Match 11 Orchard Place Farm, Lake 6, 4th August 2024

11 members out and the weather was settled but with a bit of cloud cover in the morning and warm sunshine in the afternoon which bought out the "family picnicers" and their yappy dogs......

The dogs were annoying and what also irked me was the way these "once a year fisherman" handle the fish in the way they play them and treat them on the bank. Fish welfare is a long way from their minds..... – RANT OVER..!!!!

We had a new member of the LGAC "Mermaid Club" when newest member Phil Stone had to strip off to his undies and take an impromptu swim to retrieve the top 5 sections of his expensive pole and the attached angry carp who managed to pull this apart when he was playing it and drag it to the centre of the lake.....no other dramas but a quick word for "Captain Dave" who drew end peg 1 which is a bit limited on what you can do. He managed to get snapped up several times and lose a vast array of hooks/floats and his sanity at one stage. Think we have all had these type of days.....

Winner on the day was again "Golden Child" Mason who didn`t draw his usual end peg but he had a vast area of open water to work with. Again he fished very hard for 217lb and won the match easily but he needs to brush up on his estimating of fish sizes..... His very large carp which was estimated at between 15 and 20lb actually weighed 12lb.....

runner up was Ben Grierson who had a peg to peg battle with 3rd place Bob Edwards eventually winning 183lb to 144lb

In the Singles Knockout the semi finalists are as follows – Ben Grierson, Mason Harvey, Dave Barr and Ross McGilvery. These matches to be drawn and fished at Lucks in 2 weeks time.

Next venue is Lucks Lake a venue we have fished for several years although results seem to be getting less and less prolific.

Anyone NOT going please let either Ross or Dave Ford know.

Thanks ATB Dave