

# sewin

Pontarddulais & District Angling Association Newsletter



Pontarddulais and District  
Angling Association



Lyn Davies – Editor

## Where is the rain?...

As we approach the prime time for sea-trout, we all wait patiently for a spate, which will inject a new lease of life into the rivers. I personally have only had three night sessions on the Loughor to date, and I'm sure you are very much the same. If you are keen enough though, I've heard reports that there are fish in the estuary, following the tides, waiting for water. Have a word with Barry at the Tackle Broker – the local bass fishermen have reported encouraging sightings of sewin – go on, give it a go!

The first newsletter proved a great success, and I must thank the club and committee members for the feedback. I would prefer to send you this newsletter electronically. If you have access to the internet, please let me know your e-mail address and I will send you a PDF file. I am hoping for a good response to save on postage for the next edition.

## Fancy something a bit different?

**I recently fished the Usk Town Waters in search of the 'Twaite Shad' – a fish that is present in the river for only three weeks of the year, usually starting around the first week of June. Being a member of the Herring family, the Shad is the only salt water fish to spawn in freshwater.**

Andy Petherick, Editor of 'Today's Flyfisher' magazine commissioned me to provide him with a feature on the Shad. I had two very interesting days fishing/photography, catching fish up to 2lbs on large goldhead nymphs. I will certainly be returning next year for some more action. If you haven't yet caught a Shad (especially on the fly), I would encourage you to give it a go. Please contact me for further information.

## Ireland brownies

**Every May I spend a week to ten days in pursuit of the wonderful wild brown trout on some of Ireland's famous limestone loughs.**

This year was no exception, and myself and a fishing buddy spent five days on the mighty Lough Mask, near Ballinrobe. Unfortunately, we were blessed with bright, sunny weather conditions with long days adrift with few fish being caught. We did however, outwit a few wild fish, fishing a bit deeper on buzzers. Similar to Wales, Ireland has a huge amount of fishing to offer, and we have spent the past seven years learning the "Irish" way of fishing from a drifting boat and have now established many contacts. Again, if you require any information regarding fly-fishing in Ireland, I will be happy to put you in touch with local boatmen and accommodation.



Don't forget to take advantage of Captured free **24hr photography service** for local anglers. Please contact **Amanda Rossiter** on the Captured hot-line: **07976 449989 or 01792 884949.**

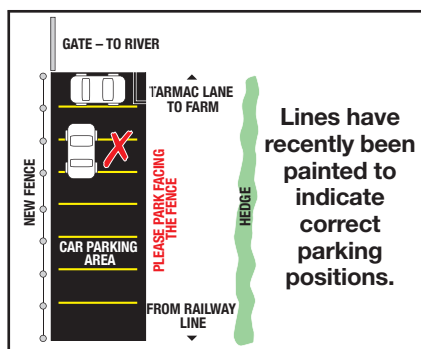
Visit the website for further information:  
**www.capturedonline.co.uk**

## Tackle Broker

Our local tackle shop, run by Barry Jeffery's has an extensive range of tackle for Game, Sea and Course anglers. Pay a visit to the shop and support a local trader.

## Club news

**Tal-y-Cynllwyn car park:** Some anglers are not adhering to the correct parking procedures. The new car park is able to cater for up to eight vehicles – **please be considerate to fellow anglers and park responsibly.** The diagram below illustrates how we **should** park:



**Pontarddulais Carnival:** Pay us a visit at the carnival on Saturday 26th June. It's always a success, and our thanks goes out to the committee members who set-up, man and steward the event.

**Competition:** The 'Donald Jones Memorial' open fishing competition will be held on the River Loughor on Saturday June 19th. Fishing will commence at 9.30am, with the weigh in at Tal-y-Cynllwyn Farm at 4.30pm.

**Tal-y-Fan parking:** Increasing numbers of parked lorries are causing problems for anglers. We are currently investigating the issue and will keep you informed.

**Night fishing competition:** To be held on Friday July 2nd. Thirteen anglers entered last year, with many fish being caught, including a 7lb 12oz sewin and a 9lb salmon. Look out for posters.

**June "Tiddler's":** Congratulations to V K Rees, of Ty Croes, who won £50.00.

**Killer Terrapin!** Yes, it's true, we have heard reports of an escaped terrapin living near the oxbow at Tal-y-Fan. Any news on sightings would be appreciated.

**Fish caught on the Loughor:** Adrian Thomas landed a 4½lb sewin on a ½ inch tube fly near Tal-y-Fan (exact location withheld!). Carl Antonazzi caught a 3½ sewin, spinning during May and Lyn Williams had a surprise 2lb rainbow on the fly below the road bridge, near Hendy. Please let me know your catches!

## The last cast...

I hope to bring you an A3 size newsletter in the near future. This will include interesting angling features, detailed catch reports and tackle for sale – to name just a few. Please support me by sending all your ideas and contributions to:

**Lyn Davies**

59 Woodville St, Pontarddulais,  
Swansea SA4 8SH or e-mail:  
lyn@capturedonline.co.uk

**Tightlines, the rain can't be far away!**

In conjunction with:

