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ANGLING CLOSE SEASON

Salmon 3rd Oct. - 16th Jan.
Migratory Trout 1st Nov. - 30th Apr.
Non Migratory Trout 1st Nov - 2nd Apr.
Freshwater Fish & Eels 15th Mar - 15th Jun., Rivers only.
Pike - Lakes 1st June - 30th Sept. (**Club Rule**)
Pike - Rivers 15th March - 15th June.
(All dates inclusive).

*It is the responsibility of club members to observe the close seasons.
For current dates, please refer to our website.*

MINIMUM SIZES

Migratory Trout 38cm - 14½ in
Non Migratory Trout 23cm - 9in

DISCLAIMER

Whilst we warmly welcome you to the Club and to the facilities we offer, you are reminded of the dangers of water and the risk of drowning for the foolhardy.

The Waters shown in this Handbook are those expected to be available to Club Members at the time of going to print. T.V.A.C. and S.P.S. cannot accept responsibility for any alteration or change to the availability of waters which may occur after printing. Should alterations occur, they will be notified to the membership at the earliest opportunity, or via the website.

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The Club Waters

The waters described in this handbook are fished as a privilege, a privilege than can very quickly be removed through thoughtless actions. These waters have been acquired over a period of time through a lot of hard work and must be respected. At the present time good fishing waters are at a premium, with many clubs or individuals waiting their chance to step in and take over a water that has been abused and subsequently lost by a negligent club. So, bearing this in mind, please respect the owner's goodwill by observing the country code, shut all gates, protect crops and wildlife, use the paths provided, read the local rules for each water in conjunction with the club's rules and above all do not leave any litter. Observance of these few and easy to carry out rules will ensure the continuation of our fishing.

Fishery management is an important part in maintaining good fishing on the Club's waters and to this end the recording of specimens and outstanding catches is vital, so please return your forms to any committee member.

The continued upkeep of the Club's waters is vital if fishing is to continue in a safe and enjoyable environment and this to a large extent is dependent upon the club members voluntary efforts at the working parties. So please support your club, keep your future fishing safe and attend the working parties. Dates will be issued.

The Club has an active match fishing contingent and anyone wishing to take part is more than welcome and should contact the match secretary, whose name and address is on the enclosed committee address sheet. The Match Secretary has endeavoured to respect the pleasure angler and has kept the matches on the Club's waters to a minimum. The dates of these are in the Events Calendar.

The committee hope your fishing is enjoyable and wish you tightlines.

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STILLWATERS

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§	NUTSEY LAKE	Totton
§	BOB'S LAKE	Totton
§	EMBLEY LAKE	Embley, Nr. Romsey
§	ICE HOUSE POND	Embley, Nr. Romsey
§	KINGS LAKE	Embley, Nr. Romsey
§	* WILLOW LAKE	Embley, Nr. Romsey
	* TESTWOOD RESERVOIR	Nutsey

Note: All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings MUST be dried before being used on these waters.

RIVERS

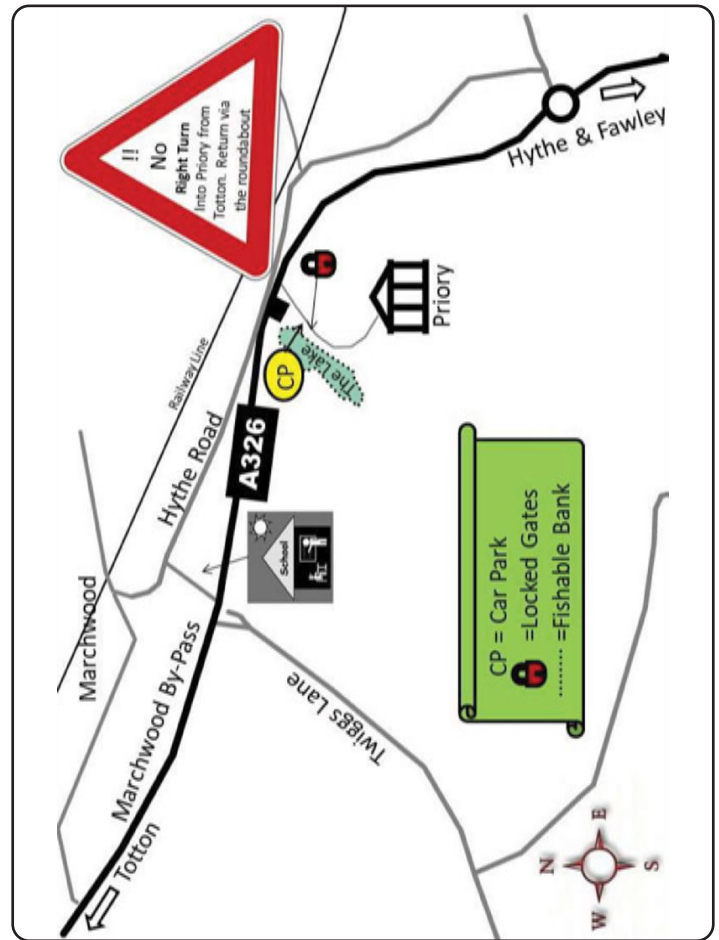
§	*	BLACKWATER	Ower
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§	*	BLACKWATER	Nutsey
§	*	FISH LAKE STREAM	Romsey
	*	RIVER TEST	Timsbury
§	*	RIVER STOUR	Sturminster Marshall
§		RIVER ITCHEN	Mansbridge

* NO NIGHT FISHING ALLOWED

§ GUEST TICKET ALLOWED
(Accompanied by Member with Current Membership Warrant)

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Marchwood Lake SO40 4WU



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Marchwood Lake SO40 4WU

From Totton take A326 to Fawley, proceed to the roundabout and turn back down the A326, after approx 1 mile turn left into "Marchwood Priory" (by white bungalow). Proceed down track for about 150 yards turn right into car park. Keep Gate Closed.

Because of the dangerous bend at the entrance on the A326 there is no right turn into Marchwood Priory.

Local Rules

Guest Ticket allowed.

Night fishing is allowed with a 3rd Rod/Night Fishing Ticket.

3 Rods allowed in season - See By-law 30

Description

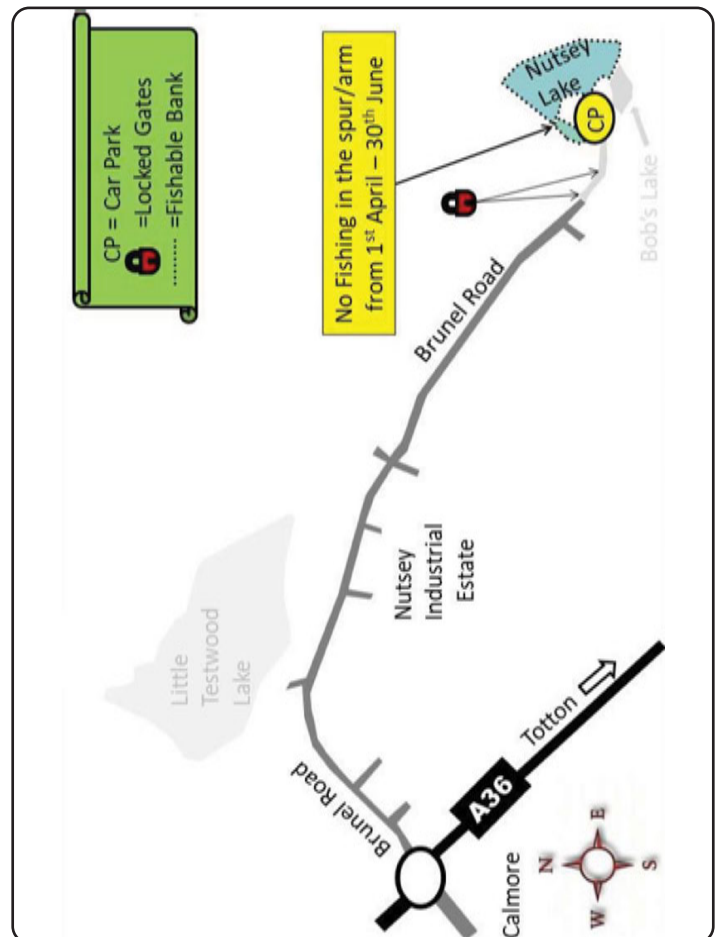
This lake contains: - Tench, Pike, Roach, Rudd, Bream, Perch, Carp & Eels.

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Nutsey Lake SO40 3YS



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Nutsey Lake SO40 3YS

From Calmore/Nutsey Industrial Estate roundabout on the A36, turn into (Brunell Road) all the way to the end.

Parking is available at this point (see map). Access to Nutsey Lake car park is directly ahead through the locked gate and down the unmaked track.

