



Summer 2008

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Update...

from Clint Elliott - Fisheries Manager

We are well into the 2008 season here at White Acres and the spring festivals now seem like a distant memory to us. The year so far has passed so quickly, especially May when we were stacked out with anglers and the matches were topping over 100 in each one. All stocking has been completed over the winter by the fisheries team, with extra stocking of carp spread over Twin Oaks, Canal, Trelawney & Acorn, all from our very own fish farm. Also during the winter we concentrated on cutting back the islands and swims, although you wouldn't think so now, as once again it is beginning to like a jungle out there!

I really find it hard to believe we have now had owners on park for three years and the community just seems to grow by the week. I am really looking forward to seeing some of you at the owners select events that have been planned for the rest of the year. It still feels a bit strange driving through the park in the morning and not seeing all the tents & tourers but the new development is completed now and is looking really good. The Foxglove Meadow Development is also now complete and looks stunning, I'm actually thinking that it would make a nice retreat for me!

Our News-Reel.com web-site is still going strong and receiving a massive amount of hits, especially over the festivals where all of you were avidly following Kirsty's match reports, you will soon notice some new changes on the site but I will leave them as a surprise for now.

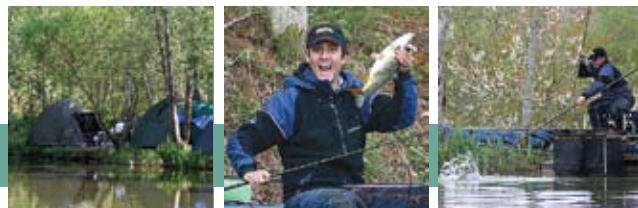
The fishing got off to a great start this year and until recently all lakes have been fishing well. We have recently suffered with a break in the spawning, hot temperatures in early May succumbed to cold north easterly winds, heavy rain and a drop in water temperature stopping spawning fish in their tracks. This has been one of the most graduated years for spawning we have ever seen but all should be back to normal when we see some more constant weather.

This year I have been fishing various venues around the country trying to qualify for the Maver Pairs and it's been great to catch up with some old faces and some of our regular customers. We have played host to Garbolino's Darren Cox & Match Fishing's Dave Harrell who have been working on an instructional DVD on fishing at White Acres, there is an article on it later in the magazine.

I have been out and about, around the country fishing recently, and it has been great to catch up with some of you on your home waters. For those of you who will be attending the Evesham Angling Festival, this year, pop down and say hello - I have had an invite and hopefully will be on one of the flyers! I hope you enjoy this brief update and carry on visiting the News-Reel.com website. If you have any comments or feedback please do not hesitate to contact us.

Tight Lines

Clint Elliott



Diary Dates

- VIRGINS FESTIVAL
W/C 28th June
- SOLERO LADIES FESTIVAL
W/C 5th July
- MAVER FESTIVAL
W/C 27th September
- PRESTON INNOVATIONS
W/C 4th October
- PARKDEAN MASTERS FINAL
Sat 11th October
- GOLD WINNERS WEEK
Sat 11th October
- SILVER WINNERS WEEK
W/C 1st November
- VETERANS FESTIVAL
W/C 1st November
- SILVERFISH FESTIVAL
W/C 29th November

Should you require any further information contact Kirsty on 01726 862526 or KirstyByrne@parkdeanholidays.com

In Brief

For 2008 Bait-Tech have taken over the sponsorship of the Thursday resident's Rover Match. Bait-Tech are generously sponsoring the weekly match with an additional £100 worth of their products. This will be added to the prizes that are given to each angler that weighs in every Thursday match.

Film Reel

White Acres was on top form with huge catches when we played host to Darren Cox and Dave Harrell as they kicked off a new series of DVDs soon to be on sale. In the first DVD Darren and Dave go into detail about Pellet Wagglers Fishing, one of the most popular tactics here at White Acres as well as throughout the country's commercial fisheries. The second DVD concentrates on margin fishing and how and when to get the best results from your swim. Both DVDs are sure to help you improve aspects of your fishing at White Acres as well as at your local fishery, whether you are a top flight 'festival goer' or a pleasure angler who would like to catch more fish.



