

Feltham & Twickenham

Piscatorial Society

2024

Rule & Map Book

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1. Membership

1.1

All persons applying to join the society must be proposed by an existing full member and sign an application form agreeing by all rules of the Society. The person nominating a new member may be held responsible for the applicants conduct for the first year of membership.

The Societies Management Committee retain the right to vet applications from applicants and will allow membership to be granted to suitable applicants. In such cases applicants may be required to attend a membership meeting ahead of their application being approved.

1.2

Subscriptions must be paid on or before the 1st of May each year. The Society entrance fee will be payable by any person attempting to re-new their membership after this date.

1.3

Existing members do not have the right to rejoin each season, renewals are by invitation of the Management committee.

1.4

When fishing society waters members must be in possession of their club Membership card and key. Your membership card must be produced when requested by a Society bailiff or when challenged by another member.

1.5

Junior members are classified as members between the ages of 12 to 16. All junior anglers (less than 16 years of age on 1st May) must be accompanied by an adult member of the society when angling or visiting society waters.

Junior members between the age of 16 (on or before 1st May) and 18 years of age do not need to be accompanied. Any individual attaining a 18th birthday after the 1st of May will remain a 'junior' until the following season. Student members are classified as members between the ages of 17 to 18 and are in full time education.

2. Angling Rules

2.1

Fishing must be carried out in a sportsmanlike manner as interpreted by the committee.

2.2

Only two rods are allowed per member when fishing Society waters (Sivyers Lake is governed by a separate rule set out below).

2.3

Only hooks manufactured as barbless may be used on Society waters. Treble hooks manufactured as semi-barbless may be used when fishing for predatory species. Double "Back-to-Back" hooks and two hook rigs are not allowed on Society waters.

2.4

Keepnets must comply with E.A. rules.

2.5

Leaving baited terminal tackle in the water whilst absent from a swim (i.e. more than two yards from the rod or pole) is prohibited on all Society waters.

2.6

When fishing for predatory species any live baits used must have been caught in the water being fished.

2.7

No fishing from boats is allowed on any Society water.

The boats moored on society waters are for fishery management use. Only under the direction of a Management Committee member may they be used to rescue distressed wildlife or tethered fish. Members are reminded that the Society will not accept any liability for accidents arising from the use of these boats howsoever caused. A flotation jacket must be worn when using the society's boats.

2.8

On waters where dip tanks are provided, all nets, weigh slings and unhooking mats must be dipped before the commencement of angling.

2.9

3. Fish Welfare

3.1

All fish are to be handled with utmost care. Unhooking mats must be used for the unhooking of large fish.

N.B. Unhooking in a landing net, provided that neither the net, nor fish is placed on the ground is an acceptable alternative to the use of mats.

3.2

During general angling no Carp or Barbel are to be kept in keepnets. F1 carp may be retained in keepnets along with silver fish. (F & T PS match rules will determine the handling of these fish during all matches held on society waters).

3.3

Fish may only be retained in keepnets for a maximum duration of six hours on all Society waters.

3.4

Fish may not be removed from Society waters unless under the direct supervision of the Water Committee having first been approved by the Management Committee.

4. Litter

4.1

Any metal, glass or plastic containers taken onto Society waters must be removed upon vacating the water

4.2

Members will be held responsible for any litter in the swim they are fishing and must take all litter and discarded tackle with them when leaving that swim.

5. Guest Permits

5.1

The sale of guest permits to members to allow visitors to fish Society Waters is available on the following conditions:

5.2

They are priced at £10 each for adults and £5 for female and Junior anglers (Aged 11-16) Children under eleven years of age may fish free of charge but they share must a swim with a Full Member. Night Fishing tickets for Lyne Lake & are charged at £20.00 per night.

5.3

Only one guest ticket may be purchased at a time and only one a month.

5.4

Applications for tickets must be made to the Head Bailiff a minimum of 24 hours in advance of the day on which the guest permit is to be used

5.5

Under no circumstances are guest tickets are available on the bank.

5.6

The member applying for the ticket must accompany the visiting angler and be present for the whole period that the visitor is at the lake. The member is responsible for ensuring that the visitor abides by the Society's rules

5.7

A maximum of four guest permits per venue per day is available on a first come first served basis.

6. General Rules

6.1

Night fishing is allowed only at Lyne. All other society waters must be vacated between the hours of 10.00 p.m. and 4.00 a.m. (Sivyers Lake is governed by a separate rule set out below) There is no night fishing allowed at the Creek.

6.2

Farm gates must be closed after access and exit. Members must not interfere in any way with fences machinery crops and other property belonging to third parties.