Both gates must be locked at all times when not in use and must be locked immediately behind you.

Description

This lake was formerly a gravel pit and subsequently is fairly deep in places and so care must be taken, especially younger members. In the summer months the lake can become fairly weedy but without detriment to the fishing. It holds a good stock of fish, many to specimen size, these include Common, Mirror and Crucian Carp, Tench, Chub, Roach, Rudd, Perch, Pike and Eels.

Local Rules

Guest Tickets allowed.

No fishing in the spur/arm from 1st. April through 30th. June - see map.

3 rods allowed in season - see by-law 30.

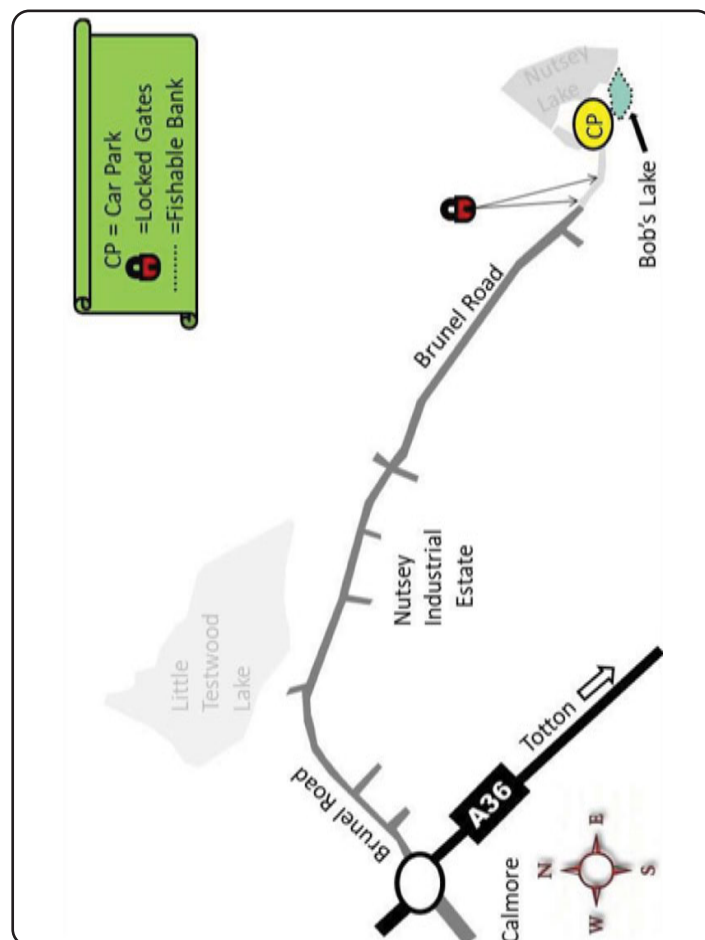
There is a toilet at this venue.

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Bob's Lake SO40 3YS



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From Calmore/Nutsey Industrial Estate roundabout on the A36, turn into (Brunell Road) all the way to the end. Parking is available at this point (see map). Access to Nutsey car park is directly ahead through the locked gate and down the unmaked track.

Both gates must be locked at all times when not in use and must be locked immediately behind you.

Local Rules

Guest Tickets allowed.

Night fishing allowed with a Night Fishing Ticket.

Description

This lake contains Roach, Rudd, Tench, Crucian Carp, Perch, Pike & Eels.

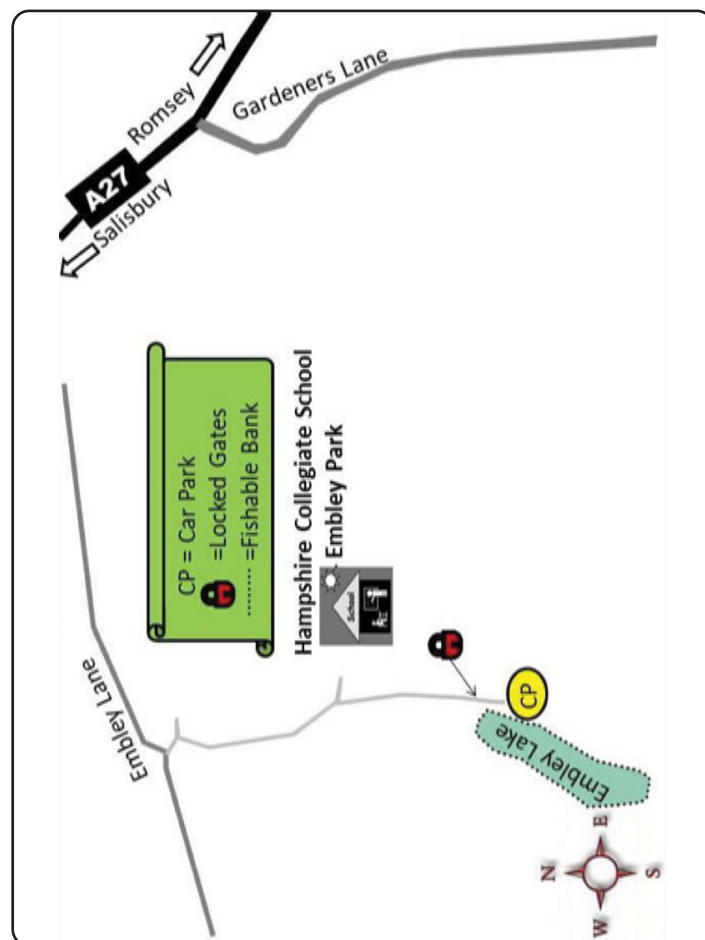
There is a toilet at this venue.

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Embley Lake SO51 6DN



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Embley Lake SO51 6DN

From Romsey take A27 towards Whiteparish 1.75 mile from Romsey turn left into Embley Lane (2nd turning on the left) approx. 0.5 mile, at the bottom of the hill, turn left into "Home Farm" entrance. Bear right in front of farm buildings. **5 Miles Per Hour Speed Limit.** Proceed along track for 0.25 mile, the lake is on the right. Cars to be parked in car parks. Stay within fenced area at all times.

Local Rules

No access through school grounds.

Night fishing is allowed with a 3rd. Rod/Night Ticket.

Guest tickets allowed.

3 Rods allowed in season - See By-law 30

This lake contains: Pike, Perch, Bream, Roach, Eels, Crucian Carp, specimen Carp and Tench.

There is a Toilet at this venue.

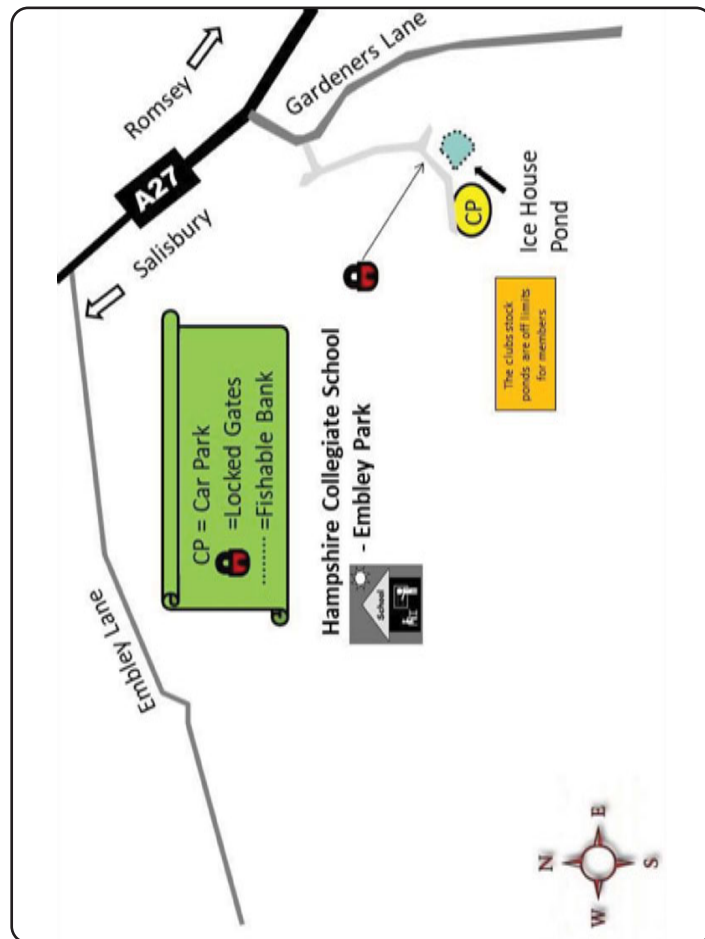
Embley may be used as a reserve venue for matches (see by-law 35)

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Ice House Pond SO51 6DN



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Ice House Pond SO51 6DN

From Romsey take A27 towards Whiteparish. 1.5 miles from Romsey, take first turning on left. Proceed down this road for approx. 150 yards and then turn right (opposite Toll Cottage) onto gravel track, then left onto tarmac track. Approx. 100 yards turn right at division of track and park near pond.

