

Wards 84 Angling Club

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Club Waters Report and Membership News 2024-25



Wards Pool (Bank Clearing – Sunday 13th April 2025, 9am):



As a major project for 2024, the club secured a Fisheries Improvement grant from the Environment Agency to allow contractors to remove most of the mature trees on the far bank of Wards Pool, which was carried out during late November. This removes the potential hazard of tree fall during stormy conditions, but will also improve the pool habitat for the fish by allowing in more light, reducing the amount of leaf litter falling in the pool, and also increasing the wind circulation and aeration across the water surface.

The carp stocked during 2023 showed up in catches this year having more than doubled in weight. Specimen bream (to 9lb) also started to appear in the summer, along with the usual bags of roach, rudd and perch.

Grove Farm Lake (Bank Clearing – Sunday 27th April 2025, 9am):

Specimen carp still show up during match and pleasure sessions including this beautifully conditioned, near 17 pound common carp caught on feeder fished maggot in October 2024. Shoals of skimmer bream, roach, rudd and perch continue to make up double figure catches in pleasure sessions and matches.

The annual Acorns Children's Hospice match was fished on Grove Farm in 2024 and raised £300 for the charity. This year's match will be held at Grove on **Sunday 8th June 2025**, so please support this worthwhile event if you can, as all peg fees go directly to Acorns.



River Teme, Bransford (Bank Clearing – Sunday 25th May 2025, 9am):

Once again, angling conditions were not easy on the Teme during much of 2024, with high water levels in the spring and then regular flooding from late September. When conditions allowed during the summer there were the usual catches of barbel, chub and dace to float and leger tactics. Further flooding during the winter has eroded some of the established pegs, so please come along to bank clearing to help prepare for opening day on 16th June.

Membership News:

Membership numbers increased slightly during 2024, so there will be no change in annual fees for the 2025-26 season. The small surplus in funds has already been used to stock some tench into Wards Pool (see News item on the club website for details and photos). Our continued thanks to Alan's Tackle and Worcester Angling Centre for selling club membership cards along with day tickets for Bransford. The club's Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th March at 7.30pm at The Fox Inn at Bransford.

TIGHT LINES - TAKE ONLY YOUR MEMORIES. LEAVE ONLY YOUR FOOTPRINTS.