6.3

Radios, fires, individual BBQ's, dogs and the riding of bicycles are not allowed on Society waters.

N.B Dispensation to allow Bailiff's to be accompanied by a dog has been granted by the Management Committee.

6.4

Members and visitors must comply with Environment Agency rules regarding angling and be holders of a current EA angling license. As part of their duties F&TPS bailiffs are entitled to ask anglers to show their EA license. If the angler is not in possession of an EA license they will be asked to leave the water.

6.5

There is no close season at Lyne Lake. All other Society waters are subject to the rules laid down by the Environment agency regarding Close Seasons (A separate rule applies to Sivyers Lake).

6.6

Any member that attends club working parties in April (on any water), may upon completion of the work, fish Sivyers/Eric's Lake until 8.00 p.m. on that same day.

6.7

All swim-feeder's, lead-weights and the like must be "FREE RUNNING" for fish welfare, the use of fixed or bolt rigs is totally prohibited.

7. Rules specific to Sivyer's/Eric's Lakes

7.1

The season for fishing shall be from the 1st May to 31st March inclusive.

7.2

Only one rod or pole may be used between 1st May & 30th September inclusive. Thereafter two rods may be used.

7.3

The use of audible bait alarms is not allowed between 1st May and 30th September inclusive.

7.4

The breaking strain of fishing line to be used on this lake must not exceed 8lbs or a diameter of 0.30mm.

7.5

Only 3 kg of dry ground bait may be used by an angler per day/per lake. Boilies may only be used as hook bait.

7.6

The lake is only open from 7.00 a.m. each day. The closing times vary according to the time of year and are set out below:

Jan 6.00 p.m. Apr (Closed) Jul 10.00 p.m. Oct 7.00 p.m.

Feb 6.00 p.m. May 9.00 p.m. Aug 9.00 p.m. Nov 6.00 p.m.

Mar 7.00 p.m. Jun 10.00 p.m. Sept 8.00 p.m. Dec 6.00 p.m.

Anglers **must** have vacated the site by the times stated above.

7.7

If working parties at Sivyers/Eric's Lakes, during April, have not completed the allotted work, the committee may close one bank of the lake during May in order to complete the works program.

In this event, at least twenty-four hours' notice will be given by the posting of appropriate notices at the water.

7.8

The use of lead core line is banned.

7.9

The use of braided line for main line and hook lengths is banned.

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7.10

The loose feeding of Boilies is totally prohibited and Boilies can only be used as "HOOK BAIT ONLY"

7.11

Surface fishing/ floating baits are allowed but this means "HOOK BAIT ONLY" loose feeding of floating baits is totally prohibited.

7.12

The use of method feeders is prohibited at Lyne Lake.

7.13

That hooks up to a maximum of size 10 be used.

7.14

That rods up to a maximum 1.5lb test curve may be used, any rod above this is banned.

8. Matches

8.1

Club waters, on which scheduled Society matches are to be held (excluding inter club and open matches), are not open to non-competitors (unless the match is on a limited area of water), until after 30 minutes of the completion of the match.

When there are matches on Sivyers Lake, Eric's Pond will be available for non-competitors use. During Society matches on Eric's the main lake will be open to non-competitors apart from the Christmas match when both lakes will be used'

8.2

All matches run on society waters must be fished to F & T PS match rules and must have been arranged by prior agreement with the F & T PS Management Committee.

Match Rules

Rules in effect from 2024-2025 season.

1. The recommended duration for a contest is 5 hours in winter and 6 hours in summer unless decided by the match organiser.
2. The match must be a pegged down competition.
3. When each competitor's peg has been drawn, they shall proceed to the corresponding number on the bank. If, for whatever reason, you do not fish from the correct peg your weight will not count.
4. Every competitor must fish from the designated peg/platform. On flowing water, the competitor may fish in the direction of flow as far as the next peg. On still water, they may fish as far as halfway to the next angler. The competitor will restrict their activities completely to these boundaries, neither their person, their tackle, their hook baits or their ground baits may intrude into their neighbour's swim.
5. No competitor may move their peg or exchange them peg or draw card with another without the organisers official consent.
6. Any bait, subject to local rules, can be used except live or dead fish. Continued on next page.
7. On FTPS waters competitors shall use at least 2 regulation keepnets for their catches. One for silvers and one for carp. The maximum weight in each keepnet shall be 60lb with a leeway of 5lb. If you weigh-in between 60 and 65lb your weight will be recorded as 60lb, over 65lb and the net will not count. You must place your keepnets out on the bank until 15 minutes before the start of the match. All nets must be dipped on entering the fishery. On other waters local rules apply.

