

April**NEWSLETTER****2009**

Silver Lure Car Boot Sale

The Silver Lure Club requires funding for many things, Boat deposits, Club Scales weigh in Marker boards, Gutters, Weighing Bags, Trophies, Meeting Hall payments, Insurance, Membership of SFSA, Clyde and West Region, SSACN. The Club also regularly donates to the RNLI. Club Dues of £15 X 30-40 members equates to at most £600 therefore **without extra funding the club simply cannot function.**

The Club will be running a stall at the Blochairn (fruit market) Car boot sale on Sun 10th of May in aid of Club funds. **The committee expects considerable support from all members for this event (it is after all your club)** which has been organised with the support of Denis Kelly from SSACN an indoor pitch has been organised therefore we will not require the usual extremely early start and we should be protected from the elements.

We are looking for assistance in transporting our sales goods, solid tables for display purposes and people to help set up.

Of course we need stuff to sell, our best sellers over the past few years has been angling Equipment any shape size or state, half full spools of line old hooks, old reels, and old rods,

So If you have any old angling equipment or want to contribute anything that you think will make this event a success contact any Committee member or bring it to the March Club Meeting.

Let's make this another Silver Lure Success

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Club Calendar

30/04/2009 Club Meeting
10/05/2009 Car Boot sale Blochairn
17/05/2009 Winter K.O Abbey Burnfoot
18/05/2009 Committee Meeting
23/05/2009 AFYD Event Erskine
24/05/2009 Boat Outing Arbroath
28/05/2009 Club Meeting
31/05/2009 Shore Outing Carsethorne
03/06/2009 Region Meeting
15/06/2009 Committee Meeting
20/06/2009 Shore Outing Auchencarr
25/06/2009 Club Meeting
28/06/2009 Boat Outing Oban
05/07/2009 Shore Outing Auchmithie
20/07/2009 Committee Meeting
26/07/2009 Boat Outing Arbroath
30/07/2009 Club Meeting

*****Details below*****

TREASURER'S REPORT

(committee meeting)

Cash in Hand £ 123.52
Treasurers Account £ 312.31
100 club account £ 2040.32
Still to pay Insurance £300+
Outstanding winnings Dr.Martin £130.00

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100 club results February
1. K Duff.
2.D McElvenna.
3.A Gillon.

Committee attendance April

Present

Chairman R.Buchanan
Treasurer R.Wilson
Secretary D.McNair
Minutes K.Duff
Boat Convenor S.Frayling
Shore Convenor R Finlay
(Chris) giving Web Support)

Non Attendees

Fish Recordr D.Diaz (apologies given)
Trophy Custodian W.Carr
Web Master B.McCormack

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Club meetings

Starting with the November Club meeting there will be changes to the format of the Silver Lure Club meetings Club business will be dealt with within a strict max 30 minutes issues of serious concern will be dealt with at the committee meeting which has an open door policy for club members.

The remainder of the meeting will be used to deliver activities that will be of interest and benefit to Silver Lure Members

The March meeting will be focussed on Angling and conservation.

If you have anything you would like to add to this please contact

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Club meetings proposed programme

THURSDAY 30/04/2009

Our own resident superstar **DAVY MCNAIR** has agreed to share his expertise on Mullet fishing this month, and this should co-inside nicely with the first fish moving into the area (and help with some Nominated Species claims I hope!)

THURSDAY 28/05/2009

My thanks to Gareth for his help on this one.

You may know that theres a new range of Sea Gear called "SONIK" on the scene. Scottish International and "Sea Angler" contributor **SHAUN CUMMINGS** is actively promoting this new range. He's agreed to come along and bring some of the new gear (Boat & Shore) for us to try. I've deliberately held this one back till the early summer to see if we can get out the back of the Community Centre and have a chuck with the new gear (with balls rather than leads of course.)

Maybe even a freebie or two if we're nice!

THURSDAY 25/06/2009

With the better weather and lighter nights, I thought we'd get out of the Hall again this month. **IAIN GRAHAM** has agreed to come along and show us some of the Casting technique that has made him one of the best Tournament Casters in the UK. Iain is also one of "McNair's Coaching Clan" so its a superb opportunity to try and get some extra yards on your casting.

Whether we do this at the Meeting place or somewhere we can chuck leads will be confirmed nearer the time.

....and that's where I am so far. I don't want to book too far in advance in case people forget, but other ideas I've had for later include -

- *Inviting someone from SFSA Executive
- *Club session on Bait Care (as suggested at meeting)
- * SFSA Coaching (yes that's you Davy!)
- * Invitation to Stan Massey of ALBA Rods
- * Club session on Rough Ground tactics

What do you think then. Is this the kind of stuff you think will improve meetings?

