8 <sup>th</sup> Contest	Last Saturday in Sept.	Fladbury	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. Sept - Cutters Cup
	9th Fur & Feather.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in Oct.	BAA River venue	Last Sat. Sept. 8 <sup>th</sup> A & P
	10 <sup>th</sup> Chris Green Cup	2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday in Nov.	Fladbury	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup> A & P
1.4: Cutters Cup:	JT Cutter cup	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Sept.	Fladbury	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. Oct. WL1
1.5: Winter League:	1st Contest.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Oct.	Fladbury	Last Sat Oct. WL2
WL Trophy	2 <sup>nd</sup> Contest.	Last Saturday in Oct.	Canal	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat. Nov 10 <sup>th</sup> A & P
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Contest.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Nov.	Canal	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. Nov WL3
	4 <sup>th</sup> Contest.	1st Saturday in Dec.	Fladbury	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat. Dec. WL4
	5 <sup>th</sup> Contest.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in Dec.	Fladbury	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat. Dec. WL5

## 2.0: Subscriptions / Pools / Prize money

- 2.1: All members must have a minimum of half of the annual subscription paid at the AGM & fully paid by the 3rd Aggregate match in June at the start of the river season to be eligible to compete in club matches.
- 2.2: A contestant can opt out of the pools, bonus peg or winner-take all, although, contestants entering the pools can then also enter the Bonus peg.
- 2.3: All club prize money will be paid at the end of the season, pools will be paid on the day of the contest. The Fur & Feather contest prizes are seasonal fare.

# 3.0: Series formats.

- 3.1.1: The Aggregate cup is applicable to all aggregate matches, omitting the individuals two worst results (8 from 10).
- 3.1.2: The WP, SL & WL are all 5 match series omitting the individuals worst result (4 from 5).
- 3.1.3: Both Pairs competitions shall be applicable to all 10 matches in the series & judged on combined weight.
- 3.1.4: The Roach Cup is applicable to all matches on the venue list within the calendar year (Jan.–Dec.).

- **4.0: Bonus Peg.**4.1: The Bonus Peg (BP) is applicable to all matches on the venue list except for the Cutters Cup. There is separate BP for (1) the Aggregate & Winter League & (2) the Spring & Winter Pools series.
- 4.2: Where there are less than six members fishing on the day, the BP shall not be included.
- 4.3: New members or members who have not contributed cannot fish for a BP whether currently accruing or capped however, new members can compete for a current BP after a one match contribution. See sec. 2.2.
- 4.4: In the event of a tie on weight of more than one BP, the BP's shall be paid out.

### 5.0: Scoring – All Match Series.

5.1: For all match series points shall be allotted as one point for a win & two points for second place etc, in the event of not weighing in the competitor shall receive one more point than the last to weigh. Non turnout will be deemed as match turnout plus one point.

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# 6.0: Pre-Match

- 6.1: Members wishing to compete in any contest must inform the secretary or in his absence a committee member at least two days prior to the date of the contest.
- 6.2: All Girling AS members must hold a current River Authority license and all Girling AS full members must hold a current BAA card when fishing on BAA venues, checks will be made on re-newel dates.
- 6.3 Members must abide by BAA bylaws on BAA venues, and local commercial fishery laws.
- 6.4: Any bait may be used except for live or dead fish, spinning bait or artificial lures, wasp grub or cake & bloodworm. On commercial fisheries, local fishery rules must be adhered to.
- 6.5: The "Winter Pools" Series uses "Natural Baits" only which includes Maggots, Castors, Worms, Corn & Bread Punch, liquidised bread and ground bait where allowed. Pellets, Boilies, Meat and additives are not allowed.
- 6.6: Draw time is 9am for all matches, match duration to be decided on the day.
- 6.7.1: Competitors are allowed one draw only & must fish the peg drawn, unless the match organiser or a committee member agrees, that the circumstances render the peg un-fishable. See a committee member to agree a replacement peg. 6.7.2: Being "double banked" before the whistle is deemed cause to change pegs, but you must move to the nearest available peg. See a committee member to agree a replacement peg.
- 6.8: The competitors positions to be no less than 15 yards apart if possible.
- 6.9: Plumbing the depth, wetting of ground bait, setting up of keep nets is permissible, but no bait to be introduced before the start.
- 6.10.1: The Bonus Peg shall be drawn before the match or in the event of known latecomers after the match.
- 6.10.2: Where there is more than one BP, the drawn peg number shall be returned ensuring that all anglers have a chance of drawing all BP's contributed to.
- 6.10.3: A competitor that draws a bonus peg before requesting a replacement peg shall forfeit the Bonus Peg.

### 7.0: During the match

- 7.1: A competitor may have other rods assembled un-baited on the bank ready for use, but must use one rod at a time.
- 7.2: Keep nets must comply with water authority by-laws & commercial fishery rules.
- 7..3: All fish to be retained for weighing including Grayling & Zander Trout & Salmon to be returned immediately, Pike are also excluded but can be retained and returned at the end of the match.
- 7.4: Walking the bank during contests is allowed but not if this is obtrusive to an individual or detrimental to the fishing. A list of members who do not which to be disturbed during matches will be held by the secretary.
- 7.5: At the conclusion of the competition, all lines must be removed from the water & fishing cease. In the event of a fish being hooked prior to the finishing signal the competitor will be allowed to play the fish up to a maximum of half an hour after the signal providing that he makes other members aware.

# 8.0: After the match

- 8.1: Any full member can assist with weighing in although a committee member must be present.
- 8.2: Competitors will be responsible for clearing all litter from their peg. Defaulters will be disqualified at the discretion of the committee present on the day of the competition.
- 8.3 In the event of a tie the prizes will be shared or mutually decided.
- 8.4: In the case of a tie in points for the result of the WP, SL, Agg. & WL overall weight will decide.
- 8.5: Any complaints must be submitted to a committee member on the day of the competition.
- 8.6: In the event of issues arising not covered by the contest rules, the decision of the committee members present shall be final.