

Role of Honour

PRESTON INNOVATIONS FESTIVAL 2002

1st Kieron Rich
(Mosella Tricast)
36 points dropped 7
£2000

2nd Will Raison
(Daiwa)
36 points dropped 6
£900

3rd Tim Rowe
(Keenets Milo)
35 points £800

4th Grant Albutt
(MosellaKeenetsMilo)
34 points dropped 7
261-5-0 £700

5th Paul Yates
(Drennan)
34 points dropped 7
139-15-0 £600

Bonus Prizes

DAIWA Dorking skipper won the £100 bonus big weight prize with a fifth match 175 lb 7 oz carp haul at Gwinear.

UK Champion Jamie Masson landed an extra £50 cash prize for banking the weeks biggest individual fish with a 12 lb 3 oz Pollawyn carp.

White Acres boosted the prize fund with an additional £1000 cash pushing the pay out down to 15th individual place plus six mystery weight prizes won by Vince Sicklemore, Nigel Waddel, Trevor Jeans, Matthew Grant, Alan Gates, and Graham Harding.



Brian's Match Focus...

KING KIERON!

KIERON RICH AT LAST BECAME KING, WHEN HE WON THE WHITE ACRES PRESTON INNOVATIONS AUTUMN FESTIVAL 2002 PICKING UP THE £2000 WINNER'S CHEQUE.

With the best four of five results counting it was a close run thing for the **White Acres** match record holder as Will Raison (Daiwa, Drennan - England) defending also posted a maximum 36 points. Kieron wrestled the title from the holder thanks to a better dropped section return of 7 points compared to world star Will's 6. Entering the final match wholesaler Kieron was locked on three section wins with Raison, Paul Yates and Phil Ringer. Kieron drew peg 55 at Gwinear where he overcame the

persistent challenge from potential spoiler UK Champion Jamie Masson to win that vital fourth section with 89-2-0 of big mirror carp in the later stages. Raison recovered from a slow start on Pollawyn's peg 16 where his class sorted out a string of sizeable mirrors for his fourth win. The hopes of Yates and Ringer bit the dust in a difficult peg to peg struggle in Bolingey's first arm.

Kieron's ascent to the top of the podium began at Porth reservoir with a 20-12-0 of skimmers for lake second and his first



THIS SUMMER one lucky angler will gain their first taste of winning a fully sponsored festival at White Acres. The legendary Spring and Autumn Festivals attract the cream of Match Anglers and winning one is not easy but the **White Acres Virgin's Festival** set for June is guaranteed to make some lucky angler's dreams come true.

The Virgin's Festival is open only to club and occasional match anglers so you won't have to worry about being

Virgin Festival Winners Guaranteed

section win. Day two saw a hiccup in the plan despite weighing 104-8-0 from Bolingey good enough for only section third! Back in the groove on day three he won the lake outright on Pollawyn with a 77-13-0 effort due mainly to a late rush of carp.

Drawing Canal 19 on the penultimate day, a superb 57-1-0 of carp and skimmers saw Kieron file the new venue's best weight of the week setting up his final day opportunity.

"I honestly thought I was never ever going to win one of these events," said Kieron, adding, 'Tommy Pickering said to me before the festival that my time would come and so it has,' For Raison he can point to a fourth day poor draw at Bolingey worth fourth in section as his Achilles heel after a fine 40-2-0 section from the Canal with back to back lake wins at Gwinear's 14 with 137-5-0 and Porth's 36 with 19-6-0.



up against venue and top match anglers but fellow competitors of similar abilities. Without the big stars and previous festival money winners the way is clear for pleasure anglers and those who love their match fishing but haven't yet enjoyed the razzmatazz of making it up onto the stage for the main money places! With daily section and lake prizes too there is plenty of opportunity to win.

Commencing June 7th competition for places is expected to be hot so make your reservation now!



LOOSE FEED



WINNERS WEEK FESTIVALS

WILL Raison clinched the Gold Winners Festival with 17 points and a combined weight of 237 lb 8 oz to win the £1000 first prize from Kieron Rich also on 17 but with 176-9-0. Winning the Silver Pool Festival also worth £1000 was Mick Newton with 20 points and 198 lb. Kerry Kirkwood took second place and £600 with 19 points and 138 lb 13 oz.

New Match Formats!

FOLLOWING the introduction of the Gold and Silver pools structure last year the format for 2003 has been revamped to provide separate matches for each category of anglers. Those who qualify as Gold anglers now have the opportunity to fish their resident's match on a Monday while the Silver anglers match will take place on Wednesday.

"Gold standard anglers will have a chance to get straight into match action while the Silver anglers can have a few days practice before battling it out," said fishery manager Clint Elliott. However the format of the ever popular Thursday Rover will remain unchanged and open to all comers.

The new lakes will be the focus for the gold and silver events while the pleasure lakes will all feature in the Rover.

Club bookings

GROUPS of club anglers on holiday at White Acres can now book either whole or part lakes to stage their own matches. Check the White Acres web site for the latest news on this.