Keep access tracks clear.

Access round pond only - there is no access into surrounding grounds.

Local Rules

Groundbait to be used in moderation.

This small pond contains mainly: Crucian Carp, Carp, Tench, Perch, Roach Rudd, and Eels.

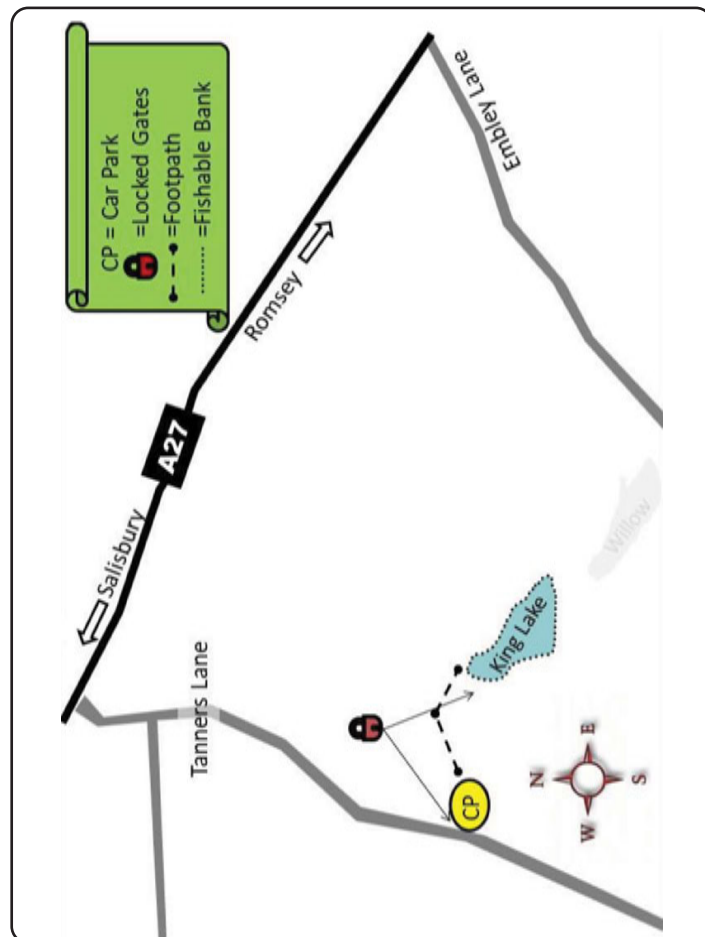
Guest tickets allowed.

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Kings Lake SO51 6DN



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Kings Lake SO51 6DN

From Romsey take A27 towards Whiteparish, 2.25 miles from Romsey turn left into Tanners Lane. Approx. 0.25 mile, turn left into car park (opposite a house called "Merryhill"). Cars must not block the access to either the car parks or the private house or the Vineyard. Use the footpath leading from car park.

No access to lake across the field.

There is a car park in Embley Lane for members.

There is a Portaloo in the Embley Lane members car park.

Local Rules

Night fishing is allowed on Kings Lake with a Night Ticket.

Guest Tickets allowed.

No keepnets are to be used on Kings Lake unless used during a club match.

Only barbless hooks to be used.

No Parking in Embley Lane

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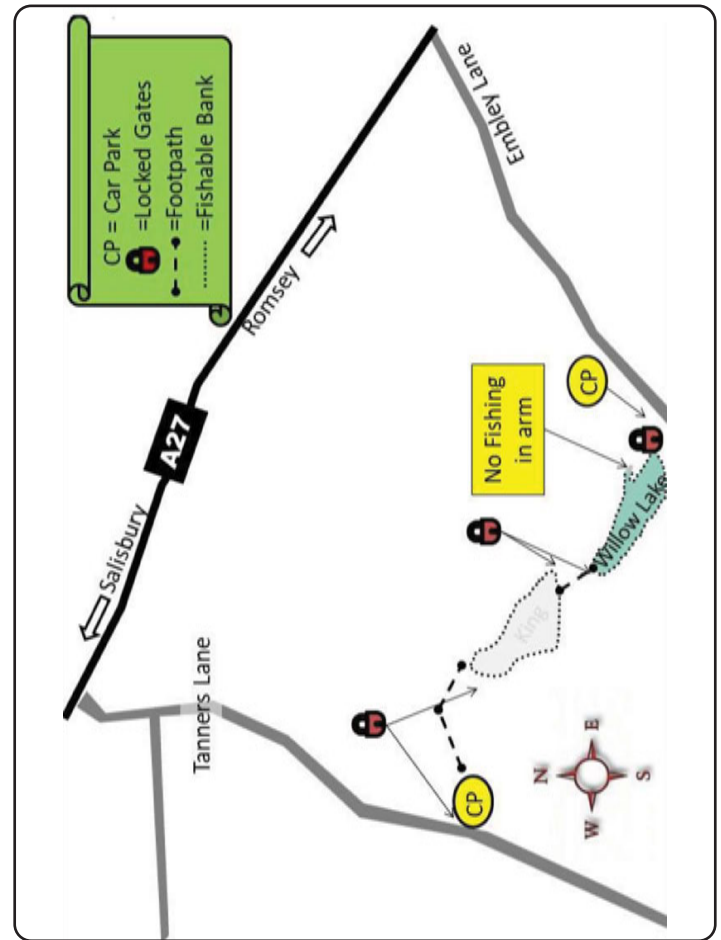
This lake contains: - Carp, Roach, Rudd, Specimen Perch, Eels

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Willow Lake SO51 6DN



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Willow Lake SO51 6DN

From Romsey take A27 towards Whiteparish, 2.25 miles from Romsey turn left into Tanners Lane. Approx. 0.25 mile, turn left into car park (opposite a house called "Merryhill"). Cars must not block the access to either the car parks or the private house or the Vineyard.

No access to the lake across the fields always use the track leading from car park.

There is a car park in Embley Lane for members.

There is a Portaloo in the Embley Lane members car park.

Local Rules

Guest Ticket allowed.

No night fishing is allowed on Willow Lake.

No parking in Embley Lane.

No fishing in the finger bay of Willow Lake.

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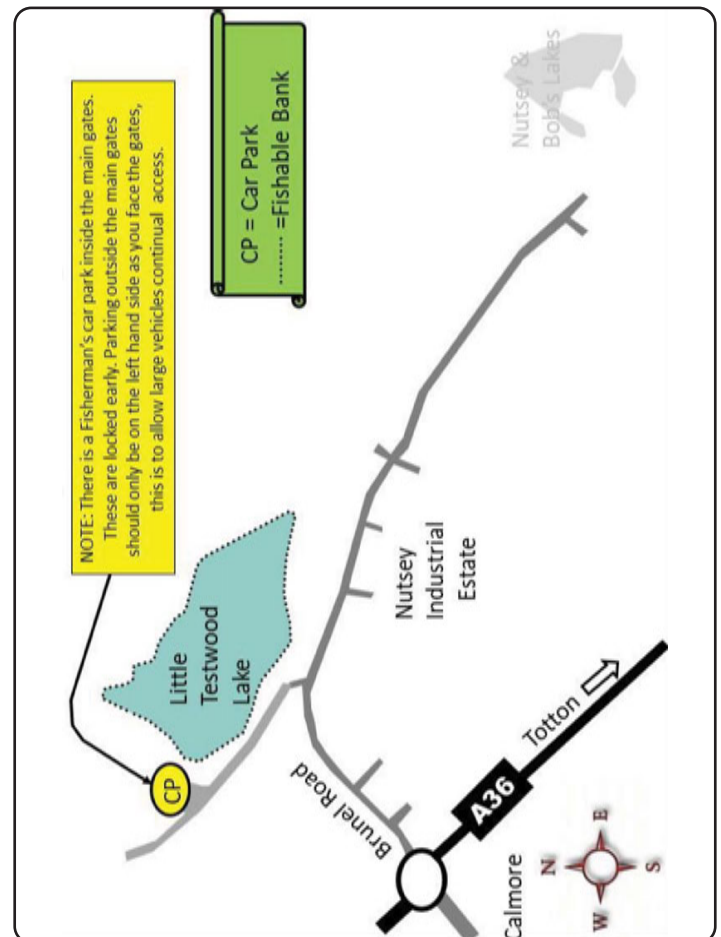
These lakes contain: - Carp, Bream, Roach, Rudd, Specimen Perch, Goldfish, Tench, Eels and Crucian Carp.

