

Girling Angling Society- Contest Rules 2023 iss.3

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1.0: Contest Dates

<u>Series</u>	<u>Match</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Canal Series in 2024</u>	
Winter Pools	First Contest	3 rd Sat. in Jan.	Commercial Fishery		
	Second Contest	4 th Sat. in Feb.	Commercial Fishery	3 rd Sat in March	Canal 1
	Third Contest	4 th Sat. March	Commercial Fishery	3 rd Sat in April	Canal 2
	Fourth Contest	Last Sat. in Apr.	Commercial Fishery	1 st Sat. in May	Canal 3
	Fifth Contest	Last Sat. in May	Commercial Fishery		
Spring League	First Contest	2 nd Sat. in June	Commercial Fishery		
	Second Contest	2 nd Sat. in July	Commercial Fishery		
	Third Contest	4 th Sat. in July	Commercial Fishery		
	Fourth Contest	1 st Sat. in August	Commercial Fishery		
	Fifth Contest	4 th Sat. in Aug.	Commercial Fishery		
Aggregate	First Contest	2 nd Sat. in Feb	BAA River		
	Second Contest	1 st Sat. in April	BAA Canal		
	Third Contest Fladbury Cup	1 st Sat. of season	Fladbury		
	Fourth Contest	1 st Sat. in July	BAA River		
	Fifth Contest PW Trophy	3 rd Sat. in July	Fladbury		
	Sixth Contest LG Shield	3 rd Sat. in Aug.	Fladbury		
	Seventh Contest Annual	1 st Sat. in Sept	BAA River		
	Eighth Contest	Last Sat. in Sep.	Fladbury		
	Ninth Contest F&F	2 nd Sat. in Oct.	Fladbury		
	Tenth Contest	2 nd Sat. in Nov.	Fladbury		
Winter League	First Contest	3 rd Sat. in Oct	Fladbury		
	Second Contest	Last sat in Oct	Canal	Canal 4	
	Third Contest	3 rd Sat in Nov	Canal	Canal 5	
	Fourth Contest	1 st Sat. in Dec	Fladbury		
	Fifth Contest	3 rd Sat. in Dec	Fladbury		
Cutters Cup	Jim Tyler Cutters Cup	3 rd Sat. in Sept	Fladbury (not in chronological order)		

2.0: Subscriptions / Pools / Club Prize Money

- 2.1: To compete in the Aggregate Series half of annual Subscriptions must be paid at the AGM and fully paid by the 3rd Aggregate match in June. To compete in the matches on Pools Subscriptions must be paid by the first match of the season.
- 2.2: Supervised Junior members (under 16years old) can fish the matches on Pools, competing and receiving points in the series after paying Pools and Peg Fees on the day. Subscriptions are waived until reaching 16 years of age but Junior members will not receive Club Prize Money derived from Subscriptions. No under 16's allowed on the River Matches.
- 2.3: 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.
- 2.4: All Club Prize money will be paid at the end of the Season. Pools and WTA will be paid on match day, the Fur & Feather contest prizes are seasonal fare.

3.0: Series Formats

- 3.1: The Aggregate Cup is applicable to all Aggregate Matches and all matches count. The WP, SL & WL series are all 5 match series and all matches count.
- 3.2: The Club Championship includes 3 matches on canal, 3 matches on pools and 3 matches at Fladbury, no BAA venues are included. Members must register before the start of the Series.
- 3.3: Both Pairs competitions are applicable to all 10 matches in the series, judged on combined weight.
- 3.4: The Roach Cup is applicable to all matches on the venue list within the calendar year.
- 3.5: In the event of a tie on points all match series will be decided on total weight.

4.0: Bonus Peg

- 4.1: The Bonus Peg (BP) is applicable to all match series. There is a separate BP for the WP & SL series on Pools & the Aggregate & WL series on Rivers and Canals.
- 4.2: A new member or members or members not previously contributed cannot fish for the BP however, new members can compete for the BP after a one match contribution.
- 4.3: Members opting to fish for the BP will contribute for missed matches.
- 4.4: Where there are less than 6 members fishing the BP will be suspended for that match.
- 4.5: In the event of a tie in weight the BP will be paid out.
- 4.6: The BP revenue will be entered into the Pools on the last match of the series.

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5.0: Scoring – All Series

- 5.1: For all matches points will be allotted as one point for a win & two points for second etc. and in the event of not weighing in the competitor shall receive same as turnout.
River - Missing a match is 20 points, Pools - Missing a match is 15 points.

6.0: Pre-Match

- 6.1: Members wishing to attend any of the matches must inform the Match secretary or in his absence a Committee member at least two days prior to the date of the match.
- 6.2: All GirlingAS members must hold an Environments Agency Licence and hold a current BAA card on BAA venues. Card checks will be held each season.
- 6.3: Members must abide by BAA rules on BAA venues and Commercial fishery rules.
- 6.4: Any bait may be used except for live or dead bait, spinning bait or artificial bait, wasp grub or cake of Bloodworm.
- 6.5: Draw time is 9am on the Aggregate Series and 8.30am on the matches on Pools. Match duration can be decided on the day. Competitors are allowed one draw only and must fish the peg drawn unless the match organiser or a committee member agrees that the peg is unfishable. Being double banked before the whistle is deemed cause to change pegs but you must move to the nearest available peg.
- 6.6: The competitors position to be no less than 15 yards.
- 6.7: Plumbing the depth, wetting ground bait, setting of keep nets is permissible, but no bait to be introduced before the start.
- 6.8: The Bonus Peg shall be drawn before the match or in the event of known late comers after the match. Where there is more than one the draw number must be returned ensuring that all anglers have a chance of drawing a Bonus Peg contributed to. A competitor that draws a Bonus Peg before requesting a replacement peg will 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 and commercial fishery rules,
- 7.3: All fish to be retained for weighing including Grayling, Zander and Pike, Trout and Salmon to be returned immediately.
- 7.4: Walking the bank during contests is allowed but only if this is not obtrusive to an individual or detrimental to the fishing.
- 7.5: At the conclusion of the competition all lines must be removed and 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 he makes other members aware.

8.0: After the Match

- 8.1: Any Full Member can assist with weighing-in but 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.
- 8.3: In the event of a tie the prizes will be shared or mutually decided.
- 8.4: In the event of a tie on points, overall weight will decide.
- 8.5: Any complaints must be submitted to a committee member on the day of the competition. In the event of issues arising not covered by the contest rules the decision of the committee member present shall be final.