*Reading & District Angling Association*



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# OVERVIEW

A disappointing season particularly on the Kennet waterways with weights down considerably. It has to be said that action is required to arrest the decline as predation, water turbidity, low water levels and poor weed growth does seem to be taking its toll on the river. The River Thames however has had a really good season with high weights recorded through the whole season. The total weight of 3710lbs showed a decrease of 26% on the previous season. There were 122 reports - a decrease of 18 (12% down) and 19% (304) less anglers fishing. These are a poor set of statistics however, the averages compare quite well to other seasons.

Table 1 – Year on year comparison all reports - Note RDAA matches included (excluded before 2011)

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| Year | Total fishing | Anglers per match | Total weight (lbs) | Average wt per match (lbs) | Average wt per man (lbs) |
| 2006 | 1152 | 9.6 | 4051 | 33.7 | 3.51 |
| 2007 | 1300 | 8.7 | 3642 | 24.3 | 2.8 |
| 2008 | 1163 | 9.2 | 2884 | 22.9 | 2.48 |
| 2009 | 1253 | 9.28 | 2581 | 19.1 | 2.05 |
| 2010 | 1564 | 10.2 | 4583 | 29.4 | 2.87 |
| 2011 | 1921 | 11.78 | 5303 | 32.5 | 2.77 |
| 2012 | 1513 | 13.5 | 3428 | 30.6 | 2.26 |
| 2013 | 1628 | 13.91 | 3768 | 32.2 | 2.31 |
| 2014 | 1675 | 12.22 | 4105 | 29.9 | 2.45 |
| 2015 | 1607 | 11.47 | 5017 | 35.8 | 3.12 |
| 2016 | 1303 | 10.68 | 3710 | 30.4 | 2.84 |

# 2. BREAKDOWN BY TYPE OF VENUE

Table 2 denotes the share between types of venue. The Kennet shows a decrease of 47% in total weight Lakes and Canals are also down however the Thames shows an increase of 21% over last season.

Table 2 Venue share

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| Venue | Matches | No of Anglers | Anglers per match | Total weight (lbs) | Average wt per match (lbs) | Average wt per man (lbs) |
| R Kennet | 43 | 513 | 11.93 | 876 | 20.38 | 1.7 |
| R Thames | 34 | 262 | 7.7 | 1237 | 36.38 | 4.72 |
| Lake | 14 | 117 | 8.35 | 533 | 38.07 | 4.55 |
| Canal | 31 | 411 | 13.25 | 1064 | 34.31 | 2.58 |

# 3. FACTS AND FIGURES

# 4.RIVER KENNET

Using club reports only, therefore excluding RDAA matches, the silver fish have dominated with good bags of Dace caught this season. It is interesting to note that weights have improved on the last two years but still short of the 2005 to 2007 levels.

 Table 4.1- River Kennet year on year comparison

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| Year | No of matches | No of anglers | Average anglers per match | Total weight (lbs) | Average weight per match (lbs) | Average weight per angler (lbs) |
| 2003 | 71 | 720 | 10.1 | 1581 | 22.3 | 2.2 |
| 2004 | 70 | 669 | 9.5 | 1581 | 22.6 | 2.36 |
| 2005 | 57 | 504 | 8.8 | 1366 | 23.9 | 2.71 |
| 2006 | 41 | 360 | 8.8 | 1035 | 25.2 | 2.87 |
| 2007 | 60 | 525 | 8.75 | 1598 | 26.6 | 3.04 |
| 2008 | 52 | 465 | 8.94 | 966 | 18.6 | 2.07 |
| 2009 | 68 | 623 | 9.16 | 875 | 12.8 | 1.4 |
| 2010 | 57 | 516 | 9 | 1088 | 19.08 | 2.1 |
| 2011 | 55 | 547 | 9.94 | 1180 | 21.45 | 2.15 |
| 2012 | 32 | 320 | 10 | 709 | 22.15 | 2.21 |
| 2013 | 38 | 408 | 10.73 | 591 | 15.51 | 1.44 |
| 2014 | 52 | 457 | 8.78 | 850 | 16.34 | 1.85 |
| 2015 | 45 | 396 | 8.8 | 981 | 21.8 | 2.47 |
| 2016 | 38 | 298 | 7.84 | 402 | 10.57 | 1.34 |

Table 4.2- Weight (lbs.) per man per month on River Kennet last 5 years. Last season September saw the best weights per man but in general other months were poor.

# RIVER THAMES

The Thames has performed consistently throughout the season. Sonning whilst showing best averages only had one match in winter which produced a nil return so Wallingford is still the best venue.

# KENNET & AVON CANAL

Froxfield and Padworth showed very small falls but the other venues continued to produce poor results.