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Little Testwood Lake (Reservoir) SO40 3YD



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Little Testwood Lake (Reservoir) SO40 3YD

The car park for this reservoir is next to Brunel Road on the Nutsey Industrial Estate near Calmore, Totton. The Industrial Estate is just off of the A36.

Description

This new lake contains Bream, Roach, Tench, Rudd, Chub, Eels, Pike and Perch.

The lake is very deep so care should be taken whilst fishing.

Local Rules

Barbless hooks only.

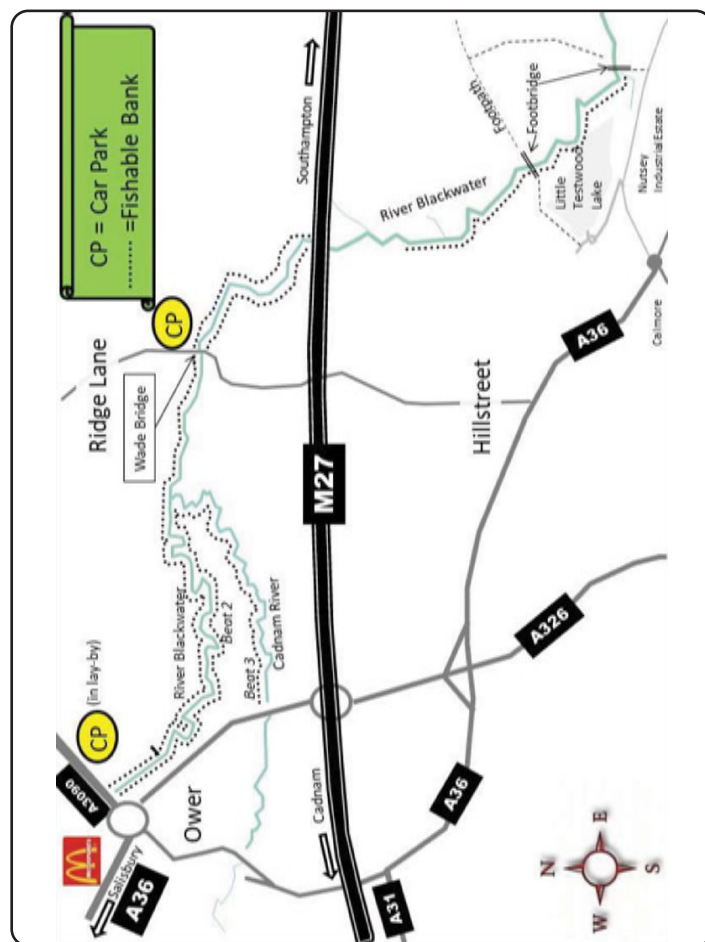
Closed Season 15th March to 16th June applies.

Note

All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings **MUST** be dried before being used on this water.

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Blackwater & Cadnam Rivers SO51 6AB, SO40 3QU



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Blackwater & Cadnam Rivers SO51 6AB, SO40 3QU

Ower

Take the A36 Salisbury Road from Totton until you reach the Ower roundabout. Take the A3090 towards Romsey. Return towards the roundabout via the A3090 and before the roundabout is a lay-by on the left.

Fishing is only DOWNSTREAM of the A3090 bridge down as far as its junction with the Cadnam River (Beat 3).

No fishing north/upstream of the A3090 bridge.

Cadnam River

Fishing is on the north bank (Beat 3) downstream only of the A36 bridge, down to where it joins the Blackwater.

Wade Bridge

Take the A36 from Totton then turn right into Hill Street. Pass over the M27 and eventually you will pass over a small bridge. Park carefully on the right just over the bridge in the spaces provided.

Nutsey

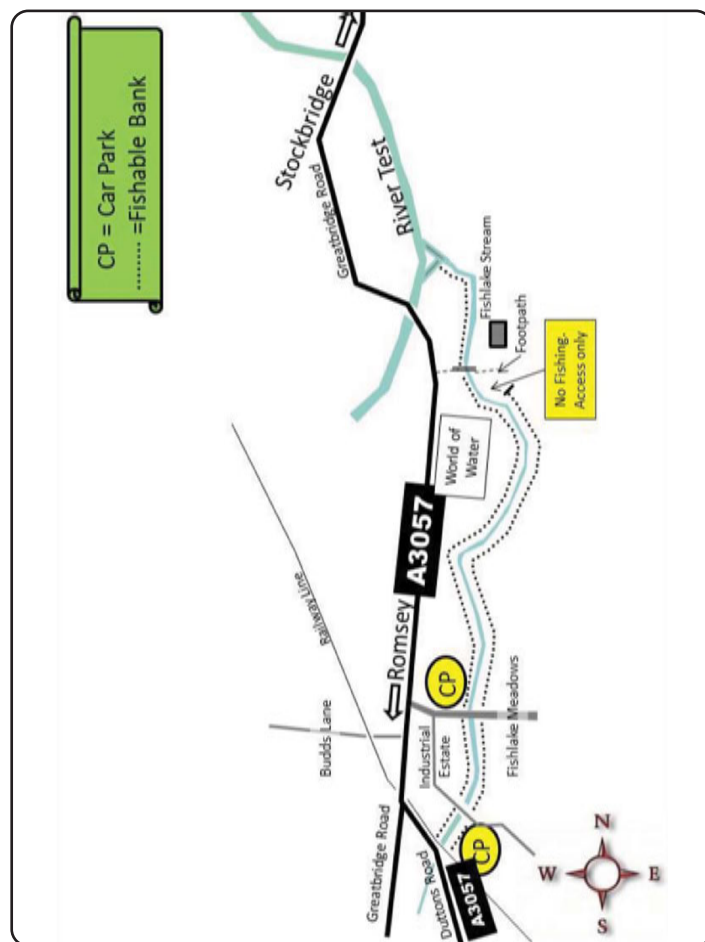
Fishing is on the west bank from the public footbridge near the water works offices upstream to a point where the gas pipeline crosses (peg 4).

Access is via this public footpath to the adjoining footpath and the 2nd white bridge. No access via Broadlands lake end.

These rivers contain: Trout, Dace, Pike, Perch, Roach, Gudgeon, Grayling and Chub.

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Fishlake Stream SO51 0HB



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Fishlake Stream SO51 0HB

From Romsey take A3057 for approx. 0.5 mile. Turn right after railway bridge. Car parking as indicated.

Local Rules

Top boundary is the concrete sluice. Bottom boundary is railway bridge.

No fishing into River Test.

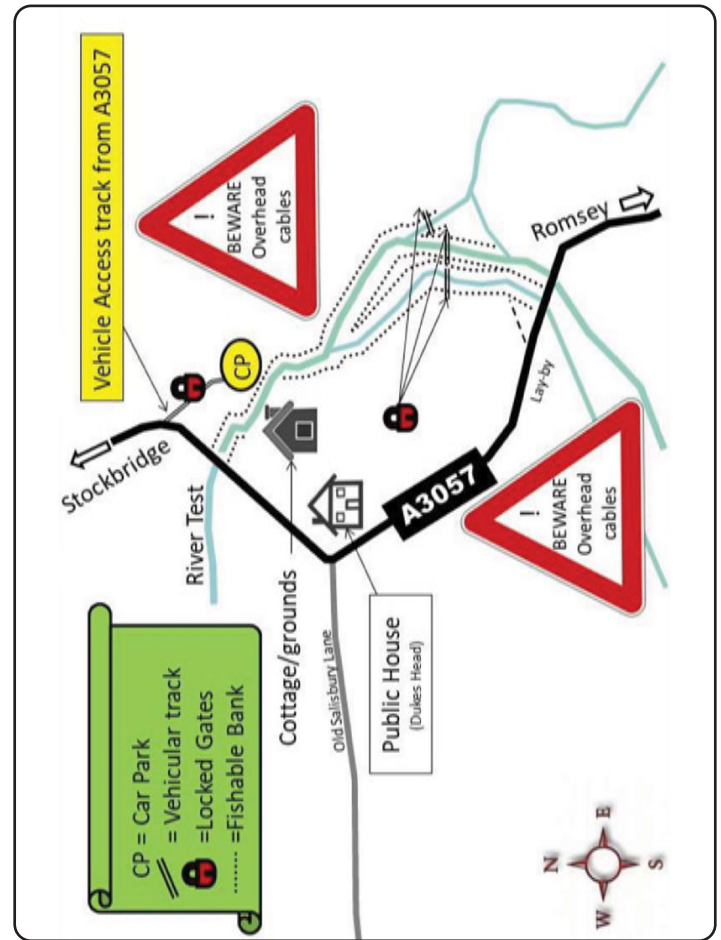
Fishing bank as indicated.