8. A competitor shall have the use of one rod or pole, one line and one single hook at one time, but may have other rods or poles and tackle assembled for use in position behind them, if possible, providing that no such other tackles are baited.
9. No competitor shall have live or dead fish in their possession before a match. All competitors must submit to a search if requested by a competition official.
10. Competitors may receive assistance to or from their peg, or both, for themselves or their tackle, or both. Continued on next page.
11. All ground bait may be thrown in by hand, or by use of one- or two-handed catapults, throwing sticks, swim feeders, bait droppers and bait cups, but no other mechanical means of projecting ground bait is allowed.
12. Any competitor who abandons their peg having decided to cease taking part in the match but who decides to continue fishing must do so outside the confines of the length being used for the match.
13. A competitor may not wade on club lakes during a match. Matches on rivers you can wade up to your knees.
14. All fish caught are eligible for weighing with the exception of game fish, Pike, Zander and Crustaceans. It will be the responsibility of the competitor to return all live fish to the water after weighing

15. Any fish suspected of being weighted or any fish considered suspicious by competitors must be laid before the match organisers and the angler's weight be not confirmed until a ruling has been obtained. All catches will be weighed to the nearest scale reading.
(All scales used must have the same readings) Each Competitor will be responsible for ensuring the correct weight of their catch is recorded by the steward/scalesman. In any dispute, the decision of the organisers will be final.
16. Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their pegs are clear of litter and no competitor may have their catch weighed in who has in their swim. All the foregoing rules are subject to the bye-laws of the Environment Agency. Any angler proved to have been in contravention of these rules will be disqualified.
17. Bloodworm and joker may only be used on club waters from 1st November to the 31st March inclusively.
18. Any objection to an angler's conduct, for whatever reason, must be lodged in writing with the match or club secretary within 1 day of the end of the match. The alleged offender will be informed of the alleged offence and given an opportunity to defend themselves.
Should an offender, after receiving a warning, leave the match scene the objection shall be deemed to have been sustained and the match organizers must inform them of their findings and punishment (if any) within seven days of the complaint.
19. The use of lead, including any alloy or compound of lead, must comply with E.A. regulations.
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20. An angler that has already hooked a fish as the closing whistle has sounded must call out 'Fish On' and will be allowed a further 15 minutes to land the fish otherwise it will be excluded from the competition.
21. On the day of the match the organiser may impose Additional rules as they deem necessary.

General Information

1. Litter is the blight of all angling clubs and ours is no different. Our rules are very specific on this point and members are asked to be particularly vigilant in this regards.

2. To avoid the ingress of rats and other vermin members are instructed not to leave unused bait in their swims on leaving our waters.

3. The notices reminding anglers to close gates, barriers and toilet doors are intended to protect the privacy of our Society and our members. We have experienced some very severe vandalism in the past and at least one member has had valuable property stolen from a car parked inside the gates at Sivyers as the direct result of the gates being left open.

Interpretation of these Rules

The Management Committee shall be the sole authority for the interpretation of these rules and on any question which might arise from the rules and on which they are silent.

MAP BOOK

Siyver's & Eric's Lake

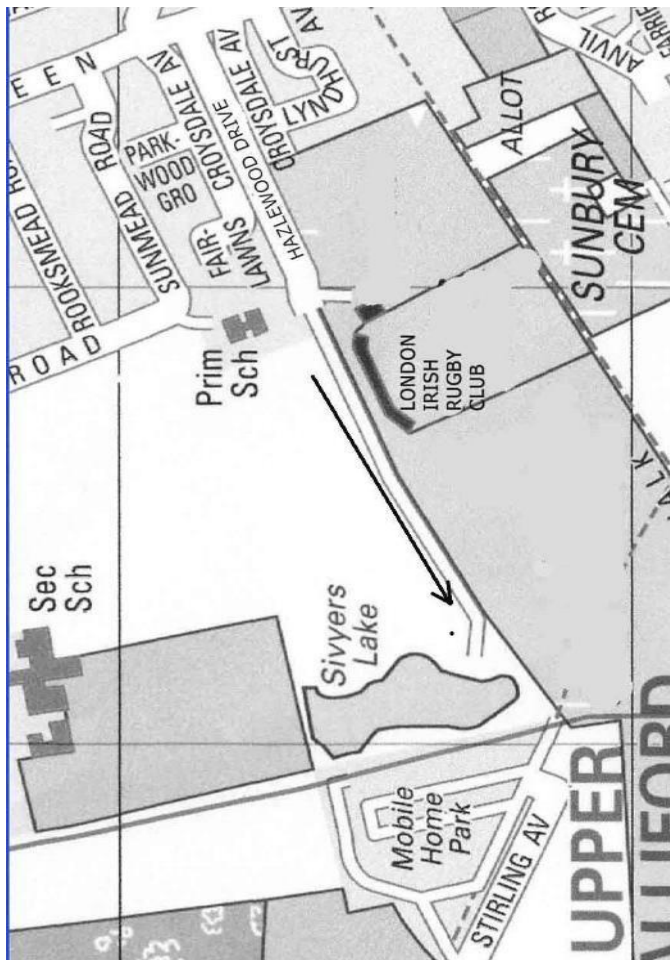
Croysdale Avenue
Sunbury on Thames
TW16 6QU

