



Doug Daw Memorial Carp Match 2009

Date: 30th to 31st May 2006. (8.00am till 4.00pm.)

Venue: Linton Park Lake

Conditions: Saturday morning started off a warm, cloudless & still but by 10am day the wind increased from a slight breeze to strong & gusting at times, this continued through out the weekend making it uncomfortable for those in the shaded & exposed swims; tucked up out of it was quite pleasant, even hot enough to get a nice tan for some, in the shade & exposed it wasn't! Strangely the evening remained cloudless but with that constant strong wind! Water level was normal with a slight colour.

Summary: With a field of just 8 we all had plenty of space in the swims so three rods were ok. Should have been 10 of us but two had to pull out at the very last minute.

Again **Chris** had arranged special dispensation to be allowed to park by the fence in the adjoining field just for this one event.

At 8.00am the draw took place with competitors fishing the following swims:-

Dave Beattie: The Point - **Martin Worrall:** Boathouse Bay - **Tony Spall:** The Oaks – **Malcolm Siburn:** Dam Wall – **Chris Knowler:** Stile Bay - **Peter James:** End Wood - **Jason Tuckey:** Mid Wood & **Alan 'mower-man' Clark:** The Beach.

Within half an hour **Dave** on the Point had the first run; unfortunately the culprit was a Bream, not what we were after. It soon became noticeable that **Dave, Jason, Alan & Peter** (gave him an excuse to show off his pecs!) were bathed in sunshine & were taking full advantage of this much to the frustration of the others in the shaded swims & were now feeling the full effects of the cool NE ever increasing wind.

We had to wait till 8.00pm before the first carp was netted, this 10lb. 8ozs common fell to **Tony** with a bit of slack line tactics managed to extricate it from the pads. At about 9.30pm **Alan's** swim came to life with a nice 17lb mirror.

It looked like it was going to be an interesting night.

Malcolm was still concentrating on the surface feeders with his famous 'candle & bread set up' unfortunately again this time it only produced Bream, the largest a splendid 9lb 1ozs specimen!

At 12.45am **Jason** landed a 14lb. 10ozs. common followed in the early hours again by **Alan** with a couple of commons of 12lb. 4ozs. & 14lb. 1ozs.

Around 6.30am **Dave** landed the largest fish in the comp, a common of 18lb. 3ozs.

Like **Malcolm, Tony** was also being pestered by Bream!

Sunday proved to be fruitless for all apart from the odd Bream. The wind was now blowing even harder; most had retired to their beds. It wasn't till late afternoon that the last carp came out, a 10lb. mirror to **Martin**.

Despite the conditions, lack of anything much coming out during the day once again we all enjoyed it even **Peter, Chris & Malcolm**.

Results:

			Total Weight
1 st	Alan Clarke	17lb. 0ozs. – 12lb. 4ozs. – 14lb. 1ozs.	= 43lb 5ozs.
2 nd	Dave Beattie	18lb. 3ozs.	= 18lb. 3ozs.
3 rd	Jason Tuckey	14lb. 10ozs.	= 14lb. 10ozs
4 th	Tony Spall	10lb. 8ozs.	= 10lb. 8ozs.
5 th	Martin Worrall	10lb 0ozs.	= 10lb 0ozs.

So congratulations to **Alan Clarke**, this year's winner of the 'Doug Daw' Memorial Carp Trophy. The Trophy was presented to **Alan** by **Jason**, last year's winner.

Hey... don't forget to get you name down for the next Carp match on 18/20th September! Priority will be given to those who weren't able to enter this one.