



MEMBERS' NEWSLETTER

LAKE NEWS • CLUB PROJECTS • MEMBER SUPPORT

FALKLANDS: ESSENTIAL BANK WORK

Major works are planned to protect the top end of Falklands Lake.

Many members will be aware of the serious undercutting to the banks at the top end of Falklands, which in places is up to 48 inches. Without urgent attention, there is a risk of the bank giving way and potentially losing water.

The committee has therefore decided to have contractors reinforce the banks with clay. All platforms at the top end will need to be removed while the work is carried out.

WHAT WILL CHANGE?

Once the work is complete, the platforms will be reinstated. The number of platforms will be reduced by nine so there is at least 10 metres between each peg.

KEY DATES

7 SEPTEMBER

Platform removal begins. Partial closure of the top end.

21 SEPTEMBER

Contractors are scheduled to begin.

APPROX. TWO WEEKS

Falklands Lake will be fully closed while the main work is carried out.

HOPE LAKE, BATTLESBRIDGE

A fourth water for RAC members

The club has secured a lease on Hope Lake, Battlesbridge. The small lake has room for approximately 10 anglers and is situated opposite the Antique Centre.

A portable toilet and container are already on site. There is currently a weed problem, which we hope to resolve shortly.

We will confirm to members as soon as Hope Lake is ready and open for fishing.

FALKLANDS - WHAT A DIFFERENCE

Our work parties make a visible difference - and the vegetation shows just how quickly nature grows back.



BEFORE - 27 April 2026



AFTER - 7 August 2026

DID YOU KNOW?

During recent work parties at Falklands, several willow trees were cut down to manageable heights, with shrubs and grass also cut back.

The before-and-after photographs show just how quickly the vegetation has grown back - and how much ongoing work is required to keep the lake and its banks maintained.

MEMBERS SUPPORTING THE CLUB

CCTV & SOLAR

A member has kindly provided an off-site CCTV system for Falklands Lake, giving us an additional level of security and helping protect our club waters.

We have also been generously provided with solar panels, helping to reduce electricity costs, together with a chainsaw and mower.

Most importantly, members continue to give many hours of their own time helping around our lakes.

THANK YOU

To every member who has donated equipment, advice, materials or their time. Your support makes a real difference.

HOT WEATHER ALERT

Please keep an eye on our fish.

If any member notices any fish in distress, please contact our Fishery Manager, Ken, or a member of the Committee **ASAP**.

COULD YOU BE OUR CLUB AUDITOR?

A small annual task that makes an important contribution.

Our Treasurer, Jamie Finch, manages our club accounts, but the accounts need to be independently checked once a year.

You do not need to be a qualified accountant.

The role involves checking the year-end accounts against bank statements and invoices/receipts, and confirming that the figures and totals are correct.

If you have a good eye for figures and could give a little of your time once a year, we'd really like to hear from you.

INTERESTED?

Please contact the Committee for more information. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Dave Staniland
Chairman