

**West Bay Sea Angling Club Species League, Annually from 1st January to 31st December.
(Up Dated Jan 2026)**

RULES

Please note there is **no entry fee**.

Members earn points when participating in any **WBSAC senior Shore Match including Jurassic League** (no open matches) however the Species and Specimen Hunt Festival and Xmas Fayer are excluded.

Minimum numbers fishing per match to be as per club rules **3 members**.

To qualify for the opportunity of becoming the Species league champion, members must fish within the club year a minimum of **5 Shore Matches best 10 results will count**, once achieved the aim is to keep bettering ones own lowest score, earning as many points as possible, (There will also be a Handicap League)

SPECIES LEAGUE points awarded in each match

1 point for fishing the match plus 1 point for each species caught e.g. 4 species caught $1 + 4 = 5$ points

Plus best fish bonus points, the bonus points will be the value of the best fish caught by each competitor in each match. (**Only the best fish per member counts maximum match bonus points 6**)

Match Bonus Points, (minimum size applies to all fish caught and recorded)

6. Bonus Points, Bass, Mullet, Bream, Trigger Fish, Cuckoo Wrasse, & Unlisted Fish.

5. Cod, Huss, Hounds, Ray's, Red Mullet.

4. Sole, Dab, Flounder, Gurnard.

3. Plaice, Pollack, Ballan & Corkwing Wrasse. Conger.

2. Dog, Pout, Poor Cod, Garfish.

1. Mackerel, Scad, All Rockling, Whiting, Silver Eel.

Unlisted mini species do not count.

Example (1) a member has caught 3 species and his best fish earns 2 match points the total match score is $1 + 3 + 2 = 6$ species league points.

Example (2) a member has caught 2 species and his best fish earns 6 match points the total match score is $1 + 2 + 6 = 9$ species league points.

As we now have Friday 12noon to Sunday 10pm matches in the interest of ensuring competitiveness total points earned in any single match is restricted to 12 points, in the past 5 years no member has scored 12 points in any single match. Example $1 + 6 \text{ species} + 5 \text{ best fish} = 12$ or $1 + 5 + 6 = 12$

Should more than one member have the same **total** number of points at year-end, the tied member who has the **highest individual match score** will determine ties for all **awards**, if still tied the second highest and so on.

The junior champion will be the junior who earns the most points **fishing senior shore matches** providing that junior has qualified i.e. has fished **5 senior matches** minimum, same applies to ladies.

SPECIES LEAGUE AWARDS

1st Framed Certificate and a Cap inscribed WBSAC Species league Champion (Year).

Plus cheque for **£50-00, 2nd £30-00 3rd £20-00 4th £15-00 5th £10-00**

Top Lady framed certificate WBSAC LADY, SPECIES LEAGUE CHAMPION. (Year)

Top Junior framed certificate WBSAC JUNIOR, SPECIES LEAGUE CHAMPION.

(Year)

Handicap League (prizes Angling Centre vouchers)

1st framed certificate HANDICAP LEAGUE CHAMPION (Year)

Plus £30-00 **2nd £25-00 3rd £20-00 4th £15-00 5th £10-00**

Please note the Handicap League, handicaps are issued January of each year.

SATURDAY JUNIOR Species League

1st Framed certificate WBSAC Saturday Juniors Species League Champion, (year)

with a runner up and third place certificate.

For the junior league the fish five matches to qualify rule is dropped; minimum size does not apply as all fish are returned, and the mini species will count with two fish points applied to each different species, please see the above senior list for all other allocated fish points.

Please note no junior match rules will change fish points are for junior species league purposes only.

HANDICAP LEAGUE 2026

The handicaps are based on qualified member's species league match points earned in 2025.

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1, Members must fish **5** closed shore matches to qualify, best **10** results to count.

2, Match points plus bonus match points will count (as per Species League).

3, Ties will be settled (as per Species League).

PRIZES (West Bay Water Sports Vouchers) Funded by your club

1st £30-00 + Framed certificate, Handicap League Champion.

2nd £25-00

3rd £20-00

4th £15-00

5th £10-00

Please note handicaps are based on 60 match points and apply to those who qualify.

If less than 10 matches are fished handicaps are now arrived at for qualified members by taking their best 5 results and doubling that total.

Examples 7 matches fished best 5 = 26 points x 2 = 52 points handicap +8 points

8 matches fished best 5 = 33 points x 2 = 66 points handicap -6 points

Members who have not qualified in the last year and new members all start from scratch 00.

Regards

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Fish Recorder