Does anyone have any other suggestions?



Last Months Meeting

A superb presentation by Steve Bastiman from SSACN (Scottish Sea Angling Conservation Network) tailored to suit the Clyde area, Steve confirmed with some shocking statistics the damage being done to the stocks that we depend upon for our sport. Steve painted a bleak picture but delivered hope for the future especially with the phenomenal work being done by SSACN. The amount of work involved in raising the profile of Sea Angling and achieving the stakeholder status required to bring about the proper management of marine environment is something as a Club we should fully support (support means writing letters contacting your MSP when asked and perhaps keeping upto speed on the information sent out by SSACN)

It is Your Chosen Sport Help Protect it

This Months Meeting

Following on from March's excellent presentation by Steve Bastiman & Denis Kelly from SSACN, Silver Lure is pleased to announce that April's speaker will be our own Davy McNair.

Davy is Coaching Co-Coordinator for Sea Angling in Scotland, and a member of Silver Lure of over 20 years.

Davy has been targeting Mullet in Scotland for a number of years, using a variety of methods, and he's agreed to come along and demonstrate some of the methods that's made him so successful at landing this elusive, frustrating and hard-fighting fish.

Of course, you're all welcome along. April's meeting will be on... Thursday 30th April from 8pm -10pm

Ralston Community Centre
Allanton Avenue,
Ralston
Paisley.

Hope to see you there.

Ross Buchanan

Chairman, Silver Lure SAC

The Club Internet Forum

The club website is in the process of being updated if you wish to make any suggestions regarding the new format have a look at <http://130.209.99.212/silverlure/index.html>

and get in touch

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Silver Lure Club meetings

(Hot off the press itinerary below)

Why not Come along and bring a friend, The Silver Lure this year intends to radically change the format of its meetings with presentations, coaching sessions. Quiz nights any suggestions that you as members would like to see will be acted on and posted in the Club newsletter Meetings are on the last Thursday of each month with the exception of December at the Ralston Community Centre Allanton Avenue, Paisley, Renfrewshire PA1 3BL

Meeting times from 8pm -10pm

Contact the [Secretary](#)

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

SFSA

I received Individual Members raffle tickets I expect the club tickets to arrive soon the same deal as last year sell the tickets free SFSA membership for next year.

SSACN

Sharkatag

Various E-Mails forwarded onto the Club membership.

Clyde and Western Region

Requiring a volunteer for Secretary 6 meetings a year (tumble weed rolls across the floor)

Ayrshire shore league details

5 MATCH SERIES

Running on a points system under SFSA rules..All matches will be pegged except Portencross which will be a walk off.

Catch, Measure & Release—Minimum size 15cm

1 Rod, 3 Hooks

All Conger 1 Metre, All Common Eel 30cm

Measure only 3 Mackerel, no Sand eel, no Weavers.

Entry to League is £15.00

Entrants must register details and pay entry fee before the first match.

Contact:

Isaac Muir Tel: 07825078641 or Billy Buckley Tel: 07926418379

Or you may register your details and pay entry fee at:

Splash Sport Fishing Tackle shop , 27 Countess Street Saltcoats.

Tel: 07890230011 or 07838127781

Each Match has an entry fee of £10.00

Pay Out: Longest Fish 40%

Longest Bag 25%

2nd Longest Bag 15%

3rd Longest Bag 10%

The remaining 10% is added to the league entry fee and a Prize table will be paid out once the league is complete and all Anglers points are totalled.

ANY & ALL MATCHES ARE OPEN TO ALL ANGLERS EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT ENTERED INTO THE LEAGUE.

Registered with PENN Sea League.

1. saturday 13th June Irvine, 11:30—15:30

Registration 10:00

Car park at bridge to Big Idea.

2. Sunday 19th July Barassie, 15:30—19:30

Registration 14:00

Beach front car park Barassie.

3. Saturday 8th August Portencross, 19:00—23:00

Registration 17:30

Portencross car park.

4. Saturday 19th September Stevenston, 19:30—23:30

Registration 18:00

Stevenston Point car park.

5. Saturday 31st October Saltcoats Prom, 19:30—23:30

Registration 17:00

Saltcoats Prom.

