

2014 English Police Boat Championships - Rutland Water

The 2014 Boat Championships were once again held at Rutland Water and 52 anglers from most of the Regions areas attended and challenged for the chance to represent England in the forth coming Home Internationals in September. Some members were so keen that they practiced most of the week trying to identify where the fish were hiding and the best methods of catching them.

Cheshire also organised one of their own events for the practice day to add to their own pressures. (Richard Hood did well in the Armley Woods area in their match but this area didn't produce the same results on match day)

The majority of boats headed down the North Arm to Dickinson's Bay and before long Mark Mathieson was catching fish using static buzzers and an indicator. Martin Barratt soon followed Mark's lead and he also started catching fish.

Gary Haskins persevered using his tried and tested methods but apart from an odd fish, had little to show for his efforts until he also reverted to fishing the static buzzer in Dickenson's.

The hot, flat calm conditions didn't suit all competitors and although most caught fish, only 3 anglers Gary, Mark and Phil Thompson managed to catch their 4 fish limit, return a further 12 and qualify for time bonus weights.

Those three anglers obviously took the top three spots by a clear margin and the rest of the field struggling behind them. Only two rods blanked which is a good overall result for the event.

275 fish were caught, of which 111 were returned to fight another day and the total weight of the fish brought to the scales was 320lb.15oz

The heaviest fish was caught by Dave Allen, a Rainbow of 4lb.12oz.

One peace of bad luck that does need mentioning is the fact that Tony Barclay, after killing his fourth fish, caught and returned a superb Brown Trout which weighed 9lb in the net! This fortunately didn't affect his overall result as he still finished in the top 14.

As previously indicated the 14 rods (and 2 travelling subs) will represent England in the home Internationals in September and details of this event will be circulated soon to those members.

The results are on the next page.

ENGLISH POLICE FLY FISHING ASSOCIATION BOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014

Place	NAME	FORCE	BOAT	NO. OF	C&R	BONUS	HEAVIEST	WEIGHT	FINISH	TIME	Ind	TOTAL
			No.	FISH		WEIGHT	Fish	CAUGHT	TIME	BONUS		WEIGHT
1	GARY HASKINS	Avon & Somerset	18	4	12	24		8 9/16	15:00	5		37 9/16
2	MARK MATHIESON	Northamptonshire	28	4	12	24		7	15:00	5		36
3	PHIL THOMPSON	Met	21	4	12	24		8 2/16	16:30	2		34 2/16
4	BOB EATON	Leicestershire	17	4	9	18		7 12/16				25 12/16
5	DAVE SUMMERS	Leicestershire	26	4	9	18		7 12/16				25 12/16
6	MARTIN BARRETT	Wiltshire	16	4	8	16		7 3/16				23 3/16
7	ANDY BECKETT	Essex	1	4	7	14		8 8/16				22 8/16
8	DAVE ALLEN	Cheshire	13	4	6	12	4 12/16	10 5/16				22 5/16
9	TONY BARCLAY	Northumbria	17	4	6	12		8 5/16				20 5/16
10	MIKE COOPER	Cheshire	15	4	5	10		9 2/16				19 2/16
11	PHIL HARDING	Derbyshire	18	4	5	10		8 9/16				18 9/16
12	RUSS LOGAN	Met	30	4	3	6		8 6/16				14 6/16
13	YOUSEF DAR	GMP	4	4	3	6		7 8/16				13 8/16
14	HENRYK PYCZ	Met	29	4	2	4		8 4/16				12 4/16
15	STEVE SHORT	Met	28	4	2	4	2 9/16	7 12/16				11 12/16
16	GARY MANN	Derbyshire	7	4	2	4		7 1/16				11 1/16
	RICHARD HOOD	Cheshire	26	4	2	4		6 15/16				10 15/16
	JOHN ARCHBOLD	North Yorks	12	4	1	2	2 15/16	8 14/16				10 14/16
	TONY SMITH	Nottinghamshire	10	4	2	4		6 14/16				10 14/16
	CHAS HALL	Hertfordshire	20	4	1	2		8 8/16				10 8/16
	BOB SEEBER	North Yorks	7	4	1	2	2 1/16	7 7/16				9 7/16
	ANDY ROSS	Leicestershire	29	4	1	2		6 14/16				8 14/16
	BOB MILLINGTON	Cheshire	14	4				8 5/16				8 5/16
	MALCOLM NAYLOR	Northumbria	19	4				7 13/16				7 13/16
	CHRIS WEBSTER	Cheshire	23	4				7 13/16				7 13/16
	PAUL BURCHELL	Leicestershire	2	4				7 8/16				7 8/16
	ANTON DUERDON	Cheshire	8	4				7 5/16				7 5/16
	MICHAEL HARBY	Leicestershire	5	3			3 4/16	7 4/16				7 4/16
	STEVE OWEN	West Mids	27	4				7 4/16				7 4/16
	PETER SOLOMAN	North Yorks	16	4				7 4/16				7 4/16
	SIMON PORTAL	Gloucestershire	8	3				7				7
	CHRIS HOWKINS	West Mids	4	4				6 11/16				6 11/16
	KEVIN PEARSON	West Mids	30	4				6 8/16				6 8/16
	MARTIN BAKER	Dorset	13	3				6 3/16				6 3/16
	SIMON HILL	Hertfordshire	21	3				6 2/16				6 2/16
	BOB SANDFORD	Essex	3	3				6 2/16				6 2/16
	IAN HODGSON	Cheshire	5	3				6 1/16				6 1/16
	IAN FRASER	Essex	1	3				5 9/16				5 9/16
	BRIAN TODD	Gloucestershire	25	2				5 5/16				5 5/16
	DAVE RICHARDSON	Leicestershire	24	3				5 4/16				5 4/16
	STEVE GILBERT	Northamptonshire	20	3				4 9/16				4 9/16
	JANICE SHARP	Met	2	2				3 11/16				3 11/16
	DOUG SKINS	Met	23	2				3 8/16				3 8/16
	IAN WOOD	Cheshire	25	2				3 6/16				3 6/16
	JOHN COMER	Avon & Somerset	12	1				2				2
	TOM FITZPATRICK	Cheshire	24	1				1 14/16				1 14/16
	KEVIN WELLER	Gloucestershire	15	1				1 14/16				1 14/16
	BOB NEALE	Essex	10	1				1 12/16				1 12/16
	GEOFF Able	Cheshire	27	1				1 6/16				1 6/16
	BRIAN BEATTIE	Cambridgeshire	14	0								
	JOHN PROVERB	Gloucestershire	3	0								
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