Garbolino Mosella Silver Fish Festival

Not one, not two but three exciting changes to this year's festival. First the change of date, the festival date for 2008 has just been announced for the week commencing 29th November. We feel this will have a positive result on the festival as it isn't as close to Christmas as before plus (fingers crossed) the weather will be a bit better. The second piece of news is that the festival numbers are being upped from 60 to 80. Although this is one of our smallest festivals it is one of our most popular festivals and often there are many disappointed anglers that look to fish this each year but miss out. So hopefully we should be able to please a few more people this year. Our third, most exciting bit of news is that it will be a proper silver fish festival. In previous years F1's, Brown Goldfish & Goldfish have counted but not this year, basically, if it isn't a silver fish it will not be weighed in!

Membership of Premier Fisheries

As you may or may not know, White Acres is part of the Premier Fisheries group as well as 15 other fisheries throughout the UK. Premier Fisheries have done a lot of marketing and new promotions this year to encourage new and lapsed anglers to the sport and they have recently launched their new website - www.premierfisheries.co.uk which is well worth a visit. One of the latest initiatives is working with Angling Times to promote the fisheries via catch reports. White Acres sends its match reports to the paper each week but not much information of pleasure sessions. If you would like to get your name mentioned in the Angling Times, next time you visit us simply grab one of the forms, fill in your details and your catch report, pop it back into us and you could get a mention in the paper. You stand a better chance if you also provide us with a picture!

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The Great Milo

Our final Spring festival - this year we only had a one-day gap between the festivals as the Milo was being fished Sunday to Thursday, so there were a few tired anglers at the first draw of the week! Rain was the order of the week but fortunately this did not cause too much of a diverse effect and there were some top weights and catches recorded. This was the 2nd year for Milo sponsoring the festival and they provided excellent prizes. The winner, in his first ever White Acres festival was Ian Didcote! Ian had a storming festival and despite a mini hiccup mid-week managed to secure his place at the top with a section win on the final day. Ian finished with a spotless 36 points, dropping 5 and a staggering weight of 513lb 4oz. 2nd with 35 points, dropping 5, was Mark Plevin who had a weight of 381lb 9oz and 3rd was Kieron Rich also with 35 points but was dropping 4 with a weight of 486lb 3oz. Next year's festival will commence 18th April Monday to Friday. Any queries give Kirsty a call on 01726 862 526.



Match Focus...

Year on year, White Acres is the place to enjoy the very best in Match Fishing the UK has to offer. Find out about the past year's highlights and surprises.



Will Raison and Wendy Locker

Class Act

Before we knew it we were into the 2008 festival season, the Van Den Eynde Festival is always the first big event on a yearly calendar and marks the start of a busy month of match fishing. The event was once again a sell out with 180 anglers fishing on Pollawyn, Jennys & Python, Bolingey, Porth and Gwinear. This was the first time we had put Jennys into the festival and it made a really positive difference so we will be keeping this lake in for the forthcoming years. England ace Will Raison lead the pack from day one and proved why he is one of the best match anglers in the UK as despite a field of top names fishing the festival, no one could topple him from the number one spot. Will finished the week with a perfect score of 36 points, dropping 8, with a weight of 445lb 9oz. The festival has been one of our closest results in recent years with the top three all finishing on perfect points and only 15lbs separated the weights across the top three. Second was Grant Albutt with 36 points, dropping 7, with a weight of 457lb 1oz. Third was Neil Machin also with 36 points, dropping 6, with a weight of 443lb 13oz. The festival date has already been set for 2009 and will be sponsored by the sister company of Van Den Eynde, Bait-Tech. We are excited about this announcement as Bait-Tech currently have some new and innovative bait products on the market. The Bait-Tech festival 2009 will take place starting on 21st March 2009.

