

HOLT SEA ANGLING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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"Holt Sea Angling Club unfolded "

Hello Club Members and Potential Members ...

First of all I would like to clarify something about a report made on social media that Holt SAC had folded. Well as you all know and can see the club has not and it is even more active than it has ever been. The club is well established, moving into its 61st season and as one of our members quoted Holt SAC is now a "Brand" with all our successful activities and should not be too worried about all this vindictiveness on the social media.

The end of the club's winter season weather-wise was a stark contrast to the bitter cold of the previous year with balmy temperatures but with lots of wind and fair share of rain. Fortunately the wind was mainly off shore which prevented any match cancellation but the aftermath of the sad helicopter crash did force us to use Kelling more than intended. Our New Year Open was again held on New Year's day but with an extremely poor attendance of just 9. Even so the fish were there with Gary Medler from Martham taking the honours with 7lb 1oz from 36 fish with club members John Heave and Henry Randell tying for 2nd place with 6lb 3oz each. From that date onwards fish numbers and even attendance at club matches started to decline which was exaggerated by the arrival of the whiting but not the stonkers just those pin varieties.

Getting through the pins to the real fish was a challenge but John Neave and Ivan Allison were managing to achieve this as they vied for the Overall Points trophy. As Ivan's challenge started to stutter John found some championship form taking the title with 664 points from Ivan with 642 points and Tony Thomas with 640 points. John also took the Winter Accumulator with a total weight of 17lb 6oz from Tony Thomas 11lb 13oz and Peter Morse 11lb 12oz. So it was fitting that John should take these titles in the club's 60th year particularly as he is the oldest active member in the club, well done John!!!

Rounds 4 and 5 of the Sea League were played out at Kelling with the 6th and final round at Bacton. All the matches were plagued by the small whiting but a 25cm size limit at Bacton did allow some respectable scores to be recorded with the appearance a few small codling. After a rather topsy-turvy 6 rounds Avenue Angling took the title with 49 points closely followed by Gutter Bashers on 51 points, Holt Crack Offs 63 points, North Norfolk Lads also on 63 points, Holt SAC on 140 points and RAF Sea Anglers on 153 points. All teams have qualified for the National Sea League Final which is in North Norfolk at the end of November and the club will be running the event.

On external activity, the England selectors have at last recognized the performance of Henry Randell, a Holt SAC protégée with his selection for the England Youth team for the 2014 Home Internationals to be held in Scotland in July. To add to this he has also been selected for the SAMF Challenge team that will take on Scotland in the NE at the start of May, well done Henry a truly up and coming English International.

The season ended with the Presentation Dinner and AGM at Kelling Heath Holiday Park on 15th March where members had the usual hearty meal which was a vast improvement on previous year's although they still managed weights this time in the form of roast spuds, again many apologies! This was followed by presentation of the year's match winnings and season's trophies. The dinner was preceded by the AGM where a number of club matters were discussed and agreed. The following briefly details these ...

- The new committee for 2014-2015 was elected as identified below.
- The club is still financially healthy with a profit of £84 in 2013-14.
- The club now has to pay an annual £400 license fee for the Muckleburgh access.
- Summer league total will now drop 8 worst scores and Winter league 12 worst scores.
- The club will run a Tuesday Night Summer league in the Gt. Yarmouth rivers.
- New club website (holtsac.com) will be available for the new season.
- Autumn trip to Orford.

The new season looks promising with a large number of potential new members to boost the competitive activity and looks like the fish may at last start to play ball. We do have the usual raft of club matches and of course the Bass Festival in May which we hope is as good as last season. We also have our West Norfolk Challenge Series at Kings Lynn for those match addicts and those just wanting to again enjoy good healthy club banter in the heat of the summer sunshine! Finally, let's get out there and once again enjoy our fishing free from all this political nonsense in our 61st season.

As last year, look forward to your support in the coming season and see you on the shingle at your earliest opportunity.

Regards,

Club Chairman

Club Committee

Chairman:

Tony Thomas

Committee

Ivan Allison

Bill Beeton

Henry Randell

Vice Chairman:

John Neave

Members:

Richard Ellis

Tom Gibbs

Matt Lawes

Secretary:

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Treasurer:

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Summer Fixtures...

Sunday 6th April	Kelling	11:00 - 4:00	1st Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	HW 11:35	4.1m
Sunday 13th April	Salthouse	9:00 - 2:00	2nd Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	LW 12:51	4.5m
Sunday 27th April	Bacton	9:00 - 2:00	3rd Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	LW 12:37	4.6m
Sunday 4th May	Cley	11:00 - 4:00	4th Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	HW 10:21	4.5m
Sunday 11th May	Kelling	8:30 - 1:30	5th Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	LW 11:25	4.2m
Satur- day 17th May	Cley/ Salthouse/ Kelling	10:00 - 3:00	Bass Festival Match 1	LW 3:47	5.0m
Sunday 18th May	Cley/ Salthouse/ Kelling	10:00 - 3:00	Bass Festival Match 2	HW 9:26	4.9m
Sunday 25th May	Salthouse	8:30 - 1:30	6th Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	LW 11:16	4.3m
Sunday 1st June	Kelling	9:00 - 2:00	7th Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	HW 10:55	4.1m
Sunday 8th June	Kings Lynn - West (North)	12:00 - 5:00	8th Leg Sum- mer Acc. & WNC Rnd 1	HW 3:10	4.0m
Sunday 15th June	Cley	10:00 - 3:00	9th Leg Sum- mer Accumu- lator	HW 8:30	5.0m
Satur- day 21st June	Bacton	4:00 - 9:00	10th Leg Summer Accumulator	HW 2:15	4.3m
Sunday 29th June	Salthouse	10:00 - 3:00	11th Leg Summer Accumulator	HW 8:29	4.8m
Sunday 6th July	Kings Lynn - West (Central)	11:00 - 4:00	12th Leg Summer Acc. & WNC Rnd 2	HW 12:55	4.0m
Sunday 20th July	West Norfolk Beach - TBD	11:30 - 3:30	13th Leg Summer Accumulator	HW 1:43	4.3m
Friday 25th July	Cley	6:00 - 10:00	Mackerel Bash	HW 6:46	4.4m
Sunday 3rd August	Kings Lynn - West (South)	9:30 - 2:30	14th Leg Summer Acc. & WNC Rnd 3	HW 11:25	4.4m
Sunday 17th August	West Norfolk Beach - TBD	10:00 - 2:00	15th Leg Summer Accumulator	HW 12:02	4.6m
Sunday 7th Sept.	Kings Lynn - West (North)	10:00 - 3:00	16th Leg Summer Acc. & WNC Rnd 4	LW 12:30	4.7m