Future outings

A reminder of future trips:

Venue	Date of Trip	List Opens	List Closes / Draw	Boat Cost	Places
Arbroath	24/05/2009	13/04/2009	15/05/2009	£264	12
*Girvan	18/06/2009	04/05/2009	08/06/2009	£380+	10
Oban	28/06/2009	18/05/2009	19/06/2009	£330	12
Arbroath	26/07/2009	15/06/2009	17/07/2009	£264	12
Oban	23/08/2009	13/07/2009	14/08/2009	£330	12
Loch Fyne	27/09/2009	17/08/2009	18/09/2009	£300	10
Pladda	04/10/2009	24/08/2009	25/09/2009	£330	10
Loch Etive	08/11/2009	28/09/2009	30/10/2009	£330	12
Loch Etive	06/12/2009	26/10/2009	27/11/2009	£330	12
Loch Etive	10/01/2010	30/11/2009	01/01/2010	£330	12
Loch Etive	07/02/2010	28/12/2009	29/01/2010	£330	12
Loch Etive	07/03/2010	25/01/2010	26/02/2010	£330	12

There are still a number of places available for the Arbroath trip on 24th May so please let me know if you wish to go.

I have included the trip from Girvan on Thursday 18th June in the list. This is one of the smallest tides of the year and, weather permitting, will be an offshore trip to some deep wrecks and other infrequently fished marks. Places will be allocated by the usual club procedure but the trip will not count towards any club championship.

Boat Report

Loch Etive 29th March

Unfortunately the weather prevented our planned visit to the wreck of the Breda, however, we were able to switch venues and fish the relatively sheltered waters of Loch Etive.

Our first stop was over 120 feet of water towards the North end of the Loch but it soon became obvious that the fish were

The full results are:

Loch Etive 29th March 2009 - Seniors					
Pos	Name	No. fish caught	Species	Boat Score	Club Points
1	S. Frayling	10	Lsd, Thornback, Spurdog	40	100
2	A. Ford	10	Lsd, Poor Cod, Spurdog, Whiting	28	70
2	S. Walker	8	Lsd, Pollack, Spurdog, Whiting	28	70
4	P. Hutchison	5	Lsd, Spurdog	21	53
5	J. Campbell	5	Spurdog, Whiting	19	48
6	R. Howe	5	Spurdog, Whiting	18	45
7	I. Walker	4	Spurdog, Whiting	14	35
8	A. Lambie	4	Spurdog, Whiting	13	33
9	R. Wilson	3	Spurdog	12	30
10	K. Duff	3	Spurdog	11	28
11	W. Carr	3	Spurdog	10	25
12	B. McCormack	2	Lsd, Whiting	8	20
Total No. fish caught		62			
Heaviest fish: 3lb 9oz Spurdog - Ron Howe					

This was the final outing for the 2008 / 2009 Winter Boat Championships and as the table below shows Jordi Diez has secured the title in the junior section, well done Jordi.

In the senior winter competition Peter Hutchisons strong run of form over Christmas and the New Year took him to victory in his first season with Silver Lure followed at some distance by John Campbell in second place with myself propping up the rostrum in third. Congratulations Peter.

Senior Winter Boat Championship 2008 / 2009										
		12/10/08	Loch Fynne	07/12/08	04/01/09	01/02/09	01/03/09	29/03/09		

Pladda 19th April

A fine sunny day met us at Girvan. An hour after setting sail we had anchored at Pladda and the Pollack Meister Willie Carr had a fish on his first cast, his second cast, his third cast and almost every cast for the first hour. During this time I managed to catch nothing, fortunately others were doing better and a steady stream of Pollack were coming aboard. As the tide run eased the fishing slowed slightly but other anglers found their touch John and Ian catching steadily with Ron and Stewart also finding a few fish. Willie's start, however, had given him an unassailable lead, which would have been greater had he not been broken several times, and the top spot was his.

This was the first outing of the Summer Championship and therefore the points below apply to the trip and the championship. The full results are:

Pladda 19th April 2009 - Senior					
Pos	Name	No. fish caught	Species	Boat Score	Club Points
1	W. Carr	19	Ballan Wrasse, Pollack	74	100
2	S. Frayling	19	Ballan Wrasse, Coalfish, Pollack	69	93
3	J. Campbell	20	Ballan Wrasse, Pollack	63	85
4	I. Walker	15	Pollack	61	82
5	S. Walker	13	Pollack	55	74
6	R. Howe	14	Ballan Wrasse, Pollack	53	72
7	J. Connolly	11	Pollack	48	65
8	P. Hutchison	10	Ballan Wrasse, Pollack	35	47
9	A. Lambie	7	Pollack	28	38
10	R. Wilson	6	Pollack	23	31
Total No. fish caught		134			
Heaviest fish: 7lb 14oz Pollack - Ian Walker					

