

**CAMBOATERS COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATION**

Join the CCA, only £10 to validate your membership of this new exciting dynamic melange. The association invites and encourages all enjoying life on the river Cam to join the Camboaters Community Association. It is a valuable opportunity for us to be recognised as a legitimate organised residential group, who will work closely with the Council and Cam Con to improve life for all river users.

We are also now in a position to apply for grants and financial aid, which could be used to build an off-river environmentally friendly marina/haven... As a close-knit community we now have a forum where we can offer and receive advice, support and friendship. Safety in numbers. The more the merrier etc.

Membership applications to Richard Allen, Treasurer, CCA, PO Box 432, Cambridge CB1 2WG. Or join online - camboaters.co.uk.

Thank-you Monica for sponsoring this Months' Newsletter. If you wish to sponsor the Xmas Issue Please contact me.

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“What-a-Baby”



Congratulations to Richard, Jenny & family and a warm welcome to little baby Amy on nb Pippin.

GOOD LUCK to Steve and Zena nb Sriga 1, 2 & 3. They have returned safely to land where they are no doubt enjoying the luxuries land lovers cherish and adore.

Children in Need

Well done to the scurvy dogs who donned their finest rags and plundered riches well in excess of £380 for this most worthy cause. Good Effort guys - Alix, Amanda, Toni, Vicky, Richard, Mark, Brendan & Eric.
Pictures on the website.

Apologies to Brendan

Due to an innocent typo in the last Newsletter (Issue 10), our have-a-go-hero was incorrectly identified as Dave's female bush cutting partner. As we all know Brendan is all man and not at all shy coming forward!

Going Nowhere Fast

Maria Blundell NB ODDBALL
Artistic Director of Pasgetti Dance Company invites you to come and see her current work at The Cambridge Drama Centre on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd December, 8pm. £6.50 Box office 01223 511511

On the Trail of Zander

For those of you who enjoy a spot of fishing and if you just simply enjoy eating fish, then the Fenland Drain Network has just the fish for you.

Zander also known as pike-perch is a native of East Europe, which spread to the British Isles in the 19th Century. A very popular sport-fish in Europe, that is much respected for its fighting qualities, but it is hardly seen or caught by most British anglers.

A member of the perch family with an elongated pike-like body and small narrow head, it has two dorsal fins with spiky spines, which requires careful handling when caught. Although the head is small the jaws are cavernous containing pairs of fang-like teeth used to stab its prey inflicting fatal wounds.

More to come on Zander in the Next Issue, including Dave and Nathan's special Zander recipe...

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Ta Bouche is a fashionable back to basics bar/restaurant, with typical British fare being the order of the day. Most dishes are less than £5.00, good value is reflected in the quality of service and the size of portions.
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Fairbairn Cup Races

Please be aware of the Fairbairn Cup Races being held on Thurs 2nd Dec (8.15am start) and Fri 3rd Dec (9.00am start). The course is from Jesus Lock to Baits Bite Lock.

Jesus College BC the organisers of the event have asked that we try to restrict our movement on these days and it would be a great help if boat-owners moored from Jesus Green swimming pool to Goldie Boathouse, moor their boats elsewhere during this time. It will allow easy access for coaches to communicate with their crews as well as easing the congestion, which is likely to build as many rowing eights will be gathering and turning along this stretch.

Events to the end of 2004

Sun 5th Dec 9.00am-2.00pm. Winter League. Pike and Eel to Baits Bite Lock.

Sat 11th Dec 9.00am-3.00pm.

City of Cambridge Head Race. Pike and Eel to Fort St. George.

Sun 12th Dec 10.00am-3.00pm.

Winter League. Pike and Eel to Baits Bite Lock.

Sat 18th Dec 10.00am-3.00pm.

Open. Pike and Eel to Baits Bite Lock.

Weds 29th Dec 10.00am-3.00pm

Open. Pike and Eel to Baits Bite Lock.

Cutter Ferry Bridge

The Removal of the existing unstable structure is scheduled to take place on the Thursday 9th of December, the river will be closed most of the day.

Come Bowling

Tenpin Bowling – Sunday 12th December @ 7.00pm. Cost is £8.95 for two fun-filled games. Money needs to be paid asap but no later than the 7th December. For more info email

events@camboaters.co.uk or speak to Emma nb Shambles.

Chistmas Gathering

Fort St. George 8.00pm onwards, 20th December 2004.

CamBoaters Management Committee Meeting

Time and place to be announced.

Cam Con

The next Conservators of the River Cam meetings will be held at the Cambridge Guildhall, in Committee room 1 (The Heidelberg room). Thursday 13th January 2005.

The principal members of the CCA have commenced dialogue with the Council, Cam Con and the Rowing fraternity. This is a positive step towards maintaining and improving the good relationship developed over the years. The committee welcomes any ideas, suggestions or advice for future discussions with these authorities regarding the imminent mooring policy implementation.

Be safe on the water

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