

HOLT SEA ANGLING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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“ Holt SAC - 61 years and still going strong ”

Dear Club Members ...

I am pleased to report that during the summer the club's membership has increased dramatically to 47 with 2 ladies and 5 juniors. The majority of new members have joined at the back end of the summer and will be participating in our winter matches and events. On behalf of the club I welcome all these new members aboard.

At the start of the Summer season the flatties and pin whiting were still there in abundance with Mike Watts finding 28 of them in the first match at Kelling. As the summer wore on the quality of the fish improved and bass made an appearance but not in 2013 numbers although 28 were recorded. Kevin Green picked up the first, a 47cm specimen at Bacton at the end of April but then the following week at Cley Keith Morley showed the way by carding 4 good bass. This session was then eclipsed at the end of May when the hounds made a brief appearance at Salthouse and Paul Tovell found 4 of them weighing in 21lb 11oz with the biggest just over 10lb which made it best match of the summer. No such bass this size this year and we had to wait until mid-June for the biggest one of 51cm at Kelling to Peter Morse. However, the most consistent fish of the summer was the stonking flounders particularly at Bacton with numerous fish well into the 30cm mark. John Neave was the star of these fish finding a 41cm specimen on two consecutive matches at Bacton. In all it was a good summer on the beaches with good weights throughout although these did tend to fade as the end of July and August arrived.

During May the club ran the 2nd North Norfolk Bass Festival in conjunction with Kelling Heath Holiday Park and Sea Angler magazine. This event attracted 72 anglers from far and wide including 4 top Lady anglers which was an increase on 2013. Unfortunately, the bass did not oblige in numbers like 2013 which was exceptional with just 9 being recorded over the two days. Overall winner of the event and taking the Kelling Heath Shield was club man Mike Watts helped by his Day 1 win with 11lb 3oz which included a hound on his first cast. Overall bass winner was another club man in Paul Harvey also from Ely as Mike with a 4lb 6oz bass again from his first cast on Day 2. Well done to both of them!

During the summer the club ran a new Evening League of 6 matches on the estuary at Gt. Yarmouth on Tuesday evenings. Not a large turn out but 13 club members were involved at some stage during the series. Small codling were predominant at the start of the series giving some interesting sport and as these disappeared it became mainly an eel bashing contest. A very close competition with Tony Thomas just taking the honours with 79 points from Paul Tovell on 77 points and Richard Ellis on 71 points. Many thanks to everyone who participated!

During the summer the club also ran its West Norfolk Challenge Series on the estuary at Kings Lynn comprising of Individual, Free Pairs and Mystery Pairs competitions. This attracted over 20 anglers including some top anglers from the Eastern Counties. At time of press there is still one round to go but current leader Richard Burt from Clacton on 4 points cannot be beaten with the planned attendance at the last match. Top clubman is Trevor Elliott who is currently 2nd on 7 points but he could still be beaten by other club members. The Free & Mystery Pairs competitions are currently being led by Tony Thomas & Mike Watts and Jeff Stannard & Mike Watts respectively but this could all change in the last round as the result is on pure weight and worst combined Pair weight over the 4 rounds is dropped. Well done to everyone for supporting this event!

The John Hardingham Summer Accumulator Shield is over all 16 summer day time matches with just the best 8 scores counting. With just one match to go it is very tight at the top with Ivan Allison currently leading on 248 points, next John Neave on 245 points and Mike Watts on 241 points. As Mike will not be at the last match and as no one else can catch them the top two will fight it out for the shield at Kings Lynn on 7th Sept. Many thanks to everyone for support the club's summer matches.

On the International scene our "young" Henry Randell secured his place in the England Youth Team. He fished his first International in the Homes at Montrose in Scotland and helped the team win Gold which is the first time the England Youth team has won Gold in the Homes. Well done Henry!

All in all a very competitive and productive 2014 summer season.

Club Committee

Chairman: **Tony Thomas**
Vice Chairman: **John Neave**
Secretary: **Mike Watts**
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The coming Autumn & Winter season looks like being even better particularly with the new influx of enthusiastic new members. This will help to make the club far more healthier in its 61st year than it has been for some time. The club is here to cater for everyone irrespective of experience and for the new comers I would like to say 'you don't have to fish all the matches just be involved to whatever level you want to maximise your enjoyment in the sport and don't be afraid to ask questions about how things are done, we are here to help'.

