

From the Riverbank

With so much happening on our waters at the moment, it's difficult to know where to begin.

All of the waters that have remained open are fishing really well. There have been some superb big bream coming out of Walrow from the railway and the snag, and the big lake at Comwich has produced its first 30lb common and there have been quite a few big twenties coming out as well, so may be some more can go onto hitting the magical big three oh.

Dunwear staged a superb event in the form of the annual Dunwear Carp Challenge Cup over the May Bank Holiday. Thirteen anglers fished over the weekend and in what proved to be a tight finish, Martin Clifford banked three fish for a total of 39lb 12oz, whilst Nick Singleton landed two for a total of 33lb 12oz with Chris Young in third place with 16lb 8oz. The winner was presented with the cup as well as a limited edition hoodie kindly donated by Somerset Angling. Many thanks to Steve and all the crew for the sponsorship. Chris Letherby and his team organised a great event and next year's event will surely be even bigger and better.

Also a special mention must go to Brian Turner for his efforts. At last there is going to be some progress regarding the reed cutting on the canal. Following a meeting between Club officials and BWB, agreement was reached to overcome this longstanding problem for anglers along our section of the canal. Another serious problem is concerning screech owl ponds - well two problems actually. Anglers are driving vehicles over the level crossing, this is strictly forbidden, and the other point is that this water is closed until 16 June, so those concerned are risking a ban as well as their lives. Also it's worth pointing out that whilst British Waterways has banned all fishing in the docks until further notice, this does not affect any of the water controlled by the Association.

To share the news of your catch and let us know how you've been getting on, just tell your tackle dealer the next time you visit the shop, alternatively email Fish@bridgewaterangling.co.uk or tell one of the bailiff team.

Tight lines

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