

The Relief Channel for Venue for Big Bream



Here we go again. June 16 and anglers can get out on the rivers and drains again. Mind no 3 months lay off as in years ago, with the lakes available all year. Time was that during that time anglers would clean and organise their tackle in readiness for the new season. Perhaps new rods, new reels and almost certainly reel line and pole rigs replaced. A visit to the tackle shop for these items and something new would catch your eye. Angling shops get the benefit of bait and bits bought all year, wonder if they miss out on the close season overhaul.

As usually Ashley and his team have strimmed and cleared a huge number of pegs on all venues in popular areas. Keep them clear by taking out any new growth before you fish. A quick chop around with a reed knife on a landing net handle is all that is required.

Always the question, where to go and if you struggle do you move. Most years opening day dawns and stays bright, sunny and hot. Anglers' eager anticipation cooled as few fish put in an appearance.

The Middle Level at Crooked Chimney



Always popular early season and with the dry weather the road is good, Will this year be better?

The end of last season the Middle Level did not see its end of season nets of bream and Tench of the last few years and last year it started poorly too. Although prebaiting could improve the odds. This year after dredging around 0.6m from the middle of the waterway what effect will that have. More volume of water for the same numbers of fish, it's anybody's guess.

The Relief Channel finished with a bang with some great catches during the last few days of last season. Here again prebaiting could hold the fish, should there be any in your chosen swim. Always a problem on such a big venue. Boat anglers are likely to be out on the water prior to fishing trying to use their mobility and technology to find the big bream shoals. Should you land on a shoal then given the size of the fish in the Channel you should be in for a good day. Choice of method pretty straightforward i.e. tip and feeder.

The Cut Off Channel Last year saw some surprise catches early season at Fordham, Crossways and Stoke Ferry. Bream nets around 100lb not to be sniffed at. All methods can score with pole or waggler catching Roach and Rudd if the bream are not on the feed.00

The Cut Off Channel cleared swims and paths.



The Ouse could be in for a big summer this year with National matches on the agenda. Throw in a few practice matches and teams of anglers coming down to practice it can only improve sport. Highlighting where the fish are, keeping the pegs clear and encouraging the fish to look for the next helping.

Anglers all have their favorite sections so let's hope sport is good and all have bulging nets, but maybe that's a bit hopeful.

Time this hits the wires anglers could be into their stride and catching well. Particularly those who are on the bank at midnight.

Middle Level at St Mary's looking inviting



Match Bookings...Reserved pegs

Cadet National Sunday 7 June 22 Gt Ouse Modney Bridge up and down

KLAA evening matches Middle Level Neeps Wednesday 18th June and two weekly.