



Thames Tideway Angling Championship - Sunday 8th September 2024

Match Information Sheet

Draw: 7.00am Brentford Boating Arch, Kew Bridge, Strand on the Green, W4 3RE

Tides: High – 06.22 - 6.8m. Low – 13.55 – 1m.

Fishing: Five hours from – **9am - 2pm** (depending on tide height)

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

Zones: A) Strand on the Green (upstream); B) Strand on the Green (downstream);
C) Barnes foreshore; D) Chiswick (The Ship Inn).

Pegs: As per chalk numbers on path or wall. A & B from Cafe Rouge down to just past the Grove Park Rd slipway. C) Barnes Railway Bridge down to just beyond the slipway. D) Either side of Chiswick Bridge (South Bank).

Prize monies: Top place in each zone £250 with another £150 to the overall winner plus £50 per 5 peg section. (overall zone winners excluded). Winners cheques of £400 and 3 x £250 available on the day.

Continental Payout: Top Four prizes by zone of £400, £250, £250, £250 to give every angler a chance to make the frame.

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

Parking:

A & B) 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**

C) 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)

D) Chiswick. There is free parking in Ship Lane and Thamesbank.

Note 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 and may be turned on. No problem arriving and parking in the zone for the draw at Kew Bridge and then travelling on to Barnes or Chiswick, or further down the road on the north bank to your peg. But on returning from Barnes or Chiswick 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: 4.30pm Tidefest Info Marquee, Strand on the Green Embankment

Organisers: Will Barnard 07747 647921 or Martin Salter 07976 946033

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 Tidefest – 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 four zones at Strand on the Green (x2), Chiswick and Barnes. We've put ten pegs in at Chiswick this year to avoid having to peg the middle of Barnes where the mud has become a problem.

We are using the continental payout system with equal Top Four prizes by zone of £250, plus £150 to the overall winner to give more anglers a better chance of making the frame.

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.**

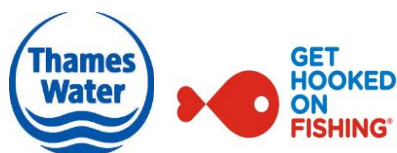
Waders are essential and **wading up to thigh depth only** is allowed within the confines of your peg. The use of an easily moveable platform or tripod is advised as you will be following the tide down during the match and the gravel is extremely hard to position a bankstick. Tying your keepnet to your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



Organised by the Angling Trust & Thames Water Fisheries Team