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Everyone ought to believe in something; I believe I'll go fishing."

The river banks are much quieter now the children are back at school. After the torrential floods this summer there will be lots of Carp in the river that have escaped from the ponds, these will like boilies and corn, the wild Carp along with Barbel and Chub will usually be caught on meat.

Fly fishing with Daddy long legs (hatched Leather Jackets) get Trout rising better than the notorious May fly. When your fly is placed on the waters surface you may think you have a bite, however, it could just be the fish swirling next to the fly trying to drown it. My preferred method is to place the fly an inch or so below the surface.

As autumn is approaching so is Pike fishing and the fishermen will be brushing down their tackle. Over the years people have been known to catch Pike on the Belper stretch of the Derwent, weighing in at the mid twenty to thirty pounds.

The shooting season for Duck and Geese has started with the Pheasant soon to follow; it may pay to visit a local clay shooting ground to get some practice in. There is no need for a Game licence as they have been abolished.

by Andrew Lumbard



A man comes in to the shop and asks "Can I have a rod and reel for my son".
The owner replies "Sorry Sir, we don't do trades".