Description

River contains: Trout, Pike, Dace, Grayling, Chub, Gudgeon, Roach and Eels.

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River Test (Romsey) SO51 0HP



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River Test (Romsey) SO51 0HP

There are only limited tickets available for this stretch of the River Test

*** All Tickets Must Be Booked in Advance ***

For more information on the fishery and to book tickets please go to our website.

<https://tvacpsangling.com/booking/>

Members only, no guest tickets allowed and not available through exchange book arrangements.

*** Absolutely NO Admittance Outside of Your Allotted Booking ***

Fishing is permitted on all banks from bridge to bridge, including all islands, except for the garden of the cottage. Access to far bank from car park, either across bridge (dangerous) or via islands, or from lay-by at downstream end.

The River contains: - Carp, Grayling, Roach, Chub, Perch, Dace, Pike, Eels and Gudgeon

Local Rules

Fishing from 1st November to 14th march. Fishing times from dawn to dusk.

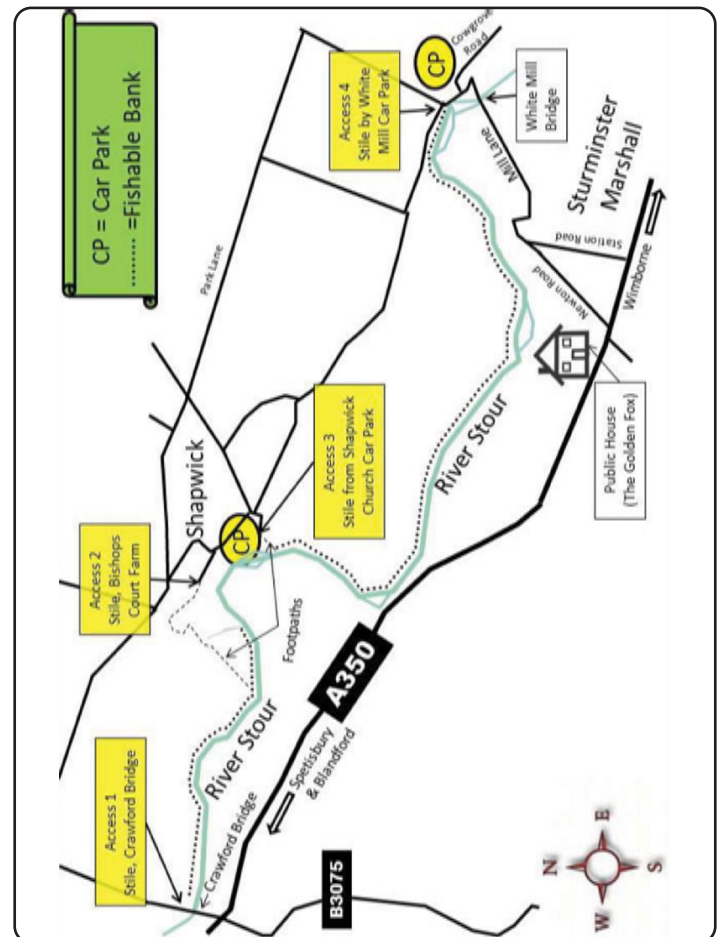
Barbless hooks only. **All fish to be returned**, including salmon & trout.

No access through gardens on river bank. No wading

Watch out for overhead power cables!

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River Stour (Sturminster Marshall) BH21 4AJ



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River Stour (Sturminster Marshall) BH21 4AJ

At the A31 roundabout take the A350 Blandford Road. Take the 1st. right turn into Station Road. Follow the road past the Red Lion Pub and park in car park just past the White Mill Bridge. A further car park is available at Shapwick (see map).

This venue can involve a long walk as it is approximately 3.5 miles long.

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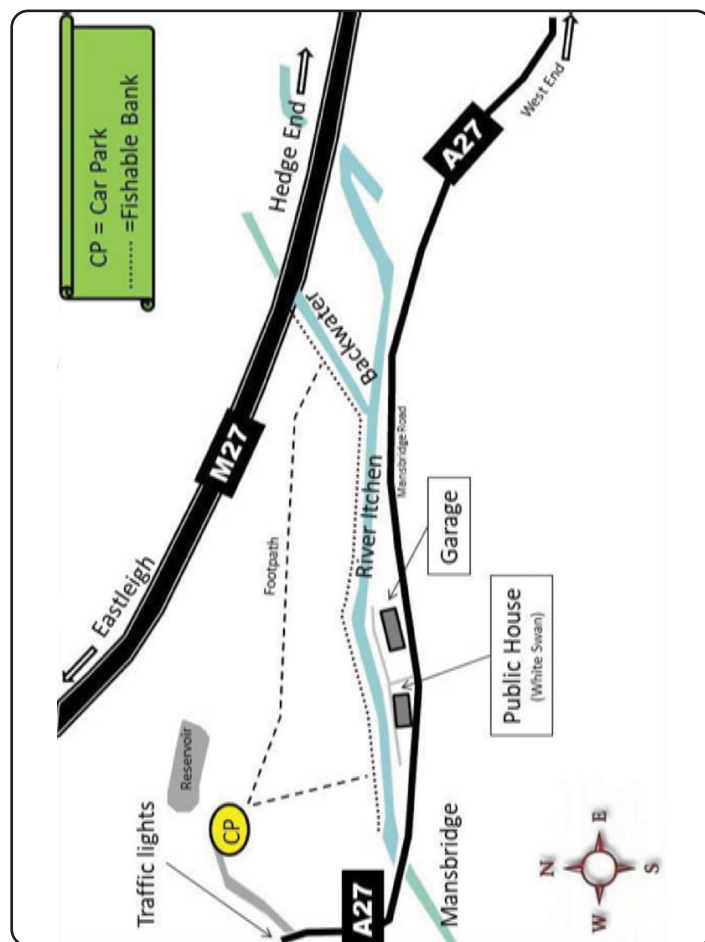
River contains: - Chub, Pike, Roach, Barbel, Dace, Carp, Gudgeon, Eels and Perch.

Fishing bank as indicated.

Any information on fish caught from this venue would be appreciated by the committee to complete our records.

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River Itchen (Mansbridge) SO18 2DT



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Take the A27 to the White Swan Pub. Park in the Mansbridge Reservoir car park (Take care with your vehicle). Carry on down footpath to the backwater or across the green to the main river. Fish where indicated on the map.

Description

This venue contains specimen Chub, carp, Roach, Grayling, Dace, Pike, Perch, Eels, Gudgeon and Flounders.

BY-LAWS

- a) **Any member failing to observe any of the following By-laws shall be liable to suffer disciplinary measures as in Rule 7(a) of the Constitution of the Club.**
- b) **All of the following By-laws are subject to the individual rules affecting each water.**
 1. Litter is not to be left by any member. Each member shall be held responsible for any litter found in the vicinity of his chosen place of fishing whether it has been left by him or not. Likewise discarded line, shot, hooks, tin cans, glass bottles and plastic bags shall be considered litter.
 2. No entertainment equipment is to be used on Club waters other than those used with personal headphones.
 3. Boats and guns are strictly forbidden on Club waters or property, unless under the control of an officer of the Club.
 4. Open fires are forbidden on Club waters or property, unless under the control of an officer of the Club.
 5. All Barbel caught must be returned to the water immediately after weighing. Carp and all other species of 5lb and over must not be retained in any form of keep-net. The weighing of any fish must be done using a properly designed weigh-net or sling. The welfare of the fish is paramount at all times.
 6. Bivvies/umbrellas are allowed on Club waters. However, access must be available to Club members to walk past the bivvy/umbrella. Common sense must prevail and any disputes must be brought before the Head Bailiff to resolve. Bivvies/umbrellas must be a colour sympathetic to the surroundings. Other types of tents are not permitted.
 7. No fish are to be transferred from, or to, any Club water. All fish are to be returned alive, except fish under 6 inches which can be used for live baiting, and in season Trout which may be taken at the member's discretion subject to the minimum size limits, stipulated by the Environment Agency (see Useful Information) and are subject to each waters individual rules. No more than two Trout may be taken in any one day but always subject to a valid licence.

