

R & D.A.A. MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sunday 7th December 2025

R & D.A.A. Ron Want Cup (Xmas Match)

(Kennet & Avon Canal: Froxfield "A" & "B" 24 Pegs)

Twenty four Anglers were booked in for this match with one peg remaining in the draw bag. The match day weather was overcast with frequent rain showers, mild and with a strong wind blowing. The Kennet and Avon Canal had a very slight colour, had low water levels and was towing slightly.

As this was our Christmas Match the Top Three Individual Anglers in the Match and each Section Winner received a Christmas Prize.

Total match weight on the day was 51lbs 5ozs 8drms, (at an average weight of 2lbs 4ozs per Angler), there were four dry nets on the day. The top three teams on the day were Yotac/21 Club with 19lbs 1ozs 8drms, Reading Fishing Club with 6lbs 13ozs 8drms and Excelsior with 4lbs 10ozs 0drms.

Many thanks to all those that turned out on the day and thanks also goes to Alan Hughes for assisting me at the draw.

Overall Winners:

The match was won by Mick Donohoe of Yotac/21 Club. Fishing the second peg downstream of Lock 69 on Froxfield "A", (Short Pound), Section. Mick banked mainly Perch to 1-0-0 along with one Skimmer Bream during the course of the match. Fishing pole tactics, feeding pinkie, and chopped worm and caster with pinkie and worm on the hook to record a weight of 10-14-0.

George Callaghan of Yotac/21 Club was second overall. Fishing the second peg below the Road Bridge on Froxfield "B", (Road Bridge to Ash Tree), Section. George banked mainly Roach with a few Dace and Bleak during the course of the match. Fishing pole tactics, feeding groundbait and pinkie, with single maggot and pinkie on the hook to record a weight of 6-5-0.

Ernie Malyon fishing as an Individual was third overall. Fishing the third peg downstream of Lock 69 on Froxfield "A", (Short Pound), Section. Ernie banked Perch, Roach and a Skimmer Bream during the course of the match. Fishing a combination of Whip and Wagglers tactics, feeding liquidised bread, pinkie, and worm with pinkie, bread punch and worm on the hook to record a weight of 5-13-0.

1st	Mick Donohoe	Yotac/21 Club	10lbs	14ozs	0drms	Froxfield "A" (Short Pound)	Perch, Skimmer.
2nd	George Callaghan	Yotac/21 Club	6lbs	5ozs	0drms	Froxfield "B" (Roadbridge to Ash Tree)	Roach, Dace, Bleak.
3rd	Ernie Malyon	Individual	5lbs	13ozs	0drms	Froxfield "A" (Short Pound)	Perch, Roach, Skimmers.

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Section Winners:

"A" Section	Froxfield "A" (Wides)	Luke Wilcox	Individual	1lbs	12ozs	0drms
"B" Section	Froxfield "A" (Short Pound)	Mick Donohoe	Yotac/21 Club	10lbs	14ozs	0drms
"C" Section	Froxfield "A" (Turning Bay)	Ian Claridge	Yotac/21 Club	1lbs	0ozs	0drms
"D" Section	Froxfield "B" (Roadbridge to Ash Tree)	George Callaghan	Yotac/21 Club	6lbs	5ozs	0drms

Total Section Weights:

"A" Section	Froxfield "A" (Wides)	4lbs	4ozs	0drms
"B" Section	Froxfield "A" (Short Pound)	28lbs	1ozs	0drms
"C" Section	Froxfield "A" (Turning Bay)	2lbs	12ozs	8drms
"D" Section	Froxfield "B" (Roadbridge to Ash Tree)	16lbs	14ozs	0drms

Specimen Fish Recorded:

None									
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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

YOTAC/21 Club	84	8	0
TRBLAS	44	14	0
Reading Fishing Club	36	6	8
Reading Civil Service	27	11	8
Excelsior	14	8	8
Prestcold AC	13	7	0
Pangbourne & Whitchurch	0	13	8

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Individual Placings:

INDIVIDUAL AGGREGATE WEIGHT TROPHY

Mick Donohoe	YOTAC/21 Club	25	9	0
Martin Hutchins	Excelsior	22	15	8
George Callaghan	YOTAC/21 Club	21	6	8
Dave Ward	Individual	20	10	0
Phil Allen	Reading Civil Service	13	0	0
Luke Wilcox	Individual	13	0	0
Steve Palmer	Reading Fishing Club	12	3	0
Andy Chapman	TRBLAS	11	10	0
Duncan Bales	YOTAC/21 Club	10	6	0
Rob Stephens	YOTAC/21 Club	10	3	0
Mark Frost	Individual	9	9	0
Geoff Eley	Prestcold	9	6	0
Fred Jones	TRBLAS	8	15	0
Tony Roberts	Reading Fishing Club	8	5	0
Spencer Couzens	TRBLAS	8	4	0
Alan Hughes	YOTAC/21 Club	7	7	8
Richard Dearlove	TRBLAS	7	0	0
Eddie Cichocki	Reading Civil Service	6	10	0
Paul Mason	YOTAC/21 Club	5	15	0
Andy Woolsey	Reading Fishing Club	5	15	0
Ernie Malyon	Individual	5	13	0
Mike Dalziel	Individual	5	5	0

INDIVIDUAL AGGREGATE POINTS TROPHY

Mick Donohoe	YOTAC/21 Club	42	Points
Martin Hutchins	Excelsior	40	Points
George Callaghan	YOTAC/21 Club	38	Points
Dave Ward	Individual	34	Points
Rob Stephens	YOTAC/21 Club	28	Points
Andy Chapman	TRBLAS	24	Points
Luke Wilcox	Individual	24	Points
Phil Allen	Reading Civil Service	22	Points
Fred Jones	TRBLAS	22	Points
Duncan Bales	YOTAC/21 Club	20	Points
Ian Claridge	YOTAC/21 Club	20	Points
Gordon Mc'Gee	Reading Civil Service	16	Points
Steve Palmer	Reading Fishing Club	16	Points
Tony Roberts	Reading Fishing Club	14	Points
Geoff Eley	Prestcold	12	Points
Mark Frost	Individual	12	Points
Richard Rosinski	Reading Fishing Club	12	Points
Mike Dalziel	Individual	10	Points
Graham Hawkins	Prestcold	10	Points
Alan Hughes	YOTAC/21 Club	10	Points
Paul Mason	YOTAC/21 Club	10	Points
Andy Woolsey	Reading Fishing Club	10	Points

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone on the Executive Committee and all Reading and District AA Members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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RDAA – December Match Results

- **Tuesday 9th December** - The Tuesday Club were on Willmott's. Twelve anglers returned a combined weight of 329lb 1oz. Winner on the day was Phil Lush with 69lb, 2nd was Ernie Maylon with 48lb 12oz and 3rd with 44lb was Richard Rosinski.
- **Sunday 14th December** – Reading Civil Service fished on Salmon Cut B for their latest match and were hoping this venue would fish better than their match at Padworth. Alas, this wasn't to be the case. Only 2 anglers caught out of the 6 fishing - winner on the day was Gordon McGee with 5 roach for 0lb 6oz, 2nd was Fred Gill who managed 1 roach for 0lb 2oz.

Reading Fishing Club ventured out to Froxfield for their latest match. Eight anglers fished this one and all the pegs were on the short pound. Those anglers that drew the first 4 pegs from the lock, were fortunate enough to catch but those fishing the last 4 pegs blanked. Steve Palmer was victorious in this match with 7lb 14oz then there was quite a drop in weight to second place, with 2lb 10oz for Mark Hornblow and running a close third was match secretary Pete Budaji.

Sundial were due to be on the back water on 3B. Unfortunately, this had to be cancelled as the venue was unfishable due to high waters.

- **Tuesday 16th December** The Tuesday Club were back on Willmott's. Seventeen anglers were booked in for this one and a combined weight of 363lb 4oz. Winner on the day was Robbie Stephens with 61lb 4oz, 2nd was Richard Rosinski with 45lb 15oz and 3rd was Andy Bridge with 42lb 4oz.
- **Sunday 21st December** - Pangbourne & Whitchurch were on Willmott's. Unfortunately, I have not received a match report for this one.

Prestcold headed out to Froxfield A for their latest match. Six anglers returned a total weight of 7lb 2oz - winner on the day with 3lb 3oz was Mick Plank, 2nd was Graham Hawkins with 1lb 10oz and 3rd was Paul Risi 1lb 2oz.