From Feltham take your most convenient route to Sunbury Cross. From the Sunbury Cross roundabout take the exit to Lower Sunbury along Green Street. After 1/2 mile you will find Hazlewood Drive on your right hand side. Follow Hazlewood Drive and drive through the right hand five bar gate adjacent to the golf club entrance. The entrance to the lakes is at the end of the lane that runs parallel with the golf course. Parking is inside the gates of the lake.

The water opens at **7.00am and not before.**

See Map 1

MAP 1



The Creek

Fordbridge Road

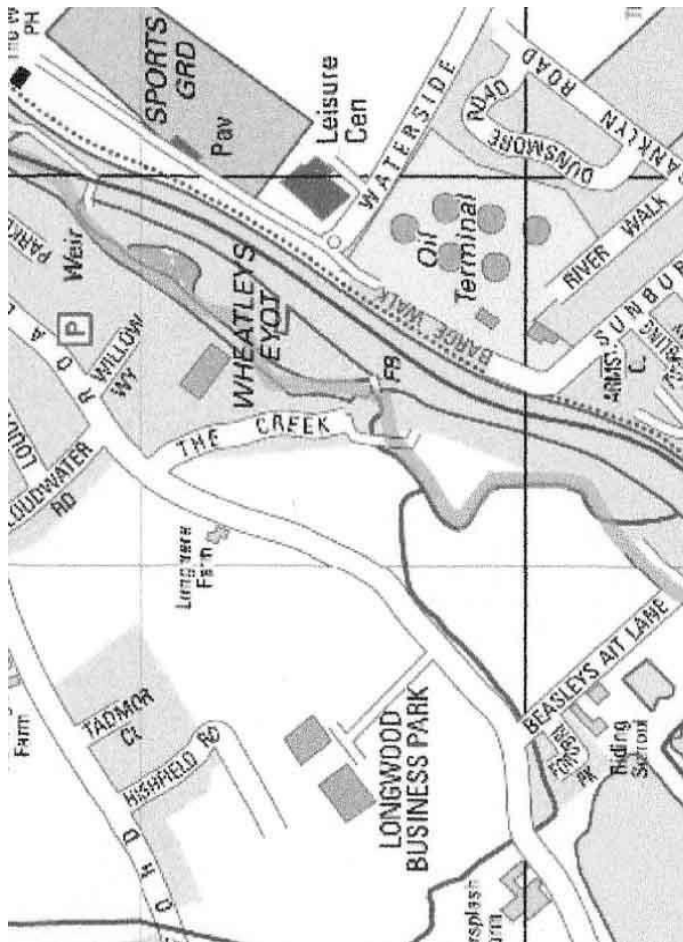
Sunbury-on-Thames

TW16 6BY

The fishery is in Lower Sunbury approx. 1200 metres from The Flower Pot public house on the way to Walton/Shepperton. The access is from our car park which is at the entrance to “The Creek” private road. DO NOT PARK in the bays opposite our car park.

Take the path in the left-hand corner of the car park and follow to a stile. The fishery is on the far side of the field. The downstream section is accessed by a path leading from the footbridge over the River Ash. To fish the upstream sections cross the footbridge. Please observe our boundary at the top of the upstream section. A small section of the River Ash is also available to members. This venue is close to residential property- please respect their privacy. See Map 2

MAP 2



Lyne Manor Lake

Harrow Bottom Road

Lyne

GU25 4EB

The fishery was originally part of Lyne Manor and were 3 lakes although 2 of these have silted up and trees have covered them over.

From Staines take the B388 past Thorpe Park, until you come to the Roundabout at 'Hungry Horse', go right at this roundabout (passing Twynersh Fishery on your right), go for about 1 mile until you come to a roundabout. Go straight over, passing under the M25, turn first left after about 150 metres into Lyne Lane. after about 1 mile you come to a 'T' junction, turn right and then turn 2nd left into Harrow Bottom Road. The entrance to the fishery is approx. 50 metres on the left land side, through the palisade gates.