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8. No excess bait is to be thrown into the water or left on the bank side. This shall be classed as litter.
9. Every member must have in his possession whilst fishing Club waters a disgorging or forceps, unhooking mat and a landing net of knotless construction and at least 15 inches (37.5cm) wide, a current membership warrant and a valid EA rod and line licence. Unhooking mats must be of a suitable size and design for the species you may encounter when fishing.
10. Where keep-nets are permitted, they must conform to the latest EA requirements.
11. No baited tackle is to be left unattended at any time, whether in or out of the water.
12. Members are to fish with no more than two rods at any time, the rods being no more than two metres apart, other than in the context of Rule 30.
13. No swim is to be occupied unless being fished. The leaving of tackle in order to reserve a swim is strictly forbidden.
14. Strictly no multi-hook rigs to be used (with the exception of wire trace snap tackle for Pike, though Pike anglers are requested to use single hooks on a wire trace where possible).
15. Fishing on all Club Waters (except where night fishing is allowed) is restricted to that time between one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset. Where night fishing is allowed, only bank side illumination for the purpose of baiting up or unhooking is permitted.
16. Any form of Bean, Pulse (pea) or Nut baits are strictly forbidden.
17. Dogs are strictly forbidden on Club waters or property.
18. No swimming or bathing in Club waters.
19. Certain sizes of lead shot are now illegal. Members must ensure that they comply with the law. Leads smaller than 1 ounce are currently illegal.
20. No gaff hooks, gorge hooks or jaggings (stroke hauling). No bent hooks or fixed leads for Carp fishing or fixed frame feeder rigs to be used on Club waters.
21. Bad Language, shouting and running is strictly forbidden.

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also banned, i.e. Tiger Nuts & Peanuts. (see bylaw 16)

34. Spinners must be over one and a half inches/35mm. long when used on the River Blackwater to protect the native Trout.
35. In the event of a river being unfishable for the purpose of holding a match, Embley Lake will be used as the reserve venue; however, the water will not be closed.
36. Club officials have the authority to ask any angler to reel in and check terminal tackle.
37. Visiting Exchange Book Holders from other Clubs are not permitted to fish at night on any Club waters and are restricted to fish to that time between one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset.
38. Bait Boats are strictly forbidden on Club waters or property.
39. All landing nets, keep nets, un-hooking mats and weigh slings MUST be dried before being used on all of our still waters.

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22. Membership warrants are not transferable. Members found transferring tickets will be expelled. Up to date photographs must be provided each year when subscriptions are paid.
23. Boilies should only be used in moderation.
24. Any Club member showing his own membership warrant can challenge any other person to produce his membership warrant, guest ticket or exchange book. Members should do this in order to ensure only bona-fide Club members and guests fish our waters.
25. Members must abide by the country code, as well as the fishing code, paying particular attention to the shutting and locking of gates and the protection of property.
26. Juniors when night fishing, must be accompanied by an Adult Member or Non-fishing Member, each of eighteen years of age or over, who shall be responsible for their charges conduct and safety at all times. They must be fishing in adjacent swims and no further apart. Members under the age of eighteen years shall be deemed by the club to have obtained the consent of their parent or guardian when fishing at any time.
27. No riding of bicycles around Club waters or on Club land.
28. No Pike Fishing between 1st June and 30th September inclusive, on all club lakes. Live baits must be 6 inches or less and be used in the water that they were caught from. No shop bought coarse fish dead baits, only sea dead baits to be used.
29. No alcohol or illegal substances to be taken onto Club waters or properties.
30. A third rod may be used from the same peg from 1st November to the last day of February on the following Lakes:- Marchwood, Embley and Nutsey. An additional fee must be paid on application to the club. If using a third rod, a 3 rod or 2x2 rod Environment Agency licence is required. When fishing for Pike two rods only.
31. When fishing for Pike and Carp, a landing net with arms of not less than 32 inches (81cm.) must be used. Anglers must also have in use an unhooking mat.
32. Marker floats must be immediately removed from the water after casting out your last baited rod.
33. The use of imitation baits mimicking any natural BANNED bait is

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Match Rules

1. Ground bait may be wetted and keepnets positioned and the depth of the swim can be plumbed before the starting signal, but no other breaking of the water is allowed.
2. A competitor shall have in use only one rod, one line and one hook at one and the same time but may have other rods assembled for use, placed behind the competitor.
3. Competitors may use catapults, throwing sticks, swim feeder, bait droppers, but no artificial aids.
4. All fish must be kept alive in a knotless keepnet at least 8 feet in length and 15 inches in diameter. At every club match, all persons should bring at least 2 keepnets.
5. All fish shall be eligible for weighing-in except out of season fish and Trout, Salmon & Pike.
6. Any bait may be used except live or dead fish, spinning, artificial lures or any bait banned under bye-law 16.
7. Any competitor leaving his peg must withdraw tackle and bait from water, hooks must not be left baited on the bank.
8. All competitors must play and land their own fish. Fish hooked prior to the finish signal may be weighed if landed within 15 minutes of the finishing signal.
9. Peg numbers must not be changed after the draw.
10. Contestants found to have litter at their pegs will be disqualified.
11. Stewards decision shall be final regarding the weight of any catch.
12. Any complaints about behaviour of another competitor must be made within 30 minutes of the end of the Match.
13. No fishing will be allowed after the finishing signal until the competitor's fish have been weighed.
14. River Fishing -Your swim starts from your peg, you may move downstream to cover the water but no closer than 5 yards to the next competitor's peg.

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15. Lake Fishing - Competitors must remain within area 3 feet either side of their peg. The fishing limit shall be a line midway between the pegs on either side, also no casting more than half way across a lake when the opposite bank is pegged.
16. All pegs not to be collected until after the match.
17. Any competitor found to be in contravention of these rules shall be liable to disqualification or any other penalty thought fit by the Match Committee.
18. All entrants to a match should be weighed in even if they are subject to a disqualification.
19. On club waters where Pike or Carp are present, an unhooking mat and sling net will accompany the weighing scales.

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unaccompanied and is not permitted to take juniors or juveniles fishing on club waters at any time.

Only Full Adult, Honorary, Full OAP, Full disabled and Life members are allowed to vote at Club meetings.

All members are entitled to attend club meetings.

a) Full Adult Members:

All members 16 years or over living within a thirty-mile radius of Romsey Town Hall, Romsey, Hampshire.

Full Adult Members over 18 may add their partner and any children under 16 years of age to their application form. The partner and children are entitled to fish but must be accompanied at all times by the Full Adult Member. This is a concession, partner/children of the Full Adult Member have no rights to vote at General Meeting, or to stand, or to hold any office of the Club.

b) Associate Adult Members:

All members 16 years or over living outside a thirty-mile radius of Romsey Town Hall, Romsey Hants. Associate members shall not be permitted to vote at general meetings of the Club.

Associate Adult Members over 18 may add their partner and any children under 16 years of age to their application form. The partner and children are entitled to fish but must be accompanied at all times by the Associate Adult Member.

c) Junior Members:

All members falling within the age range 13 to 15 years inclusive.

Any person reaching their 13th birthday on or before the 1st of April in the year, shall be considered to come under the junior classification and therefore liable to pay the appropriate fees and subscriptions.

Juniors must be accompanied by an Adult or Non-fishing Member of 18 years of age or over when night fishing.

d) Juvenile Members:

All members falling within the age range 12 years and under on the 1st of April. Juvenile members must be accompanied by an Adult member of 18 years of age or over at all times whilst on club

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The Constitution

Where applicable, in the following Constitution and By-laws of the Club, wording importing the masculine shall be taken to include the feminine, similarly, wording importing the singular shall be taken to include the plural and vice-versa.

1. Name of The Club

The name of the Club shall be Test Valley Angling Club and Southampton Piscatorial Society.

2. Objects of The Club

The objects of the Club shall be to obtain and manage waters for it's members to fish, and to promote the interests of freshwater angling generally.

The Club will not be dissolved, if after calling a General Meeting, there are two or more members wishing to continue the business and objectives of the Club.

3. Members

a) The Committee shall determine the Maximum number of members permitted in the Club at any one time.

b) Application for membership of the Club shall not be passed or accepted unless the application form is completed fully and correctly. Any entry upon the form subsequently found to be untrue or inaccurate shall automatically nullify the form, and immediately invoke cancellation of any membership already granted. The applicant, or member, shall then have to re-apply.

c) The Committee reserve the right to refuse admission of an applicant without giving a reason for that refusal.

4. Classes of Membership

The class of membership is conditional on the applicant's age on the 1st of April of the year.

An Adult is considered to be any person reaching their sixteenth birthday on or before the 1st of April in any year and therefore liable to pay the appropriate fees and subscriptions.

Any Adult Member aged 16 or 17 years must obtain their parent/guardian signature before fishing on club waters

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property or fishing club waters. When night fishing Juveniles must be accompanied by their parent or guardian who must be an Adult or Non-fishing Member over the age of 18.

Juveniles will only be admitted to the membership of the club with the counter signature of one of the parents or guardians.

e) Honorary Membership:

Elected as such by the Committee and shall enjoy all those rights and privileges accorded to Full Members without subscription. These shall be reviewed annually by the Committee.

f) Non-fishing Membership:

Open to those adults who wish to belong to the Club but who do not wish to fish. Such members shall not be entitled to vote at General Meetings of the Club.

g) Full OAP members:

A member who is 65 or more years of age living within a thirty-mile radius of Romsey Town Hall, Romsey Hants.

