

## Felixstowe Sea Angling society Resuming of Fishing Matches

**Competition secretary – Proposal to resume Club Beach Matches from July 2020.  
and in accordance with the approved Angling trust document 29th of May 2020  
(titled when we fish again, best practice for safe Sea Angling competitions in England)**

Date	Time	Venue	Match	Notes
05/07/20	10.00 – 15.00	East Lane	Away cup / League	walk to tower remain 2 metres apart. 1 rod 3 hooks sizeable fish only, catch and measure to points.
18/07/20	17.00 -22.00 18.00 - 22.00	Aldeburgh shell Dunwich	Away cup / League	1 rod 3 hooks sizeable fish only, catch and measure to points (Venue subject to change following 1 <sup>st</sup> match)
15/08/20	TBA	TBA	Inter club with Suffolk sports cast /League	1 rod 3 hooks sizeable fish only, catch and measure to points.

**The Club will not be running any Boat Matches until further notice (See section 5) \***

<b>The following format is to be followed and reviewed after each match Best practice for safe Sea Angling competitions in England</b>	
1	<p><b>Shore competitions will be permitted where they can comply with government guidance on social distancing.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Competitors and officials should follow government guidance and self-isolate if they or a member of their household display any COVID-19 symptoms</li> <li>Pegged shore matches, competitors must fish from the allocated peg were organisers are responsible to ensure that the pegs are evenly spaced out at least 2 m from any adjacent Angler</li> </ul>
2	<p><b>Anglers wishing to fish the match should book into the competition as required by the organisers usually in advance by at least 24 hrs, by phone or email or online via the clubs Website or Facebook page.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any pools (£10) which are optional, should be paid as required by the organiser were ever possible avoiding cash transactions, details to be set up for on line or cash in an envelope.</li> </ul>
3	<p><b>Competitors must travel in accordance with the current government guidelines. On arrival at the venue drivers should pay attention to park so they can abide by the social distancing regulations.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On leaving the vehicle competitors must comply with the social distance and guidelines at all times maintaining a minimum space of 2 m apart, physical greetings like handshakes will not take place, if possible, remain next to your vehicle until the peg draw, or if the draw was done the night before go straight to your peg.</li> </ul>
4	<p><b>The draw should be held in accordance with the organisers stated procedure to ensure social distancing is maintained this will include the match organiser drawing the anglers peg for them and reading out to each angler in turn, this may be done on line the night before the match.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hand sanitiser should be available where ever possible</li> <li>Once each Angler is allocated a peg the competitor should make his way immediately to the given location as the peg is allocated.</li> <li>Each angler should set up at least 2 m away from the peg going away from the sea but still in line with the peg. This will allow the match organiser (or the person who pegged it) to collect the pegs, so no other Angler removes or touches the peg.</li> </ul>

5	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Small Boat / Charter Boat</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boats should always be large enough to provide a minimum distance of 2 metres between anglers. This is always required to comply with social distancing.</li> <li>• If it is not possible to maintain a 2-metre distance between anglers and the second person is not from the same household, organisers shall stipulate a maximum of 1 competitor per boat.</li> <li>• Anglers are required to be in possession of hand sanitizer and a face mask. Face masks to be worn at angler discretion.</li> <li>• <b>* The club does not recommend single occupancy of a boat on safety grounds and none of the boats owned by our members are large enough to allow the safe distancing requirement. Boat matches will not resume until further notice.</b></li> </ul>
6	<p><b>Normal match rules for number of rods etc size limits, will apply as notified by the organisers in advance of the match, catch and measure matches will be fished to the standard SMAF card, please bring it with you.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Once an Angler has caught a fish and he wished to have it recorded he will take his catch in a bucket of water towards the next peg on his right (End peg will go left) and keeping at least 2 m away will present their catch to the Angler for verification insuring social distancing at all times, the Angler who has had the catch presented to them will record its length and points as well as a running total <b>on their own card/paper they have brought with them, so please bring some.</b> (some matches maybe changed so adjacent pegs do this between them i.e. peg 1&amp;2, 3&amp;4 will do the checking and recording between themselves)</li> <li>• It is down to the angler who caught the fish to agree the size / points, at this time before it is put back into the sea and keep his own record for confirmation of the total at the end, if they don't then what is recorded and read out by the verification Angler as the scores stands</li> <li>• Once the match is over each Angler will return to the car park where social distancing and keeping apart by at least 2 m must be followed, stand next to their car so they can see the organiser.</li> <li>• The match organiser will ask each Angler to read out the adjacent anglers results (i.e. peg 1 will read out peg 2)( total points and biggest fish by points) and verbal agreement by the adjacent angler (peg 2) is given, no cards or paperwork to be handed to the organiser, the organiser will read the score back for clarification.</li> <li>• Once all the totals are read out and verbally agreed each the Anglers can go home.</li> <li>• Match organiser may read out the top places and biggest fish.</li> </ul>
7	<p><b>Results will be posted on the clubs Facebook page within 24 hours, or Texted to Anglers requests.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any Pools money will be transferred via online or held for future payments or placed into an envelope until the organiser meets the Angler again, whichever is the wish of the winners.</li> </ul>
8	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Use of the Clubhouse</b></p> <p>With current government restrictions the Clubhouse cannot be used for social gatherings or meetings. It is still available for use by Boat owners carrying out maintenance work or by club committee members carrying out compound or clubhouse maintenance for use of the washing and toilet facilities and for access to power. <b>Please fill in the log located on right hand wall as you enter.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check the last entry in the log. Please be aware that if someone has entered the Clubhouse in the last 3 days and are Covid-19 positive and not aware of it the virus could still be prevalent.</li> <li>• Clean any surfaces you use in the Clubhouse before leaving. There is disposable paper towel available in the kitchen. Please dispose paper towels in the bins provided.</li> <li>• If the bin is nearing full then please remove and double bag. Take it home with you but do not add to your black bin rubbish unless it is being collected more than 3 days later.</li> <li>• There are packets of anti-viral wipes available in the kitchen and the toilet.</li> <li>• When you are about to leave make sure you enter your exit time on the log.</li> <li>• Use an ant-viral wipe to clean handles you touch as you leave.</li> <li>• Lock the door and wipe the handle with the wipe.</li> <li>• Wipe the compound lock and the latch handle as you leave.</li> </ul>