Pontarddulais & District Angling Association Newsletter



Lyn Davies - Editor

Where are the fish?

Well, I must admit, it's not been the best of seasons for me. I've caught ten Sewin to date, the largest being 5lb. I've lost bigger fish, but the majority have been under 2lb (which I've returned).

It's a similar story for most, although, I know of a few anglers who've done a lot better. It'll be interesting to analyse the seasons catch returns - we'll publish them as soon as they become available.

With only a month or so of fishing remaining, we really need a good spate to encourage the late season runs of fish. I hope to have a last minute 'spurt' before the season draws to a close.

Mystery death

On a sad note, this awesome 151/4lb Sewin (pictured below), was pulled out of our Tyn-y-Cerrig stretch dead one night during early August. We are still unsure of the cause of death, but the Environment Agency have the hen fish for analysis. We hope the fish simply died of natural causes, but considering it's near perfect condition, this seems somewhat unlikely. We will keep you posted. If you discover any more suspicious dead fish, please contact a Committee member.



What a shame - the dead 151/4lb hen fish

2005 Catch Returns

Returns **MUST** be completed before 1st January 2006. Remember: Nil returns are also required.

Please send them to:

Martin Thomas

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Tel: 01554 821605

Martin also has spare return forms if you have mislaid your copy.

River Loughor feature



The River Loughor is featured in the September Edition of Today's Fly Fisher. As part of the 'Bargain Beats' series, I wrote and photographed a 'typical' night's fly fishing on our local river. Having cleared the idea with the Committee, we

submitted the feature in the hope of publicising the river to encourage new members for the 2006 season. It will be interesting to see what response we get.

Fishing competitions

River Loughor. Saturday September 3rd. Donald Jones Memorial Trophy -(water conditions permitting). £20.00 price money, plus trophy. Fishing will start at 9am, with the weigh-in at 4pm (Tal-y-Cynllwyn Farm).

River Teifi. Saturday September 24th. Only the first 25 names will be considered (due to the size of the bus). For more information, please contact Martin Thomas, 01554 821605.



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for August...

Try a smaller fly. During low water, experiment with lighter leaders and smaller flies. You'll be amazed what size fish are caught on size 12 wet flies!



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Out and about... Llyn Clywedog



Hywel Morgan with a cracking brace of rainbows

On July 26, I met up with World **Casting Champion Hywel Morgan** for a photo shoot at Llyn Clywedog Reservoir, near Llanidloes, Mid Wales.

As part of the 'Hywel's Top Ten' series within Today's Fly Fisher, the aim of the feature was to explain tactics and techniques for fry feeding rainbows.

Most magazines work at least a month in advance, so we had our work cut out, considering the fish hadn't really started feeding on the fry! Nevertheless, Hywel persisted with his sinking lines and large fry patterns amongst the cages to experience one of the best days fishing of his career.

He managed to hook into a cracking, full finned 10lb rainbow using a DI 7 fast sinking line along with a Minkie Booby, and if that wasn't enough action, he also landed another 8lb beauty not long after. What's all the fuss a about I here you say? They're just stockies... Well they are, but it's quite impressive when you consider that those fish were stocked no larger than 3lb. No wonder they put up such a good fight! I'd recommend a day on Llyn Clywedog for a possible fish of a lifetime...

Tiddlers 50/50

Congratulations to the following, who all won £50.00:

Committee member Lee Walker (No.60) from Pontarddulais (June). Lee kindly donated the money back to P.A.A.

J.M Sweeney (No.6) from Loughor (July). Jason Hall (No.13) from Penyrheol (August).