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Pontarddulais & District Angling Association Newsletter



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Lyn Davies – Editor

Another one over

Well, another season has drawn to a close and it's time for me to catch up on some sleep! For us dedicated night fishermen, it's nice to finally go to bed at a reasonable hour and not be knackered in work!

I am however, already missing the buzz of being on the river in the middle of the night and looking forward to next season. I'm determined to make more of an effort to start fishing earlier, in an attempt to capture one of those early season monsters! Winter is a time to tie flies and tidy up your tackle, but why not visit a small stillwater or try your luck for a Grayling?

Mystery death outcome

Following analysis, the Environment Agency has confirmed that the 15¼lb Sewin found dead in the River Loughor simply died of natural causes.

IMPORTANT: 2005 Catch Returns

Returns MUST be completed ASAP or before 1st January 2006. Remember: Nil returns are also required. If you have mislaid your form, we have attached another copy for your convenience.

Please send them to:

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Healthy Membership

We can confirm an excellent tally of 121 members for the 2005 season.

Carry those permits!

Please remember to carry your PAA permit along with your EA licence if you are fishing.

AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on February 15th 2006. Look out for further information in the next newsletter.

Ynys Letty/GCG stile

The above stile will now be removed (as agreed by landowner Colin Jay) and will hopefully be replaced for the 2006 season. We will keep you informed.

Heaviest fish

A few cracking fish have been caught this season from the River Loughor:



Sewin

Mark Walker – 10lb 13ozs (30 Aug) – pictured left. Fly at night.

Carwyn Collins – 9lb 2ozs (31 Aug). Fly at night.

Lyn Williams – 8b 4ozs (June). Fly at night – Spawney git!

Salmon

Christian Carpenter – 12lb.

A detailed catch report will be published in the new year.

Fishing competitions

River Teifi (Lampeter trip).

On Saturday September 24th,

21 anglers fished with not a fish being weighed in – the water was very low. However, the anglers did enjoy the pub!

Tackle Broker closed

The fishing tackle shop 'Tackle Broker' in Pontarddulais has now officially closed. Tightlines in nearby Ammanford is your best option for tackle other than mail order of course.

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Out and about...

River Wnion – Dolegllau



Morris Ford selects a fly for the night ahead

On Saturday September 3rd, I met up with Dolgellau Angling Association Club Bailiff Morris Ford, on the River Wnion, near Dolgellau, North Wales.

Today's Flyfisher commissioned me to report on the Wnion (a tributary of the River Mawddach) following reports of it's sewin catches.

Unfortunately, the nearby Mawddach was polluted back in 1984, when over 2000 adult Salmon and Sea Trout smolts were killed. An out of court settlement between the local Gwynfynydd Gold mine and what was Welsh Water (now the EA) resulted in a trust fund being set-up. The money was then used to build a hatchery to re-generate the Mawddach and Wnion, which has proved a great success.

On the night though, Morris only managed to catch one small school fish of about ¾lb, but nevertheless, it proved a worth while, interesting visit. For just £65 a year, you can become a member of Dolgellau AA and have access to some thirteen miles of prime sea-trout fishing on the Mawddach and Wnion. Also, as a bonus, you can fish the nearby 20-acre 'Llyn Cynwch' lake, which is regularly stocked with both rainbows and browns. Bargain! The hatchery investment is certainly beginning to pay dividends.

I saw at least a dozen good sized sewin the next morning looking over one of the nearby iron bridges. It's certainly food for thought – I can only dream of a similar hatchery being set-up to re-generate our River Loughor.

Look out for the feature next summer in Today's Flyfisher.

Tiddlers 50/50

Congratulations to the following, who all won £50.00:

Committee member **Lyn Williams (No.13)** from Pontlliw (September). Lyn kindly donated the money back to P.A.A.

David Pearson (No.40) from Penyrheol (October).



for October...

Give those Grayling a go. Now that the Trout and Salmon season has finished in England and Wales, why not visit one of Wales' Grayling rivers. The rivers Wye, Severn and Taff are among the most popular.