# 7. CLUBS

RDAA held 8 matches in total and the overall totals look healthy with nearly 182lbs per match and 3.71lbs per angler.

Excluding RDAA matches the best weight per match ratio goes to RAF Benson with only 2 matches on Froxfield at with 49.05lbs per match but followed by Reading Fishing Club (45.36lbs) and The Tuesday Club (41.23).

Best weight per man figures goes to Prospect with 5.95lbs per man a remarkable return as all 4 matches were on the Thames. Second were Courage with 4.82 lbs followed by The Tuesday Club on 4.71lbs per man.

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| **BRACKNELL AVOCETS** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 26/06/2016 | Brown-Lee Pool | 13-15-0 | 38-14-0 | 11 |
| 10/07/2016 | Beat 3 | 15-14-0 | 27-00-8 | 11 |
| 24/07/2016 | Upper Benyons | 1-13-0 | 7-13-8 | 11 |
| 14/08/2016 | Longwater Lake | 10-10-0 | 37-03-8 | 9 |
| 11/09/2016 | Wallingford | 11-00-0 | 40-08-0 | 10 |
| 25/09/2016 | Sonning River | 10-12-0 | 36-00-0 | 9 |
| 16/10/2016 | Froxfield | 8-13-0 | 31-01-0 | 11 |
| 13/11/2016 | Salmon Cut | 3-00-0 | 5-02-0 | 8 |
| 11/12/2016 | Froxfield | 7-12-0 | 32-13-8 | 11 |
| 15/01/2017 | Wallingford | 7-12-0 | 8-11-0 | 9 |
| 12/03/2017 | Froxfield | 6-13-0 | 12-08-0 | 6 |
| **TOTALS** | **10** | **15-14-0** | **240-10-08** | **106** |

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| **COURAGE AC** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 26/06/2015 | Longwater Lake | 16-06-0 | 33-14-0 | 9 |
| 17/07/2015 | Beat 4 | 1-14-0 | 5-12-0 | 8 |
| 13/11/2016 | Wallingford | 9-06-0 | 32-04-0 | 5 |
| 18/12/2016 | Froxfield | 4-13-0 | 23-14-0 | 7 |
| 12/03/2017 | Ufton | 2-15-8 | 3-01-8 | 5 |
| **TOTALS** | **5** |  | **98-13-8** | **34** |

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| **EXCELSIOR AC** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 02/10/2016 | Lower Benyons | 4-12-0 | 8-08-0 | 6 |
| 20/11/2016 | Calcot | 1-00-0 | 1-04-0 | 4 |
| 11/12/2016 | Ufton | 1-08-0 | 3-08-0 | 4 |
| 08/01/2017 | Burghfield | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 2 |
| 29/01/2017 | Lower Benyons | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 3 |
| 12/02/2017 | Ufton | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 3 |
| 26/02/2017 | Lower Benyons | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 2 |
| **TOTALS** | **7** | **4-12-0** | **13-04-0** | **24** |

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| **KING HERON** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 18/09/2016 | Burghfield | 4-09-0 | 13-04-0 | 7 |
| 15/01/2017 | Froxfield |   | 8-00-0 | 3 |
| **TOTALS** | **2** | **4-09-0** | **21-04-0** | **10** |

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| **NEWTOWN** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 19/06/2015 | Brown-Lee Pool | 10-06-0 | 39-01-0 | 10 |
| 21/08/2016 | Mapledurham | 5-15-8 | 25-01-8 | 10 |
| 18/09/2016 | Wallingford | 9-12-8 | 50-05-0 | 10 |
| 22/01/2017 | Sonning | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 9 |
| 12/03/2017 | Longwater Lake | 3-09-0 | 9-06-0 | 9 |
| **TOTALS** | **5** | **10-06-0** | **123-13-8** | **48** |

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| **NINE ELMS** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 18/06/2016 | Froxfield | 1-13-0 | 4-01-0 | 5 |
| 26/06/2016 | Froxfield |   | 2-00-0 | 4 |
| 10/07/2016 | Mapledurham |   | 5-06-0 | 5 |
| 24/07/2016 | Brown-Lee Pool |   | 17-13-0 | 5 |
| 07/08/2016 | Longwater Lake | 25-12-0 | 42-00-0 | 4 |
| 04/09/2016 | Ufton |   | 5-02-0 | 4 |
| 16/10/2016 | Mapledurham |   | 23-00-0 | 5 |
| 06/11/2016 | Padworth Canal |   | 0-06-0 | 4 |
| 18/12/2016 | Froxfield | 3-07-0 | 5-10-0 | 3 |
| **TOTALS** | **9** | **25-12-0** | **105-06-0** | **39** |