The updated table for the Annual Championship is shown below:

Senior Boat Championship 2008 / 2009														
Pos	Name	Pladda 12/10/08	12/11/08Loch Fynne	Loch Etive 07/12/08	Loch Etive 04/01/09	Loch Etive 01/02/09	Loch Etive 01/03/09	Oban 29/03/09	Pladda 19/04/09	Arbroath 24/05/09	Oban 28/06/09	Arbroath 26/07/09	Oban 23/08/09	Points
1	Peter Hutchison	-		100	100	100	82	53	47					482

The current standings for most species is:

Fish Species	Peter Hutchison	Willie Carr	Billy McCormack	Allan Ford	John Campbell	Andy Lambie	Ron Howe	Steve Frayling	Stewart Walker	Mick Parkinson	Robert Wilson	Ian Walker	Ken Duff	Daniel Diaz	Robert Swan	Joe Connolly	Jordi Diaz
Coalfish								*									
Cod					*												
Dogfish - Lsd	*		*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*				*		
Pollack	*	*			*	*	*	*	*		*	*				*	
Poor Cod	*		*	*	*							*					
Pouting								*									
Rays, Thornback	*					*	*	*	*		*						
Spurdog	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*		*
Whiting	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*		*	*		*			
Wrasse Ballan	*	*			*		*	*									
Total	7	4	4	4	7	5	6	8	5	1	5	4	1	1	2	1	1

Boat Booking process

The Boat convenor has provided the above list of boats booked for the Club
Bookings for the above boats will be taken starting at the list opens date by contacting the Boat convenor. At the closing date depending on whether the boat is over or under subscribed

1. A ballot will take place to pick the 12 or relevant anglers who will participate in that boat, should an angler be balloted out he/she will be not be balloted out for the next (x trips).

If balloting is taking place on regular basis the Boat Convenor will book more boats according to demand.

2. If the boat is under subscribed at the closing list point the Boat Convenor will fill the boat with anyone he deems suitable, to reduce the cost burden to club members.
3. **The first person drawn out in a ballot becomes 1st reserve and So on (discussed at committee)**

The Boat Nominated Species for

May

Ballan Wrasse

Cod

Ling

June

Pollack

Ballan Wrasse

Cuckoo Wrasse

20th April 2009.

March has seen some nice fish caught from the shore for the Nominated Species Challenge. Top fish goes to Gareth Griffiths with an LSD of 2 lb 1 oz, closely followed by a lovely Plaice of 1 lb 9 oz caught by Ross Buchannan.

Nice Thornies were caught at the Official outing at Ballhulish too.

No records have been broken this month.

Well done to everyone involved.

Nominations:

April Shore: LSD, Flounder, Plaice.

May Shore: Flounder, Pollack, Ballan Wrasse.

April Boat: Coalfish, Pollack, Ballan Wrasse.



Member Profile - Daniel Diez

This month, our intrepid reporter laughs in the face of the weak £, and visits our Spanish member Daniel Diez. After an exhausting journey, a bellyful of cheap airline food, and armfuls of duty free, he eventually caught up with Daniel at his villa in.....erm.....Pollok, and put him under the Spotlight for your monthly reading pleasure.....

So Daniel, tell us a little more about yourself...

Well, my name's Daniel Diez (NOT Diaz!!), and, as everybody knows, I'm from Spain. I'm still a young 47 year-old, and have been living in Glasgow for over 10 years now, with my caring wife-to-be Diane. She has finally decided to make an honest man of me and we're getting married in Las Vegas in October. I have 2 sons, Alex (16) and Jordi (13). Jordi is also a Junior Silverlure member and loves fishing on the boats. I work in logistics.

How did you get into fishing?

I used to get out fishing with my dad, back in the 70s. He used to fish for the pot but I enjoyed the sport more than the cooking.

Do you remember your first fish ?

A beautiful "torpedo shaped" Liza Aurata. (a Golden Grey Mullet to Davy McNair LOL). They are nice to eat because they don't go into the rivers and don't have the pungent "mud flavour" that the grey and thick lipped mullet have.

How did you come to join Silver Lure then?

I joined Silver Lure in September 2005. Initially, I was looking for people sharing the same interest as me and as an opportunity to learn how and where to fish in Scotland. Later on I also became interested in the Sport side of fishing.

Who do you think has most influenced your fishing ?

