

## Nick Tomkins - Profile



I am 57 year old Civil Servant and have been fishing since I was about 11.

I'm probably best described as a match angler but I'm equally happy to have a day's fishing somewhere even if it does not involve a match.

I am a member of the Sensas Veals match team. The team is based around the Veals tackle shop in Chipping Sodbury, Nr Bristol but team members come from a wide area (Bristol, Bath and as far afield as rural Wiltshire).

Over the years I have won many matches on a variety of waters including the River Huntspill, Bristol Avon as well as lakes and canals.

Although I have won matches on "Carp" Lakes my main interest is in fishing for silver fish.

My favourite method is fishing with a pole and I'm a big fan of balling in groundbait or fishing with pellets.

My favourite fish are Bream and I'm a regular visitor to Holland where the Bream fishing is second to none. Although the feeder will catch Bream everywhere, there are a lot of Dutch venues where they can be caught on the pole with a combined pellet and groundbait approach.

My favourite venue in the UK at the moment is the Kennet and Avon Canal in the Bath area. I try to fish it as often as possible because, winter or summer, the fishing is probably as good as on any canal in the country, particularly now that it is stuffed with skimmers.