

Girling Angling Society

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The Secretary's Annual Report for the 2025 Season – January 2026 AGM.

Committee Progress.

With a full complement of Committee members throughout the 2025 season meetings have been constructive & a pleasure to attend.

2025 Membership.

Full Membership similar, Assoc. Membership was well down compared to last season.

Fladbury Fishery.

Last Season:- We had a very dry year resulting in a low & clear river for most of the season. Less maintenance required although we replaced platforms & reduced the height of many of the steps. The oxygenated water around Pegs 22 to 26 framed all season.

Match Turnout:- Turnout on the Canal matches was this seasons surprise, boosted by the mild winter we had 14 keen canal anglers out over the series continuing into November & December.

Help running the Matches:- I cannot emphasise strongly enough how much help I have had running the matches last season. On the River & Canal Matches, Roger, Dave, H. & Gary all helped with pegging out & weighing in, similarly, Pete, Andy C. & Tony D on the pools, all much appreciated, thank you.

Finance.

Format:- I am keen to continue with the accounting format we have used for the last 3 or 4 seasons where we separate sources of income. The advantages being Club Prize Money is linked to the level of full subscriptions (affordable) & Fladbury income is spent on the fishery rather than being absorbed.

Fladbury Income is a variable dependant on Associate membership & club bookings but regularly fails to cover Fladbury maintenance costs. The format is being gradually tweaked but a huge step forward compared to how we used to do it. See the Treasurers 2025 Report.

Match Sponsorship:- The format helped the Society pay over 60% of total income into match sponsorship last season, spread between the successful anglers within the Society. See the Treasurers 2025 Report.

2025 Results.

Sponsored Aggregate Series;-	Keith Kite / Dave Underhill / Frank Bagley.
Sponsored Winter Pools Series;-	Glen Beavon / Dave Earp / Peter Fawke.
Sponsored Spring League Series;-	Glen Beavon / H. Potter / Peter Fawke.
Winter League Series;-	Roger Middleton.
Canal Series;-	Andy Lacey.
Fladbury Cup	Peter Whittingham.
Sponsored Cutters Cup	Roger Middleton.
Roach Cup	Roger Middleton 0-13-0.

Communications.

A real success story. In years gone by there was no communications between members off the bank, arriving at the fishery usually held surprises. Now having a local Bailiff, Websites & Chat Groups members are kept informed & remain in contact between matches.

End of Season Summary.

On reflection, looking back over the season there is much to appreciate for example, Committee meetings are now constructive & a pleasure to attend. We had lots of help running the River & Pools matches, lots of help with fishery maintenance & water quality monitoring. We had a season where every match was fished as a social event with no bickering. We even had a past member using his boat to sort out the more difficult maintenance, a good season all round.

stay safe & have a superb 2026 Season.