



# MEMBERS NEWS LETTER *Autumn 2015*

## Chairman's Chat



Can anyone lend me £1.5 million please? Well, as I write this, the news has just hit the shingle that the Dungeness estate is up for sale. I've received a few phone calls about it and no, despite local rumours, I can't afford to buy it, although I must admit, it would be appealing. I could build permanent beach shelters at my favourite spots, build fences to keep out the riff raff and have all the cod to myself. I haven't checked last weeks lottery ticket yet so watch this space!

On a more serious note, I would expect the sale to have minimal impact on our fishing. The whole area is national nature reserve. No new buildings are permitted outside of existing building footprints (The new toll gate building is allowed because the estate is removing some of the old containers beside the fishing boats and "moving" the footprint....although the toll and the building are now on hold pending the sale). Access can't be restricted, there is the Britannia pub, old light house, Light Railway plus several artists studios/fish shop etc which require easy access for visitors. You can rest assured that as soon as any sale has gone through, we will be introducing ourselves to the new owners and doing our utmost to represent your best interests. As soon as there is any news, we'll update you via the DAA website.

Club wise, everything is in good order and there isn't too much to talk about. Our new junior section is going great guns, the match side of things is hunky

dory, the shingle movement didn't really impact us last winter and the EA road gate has on the whole behaved itself and remained closed most of the time. There has been one issue of so called anglers using boat woods as fuel for a fire and a certain amount of angling litter which is and always will be quite simply unacceptable. If we all take what is ours and a little of someone else's home with us, the beach will be a much better place. The club has actually just funded a number of new seagull and fox proof litter bins on the estate and hopefully these will be in place by the time you receive this newsletter. Fishing wise, I'm quietly excited about this winters cod fishing and am hoping to see good numbers of fish in the 3lb - 4lb bracket. One small bit of advice for the less experienced cod anglers. Big sharp hooks (ideally a pennel rig) and big baits and whack it as far as you can. If a whiting starts rattling the rod tip, leave it out there for another 10 minutes. Big cod eat little whiting! If you are fishing near the point area, don't leave your line out for too long when the tide is running hard (maximum 15 mins). There are 2 ledges in front of you and the line will get buried in the shingle and this is why a lot of tackle is lost at the point.

That's it for now. Tight lines this winter and stay safe. I'm just off to check my lottery tickets.

**Simon Newman DAA Chairman.**

### ***This issues view from the gate .....Shingle and lots of it.***

On a serious note I'm delighted to announce that there have been no incidents of vandalism this year which is almost certainly a record and on the whole everyone has been responsible and closed the gate behind them which is our main condition of access as dictated by the Environmental Agency which owns the road. The clubs main issue this year has been the number of keys not returned to the outlets, especially Richardson's. There will be increasing numbers of gate checks this winter and anyone found in possession of a missing or copied key will be refused membership for at least 2 years. Please also remember you must display your windscreen sticker when parked on the EA road. Tight lines for this winter and may I be the first to wish you a merry Christmas. Best wishes, The Keeper of the Gate.

# Membership matters

## Membership Fees.

The general membership fee for 2015/2016 is £10-00.

Senior Membership for 65 yrs and older on date of joining is £5-00. Free membership to Juniors under 16 years at the date of joining. 2016

membership renewal is due from 1st March and membership can be renewed by post to the PO Box and at the following outlets:

**Seagull Tackle, Greatstone**

**Richardson Fish Shop, Dungeness**

**The Pilot Pub, Dungeness**

**Mick's Tackle, Hythe**



Your fees continue to support our annual donation of £2000 towards beach cleaning. We continue to donate each year £300 to Dungeness RNLi to maintain the Crew outfit we funded in 2013. This year we have additionally made donations to help fund a defibrillator at McColls and replacement fox proof litter bins on the Estate. You can help to minimise our administration costs by providing a current email address. If you have not had a recent email from me then you are not correctly in the web-mail contacts. All my mailing is sent out blind copied so your addresses are not available to others. To update your details please send an e-mail so I can capture your details. *Regards Malcolm Jones*

# Shingle Recycling

This October the EA starts its annual 'beach feeding' shingle recycling which runs through to March. The plan is to 'work' the beach week days from 08.00 till 16.00 daily. As you can see below the idea is to work the beach in sections with the rest of the beach open for fishing. So read the signs to see which parts are open for fishing. The EA are happy to work with the DAA so any problems let us know.



**website: [www.dungenessangling.co.uk](http://www.dungenessangling.co.uk)**

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# DAA Match update

# DAA MATCH LEAGUE

LOCATION	DAY	DATE	BOOK IN	FISHING
Full Rover	SUN	20 September 2015	11.45 - 12.30	1.30 - 5.30
Full Rover	SUN	4 October 2015	12.15 - 1	2 - 6
Full Rover	SUN	18 October 2015	10.45 - 11.30	12.30 - 4.30
Full Rover	SUN	1 November 2015	10.15 - 11	12 - 4
Full Rover	SUN	22 November 2015	2.15 - 3	4 - 8
Full Rover	SUN	6 December 2015	2.15 - 3	4 - 8
Full Rover	SUN	20 December 2015	2.15 - 3	4 - 8

All booking in to be done at the EA gate except any match fished at Pirate Springs, Littlestone, Dengemarsh or Galloways. **Contact Steve Harvey on 07786 538103.**

**NEW SIZE LIMITS- Whiting 29cm, Dabs 23cm, Bass 45cm.**

**Be prepared for venue change in case of adverse weather on the day of the match.**

Here are the selected dates and times for 2016 all Sundays unless indicated.

BOOKING IN	FISHING TIMES						
JAN 10th 2:30 - 3pm	4 - 8pm	ROVER	JUL 3rd 2:30 - 3pm	4 - 8pm	SAMPH		
JAN 24th 2:30 - 3pm	4 - 8pm	ROVER	JUL 16th 5:30 - 6pm Sat	7 - 11pm	ROVER		
FEB 28th 10:30-11am	12 - 4pm	ROVER	AUG 13th 4:30 - 5pm Sat	6 - 10pm	ROVER		
MAR 13th 10:30-11am	12 - 4pm	ROVER	AUG 28th 5:30 - 6pm	7 - 11pm	ROVER		
MAR 19th 4:30 - 5pm Sat	6 - 10pm	ROVER	SEP 11th 3:30 - 4pm	5 - 9pm	ROVER		
APR 3rd 3:30 - 4pm	5 - 9pm	DENGE	SEP 25th 3:30 - 4pm	5 - 9pm	ROVER		
APR 17th 3:30 - 4pm	5 - 9pm	DENGE	OCT 9th 12:30 - 1pm	2 - 6pm	ROVER		
MAY 1st 3:30 - 4pm	5 - 9pm	ROVER	OCT 23rd 2 - 2:30pm	3:30-7:30pm	ROVER		
MAY 29th 12:30 - 1pm	2 - 6pm	ROVER	NOV 6th 11:30-12pm	1 - 5pm	ROVER		
JUN 4th 6:30 - 7pm Sat	8 - 12am	ROVER	NOV 20th 11:30-12pm	1 - 5pm	ROVER		
JUN 18th 5:30 - 6pm Sat	7 - 11pm	ROVER	DEC 4th 10:30-11am	12 - 4pm	ROVER		
			DEC 18th 11:30-12pm	1 - 5pm	ROVER		

24 APRIL SPRING OPEN, 3 SEPT SOLE OPEN (Details closer the time)

## Veterans Series

October 21 fishing 3.00 to 6.00 (high tide 17.26)

November 18 fishing 1.30 to 4.30 (high tide 14.41)

December 2 fishing 1.00 to 4.00 (high tide 15.15)

Fished on Wednesdays at Littlestone wall

For more information or book in call

Tony Hills on 01797 366837

# Great time to be a Junior

The junior section is going from strength to strength. We started with 8 youngsters and have risen to 27.

Any boy or girl aged under 17yrs can join, the good bit is it's free.

We have junior meets every month in the Dungeness area.

Dates are on the D.A.A website, also on Seagull Tackle's website and Facebook.

We have an Open competition coming up on October 31st which any junior can fish on the day.

We also have the members only Christmas competition on December 12th, Our sponsors The Pilot Inn, will donate a meal to all the juniors Who fish. Thank you Aaron & Staff.

So, if you want to fish this competition come along and join before December Most of the regular juniors have been given the use of waterproof clothing for the wet weather and we also have shelters they can use to keep dry & warm.

So if you're under 17yrs come and try sea fishing at Dungeness and get a warm welcome with DAA Juniors.

Contact Jim or Terry

07890 003472 or 01797 367154



## **D.A.A.** *Junior Section* MATCH DATES

Sun 13th Sept 11.00am - 2.00pm. Sat 31st Oct 12.00 - 3.00pm (Open)  
Sun 15th Nov 11.30am - 2.30pm. Sat 12th Dec 10.00am - 1.00pm (Xmas)

Meet at 'The Pilot Inn' car park (30 minutes before start)

For more information ring: 07890 003472 or 01797 367154