Two names spring to my mind. Both Silver Lure related. The one and only, Old Dougmaster, Gerry "the fox" Elliot must come first. He got me out fishing and helped me a lot with his expertise, and still does. David McNair, on the other hand, has helped my development as an angler to adapt to the circumstances in front of me. He has introduced the "competitive edge" on me and has been a great help to my son Jordi, with some nice coaching on the boat and flounder fishing on the shore.

What type of fishing you prefer - boat or shore ?

I like both but, if I must choose one, I'll go for Shore fishing. While boat fishing gives access to bigger (and more) fish, the extra expense, boat places and cancellations put me off it in favour of a good stance on the shore. Once you know where to fish, learn a few techniques and cast a fair distance, shore fishing can be as rewarding as boat fishing without any inconvenience. Unless you own a boat, which is quite expensive, shore fishing is more flexible in terms of accommodating numbers of anglers and where and when do you want to fish.

Any species you particularly enjoy fishing for , or maybe a favourite venue ?

Any types of sharks are my favourite, including all of the dogfish species. Venue - wise ,it depends on the species but I fish Cairndow quite often.

What do you consider to be your best ever fish/ fishing day ?

Without a doubt, my first impromptu with Gerry Elliot and Robert Findlay, when I caught a nice bass with a "scabby wee bit of ragworm" and my biggest fish ever, a good Pollack of 7 ½ lb on a "borrowed" peeler crab from Boab. In second place comes the last Winter Knockout at Victoria Park in Arbroath, when I achieved a second position and got my first ever fishing trophy (Silver Champion of Champions Cup), beating well-known matchmen Billy Buckley and Davy Little in the process. My first Thornie and Spurrie from the shore at the December outing also meant a good day for me.

Any "worst day" or bad experience ?

I don't like blanking but, if it comes together with losing gear, poor fishing and bad weather, it really drives me nuts. I tend to "forget" these days. A special occasion when I was disappointed was at the Bistro, Loch Fyne, at the last Region knockout, when I had lots of "doggy" bites in darkness, but couldn't hook one and blanked. I'm pretty sure their mummies showed them better manners other than play with their food! LOL.

Any ambitions in fishing or particular fish you'd like to catch

From the shore, I would like to catch conger and tope. From the boat, I must have a go at the big Skate and perhaps Marlin if I can get a good holiday offer.

Any favourite gear you can recommend ?

I like my beach buddy and my Tiga headlamp. It's particularly annoying when the weather does not let fish comfortably. The beach buddy is very easy to set up and protects against the bad weather very well. The tiga is just a great bit of kit with loads of lumens to use.

What's the best tip you can give your fellow members ?

The most important one: Get out and fish !. It's the best way to learn and to enjoy our Sport. Our Club provides opportunities to fish with the Official outings and the Nominated Species Challenge but nothing stops us from organising our own "fishing impromptus"

AFYD/Clyde and West Sea Angling Coaching Event

Thanks for inviting me to the meeting Davy. As I said it's a breath of fresh air to be amongst guys with such passion and drive- rather than the blank uninterested faces I'm used to staring across the table at !!!!
Anyway...my rambling thoughts.....

Key Stage 1 - The Coaching Session w/c 4th May

My initial thought is that we need to be well-prepared for this - the more we can cover here (without boring them senseless!), the more we can let the kids just enjoy themselves on the day. I was thinking we could do this best with a combination of PowerPoint, handouts, demonstration, participation, and "homework"

First of all, I think a couple of us need to visit The Walkway, decide exactly where we'll be fishing and risk-asses it. I think its important we do this BEFORE the meeting, cos it would be good to take some digi-photos of the venue to show in the presentation.

The PowerPoint presentation should cover a brief introduction of the Coaches, confirmation of our status (fully qualified/ CRB checked etc - remember parents may be there), and what we'll be doing in the session. Some ideas on the session....

"Where will we be fishing?" A brief description of the venue we'll be fishing along with a short session on the safety element - to show that we've considered this - show along with the above photos, and maybe a google map to show everyone where we'll be. Also perhaps a quick slide about litter? This might be something that Billy could do, as I know that health & safety is his forte.

"What will we be fishing for?" I'm happy to print off some colour images of the common fish as a handout (as an idea for a little game why not leave blanks on the fish names and give prizes if the kids can correctly identify??) I'll print off extras cos the kids will forget them on fishing day! We could also do a little bit about unhooking/fish-care here.

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crimps, snood knots or knot-free designs ????? Weights as usual will be a problem - I'd suggest giving them 1 each away with them, and just taking plenty spares along on the day.

