



NEWS

Winter/Spring 2014

Calling all Members **AGM coming soon**



We will soon be approaching the AGM and we would like to highlight the need for further enthusiastic members to help in running DAA as committee members. Our Treasurer, Alan Rudkin, has retired due to ill health. In the interim I have taken over as Treasurer and will combine it with being the Membership Secretary. This means that I will be standing down as Chairman so we will be seeking nominations for Chairman and Secretary at the AGM.

The Chairman is the leader and spokesman of the Association with responsibility for progressing the aims of the Association through meetings of the committee. A Secretary is needed to take minutes and assist in the maintenance of the website as well as communicating with the membership through the webmail. Job Descriptions of both positions are available for anyone expressing an interest via the webmail address.

See the back page for more information.

DUNGENESS ANGLING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 21st March 2014 @ 7.30 pm

HEYSHAM HALL, TAYLOR ROAD, LYDD ON SEA TN29 9PA

Agenda on the website Events Page

Membership matters

Membership Renewals.

This is my final report for the News Letter as I am standing down as Treasurer at the end of the financial year due to health problems.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to all past and present committee members for their help over the years that I have been Treasurer.



2014 membership renewal is due on 1st March at a cost of £10, membership can be renewed at the following outlets:

Seagull Tackle Greatstone
Richardson Fish Shop Dungeness
The Pilot Pub Dungeness
Micks Tackle Hythe

Regards Alan Rudkin

Views from the Gate

I am delighted to report that the behaviour of the gate this year has been substantially better than the cod fishing, which has been challenging to say the least. The expected bonanza following a very good year for cod fishing from the boats, some as close as a mile and a half from the Point and inshore boats in October just didn't materialise. Why? Well we really haven't had the SW winds this winter which dislodges the food and attracts cod to the beach, and the big storm at the end of October deposited literally tons and tons of shellfish and other marine life resulting in gorged fish and again difficult shore fishing. On the plus side, the October storm removed all the tackle snags which to date still haven't built up again to be a problem. This is the reason we haven't felt the need to commission a trawler to drag the beach again this year (yet!).

I've been called to the gate 3 times this year, once to replace a cut lock, the other two times to replace faulty locks. This is a massive reduction on the last few years and hopefully is a sign that anglers are starting to realise that the EA gate needs to be kept closed and undamaged otherwise the privilege of access can easily be lost.

Litter has again been an issue on occasion and I've even seen bags of litter left in the laybys where anglers park, often less than 10 yards from the nearest bin....and yes it was angling litter.

Unbelievable! The Dungeness estate is part of the National Nature Reserve. Part of your subs goes towards funding a paid litter picker however in this day and age, no litter at all is justifiable or defensible and this issue is a constant cause of embarrassment to the club and its members. If we all take home with us a little more than we brought, the litter problem would go away and the more of us that are seen collecting other peoples left litter the more a culture of respect will develop. Fortunately the littering anglers are a very small minority, but we all need to take care not to "lose" that worm paper under the shingle.

Well, that's it from the Gate, keep up the good work and tight lines for 2014.

Simon Newman



DAA has a new postal address

D.A.A. PO Box 521 ASHFORD TN23 9RN

DAA Match update

The full results for 2013



Hello everybody,

Well what a great years fishing it has been with some great catches reported on the beaches around Dungeness. The early spring / summer saw some fantastic plaice, flounder and bass fishing from all areas especially around the West Bay marks ... the best bass I heard of was a 16lb caught by a regular lady angler(Jennie)..

Throughout the summer the bass continued to show as did the flounders and then the sole showed up .. so all was set for a great autumn / winter... However as we all know the fishing gods don't always give us what we want and....by Dungeness standards the cod fishing has been pretty poor .. but in my opinion the fishing throughout the rest of the year had more than made up for this..

