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Pontarddulais & District Angling Association (PAA) Newsletter



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Slow but sure...

Well, we've had the rain and the water we wanted and there's reports of a few fish being caught to date – even though it's still relatively early in the season.

A few fish have been caught (see below) – most of which have been taken during the day, using spinners.

There's good news from our Local Authorities too – we can confirm that there are no immediate plans to introduce a barrage of the River Loughor. Thanks to all who got involved in voicing our concerns to the MP's and other leading personalities.

Finally, our membership for 2009 now stands at a very respectable 119! It seems our Association is going from strength to strength – no doubt our new website is the main contributing factor.

New combination number for Tyn-y-cerrig carpark: **1288**

Due to a faulty combination lock, we have purchased a new lock for the gate at our Tyn-y-cerrig carpark. Unfortunately the new unit could not be set to use the existing number, so the number has changed from 1298 to 1288. Basically, please substitute the '9' with an '8' and remember to press the button underneath the lock to open. In addition, we have also positioned a waterproof sign on the gate to inform members of the change.

Carnival success

Thank you all for supporting us at the Pontarddulais Carnival (June 27) – we sold our coconuts – all 90 of them! Thanks to the Committee members who helped erect and man the stall.

Night Fishing Competition

Weather permitting, the ever popular night competition will take place on **Friday 10th July.** Please meet at 9.00pm at McMillans carpark. For further information, please contact Lyn Davies on 01792 884949.

On-going river maintenance

The Committee have been hard at work on the River Loughor. Work completed includes:

- Camffrwd bridge painted (Ynys Llety boundary);
- Strimming and walkways cleared (Caedelyn and Tyn-y-cerrig);
- · Various stile maintenance.

Thank you to all involved – you know who you are!

New stiles erected

Committee members have now erected two stiles at the bottom boundary of our Tyn-y-cerrig stretch. Please use the stiles and avoid crossing the barbed wire fence.

Fish caught

Eric Ball – 6¾lb, 6lb sewin,
Gary Lewis – 3lb 10ozs sewin,
Ian Gabe – returned two sewin,
Stephen Francis – 6lb and 7lb sewin
– returned.



Our very own Minute Secretary, Adrian Thomas caught this cracking 10lb 2oz Sewin on the fly from the Loughor a few weeks ago – well done Adrian.



for June...

Avon Skin So Soft. If, like myself you've noticed the 'midges' particularly bad this year, then you need to purchase a bottle of this stuff. Speak to any Scottish flyfisher – they won't leave home without it!



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Out and about...

Gludy lake - Brecon



Oliver Burch plays out a lively Rainbow caught from a float tube

Myself and PAA member Oliver Burch (from Gloucester), recently spent a day at Gludy lake, Brecon.

We visited Gludy to produce a feature for 'Total Flyfisher' magazine – Oliver wrote the story and I took the photographs! Owned and managed by the 'Burgess' family (owners of the famous Fishtec fly fishing company), the 5 acre lake is set amongst dense woodland, just a few miles out of Brecon town centre.

Most of the fishing is done from boats (with electric engines), although, interestingly, float tubes are allowed. On the day, we opted to try this stealthy approach and it proved a great success. With the minimum of disturbance, we were able to get really close to rising fish using tiny Diawl Bach's and other small nymphs, fished just sub surface. Although the day was dampened by heavy rain, we took many fish up to 2lb – all of which fought particularly well.

Gludy is a catch and release fishery, and holds an excellent head of fish. If you fancy a weekend away with a few mates, then Gludy is well worth considering. For further information, visit www.gludy.co.uk

Tiddlers 50/50 (2009)

Congratulations to the following, who all won 35.00:

No.21 - Alun Jones, Pontlliw

No.56 – D. Walker, Pontarddulais.



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