Preston Innovations & Coca Cola Intermediates Festival

The festival is now in its second year and saw an increase in numbers, fourteen anglers aged between 16 and 18 fished this year. The festival was run over 2 days where the two sections of 7 anglers fished both sides of Twin Oaks in rotation. This was a strong field of young anglers with many of them already fishing and competing in teams and alongside senior anglers. The festival winner was Luke Hancock with 13 points and a weight of 146lb 11oz; Luke has always performed well in the festivals as he came second in the junior festival last year. Second with 12 points and a weight of 110lb 7oz was Simon Pickering, this was a great performance from Simon who was on his first ever visit to White Acres. Third went to another up and coming young angler Michael Gorman, Michael who has recently secured sponsorship due to his passion and ability for angling finished with 11 points and a weight of 128lb 12oz. The support given by Preston Innovations for this event was phenomenal showing they have great hope for the next generation of top anglers. The festival will go ahead for 2009 and once again check our News-Reel.com website for the dates.



Luke, Simon and Micheal

"The festival is now in its fourth year and goes from strength to strength each year"



Jake, Matthew and Conner!

Drennan International & Coca Cola Junior

This festival is always a highlight for us as it is great to see so many angling stars of the future. The festival is now in its fourth year and grows from strength to strength each year. This year 30 anglers took to the banks of Jennys & Trelawney to fish the 2-day festival. This year's winner was Jake Marshall, Jake has always featured top in the results but this is his first win with a perfect 16 points and a weight of 97lb 12oz. Already fishing for the England youth team this is one name to look out for in the future. Matthew Greening was second with 15 points weighing 88lb 11oz and third was another up and coming angling star Conner Barlow, Connor also had 15 points but had a lower overall weight with 83lb 13oz. Along with the £1000 sponsorship from Coca Cola, Drennan International once again showed tremendous support for the juniors by providing the best goodie bag to date for all the anglers that fished the festival. This event is open to all young anglers 15 and under.



Steve wins the Dynamite!

Dynamite Baits

This festival was a week of mixed weather and fortunes. Again the list of 180 anglers fishing the festival looked like who's who of match fishing supremos! The anglers took to the banks of Trelawney & Twin Oaks instead, and with the addition of pellets being permitted things were all set for another great festival. The top 20 names changed each day with no one able to hang onto the top position for long. Steve Ringer crept up the ranks, seemingly just off the radar but managed to clinch the festival win on the last day by picking up another vital 9 point section win. Steve finished the festival with a perfect 36 points, dropping 5 and a weight of 396lb 13oz. I think we have now lost count of how many festivals this former Parkdean Master has won with us. Ounces made the difference in the overall results. 2nd went to Andy May with 35 points, dropping 8, with 466lb 12oz. 3rd was Will Raison also with 35 points but was dropping 7 with a weight of 421lb 13oz. This has been a great Dynamite Bait Festival here at White Acres as not only did Dynamite increase its overall sponsorship, but it also saw some of the UK's up and coming anglers seal places within the top 20 of the festival, showing names to look out for in the future. The 2009 Dynamite Baits festival will take place week commencing 28th March.

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Family Focus...

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The Walker's from Sheffield give us their views...

Robert Walker, his wife Jayne, plus children Jack and Lucy from Sheffield have been visiting White Acres for 8 years. They first came to stay in the year 2000 and have made the return journey 3 or 4 times each year since then. On their first visit to White Acres this season we caught up to them to find out why they choose White Acres and what keeps them coming back!

Q What makes you choose White Acres and keep returning?

A Robert: It is the fishing first and foremost, then all the friends we have made over the years who also return every year.

Q What's been your most memorable event or match?

A Robert: For me it was having the opportunity on the Preston Innovations Festival to fish between two great anglers, Kieron Rich & Steve Ringer. What topped it was beating Kieron and only just being beaten by Steve!

Q And your best result?

A Robert: For me it is twice qualifying for the Preston Innovations Festival. Jack: Coming second in the Junior Rover Match with a weight of 31lb 6oz.