Also good to introduce bait here - good idea to bring along some bait as this may be their first exposure to live-baits. I'd limit it to 3 baits - crab, rag and mackerel - we could let them have a play around with them, and maybe let them have a go at putting them on if they want.

What you'll need to bring ? Maybe a little comic picture on powerpoint of a rod, a reel, a rucksack, a pair of boots/wellies and pictures of waterproofs/ extra clothing. This can also be printed as a handout. The kids will probably know all this, but no-one can then blame us for not telling them!. Also a wee slide to confirm that the AFYD guys will be providing snacks/juice.

What about afterwards? Maybe a couple of wee slides to show "pie & beans" back at the Church, and a little info on "prizegiving" afterwards (as suggested by AFYD)

Finish off with a basic rod, reel, line check, and "Roberts yur da's big bruther"

I know the AFYD guys have done this, but we'll also need full details on the kids, and any "special requirements" they have

Key Stage 2 - The Fishing Day (Saturday 23rd May 10.30 - 13.30)

Its great we've chosen not too early a start, and that AFYD/Police are organising the transport. It's also good that its over the top of the tide at slackish-water to minimise snags.

I'd suggest that maybe only Davy travels with the kids in the morning, while the rest of the coaches/ volunteers meet at the venue - maybe about 9.30 ish - this gives them time to dish out Buckets/bait evenly along the stretch (pegs) set up spare gear (which I'd suggest we bring along) and arrange all the safety stuff.

On the subject of "Pegs", we can space the stuff along at regular intervals, so the kids are fishing at a safe distance from each other. I'm not too sure that the kids "picking pegs" is the way to go though. Remember its supposed to be fun not a competition, and fishing next to your mate is always more fun. I guess as long as everyone is supervised and no-one feels excluded any system is okay. Supervision wise, I agree 1:3 is about right - I'm sure some of the parents will come along and there won't be any shortage of volunteers. Also a good opportunity Davy to "rope-in" some prospective future "level 1's" you have in mind??? I agree with only the "supervisors" having access to scissors/knives on the day - better safe than sorry. Also, what about inviting Dougie to this as an assistant?? The venue appears ideal, and I did promise him that Junior coaching would be happening in May! If we can get Ian along to do a casting demo - great!and if Stephen Smith can come along the river and speak to some of the kids from the Launch...even better!! Re the prize giving - I'm sure Lyndsay can be persuaded to give up some "Clyde & West" goodies- skipcaps, line etc - after all these kids will hopefully be signing up for this years Comp! Laminates, Choccy Bars etc....brilliant.....why not invite Someone along to present?

On the day issues

- * The safety equipment needed
- * Toilet facilities is an issue - can Grevv help with portaloos (male & female) ?
- * 30 buckets (I have loads of the plastic "Chinese food" tubs to distribute bait)
- * 30 hand-towels (which can also serve as unhooking mats)
- * First aid kit (inc bee-sting stuff)
- * A few bottles of that "anti-bacterial" hand wash stuff.
- * 10 fish measures, and cards/pens for the supervisors to record fish
- * 10 sets of scissors (with lanyards if poss)
- * A few spare sets of gear (including traces/weights etc)

"Plan B"

We have to plan for inclement weather- Its unlikely in May I know, but what do you do to entertain 30 bored kids if it is blowing a hoolie?

I'd suggest getting hold of some Fishing videos if we can. The Church has superb DVD/Video screening facilities, and we could combine this with more rig-building.

Outing 7 Port Carlisle

This trip was arranged on the back of previous results had by a couple of members who had fished this mark at this time of year with reasonable results.

I for one really like this venue and would go just to witness the tidal bore, which is amazing to see.

We were fishing from 11:30 which meant a wee walk out to the water as the tide wasn't in.

The tide in fact took over 1 ½ hrs to finally move and when it did the tidal bore came rushing in with a wave about 2 to 3 feet high passing by at a good rate.

The instant the wave passed over my rig it picked the weight up and I felt the distinct pull of a Flounder, which weighed in at 12 oz, later a couple of the other guys said they got bites straight away as well.

When the tide came in and we had to retreat back to the grassy bank things went a bit quiet for me and Wullie, in fact not too much was happening for most of us except big Davy who seemed to have the situation sussed and stormed into a good lead with plenty of fish.

Ross worked really hard for his bag of fish standing deep in the water holding his rod for most of the time, the rest of us just plodded on and a couple of fish were taken late on in the outing when we were following the tide back out again.

