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Pontarddulais & District Angling Association Newsletter



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Lyn Davies – Editor

## Not one for the diary...

Well, the rain came but it was nowhere near enough to rise the rivers to a substantial level. As I write, it is raining, but will it be enough? I doubt it. Nevertheless, fish will still run in low water, being helped by the high tides. Although, there doesn't seem to be the head of fish you'd expect at this time of year in the rivers. I've only fished five nights this season, with no sewin to record.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members who have responded positively to this newsletter. In particular, Mr. Denzil Morgan from Gorseinon, who sent me a congratulatory letter!

I've got lots of good ideas for the newsletter, but I obviously appreciate and need your suggestions. Some information did filter its way to me this month, which will account for an informative section on recent catches.

The rivers may not be fishing well this year, but it doesn't mean you should put your rods away. We are surrounded by great still water lakes, which are well worth a visit – believe you me, those stockies can be quite difficult to catch. Read on for further information.

## Club news

**Pontarddulais Carnival:** Again, the carnival proved a great success, even though the weather was against us. A big thank you to the committee members who helped erect and man the stall.

**Night Competition:** The second of our night competitions took place on Friday 16 July. Although fourteen anglers entered, only a few small sewin were caught. Brian Collins (last year's winner) won with a fish of 1lb 13ozs.

**Found:** Small Thermos (railway gate, Ynys Llety) and a three piece rod tube (Popular Pool, Ynys Llety). Contact Gary on 01792 884791 for further information.

**July "Tiddler's":** Congratulations to Steven Bowling, Pontarddulais who won £50.00.

### Fish caught on the Loughor:

Gary Lewis, 7lb 10ozs sewin, spinner, Tal-y-Fan – June 23. Adrian Thomas, 5lb 11ozs sewin, fly, Caerdelyn – July 5. Carwyn Collins, 3lb 10ozs sewin, fly, G.C.G – July 5. Stephan Williams, 2lb trout, worm, Tal-y-Fan – July 11.

## 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.

**Permits:** Can all members please remember to carry your permit and EA licence while on the river. As a member, you reserve the right to ask any other angler to produce their permit. (Please show your permit first). If you experience any problems, please contact Gary Lewis (Club Bailiff) on 01792 884791.

### The last cast...

As my favourite two months of the season approach, I am still confident that we will experience some sport. However, it may well be very late on, and therefore we must all ensure that we return any spawning fish safely. Good luck!

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## Out and about...

### Garnffrwd fishery

**I have recently provided 'Today's Flyfisher' with a feature on our local Garnffrwd trout fishery, Drefach, near Cross Hands.**

The 5 acre lake, owned and run by Jamie Miller is positioned in the most idyllic of locations. The well established, lake with crystal clear water experiences great fly hatches, and offers the fly fisherman a great opportunity to fish imitative patterns. It is stocked with mostly rainbows, but there are also some lovely brown trout resident. The well positioned wooden walk ways are particularly good for beginners. There is also a fishing lodge, with a kettle and a colour TV! A four fish ticket costs £18, but many anglers favour the Catch and Release option at £10. This is great value, especially when the average size of fish is 3lb. I highly recommend a visit to Garnffrwd – you will be pleasantly surprised! For further information, please contact Jamie on **01269 870539**.

### Chalk Stream heaven

**Yes, I was fortunate enough to be asked to take photographs on the famous River Test at Stockbridge, Hampshire. I was there to document a beginner being taught how to 'up stream' dry fly fish for brown trout.**

We had access to a private stretch at Bossington. The river exceeded all my expectations – but I was there to do a job, and unfortunately didn't get to cast a fly. Nevertheless, I discovered that you can actually get to fish these exclusive waters, but of course at a cost. It would usually cost £200 a day for two rods. Expensive? Yes, but you and a mate can fish the best chalk stream river in the UK for £100 each. It's worth considering, I know I'll be giving it a go soon. If you require any further information, please contact me – I can put you in touch with the river keeper.

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