



Thames Tideway Angling Championship - Sunday 4th Sept 2022

Match Information Sheet

Draw: 7.30am Brentford Boating Arch, Kew Bridge, Strand on the Green, W4 3RE

Tides: High – 8.35am – 6.2m. Low – 3.49pm – 1.4m

Fishing: Five hours from **10.30am – 3.30pm** (depending on tide height)

Rules: Thigh wading only permitted, all fish **except eels** can be weighed in

Zones: A) Strand on the Green. B) Barnes foreshore

Pegs: As per chalk numbers on wall. A) from Cafe Rouge down to just past the Grove Park Rd slipway. B) Barnes Railway Bridge down to just beyond the slipway.

Prize monies: 1st place - £500; 2nd - £400; 3rd - £200; 4th - £100 plus £50 per 5 peg section. (overall match winners excluded). Winners cheques available on the day.

Continental Payout: Top Four prizes alternating by zone

Tickets: £20 in advance including £5 to the angling charity Get Hooked on Fishing

Parking: A) At Strand on the Green, Thames Rd or Grove Park Rd or roads off. **Please collect a competitors parking permit at the draw and display in your window**

B) Barnes High St, Lonsdale Rd or roads off. (Please note at Barnes there will be an opportunity to drop off your tackle at the slipway with stewards from 7.00am while you find somewhere to park – single yellow line parking available on Sundays and at free parking bays in High St)

New traffic restrictions: You may not drive straight through Strand on the Green, Thames Rd and Grove Park Rd without stopping as it's now an 'access only' zone. Cameras are in place to enforce this. No problem arriving and parking in the zone and then travelling on to Barnes, or further down the road to your peg, from the draw at Kew Bridge on the north side of the river via Strand on the Green, Thames Rd and Grove Park Rd, crossing over at Chiswick Bridge on the A316. But on returning from Barnes please travel on the South Circular via Mortlake Rd to avoid the access only restrictions to west bound traffic at Grove Park Rd. Note the whole area is in the London Ultra Low Emissions Zone (ULEZ)

Prize Giving and Photos: 5pm Tidedest Info Marquee, Strand on the Green Embankment

Organisers: Will Barnard 07747 647921 or Martin Salter 07976946033

Refreshments: Hot drinks and rolls at Strand Cafe

Access Points to River - Information on the day for location of steps and sections

Notes:

This annual fishing match is part of Tidedfest – a celebration of the recreational importance of London's River. There will be paddleboarding, kayaking as well as foreshore walks taking place at the same time but we have asked participants to give anglers a wide berth where possible. There will be around 40 pegs across two zones at Strand on the Green and Barnes. This year we are using the continental payout system with the Top Four prizes alternating by zone to give more anglers a better chance of making the frame.

We are extremely fortunate in having generous sponsorship of **£1000 from Thames Water** which enables us to offer such attractive prize money.

All stretches have a good head of roach, dace and bream. Be warned that carp are present – so don't fish too light - along with bass, flounder, mullet and even the occasional seatrout. **All species are eligible apart from eels which must be returned immediately by law.**

Waders are essential and **wading up to thigh depth only** is allowed within the confines of your peg. The use of an easily moveable platform or tripod is advised as you will be following the tide down during the match and the gravel is extremely hard to position a bankstick. Tying your keepnet to your platform or tripod is a good ploy and will save time when moving.

As you move down with the tide please try and maintain the distances from the adjacent pegs

The river usually fishes well at this time of year and we are expecting some good weights. A photographer will be present, and the media have been notified.

Angling Times columnist Keith Arthur has kindly agreed to help us out with the prize giving – unless of course he wins! We hope you have a great match on this great river

Good Luck!