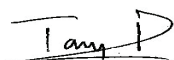
The season kicks off on 14th September at Kelling and all other matches are detailed in the Fixtures list. The Club will be having a mid-week Orford trip in mid-October and you will be notified of this for booking. The North Norfolk Teams of 5 Sea League which the club runs, kicks off on 12th October at Gorleston and we currently have 7-8 teams. If you want to fish in a team or enter a team please contact myself or a committee member. This year's Annual Open is at Bacton on 26th October and we look for your support at this one. The club also runs the National Sea League Final which will attract about 30 teams from around the country and this year it will be staged in North Norfolk on 22nd/23rd November. The club will be running 3 more Opens at the end of the year, Xmas & Town Team Challenge at Kelling on 21st December, Rocket House at Salthouse on 28th December and New Year on 1st January. If this is not enough, the club will be running a Junior's Open sometime during this period as they are the club's future.

Plenty of action with the other club matches for the rest of the year but remember you don't have to fish them all just select the ones you'll get the most enjoyment out of, that's what the club is all about!

Please note the club's website will be fully operational soon although match reports are being posted, many apologies for the delay!

See you all on the shingle soon!

Regards,



Club Chairman

Autumn & Winter Fixtures...

No.	Date	Venue	Match Times	Trophy/Accumulator	Tide Time	Tide Height (Cromer)
17	Sunday 14th September	Kelling	11:00 - 4:00	Presidents Cup	HW 10:40 p.m.	4.9m
18	Sunday 21st September	Salthouse	9:00 - 2:00	Sid Ernie Cup	LW 12:38 p.m.	4.5m
19	Sunday 28th September	Cley	10:00 - 3:00	Pairs Shield	HW 9:15 a.m.	5.0m
20	Sunday 5th October	Kelling	9:00 - 2:00	Nelson Cup	LW 11:16 p.m.	4.5m
21	Sunday 12th October	Gorleston	11:00 - 4:00	H. Mack Cup & Teams of 5	HW 12:09 p.m.	5.0m
22	Sunday 19th October	Salthouse	11:00 - 4:00	Bumphrey Shield	HW 11:09 a.m.	4.1m
23	Sunday 26th October	Bacton	10:00 - 3:00	ANNUAL OPEN & Roy Waller Memorial Cup	LW 2:19 p.m.	5.0m
24	Saturday 1st November	Weybourne	2:00 - 7:00	Nite Shield	LW 7:43 p.m.	4.1m
25	Sunday 9th November	Kelling	10:00 - 3:00	J Long Shield & Teams of 5	LW 2:25 p.m.	5.0m
26	Sunday 16th November	Salthouse	10:00 - 3:00	Woodward Cup	HW 1:59 p.m.	3.8m
-	Saturday 22nd November	Cley/Salthouse/ Kelling	9:30 - 2:30	NSL Final Day 1	LW 12:44 p.m.	4.8m
-	Sunday 23rd November	Cley/Salthouse/ Kelling	10:00 - 3:00	NSL Final Day 2	LW 1:22 p.m.	4.8m
27	Saturday 29th November	Weybourne	2:00 - 7:00	Foreman Cup	LW 6:05 p.m.	4.3m
28	Sunday 7th December	Gorleston	10:00 - 3:00	Ken Brown Cup	HW 9:03 a.m.	4.8m
29	Sunday 14th December	Salthouse	10:00 - 3:00	Lloyd Durham Shield & Teams of 5	HW 11:48 a.m.	3.9m
30	Sunday 21st December	Kelling	10:00 - 3:00	XMAS OPEN, TOWN TEAM CHALLENGE & Matthews Cup	LW 12:20 p.m.	4.6m
31	Sunday 28th December	Salthouse	10:00 - 3:00	ROCKET HOUSE OPEN & Janet Waller Cup	HW 11:14 a.m.	4.4m
32	Thursday 1st January	Kelling	10:00 - 3:00	NEW YEAR OPEN & Nelson Shield	LW 10:05 a.m.	4.4m