OAP members must show proof of reaching 65 years of age on or before the 1st of April in the current membership year when joining the club. Full OAP membership carries the same entitlements as a Full Adult Membership, including the right to vote at General Meetings.

h) Associate OAP Members:

A member who is 65 or more years of age living outside a thirty-mile radius of Romsey Town Hall, Romsey Hants.

OAP members must show proof of reaching 65 years of age on or before the 1st of April in the current membership year when joining the club. Associate OAP membership carries the same restrictions as an Associate Adult membership, including no voting right at General Meetings.

i) Full Disabled Members:

Disabled members living within a thirty-mile radius of Romsey Town Hall, Romsey Hants. must show Disability Living Allowance Book or Blue Badge when joining the club. Disabled membership carries the same entitlements as a Full Adult Membership including the right to vote at General Meetings.

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j) Associate Disabled Members:

Disabled members living outside a thirty-mile radius of Romsey Town Hall, Romsey Hants. must show Disability Living Allowance Book or Blue Badge when joining the club. Disabled membership carries the same restrictions as an Associate Adult Membership, including no voting right at General Meetings.

k) Life Membership:

Life Membership will be considered by the committee after a minimum of 14 years of outstanding service to the Club.

l) 3rd Rod / Night Ticket:

This facility is available to all members. This can be paid for at any time prior to using a 3rd Rod or Night Fishing.

A 3rd Rod can only be used between 1st November and the end of February on limited waters.

Where night fishing is permitted, a Night Fishing Ticket is required to fish on those Lakes between Dusk and Dawn.

Juniors must be accompanied by a member over 18 years of age when night fishing and Juveniles must be accompanied by their Parent or Guardian who must be a member over the age of 18 when night fishing.

5. Subscriptions and Entrance Fees

- a) New Members shall pay an entrance fee upon joining the club, along with an annual subscription. Thereafter, they shall only pay an annual subscription.
- b) Entrance fees and the annual subscription shall be such sums as determined solely by the Committee.
- c) Subscriptions shall not be paid before the 1st April in each year but shall become due on that date. Members failing to renew membership by the 30th of April of the same year shall cease to be members, such persons failing to re-join by 31st of March the following year will have to apply for membership and pay the entrance fees as In Rule 5(a) as well as being liable to join the membership waiting list.

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1. President: The Committee shall elect a President of the Club who shall serve until death or resignation or until removed from office by the resolution of the Committee.
2. Vice Presidents: The Committee shall, from time to time, elect Vice Presidents of the Club the terms of office being as those of the office of president. This position shall be used by the Committee to especially honour those that the Committee feels have served the Club and it's aims exceptionally well. The number of Vice-Presidents the Club shall have at any one time shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

b) The Committee:

The Committee shall consist of the following Officers of the Club: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Specimen Fish Officer, Head Bailiff, Match Secretary, Maintenance Officer, Social Secretary, Planning Officer, IT Officer, Media Officer, Committee Members (without portfolio), Fisheries Officer, Minutes Officer.

All shall be elected from the membership at an AGM and shall serve for a term of two years. All positions shall be Honorary. The positions of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary shall be Ex Officio. The Term ex-officio shall be taken to refer to all those persons having served a full term of office on the Committee. Upon completion of such a term of office, that person shall be forever regarded as ex-officio and therefore eligible to stand for election to an ex-officio position at any time, unless that person has at any time previously been removed from office under Rule 7 or Rule 11(iv).

c) Trustees:

The committee shall elect three Trustees, who shall serve until death or resignation or until removed from office by resolution of the Committee. Any vacancy occurring shall be filled by appointment by the Committee during any period after the vacancy occurs. Before it is filled, the remaining Trustees shall continue to act as such, provided there are at least two. The property of the Club, excepting cash and chattels, shall be vested in the Trustees, to be dealt with by them as the Committee shall from time to time, by resolution direct. The Club shall indemnify the Trustees for any actions brought

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- d) Cheques must be made payable to Test Valley Angling Club and submitted to the Membership Secretary or paid in at a specially convened membership evening.
- e) All members shall notify the Membership Secretary/Secretary or the Treasurer of any change of address.
- f) There will be an administration charge for the replacement of lost membership warrants which will be decided annually by the Committee.

6. Resignation

Any Member may resign his membership of the Club at any time by notice in writing to the Secretary. In any such case, the Club shall not be liable for the refund of any fees or subscriptions paid.

7. Discipline

- a) The Committee shall have the right to suspend, expel or otherwise reprimand any member who shall be considered to be in breach of Club rules or whose conduct could be construed as injurious to the reputation or well-being of the Club or who could be considered to have acted in an unsportsmanlike manner.
- b) No member shall be disciplined under Rule 7(a) without his first being summoned in writing on a stated charge (at least seven days beforehand), in order that he shall have a full opportunity to state his case in his defence.
- c) The Committees power to discipline a member will be by a simple majority of those present at a properly convened Committee meeting. Any member so disciplined shall have the right of appeal.
- d) Any member suspended or expelled from the Club shall not be entitled to any refund of any fees or subscriptions paid. In the case of expulsion, the former member shall not be permitted to re-join the Club without first applying to the Secretary in writing for permission to do so. The Secretary will notify the Committee decision to him. They will be required to return the club key(s).
- e) Any person who has been suspended or expelled from the Club shall not under any circumstances enter upon any Club facility.

8. Officers of The Club

- a) Honorary President & Vice President:

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against the Club in respect of the properties held in their names. The Committee shall have the power to authorise the Club's Trustees to enter into capital loan agreements, or mortgage agreements, on its behalf in order to facilitate the purchase of land, riverbeds, lakes or equipment to the Club's benefit. The Committee shall have the authority to permit the Club's Trustees to use the Club's existing assets or any assets being purchased, as collateral if necessary. In all such cases, the Club shall indemnify the Trustees against any personal loss.

d) Bailiffs:

The Club shall endeavour to employ a team of voluntary Bailiffs, who shall work under the direction of the Head Bailiff. They shall be responsible for the enforcement of the Club's rules and by-laws. The Head Bailiff shall have served a minimum of two years concurrent service as a bailiff of TVAC. In the event of there being no eligible nominee the Committee shall exercise its discretion.

e) Auditors and Club Accounts:

Auditors for the Club's accounts shall be elected at an AGM following the same procedures as those for the election of Committee Officers. The Auditors shall serve for a term of two years. The Club's accounts shall close on the 31st of December each year.

f) Solicitors:

Solicitors to act on behalf of the Club shall be appointed by the Committee.

g) Conflict of Interest:

The Committee shall have the power to remove from office any Club Official that it considers to have a conflict of interest. Subject to a vote of 2/3rds in favour by the full committee. A Committee member shall not hold office in any other freshwater Angling Club, Fishing Club or Fishing Syndicate.

9. Legal Proceedings

The Committee shall have the power to take and defend legal actions in order to further the objects of the Club. Any expenditure of Club funds for such purposes shall be shown as such in the Club accounts

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and shall be presented to the next occurring AGM following the termination of any such litigation for ratification.

10. Management & Interpretation

The Management of the Club shall be vested solely and entirely in the Committee. The Committee shall be the sole authority for the interpretation of the Club Rules and By-laws and the decision of the Committee on any question of the interpretation shall be final and binding upon the membership.

11. Meetings

a) Committee Meetings

- i) The Committee shall meet when necessary, but not less than monthly, to conduct the business of the club. A quorum at any Committee meeting shall be six, and no business of the Club shall be decided upon unless a quorum is present. A quorum shall be deemed to include the Chairman of such a meeting. Minutes shall be taken at every Committee meeting, a copy of those minutes to be signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting and kept in a safe place by the Honorary Chairman as a record of the business of the Club.
- ii) The Committee shall have the power to co-opt members to fill any vacancy that may arise on the Committee or for other special purposes. Such co-opted members shall have no power to vote at Committee Meetings, though in the case of members co-opted to fill Committee vacancies, they shall have the right to put themselves forward for election to those positions proper at the next occurring AGM.
- iii) At Committee meetings the Hon. Chairman shall take the Chair; or if he is not present, the Vice-Chairman, or if he is not present, a Committee member elected from those Committee members present. The Chair shall hold only a casting vote, to be used in the event of a proposition receiving an equal number of votes both for and against. The Chair shall hold the sole authority of decision on any question of proceedings at a Committee meeting.
- iv) Any Committee member missing three consecutive Committee meetings shall forfeit his seat unless he can show just cause to the satisfaction of the committee.