The weather on the day was scorching sunshine with a slight breeze so we all got a wee bit sunburned.

As I said, Big Davy managed a really good bag of Flounders, he was continually catching for most of the outing, fishing really light with as little as ¼ oz weights, maybe this was the winning tactic.

	Name	Catch	kg	Points
7	D.McNair	11 x Flounder	3.03	100
5	R.Buchanan	5 x Flounder	1.36	50
2	R.Wilson	3 x Flounder	0.66	22
3	R.Finlay	2 x Flounder	0.51	17
6	J.McGradie	1 x Flounder	0.26	9
4	B.Allan	Blank	0	0
1	W.Pollock	Blank	0	0
		Total Bag Weight	5.92	
		Heaviest fish – Flounder 1lb 1oz, D.McNair		

Championship table

	Name	Newton shore	Usan	Loch Etive	Usan	Carsethorne	Ballahulish	Port Carlisle	Carsethorne	Auchenlarry	Auchmithie	Port Gill	Elliot Beach	Total
1	R. Buchanan	59	10 0	100	94	48	86	50						537
2	R.Wilson	56	89	0	100	78	0	22						345
3	W.Pollock	0	0	0	0	100	10 0	0						200
4	R.Finlay	0	99	9	0	69	0	17						194
5	J.McGradie	100	0	13	57	0	0	9						179
9	D.McNair	0	38	0	0	n/a	0	10 0						138
6	R.Shorting	0	28	0	87	17	0	0						132
7	B.Allan	0	0	0	0	66	34	0						100
8	D.Diaz	0	0	31	0	22	0	0						53
10	Phil	0	0	0	0	n/a	0	0						0

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SHORE OUTINGS 2008/09

Sun 31/05/09	Carsethorne	09.30 – 15.30	Low tide is 12.30	The crab should be on the peel by now and previous results from this venue have been really good, another out and out Flounder venue with standard 3 hook flappers with no bigger than size 2 hooks required. Meet at car park in Carsethorne
Sat. 27/06/09	Auchenlarry	12pm – 7.30pm	High tide is at 15.45	Meet at large lay-by close to Auchenlarry caravan park We need to get to this mark early to try and make sure we get on the marks hence the long fishing time, please be aware that depending on where you fish you might need to wait a while for the tide to go down far enough to get of your stance. We have had reasonably good results from here recently and you can expect to catch Bass, Smoothhound, Tope and Flounders
Sun 05/07/09	Auchmithie	11am – 5pm	Low tide is at 2pm	Summer Cod venue that has been good to the club in the past, normally would recommend crab only, but the last time we were there some locals were taking cod on lug. Standard rough ground cod tactics required
Sun 09/08/09	Port Gill	12pm – 6pm	High tide is at 3pm	Good Pollock and Wrasse mark not unlike Port Logan, can expect to catch LSD and Conger if you try for them. A bit tight for parking with space for maybe 4 cars so we will arrange meeting place prior to outing and car share down to the mark from Port Logan area.
Sun 13/09/09	Elliot beach	12pm – 6pm	Low water is at 3pm	We fished this one last year and quite enjoyed it, large sandy beach with gulley's to fish into. Expect to catch Flounder, Codling, Bass and maybe Turbot? Meet at the car park on the left, right after the first large roundabout on the way in to Arbroath.
10/09	Terally			
11/09	East coast cod			
12/09	Etive			

Meeting times for all outings will be one hour before the fishing time; all outings will be a walk off or drive off. The draw for the walk off or drive off will take place 5 minutes after the arranged meeting time, the walk off or drive off will begin 15 minutes after the arranged meeting time.

Please be advised of a change to the date and fishing time for the outing to Auchenlarry.

The change was necessary due to the SSACN shark tagathon being held on the same weekend as we were going originally.

Due to the fact that there will be loads of fishermen down at this mark for the tagathon and the fact there is limited stances it was felt that we should change our date. Unfortunately the new date coincides with the boat date for that weekend but there wasn't any alternative.

Feedback form

What did you think was good in this months newsletter/meeting

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What could be improved

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Have you any suggestions for the Newsletter or for Club meetings

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Fishy Tales

Boat: Billy McCormack

Myself, Willie, Stewart, Ian and kenny Graham headed down to Girvan yesterday for a "wee" pleasure trip over to Pladda with Tony Wass. We had approx 150 Pollack of which most were around the 3lb bracket, A dozen or so Coalies, A half dozen Ballan Wrasse and a Sea Scorpion. Our biggest Pollack was only around 4lb but you could see they were still very thin and covered in breeding scars. Some of the fish we caught yesterday will be 5lb+ fish in a

few weeks for sure. As usual we had a good day and Tony worked hard to keep us over the fish in blustery conditions. Another few weeks and the fishing should be in full swing over there. 😊

Shore : Ross Buchanan

Anyway, following on from my successes last month at a mark near Carsethorn, I invited Davy along for a look at the area, and a wee try for some April Nominated Species claims.

