

AN OVER-NIGHT DIARY

My preferred style of fishing is to fish overnights during the week when the day ticket waters are a little quieter!

This Sunday saw me pulling into the car park at Cackle Hill Lakes. The last few visits had seen two blanks and I was wondering what the answer was?

Two anglers were just packing up in the new corner swim so I decided to have a walk around the lake and see what had occurred. To my surprise the lake had not fished well and anglers were departing scratching their heads.

I walked back and quickly set up my Solace Shelter in the recently vacated corner swim. Three rods were cast to spots that had been baited the previous Thursday with a couple of kilos of boillies.

After casting out I then proceeded to scatter about three kilos of Live System baits over my pop up rigs. I was using a combination of 10mm frozen LS, 14mm and 18mm LS Shelf Life Boillies.

After an hour the line on my middle Maximiser pulled tight and I was into a cat fish after a prolonged fight I landed my third thirty pound plus cat from the lake. I quickly tied on a LS Pop-Up and recast the Bolter Chod out to the far bank reeds.

Two hours later and my left hand Stow bobbin fell from the line as the slack line on my Maximiser pulled tight. This time a carp had picked up my little white Northern Special and was now making tracks to the newly planted lilly beds.

I tightened down and began to slowly gain line and after a spirited fight a low twenty and the first fish of the whole weekend lay in the bottom of my net, bonus!



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My set up was a Chod Rig fished about 2 inches high with a very aggressive curve. The bait my ever faithful White 12mm Northern Special which was being fished over a scattering of Live System Boillies in varying sizes.

Luckily for me there was one other angler on the Cackle Complex so I went to find him so he could take a picture, unluckily for him he was just cooking his dinner! Kindly he turned his cooker of and walked down and quickly took the picture.

So thank you Fella.