See Map 3

MAP 3



Kennet & Avon Canal

Newbury

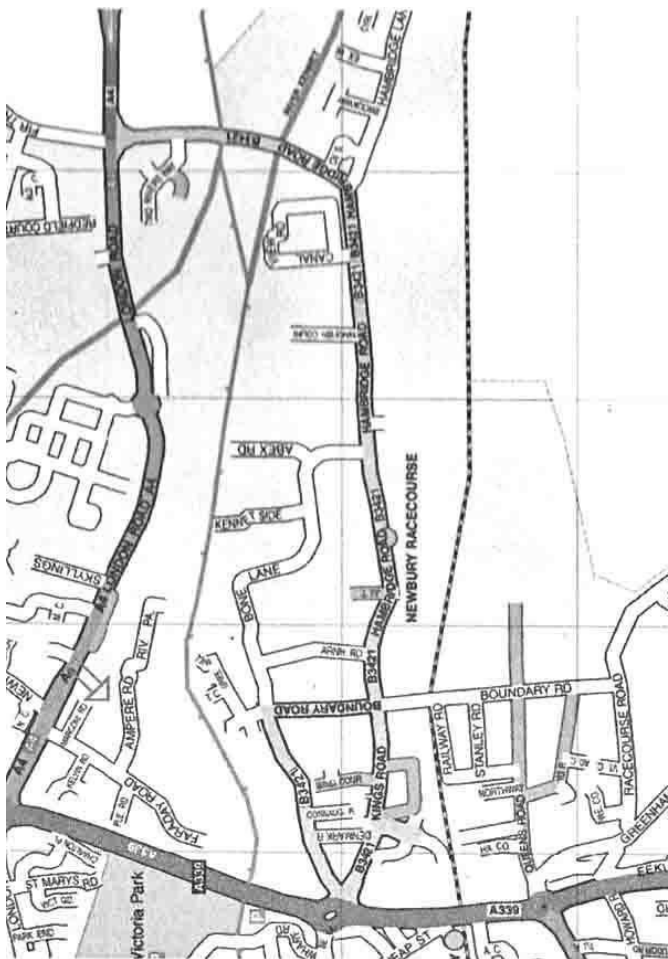
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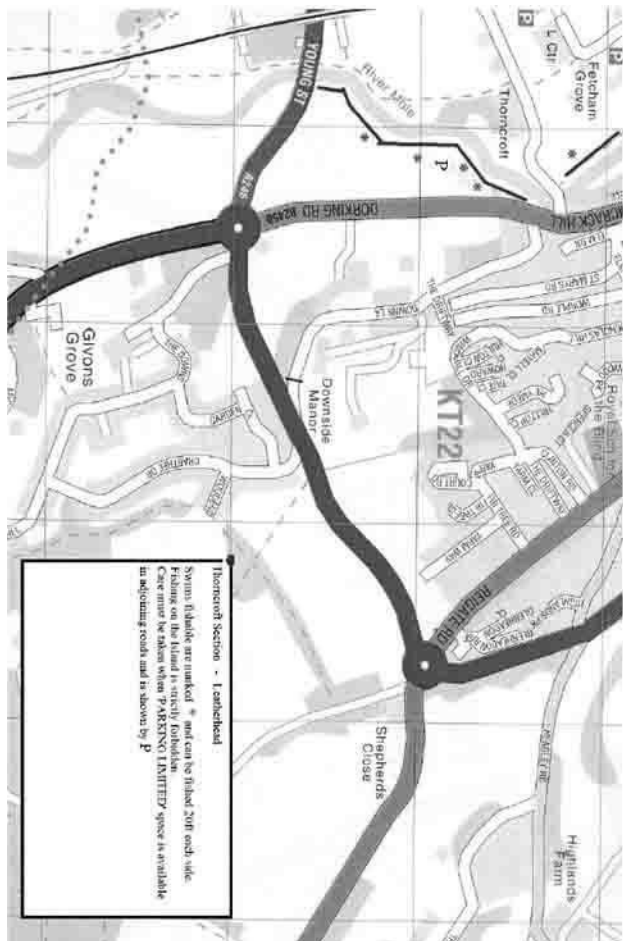
This water is run by Thatcham Angling Association but fishing rights have been retained by the club.

From Reading the A4 to Newbury, as you enter Newbury follow the signs to racecourse. Refer to map for further directions.

See Map 6

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