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This is a phrase that I know quite well now, as I helped Pat Holley (Angling Society Editor) with his local angling society newsletter.

I have known Pat for over 20 years during my time at Thorn Lighting. 'Tight lines' is used as a sign off between the angling community.

I offered to help refresh this newsletter and give it more of a structured newsletter look and feel. Previously it had been produced in publishing software which had its limitations.

I am looking forward to creating the next edition... tight lines!

Ongar & District Angling Society

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

General Meetings
Budworth Hall, Ongar
7th December 2015

Annual General Meeting
11th April 2016
All start at 8.00pm

Presentation & Race Night
4th June 2016

Work Parties
Please ring Tommy Eldridge on 01708 768808 to book

DAY TICKETS

Day tickets are available for fishing at Ongar No 1 only and must be obtained (and collected) from any of the below contacts prior to fishing:

Mike Jenkins
01277 364624 (Ongar)

Pat Holley
01708 726419 (Collier Row)

Barry Stuart
01992 572339 (Epping)

NIGHT TICKETS

Please ring or text **John Cottis** on 07866 281313 for your Authority to Fish. Do not leave messages on voicemail.

SEASON'S GREETINGS

We now approach that time of the year when we celebrate Xmas & New Year festivities. It is also the time of long nights, wintry frosts and sometimes hard fishing. Recent mild temperatures have seen good fish still being caught and no shortage of members fishing the Club competitions and Outings. This time of year also allows our Work Parties to get that essential fishery maintenance carried out so the Club waters are ready for the Spring.

The ODAS Club Officers & Committee Members wish you and your families a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year. Tight Lines for all those brave enough to get out over the Xmas period.

ANGLERS MAIL CLUBMAN OF THE MONTH

We are very pleased to announce that our own **Terry Commer Jun** was made **Clubman of the Month** by **Anglers Mail** for his excellent 19lbs bag of Roach caught at Pluck's Gutter during a Club outing. Terry is a consistent performer in all our matches and thoroughly deserves this nationally presented accolade.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE | BARRY STUART

We are still attracting new members to the club which is always a good sign of the healthy state of our Club and its excellent Waters. We have recently updated the Club Rule Book collecting together all the recent changes to rules that occurred at the AGM and mid-season changes. It helps to clarify some ambiguous points about Pike fishing and together with a full review of all Rules. We will have plenty of stock so if you want to replace your old dogged-eared copy please contact me.

Barry

CHAIRMAN'S BLOG

Hi Everyone, I hope you all enjoyed our Indian Summer because a hard winter is forecast. (heard it all before). I am very pleased to say our membership is holding steady at around 300 members. The Club matches have been supported better this year and in November we had our Fur & Feather seasonal match where a lot of good prizes were won. Check your Fixture List for all Matches. The waters are low but are now being topped up by the winter rains. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas & A Happy New Year and of course - Tight Lines!!

Tommy

FISHERY OFFICERS

If you need to contact the Club Fishery Officers:

New Moreton
Michael Jenkins
01277 364624

Old Moreton
Barry Etherington
07759 421051

Ongar No 1
Tommy Eldridge
07789 982711

Dave Wickings
01708 449142

PIT & RIVER REPORT

MIKE JENKINS

Hi all! Back to writing close to the end of what has been a successful fishing season with some amazing catches of fish. The only hiccup to me being the Kenilworth River Pluck's Gutter where it was very 'pissy' with little caught beyond the first 5 worms. This proved a nice year in the 'golden age' as Terry Commer Jun was the season long jockey which stood at 1140 and also being **Chairman of the Week** in the Anglers Mail in the 19th of much caught in the particular month.

The last outing saw 12 members on the water a very history day at Kenilworth on the Grand Union Canal.

Congratulations to **Barry Ether** who had a stunner of 20lb fish, mostly Pluck's - to win the match.

Terry Commer Jun finished 2nd with 21lb 5oz of Roach & Pluck and **Tommy Eldridge** had with 15lb of a similar bag. **Barry Ether** - who had 2 runner Pluck's in his catch, approximately 2lb each - was well deserving of the victory.

OUTINGS REPORT

TERRY COMMER JUN

The first outing seen on the 11th December if you want to go back at with **Terry Commer Jun** on 0792 860851 - no course a guaranteed gig at the venue.

A small end of year match will also be arranged, hopefully at Southend Farm. The proposed date is Tuesday 29th December.

Call me on the above number for more details.

If I like to wish everyone at the club a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year wishing you Tight Lines!!

Terry

NATURE BOY - WILD LIFE AROUND OUR WATERS

Great Woodcock has been seen on the 11th December. Please contact Tommy on 07789 982711 if you see one.

WHAT'S BEING CAUGHT & WHERE? OLD MORETON FISHERY

Terry Commer Jun had a very good evening session at Old Moreton in September catching some Crayon Carp on the bank. He had a very good evening session at Old Moreton in September catching some Crayon Carp on the bank. He had a very good evening session at Old Moreton in September catching some Crayon Carp on the bank.

CLUB OUTING TO TYLERS COMMON

15TH AUGUST

The fishing has remained good with some nice bags of fish with the old boys. Please to be aware if you catch any Trout or Pike you will receive the same level of reward.

We should mention this was the venue where **Barry Ether** had a stunner of 20lb fish, mostly Pluck's - to win the match.

Mary Anne - Mike

FISHERIES UPDATE

ONGAR NO 1 | TOMMY ELDRIDGE

Although the water level is low we are having the usual rain with the fish. The fishing is quite good with some nice bags of fish with the old boys. Please to be aware if you catch any Trout or Pike you will receive the same level of reward.

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Mary Anne - Mike

OLD MORETON | BARRY ETHERINGTON

The lake had been fishing well with the recent rains and I had a very good evening session at Old Moreton in September catching some Crayon Carp on the bank. He had a very good evening session at Old Moreton in September catching some Crayon Carp on the bank.

MARTIN READER COMES TO THE RESCUE

The ODAS Committee would like to thank **Martin Reader** for his contribution to the club. He has been a member of the club for many years and has been a very active member. We should mention this was the venue where **Barry Ether** had a stunner of 20lb fish, mostly Pluck's - to win the match.

Mary Anne - Mike

KESWALL ANGLING CENTRE

Callus Row were sponsored ODAS as a member of national aquatic.

- 10% Discount on Fishing Tackle
- Priority for Club Members at the Presentation & Race Night
- Presentation of ODAS to the Kennel's Shop as a separate fishing club to join.
- To claim your 10% discount at the shop please show your Membership Card prior to purchase.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS

Don't forget to send in details of your specimens and catches for the Presentation. Please also send your email addresses to us so we can get the Newsletter to you much quicker plus other communications about the Club activities.

Please send comments to: ODASNEWSLETTER@OUTLOOK.COM

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