Fishing — qualified coach happy to help new ELCAC members



The Union Canal at dusk where some Lothians course anglers try their luck. ELCAC have waters elsewhere. Pic by Nigel Duncan Media

The Edinburgh and Lothians Coarse Angling Club (ELCAC) are coming to the end of their Winter League and there are two matches remaining, February 19 and March 12. Remember, the best four bags count.

The club have also confirmed their fixtures for 2017 and tell us that they currently have 27 male and female members. No juniors are currently on board but Geoffrey Lowe said membership is open to all who want to join and fees are £10 per year.

They can be contacted on the club website which is elcac.freeforums.org or via their Facebook page which is Edinburgh and Lothians Coarse Angling Club or direct to Geoffrey on 0131 539 1852.

He said: "We fish mostly competitions, both Summer and Winter Leagues, though we always find time for a few pleasure outings and there is always someone on the bank to give advice.

"Coaching for anglers new to the sport can be done via Heather (Lauriston) who is a club member and a qualified angling coach."

Most of the club's fishing is done at either Magiscroft Fishery near Cumbernauld or Orchill Coarse Fishery near Braco, Perthshire which made up of three separate waters, Midton Pond , Alex's Pond and The Snake Lake.

Midton Pond is mainly a pleasure water and holds large carp up to 15lbs, Alex's Pond is a both a pleasure and match venue containing carp and can accommodate 30 anglers.

The Snake Lake is mostly a match venue holding up to 70 anglers and contains carp, tench and silver fish.