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| **PANGBOURNE & WHITCHURCH** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 14/08/2016 | Mapledurham | 10-02-0 | 36-04-0 | 9 |
| 11/09/2016 | Midgham | 5-00-0 | 13-07-0 | 8 |
| 02/10/2016 | Ufton River | 7-14-0 | 11-04-0 | 8 |
| 30/10/2016 | Beat 4 | 5-12-0 | 11-07-0 | 11 |
| 13/11/2015 | Froxfield | 6-06-0 | 39-00-0 | 11 |
| 22/01/2017 | Froxfield | 4-01-0 | 9-09-8 | 9 |
| **TOTALS** | **6** | **10-02-0** | **81-15-08** | **56** |

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| **PRESTCOLD** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 26/06/2016 | Wallingford | 9-10-0 | 43-03-0 | 8 |
| 24/07/2016 | Beat 3 | 13-01-0 | 21-11-0 | 8 |
| 21/08/2016 | Beat 4B | 5-02-0 | 23-03-0 | 10 |
| 11/09/2016 | Beat 5 | 5-00-0 | 15-06-0 | 8 |
| 16/10/2016 | Northmoor | 6-11-0 | 36-03-0 | 10 |
| 20/11/2016 | Wallingford | 5-09-0 | 12-02-0 | 8 |
| 18/12/2016 | Froxfield | 5-08-0 | 28-14-0 | 10 |
| 29/01/2017 | Froxfield | 1-10-0 | 4-05-8 | 8 |
| 12/02/2017 | Midgham | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 6 |
| **TOTALS** | **9** | **13-01-0** | **184-15-8** | **76** |

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| **PROSPECT** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 26/06/2016 | Sonning | 16-08-0 | 49-05-0 | 6 |
| 14/08/2016 | Prospect | 28-08-0 | 72-02-0 | 11 |
| 04/09/2016 | Sonning | 10-12-0 | 18-13-0 | 5 |
| 01/10/2016 | Wallingford | 8-08-0 | 34-12-0 | 6 |
| 06/11/2016 | Mapledurham | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 3 |
| **TOTALS** | **5** | **28-08-0** | **175-00-0** | **31** |

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| **READING CIVIL SERVICE** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 11/09/2016 | Mapledurham | 15-04-0 | 46-15-0 | 6 |
| 18/09/2016 | Wallingford | 10-03-0 | 26-14-0 | 4 |
| 13/11/2016 | Salmon Cut | 1-09-0 | 1-13-0 | 4 |
| 11/12/2016 | Padworth Canal | 2-03-0 | 8-00-0 | 5 |
| **TOTALS** | **4** |  | **83-10-0** | **19** |
| **RDAA MATCHES** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 03/07/2016 | Burghfield/Beats 3/4/5 | 16-03-0 | 60-01-0 | 45 |
| 07/08/2016 | Burghfield/Beats 3/4/5 | 9-12-0 | 126-04-0 | 42 |
| 04/09/2016 | Burghfield/Beats 3/4/5 | 12-15-0 | 171-02-0 | 48 |
| 02/10/2016 | Burghfield/Calcot/Beats 4/5 | 8-01-0 | 111-13-0 | 49 |
| 06/11/2016 | Burghfield/Beats 3/4/5 | 3-01-0 | 4-12-12 | 31 |
| 04/12/2016 | Froxfield | 7-02-0 | 95-07-0 | 40 |
| 30/12/2016 | Froxfield |   | 141-00-0 | 40 |
| 08/01/2017 | Froxfield | 10-05-0 | 189-05-0 | 46 |
| 05/02/2017 | Froxfield | 7-05-0 | 121-15-0 | 44 |
| 05/03/2017 | Froxfield | 12-00-0 | 171-10-8 | 55 |
| **TOTALS** | **10** | **16-03-0** | **1193-05-4** | **440** |

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| **READING FC** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 19/06/2016 | Longwater Lake | 28-08-0 | 90-02-0 | 13 |
| 11/07/2016 | Beat 5 | 3-05-0 | 11-00-0 | 11 |
| 17/07/2016 | Wallingford | Match  | Cancelled |   |
| 14/08/2016 | Beat 3 | 2-02-0 | 9-08-0 | 9 |
| 09/10/2016 | Calcot | 0-06-0 | 0-13-8 | 12 |
| 23/10/2016 | Wallingford | 19-00-0 | 113-02-0 | 18 |
| 13/11/2016 | Padworth Canal | 3-11-0 | 14-13-0 | 18 |
| 18/12/2016 | Burghfield | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 19 |
| 22/01/2017 | Froxfield | 3-09-0 | 15-02-0 | 12 |
| 12/02/2017 | Beat 4 | 4-12-0 | 9-00-0 | 7 |
| 19/02/2017 | Beat 1 | 5-03-0 | 5-15-0 | 11 |
| **TOTALS** | **11** | **28-08-0** | **279-07-8** | **130** |