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The Chair shall hold the sole authority of decision on any question of procedure at a general meeting.

- e) Only Full (Adult, AOP, Disabled) Members shall be entitled to vote at a general meeting, and shall carry with them their current membership warrant to produce for inspection prior to being given a voting card. Though Partners and Children, Associate, Junior and Juvenile members shall have no vote at general meetings, they shall be made welcome and shall be entitled to put forward their own views and propositions.
- f) Except as otherwise provided for elsewhere in the Rules, a simple majority vote of those present and voting shall carry any resolution or proposition, including the amending and repealing of the rules and by-laws of the Club.
- g) The Chair may, if he so decides, include in the business of the meeting any motion raised under the heading Any Other Business, provided that he feels the motion to be worthy of discussion. The Chair's decision on any such matter shall be final and binding upon those present.
- h) Balance sheets and copies of previous year's AGM minutes must be made available for member's perusal upon request at least seven days prior to AGM.

13. Access to Club Facilities

No person shall be entitled to enter Club property or fish Club waters until they have been accepted as a bona-fide member of the Club and have paid all those relevant fees and subscriptions due.

All members must have a current membership warrant in their possession which they must carry with them at all times whilst on club property or fishing club waters and exchange waters. Entrance to General meetings will require the production of the membership warrant. Any member using Club facilities or on Club property, on being approached by a Club Bailiff showing his Bailiffs Warrant, must produce his own membership warrant and Environment Agency / Rod Licence / Permit for that Bailiffs inspection. He must also comply with any reasonable request that bailiff might make. Failure to comply with this rule shall leave that member open to disciplinary action.

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b) Annual General Meetings (AGM)

An AGM shall be held in each and every year, not later than the 31st March, to consider the following: - The Audited balance sheet: The appointment of Committee officers, Auditors and any resolution put forward by the members under Constitution Rule 12 or by the Committee.

c) Extraordinary General Meetings

An Extraordinary general meeting may be called at any time that the Committee might determine, either for their own reasons or upon receipt of a letter duly signed by at least fifty current Full (Adult, OAP, Disabled) Members in their own hand calling for such a meeting and stating the reasons why. Any member signing such a letter, shall write his full name and membership number alongside his signature in a legible manner, this being for the purposes of verification, failure to do so rendering the letter invalid. Upon receipt of such a letter, the Committee shall call an extraordinary meeting within twenty-eight days where possible.

12. Notice & Proceedings at General Meetings

- a) Notice of the time, date and location of every general meeting, including notice of the closing date for the submission of resolutions, shall be sent to each member at his last known address at least ten days before the date of that meeting.
- b) Notice of any resolutions to be moved at a general meeting, unless proposed by the Committee, shall be submitted to the Hon. Chairman before the 31st of December preceding the AGM and shall be signed by the member proposing and the member seconding. Any such resolution unless withdrawn by the proposer, shall be included in the business of the meeting.
- c) At any general meeting, thirty-five members shall be a quorum. No business of the Club shall be decided upon unless a quorum is present.
- d) At any general meeting, the Hon. Chairman or in the case of his absence, the Vice-Chairman, or in the case of the absence of both, a member elected from those present shall take the chair. The Chair shall carry only a casting vote, to be used in the event of a proposition receiving an equal number of votes both for and against.

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14. Guest Tickets

Members shall be able to apply for up to two Guest Tickets at any one time. These shall only be issued to adult members (not juniors or juveniles) who must specify which water they wish to take the guest(s) to (which will then be entered upon the ticket, the ticket then being valid for that water only) and who must accompany that guest(s) at all times whilst on Club property or fishing Club waters. Guest Tickets shall only be valid for the day specified on the ticket, and then only for that time between one hour before sunrise and one hour after sunset. Guest Tickets must be paid for on collection and must be requested at least forty-eight hours in advance. They shall be available from Homestores tackle shop, the membership secretary, head bailiff, match secretary and specimen officer.

Guest tickets shall not be available on the bank side. Any member taking a guest onto Club property or Club waters shall be held responsible for ensuring that the guest adheres to all the Club rules and by-laws and that he behaves in an orderly and sportsmanlike manner. Not all waters shall be available for Guest Tickets.

24-hour guest tickets are available from membership secretary, head bailiff, match secretary and specimen officer.

15. Exchange/Day Ticket Waters

Where possible, or where expedient, the Committee shall endeavour to arrange exchange/day ticket facilities with other clubs and organisations in the area, in order that members might fish other waters.

Upon collection of the books, you are advised to read their rules as these will be binding on you. Exchange books (tickets) permit only the holder to be present on specified waters of other clubs.

They shall be available from the membership secretary or head bailiff, failure to return Exchange/Day Tickets by 09.00 hours the following morning will incur a penalty to the cost of the Exchange/Day Ticket, per day except IOW books which may be booked out longer by arrangement with the Membership Secretary. Lost tickets will incur a cost to the Club of a replacement and therefore no further tickets will be issued to that member until the penalty is paid.

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16. Specimen Fish

The Club shall award trophies annually to the captors of the best-known specimen of each species of freshwater fish from Club and non-owned/leased waters each year.

The fish must be witnessed by at least two other members of the Club (excepting in certain cases at the sole discretion of the Specimen Fish Officer) and a specimen fish form filled out and submitted to the Specimen Fish Officer within fourteen days of the capture.

17. By-Laws

- a) The By-laws set out in the appendix to these Rules, as well as any By-laws made under Constitution Rule 17(b), shall be binding upon the membership until repealed at a general meeting or by the Committee, subject to any amendment made under Rule 17(b).
- b) The Committee shall, from time to time, make, repeal or amend all such By-laws as it deems expedient (provided that they are not inconsistent with these Rules), to take effect until set aside at a general meeting or by the Committee.

18. Matches

- i) Matches shall be permitted on Club waters under the direction of the Match Secretary, but no more than 24 matches to be fished on Club waters during each membership year. No more than 6 matches to be held on any one water during each membership year. The rules for the matches to be decided by the Match Secretary and appended to the Club Rule Book prior to the 1st. April each year.
- ii) On the day on which the match is fished, the Club water being used for the match shall be deemed to be closed to Club members/guests and exchange tickets holders for the period starting three hours prior to the commencement of the match till one hour after the end of the match. No Fishing, other than the match itself, shall be available during this period.

19. Trophies

In the event of the Club being dissolved, then trophies shall be returned to the donors or their surviving relatives, if desired.

WEIL'S DISEASE *leptospirosis*

What is leptospirosis?

Two types of leptospirosis infection can affect Anglers in the UK.

Weil's disease

This is a serious and sometimes fatal infection that is transmitted to humans by contact with urine from infected rats.

The Hardjo form of leptospirosis

This is transmitted from cattle to humans.

What are the symptoms?

Both diseases start with a flu-like illness with a persistent and severe headache, which can lead to vomiting and muscle pains and ultimately to jaundice, meningitis and kidney failure. In rare cases the diseases can be fatal.

Who is at risk?

Anyone who is exposed to rats, rat or cattle urine or to foetal fluids from cattle is at risk. Anyone in contact with canal, lake and river water is also at risk.

How might I catch it?

The bacteria can get into your body through cuts and scratches and through the lining of the mouth, throat and eyes after contact with infected urine or contaminated water, such as in sewers, ditches, ponds and slow-flowing rivers.

How can I prevent it?

Get rid of rats. Don't touch them with unprotected hands. Wash cuts and grazes immediately with soap and running water and cover all cuts and broken skin with waterproof plasters before and during your fishing session. Wear protective clothing. Wash your hands after handling any animal or any contaminated clothing or other materials and always before eating, drinking or smoking.

What else should I do?

Report any illness to your doctor. Tell the doctor that you are an angler or involved with fishing and show this text. Leptospirosis is much less severe if it is treated promptly.

To the doctor

This Angler may be exposed to the danger of leptospirosis (either *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* or *L. hardjo*). Early diagnosis and treatment are vital in Weil's disease as jaundice is often absent in the early stages. The illness in *L. hardjo* may also be greatly shortened by appropriate antibiotic treatment. (Your local Public Health Laboratory Service or hospital consultant microbiologist should be able to offer advice and serological testing.)

LOOK UP OVERHEAD CABLES

CROSS INFECTION TO MINIMISE THIS RISK MEMBERS ARE ADVISED TO ENSURE NETS ARE DRIED BEFORE AND AFTER USE

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TAKE YOUR LITTER HOME

A SUITABLE UNHOOKING MAT MUST BE CARRIED AT ALL TIMES

WHEN FISHING FOR CARP & PIKE A LANDING NET OF NOT LESS THAN 32" ARM LENGTH AND A LARGE UNHOOKING MAT MUST BE CARRIED