Q Jayne & Lucy, as non-anglers how do you spend your time at White Acres?

A Lucy: I like the swimming pool, the amusements, the play zone and if the weather is fine, the adventure playgrounds. Jayne: It's being able to chill out and relax, knowing the kids are safe and entertained.

Q What are the highlights for you at White Acres?

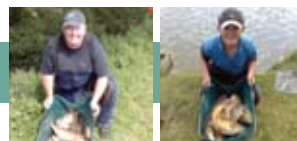
A Robert: The fishing! Jayne: The takeaways & restaurants (no cooking!) and the Lakeside Club for an occasional glass of wine! Jack: The fishing! Lucy: The indoor swimming pool

Q What do you think of the accommodation at White Acres?

A All: All the holiday homes we have stayed in have been very good, they're comfortable and well equipped with everything you could need whilst on holiday.

Q What do you think of the park's facilities?

A All: Great! The park has everything you want to keep us all entertained and it is only a short drive to Newquay for the shops and beaches.

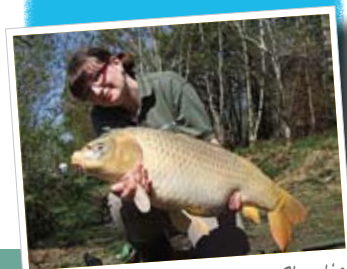


Diary

Big Cat's at Pats!

Both Pats Pool and Nelsons Specimen lakes have got off to a flying start this year. We have had carp to 28lb plus coming from Pats and 27lb plus from Nelsons. The best approach on catching these has been to fish single hook baits and a small pva stick with a slack line. The majority of the fish have been in the 18 - 19lb bracket with a sprinkling of 20lb fish just for good measure.

There have also been some cracking "cats" out of Pats so far this year with three different 60lb fish out already, the best one weighing in at 64lb. These fish have all been backed up with several 30lb and 40lb fish out as well. The best approach for the cats has been to fish large cubes of luncheon meat about 2 3/4 inches square, out in open water with a light scattering of halibut pellets over the top. On a recent session one of our anglers Jenny Collins had over 200lbs of fish in just 48 hours with mirrors topping the scales at 19lb 2oz & 19lb 6oz and a ghostie of 19lb 8oz, Jenny had the majority of her catch on source bottom baits.



Alexis Hawkes - 20lb 14oz Ghostie



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Top Tips!

News-Reel caught up with our latest festival winner Ian Didcote to find out how he prepares for his trip to White Acres.

NR: Ian you tend to only fish the festivals a couple times of year whereas some anglers fish every festival, so how do you prepare for the festivals and whom or what do you turn to for your information?

Ian: Although I do not usually make more than a couple trips to White Acres in a year, I have now been coming back for many years so tend to have a good overall knowledge of the venue. There are a few trusted anglers I speak to, to find out how the lakes are fishing, I only speak to a few as the information sometime becomes a bit like Chinese whispers and alters a bit every time the information is shared! I know now that one of the keys to good preparation is to really concentrate on the things I know I will definitely use, rather than trying to prepare everything I own knowing there is not a chance I will use it! For one weeks fishing at White Acres it usually takes three weeks to prepare!



Ian Didcote - Winner of the Milo!

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one final thing...

We cannot stress the importance of thoroughly drying out your landing nets and keepnets before you use them in the lakes. Last year there were a number of fisheries that were unfortunate enough to be victims of fish deaths. So we introduced the ruling of not putting your nets into the water until 15 mins before the start of a match. This is one of our most important and most policed rules, as the anglers must string their nets out behind them to dry in the sun, even if it is raining or overcast there is still some UV light that will get through and kill any bacteria that might be on your nets. We suggest that you do this at all fisheries.

Bag a bait catch...

Be a Winner with our Fisheries Questionnaire



Last year we introduced our fisheries questionnaire and it was a huge success. Over the winter we have focused on some of your feedback to try and make your 2008 holiday with us even better.

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