Hetton Lyons AC Rule Book

OFFICIAL CLUB RULES

1. All members must always carry their membership book and environmental agency rod licence (photocopies not acceptable) and must produce them when requested by club official, bailiff, member of the club, or by riparian owner and must allow the same to inspect all, plus fish baits and tackle in their possession.
2. All fishing shall be suspended on designated workdays and club matches so that work parties can work unhindered and work can be carried out much quicker.
3. All manner of fair rod and line are permitted on club waters with exception of the items listed in the following rules.
4. Members must not use any unfair methods to catch fish.
5. All members must approach the bank side by recognised access points and not trespass or cause damage to land, fences, trees, crops or bank side in any way.
6. No subscription to be taken at the waterside unless the membership secretary is present in person.
7. Any angler found to be in breach of the club rules will be disciplined by the committee.
8. Any member breaking the rules of Hetton Lyons Country Park i.e Fishing the nature lake or breaking Fishing Club rules is to be suspended from the club for a period of time to be determined by the committee.

Angling Rules (Stephensons Lake, Match Lake)

1. Anglers must fish from recognised pegs only
2. Only one rod to be fished at a time and no rods to be left unattended whilst the baited hook is still in the water.
3. When fishing the path side of Stephensons lake, no tackle must obstruct or cause obstruction to the path way.
4. Any anglers with litter within five yards either side of his peg may face disciplinary action.
5. All tinned baits e.g. sweetcorn, luncheon meat etc. to be taken out of tins at home. No tins allowed on the bank side.
6. Barbless hooks only.
7. Boilies up to size 16mm are allowed as a hook bait. No loose feeding boilies.
8. A maximum of two pounds dry weight of ground bait to be used in any one days fishing.
9. Keepnets may be used but members are asked to make sure that fish are not distressed in any way.
10. Carp can only be kept in a keepnet during a fishing competition.
11. Anglers must have a landing net and disgorger.
12. No braid, core leader or fixed rigs allowed.
13. No bivvies or tents allowed.

Angling Rules (Watersports Lake, Big Lake)

1. Boilies are allowed.
2. No more than 2 rods for 1 EA licence and a maximum of 3 rods for the optional extra EA licence.
3. Before fishing check the big lake is not being used for water sports. You can phone springboard (Tel: 0191 5266684). you must book in via our website at https://hlac.co.uk/bookings/
4. No day ticket fishing on the big lake (Members only).
5. An unhooking mat is required.
6. A carp care kit is required when carp fishing.
7. Micro barb hooks are allowed when carp fishing.
8. Sensible angling equipment to be used for the correct type of fish i.e a large landing net and landing mat for big fish. No sea fishing equipment etc.

Fishing Rules and Regulations (Hetton Lyons Country Park Sign on the match lake)

1. All anglers over the age of 13 years must hold and be able to produce an Environment Agency Rod Licence along with a valid Club Membership card or a Day Ticket. (To fish without holding a current licence is a criminal offence)
2. Children under the age of 16 years must be accompanied by an adult.
3. Day tickets must be purchased prior to fishing and can only be used at Stephensons Lake.
4. Day Tickets can be purchased in advanced from Birkbeck's Newsagents Station Bank, Hetton-le-Hole.
5. Day tickets valid from 8:00am to 8:00PM for the date stipulated only.
6. No fishing allowed in the sanctuary at Blossom Pond.
7. One rod only per person at any time on Stephenson Lake. Two rods only per person on Lyons Lake. Fishing rods must not be left unattended.
8. Landing nets must be used at all times.
9. Night fishing only available to club members.
10. The consumption of alcohol is prohibited at all times.
11. No fish are to be transferred from peg to peg or removed from the lake.
12. No fish in keep nets for more than 5 hours.
13. No live bating.
14. All anglers must use recognised paths and cause no damage to the bank side or light fires.
15. All anglers must be respectful to the wildlife and the environment.

Only members of Hetton Lyons Fishing Club are allowed to fish at Lyons Lake (Big Lake).

Anyone found to be in breach of the above rules will be removed from the fishing lake. Persistent offenders will be refused admission and the Environmental Agency Rod Licencing Authority will be notified.