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| **TRING** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 17/07/2016 | Longwater Lake | 12-04-0 | 47-04-0 | 9 |
| 14/08/2016 | Wallingford | 11-07-0 | 54-05-0 | 10 |
| 13/11/2016 | Northmoor | 5-12-0 | 10-01-0 | 5 |
| 12/03/2017 | Wallingford |   | 36-03-8 | 9 |
| **TOTALS** | **4** | **12-04-0** | **14-13-8** | **33** |

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| **SOUTH READING** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 10/07/2016 | Brown-Lee Pool | 9-08-0 | 26-01-0 | 4 |
| 31/07/2016 | Beat 5 | 3-02-0 | 9-04-8 | 5 |
| 21/08/2016 | Beat 3 | 4-06-0 | 8-05-4 | 4 |
| 18/09/2016 | Longwater Lake | 18-11-0 | 41-07-0 | 5 |
| 25/09/2016 | Wallingford | 6-08-0 | 12-06-0 | 2 |
| 09/10/2016 | Sonning River | 18-11-0 | 65-07-0 | 5 |
| 16/10/2016 | Sonning River | 11-07-0 | 17-05-0 | 3 |
| 30/10/2016 | Mapledurham | 3-04-0 | 5-10-0 | 4 |
| 11/12/2016 | Midgham | 0-09-0 | 1-00-0 | 3 |
| 19/02/2017 | East Towney | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 3 |
| 12/03/2017 | Froxfield | 6-09-0 | 14-10-0 | 4 |
| 15/01/2017 | Froxfield | 2-12-0 | 5-09-0 | 3 |
| **TOTALS** | **12** | **18-11-0** | **207-00-12** | **45** |

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| **SUNDIAL** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 26/06/2016 | Wylies Lake | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 7 |
| 24/07/2016 | Longwater Lake | 14-07-0 | 14-07-0 | 6 |
| 07/08/2016 | Ufton | 2-07-0 | 7-05-8 | 10 |
| 11/09/2016 | Wallingford | 6-02-0 | 18-04-8 | 7 |
| 09/10/2016 | Beat 3 | 13-13-0 | 14-02-0 | 7 |
| 06/11/2016 | Lower Benyons | 0-00-0 | 0-00-0 | 4 |
| 11/12/2016 | Lower Benyons | 0-02-0 | 0-02-0 | 5 |
| 15/01/2017 | Beat 4 | Match |  Cancelled |   |
| 05/02/2017 | Beat 3 | 4-05-0 | 4-05-0 | 6 |
| **TOTALS** | **8** | **14-07-0** | **58-10-0** | **52** |

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| **TRING** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 17/07/2016 | Longwater Lake | 12-04-0 | 47-04-0 | 9 |
| 14/08/2016 | Wallingford | 11-07-0 | 54-05-0 | 10 |
| 13/11/2016 | Northmoor | 5-12-0 | 10-01-0 | 5 |
| 12/03/2017 | Wallingford |   | 36-03-8 | 9 |
| **TOTALS** | **4** | **12-04-0** | **14-13-8** | **33** |

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| **TILEHURST BRITISH LEGION** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 26/06/2016 | Beat 5 | 2-10-0 | 6-01-0 | 8 |
| 10/07/2016 | Longwater Lake | 39-10-0 | 95-10-0 | 16 |
| 17/07/2016 | Beat 3 | 12-13-0 | 34-14-0 | 9 |
| 31/07/2016 | Beat 4 | 5-00-0 | 22-04-0 | 10 |
| 14/08/2016 | Beat 5 | 9-00-0 | 64-10-0 | 19 |
| 23/10/2016 | Ufton | 6-05-0 | 9-10-8 | 8 |
| 30/10/2016 | Wallingford | 13-14-0 | 66-04-8 | 8 |
| 27/11/2016 | Burghfield | 4-03-0 | 4-03-0 | 8 |
| 15/01/2017 | Froxfield | 7-01-0 | 27-04-0 | 7 |
| 29/01/2017 | Wallingford | 12-04-0 | 33-00-0 | 8 |
| 19/02/2017 | Wallingford | 17-15-0 | 46-14-0 | 10 |
| **TOTALS** | **11** | **39-10-0** | **401-00-8** | **111** |

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| **TUESDAY CLUB** |
| Date | Venue | Win Weight | Total Weight | No. Fishing |
| 28/06/2016 | Padworth Canal | 7-03-0 | 35-10-0 | 12 |
| 12/07/2016 | Sonning | 17-02-0 | 86-02-0 | 12 |
| 26/07/2016 | Theale River | 5-08-0 | 22-10-0 | 11 |
| 02/08/2016 | Sonning | 10-10-0 | 74-03-0 | 13 |
| **TOTALS** | **4** | **17-02-0** | **218-09-0** | **48** |

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