The members league was a huge success with record numbers attending in all weathers. Everybody enjoyed the experience .The league was closely fought with only one angler head and shoulders above the rest, but the fight for the runners up spot went right down to the last match ... So it leaves me to say well done Gavin Smith who fished incredibly well and consistently throughout the year to win the



	Name	Points	ADJ
1	Gavin Smith	1245	-5
2	Steve Harvey	715	-5
3	Tony Hills	710	-10
4	Steve Field	615	-5
5	Paul Gunner	585	0
6	John Smith	575	0
7	Paul Jarrett	550	0
8	Graham King	490	0
9	Alex Veel	430	0
10	Steve Foster	395	0
11	Cieron Bull	375	0
12	Simon Lacey	350	0
13	Matt Summerfield	350	0
14	Mark Parnell	310	0
15	Colm Brennan	275	0
16	Martin Swinyard	250	0
17	Malcolm Jones	220	0
18	Jim McMurray	210	0
19	Nathan Elliott	175	0
20	Rob James	170	0
21	Bryan Gunner	145	0
22	Joe Loftus	115	0
23	Mike Richardson	105	0
24	Michael Smith	95	0
25	Simon Newman	90	0
26	Tony Miller	80	0
26	Tom Smith	80	0
28	Nick Hedges	65	0
28	Paul Ottoway	65	0
30	Luke Spiel	25	0
30	John Linton	25	0
32	Jason White	15	0
32	Paul Howells	15	0
32	Steve Jewhurst	15	0
32	Paul Douglas	15	0
32	Robin Elliott	15	0
32	John Lynton	15	0
38	Gerry Wilson	10	0
39	Colin Constable	5	0
39	Andy Jewhurst	5	0

league ... Runner up went to Me but only just and third place went to local Tackle shop owner Tony Hills who also took the heaviest fish a 9lb 9oz cod ...I'd like to thank everybody for their continued support and help. The 2014 league has already started and early indications are showing its going to be as popular with 20 anglers turning up in horrible weather for the first match ...

All I need to say now is have a great 2014, and tight lines **Steve Harvey**

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Your Committee

We need more committed members to carry the DAA forward so here is the job list and what's involved! So if you care about the fishing at Dungeness and want to join our crew...make yourself known, contact Malcolm and come along to the AGM.

Chairman

Responsible for managing the affairs of the Association.
Responsible for making sure that each meeting is planned effectively, conducted according to the constitution and that matters are dealt with in an orderly, efficient manner.
To co-ordinate the Committee to ensure that appropriate policies and procedures agreed at the AGM are in place for the effective management of the Association.
From time to time may be called upon to represent the Association at external functions or meetings.

Vice Chairman

To deputise for the Chairman in his absence.

Secretary

Responsible for managing the administrative affairs of DAA.
The taking of minutes at committee and general meetings.
Organising the Agendas, dates and venues for Committee and General meetings and notifying the committee members accordingly.
Managing incoming and outgoing correspondence.
Managing the preparation and distribution of the regular Newsletters.
Managing the updating of information on the DAA Website.
Managing the Webmail – includes regular monitoring of incoming mail and distributing for action as well as occasional bulk mailing to the members of the Newsletters.
Attending committee and general meetings

Match Captain

Responsible for managing the matches fished by members of DAA.
Managing the choice of dates and times for DAA League Matches and any DAA Open or other fishing events.
Managing the registration of matches or events on the day.
Supervising and recording the weigh-ins of any matches or events.
Liaising with the Membership Secretary for publication of any events and their results.
Attending committee and general meetings.

Treasurer

Responsible for managing the financial affairs of DAA.
Regular banking of the membership fees collected from the outlets or received by post.
Banking of any donations received by DAA.
Payment of approved expenses of the Committee.
Management and paying all necessary insurance premiums
Management of payments to RCMP for beach cleaning.
Management of donation payments to the RNLI and other charities as agreed in committee.
Maintaining a spreadsheet record of Income and Expenditure for annual auditing and presentation at the AGM.
Attending committee and general meetings.

Membership Secretary

Responsible for managing the registration of members of DAA.
Liaising with the Treasurer to regularly receive new and renewal membership details.
Managing a spreadsheet database of the membership addresses and e-mails.
Managing the issue and recording of gate keys.
Providing address labels to the Secretary for posting out Newsletters.
Managing the DAA Match League fixtures lists.
Managing the collation of match results and publishing on the Website.
Attending committee and general meetings.

Committee Member

Responsible for assisting in the management of DAA.
Being an ambassador for DAA.
Assisting in the organising of matches or events on the day as requested by the Match Captain or other Organiser.
Registration of competitors
Pegging where necessary
Marshalling where necessary
Measuring and weighing of catches
Assisting in the folding and posting of the Newsletters as requested by the Secretary
Attending committee and general meetings

E-mail your interest concerning any of the above posts to our Chairman Malcolm Jones: info@dungenessangling.co.uk