First stop was for bait, and we managed to dig about 150 excellent lugworm from a new bait bed shown to me near the fishing area.

Then after a short drive and a 5 minute walk we arrived at the fishing area. Now the tide times were all wrong for our trip, as the area fishes best from about 2 hours up(6pm !), so we knew it'd be quite a short session, as we would have to wait for the tide to come in a long way before we got started. When we eventually did get to wet a line, we were both into fish right away. Davy seemed to be getting the lion's share of the Plaice, while my catches were predominantly Flounder - strange as we were fishing just 10 yards apart !!!

With the tide now pushing in strongly, weed started to become a problem -although unlike our Dab session at the Club outing, the weed didnt seem to put the Plaice/Flounder off.

Unfortunately, due to impending darkness, work the next day, (and the fear that my car might not start !) we left after really only fishing for about 3 hours. Even so, it was a fairly productive session with 5 Flounder and 1 Plaice for me, and 5 Plaice and 1 Flounder for Davy. I'm sure if we'd been able to fish on we'd have caught a lot more. Top individual fish fell to Davy with a Plaice of 1lb exactly and a better fish of 1lb 4oz, caught just as we had to leave.

Happy days - we'll be back.

This area, with its ready made bait supply (right under your feet!), ample parking and nice firm safe stances, is one well worth thinking about for a Shore outing next spring.

All,

The Angling Development Board for Scotland are looking for Development Manager. The details are as follows :
Scottish Angling Business Development Manager

Angling Development Board for Scotland

Location : will be discussed with successful candidate -- Salary: £30K - £34K pro rata

(This post will be pro rata to £30 - £34 and in the first instance be a 4 day per week post possibly rising to five

days over time)

Angling is the biggest participation sport in the world and we are proud of the contribution that our sport makes to the Scottish Economy. We have a desire to maintain this tradition and to develop our sport by encouraging more people to participate and to compete.

We aim to achieve our goal through the newly created Angling Development Board for Scotland (ADBoS) and with the appointment of an Angling Business Development Manager. ADBoS is a partnership between the three Scottish National Governing Bodies, The Scottish Angler's National Association (SANA), The Scottish Federation for Course Angling (SFCA) and the Scottish Federation of Sea Anglers (SFSA).

To ensure we meet our aims to develop the sport we are looking for a dynamic manager who has the ability to influence partner organisations and to engage with and inspire new participants into Angling. As ADBoS is in its infancy we are looking for a self starter who understands the goals of the organisation and who has the drive and commitment to meet them.

We expect the Business Development Manager to steer our sport into the next generation and to do this you will need to be energetic, enthusiastic, self motivated and be able to appreciate and work with a range of organisations each with a common interest in Angling. The role will offer the successful candidate the opportunity to develop skills at a national level and to make an impact on sport generally.

Although we are looking for a business manager who is experienced in project management and who possesses excellent negotiation and planning skills an understanding of the various disciplines of Angling would also be desirable.

Ideally we are looking to appoint a candidate with a proven track record in a professional working environment educated to degree level.

If you think you are a suitable candidate for this post please contact Lisa McGregor, Sportscotland, Doges, Templeton on the Green, Glasgow, G40 1DA for an application form. Lisa can be contacted on 0141 534 6500.

Further information on the post is available from Alan McMillan, Partnership Manager from 20th April onwards.

Closing Date for Applications is 1 May 2009.

Post Description/Criteria:

Essential:

- A proven track record of management within a business and or sport context
- Excellent communications skills (both written and oral)
- Proven negotiation and planning skills in a senior management / board level setting
- Be highly IT literate.
- Demonstrable financial management skills and experience in budgeting.
- Access to a car and current UK driving licence
- Proven ability to work on own initiative

Desirable:

- Experience in a sports or business management environment
- Knowledge and understanding of the various disciplines within angling.
- Qualification and or experience in project/programme management.
- Experience in sport development or the administration of sport. Working knowledge of Child Protection and Equity
- Knowledge of the Strategic Framework Directive for Scottish Freshwater Fisheries