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Editors Bit

Happy New Year everyone and I hope Santa brought you more fly-fishing and fly-tying gear.

My apologies to all the regular readers; Facebook friends and fishing buddies for not getting out a full issue of the January 2024 issue of the magazine once again.

It is hard sometimes to get things done when you're an old age pensioner, doing the usual things a man has to do like gardening and DIY around the house and of course the usual OLD MAN illness issues, plus trying to get some fishing in between; but there again life is too short and your long time dead so enjoy it while you can.

Due to this being a free magazine and no income received through subscription charges for the magazine and paid advertisements in either the magazine or websites and the increase in the costs of running the website, plus the increase in costs for travelling about and fishing. I have had to cut the website down to a basic one, the new link to the website is www.scottish-flyfisher.co.uk

Hopefully you're all still enjoying the magazine. Drop me an email at editor.scottishflyfisher@gmail.com and let me know if there is anything you would like to see added to the magazine. Or even drop me some photos and news about the fishing in your area and I'll get it in the next magazine for you.

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Scotland Win Gold

By Nigel Duncan



Scotland celebrated after winning the Bank Fly Fishing Home International at Newhaylie Trout Fishery near Largs.

The six-strong Tartan team totaled 112 points with Ireland second with 135, Wales third on 170 and England fourth on 176.

Ireland's Sean Kirwan was the best individual angler on the day with 13 fish, seven in the morning session and six post lunch, with Scotland's captain, Graeme Lynch from Beith, Ayrshire, second with ten fish, seven in the first session and three in the afternoon.



Team Captains

David Neilson of England was third with nine fish (three am and six pm) while Scotland debutant, David Harrington from Uphall Station, was fourth with eight fish (five am and three pm).

Michael Ward (Johnstone) was 12th with five fish and Peter Cowie from Stuartfield in Aberdeenshire 14th. Scotland had four anglers in the top ten, Mark Hopkins from Hamilton, the national champion, was seventh with one fish in the morning session and four in the afternoon, with Kyle Courtney from Drongan, Ayrshire, ninth with one fish am and four post lunch.

Wales were the favorites going into the event but Hywel Morgan, a former world fly casting champion and a consultant to Lanarkshire-based tackle manufacturer, Daiwa, 19th with three fish and Rhys Wadley, a well-known face on YouTube, with 20,000 followers, was 21st with two fish.



Lynch said: "I am over the moon, brilliant, and I am very pleased for the boys who have had a tough week. The weather conditions have not been great but we got gold."

"The boys were inexperienced and I am the only man in the team with a previous bank cap. They have worked hard and we have worked well as a team."

He revealed that the 'hot' pegs on practice did not produce and he added: "We were lucky that we picked up fish on the very hard pegs. The conditions were different, morning and afternoon, and there was a bitter, cold wind after lunch."



“This morning was good and it was fishing better but the wind killed it. We were winning at lunchtime and we held on to it. We told the guys to keep at it, we had the flies and we knew the tactics and we didn’t change anything, we just kept going.”

An English angler dropped to his knees and held his head in his hands after dropping a fish only inches from his landing net.

Seconds later two Scots hooked into fish on opposite sides of the lake on their way to the gold medal. The contrast was stark.



Some of Britain’s best bank anglers had toiled all day, casting long and short, trying to tempt elusive trout at Newhaylie Fishery near Largs during the Home International.

It was flat calm in the morning session with gin clear water, most unusual for Newhaylie, perched on a hill 400ft above the seaside resort. The fish could see everything.

Then the wind got up in the post-lunch session, making it difficult to cast and to find the right tactics. Rolly Polly in one section of the lake, slow retrieve in others. Even fast retrieve was tried as the clock ticked down.

The fickle wind, which kept changing direction, also made it difficult. Finding the right pattern was crucial to find fish who were generally thought to be around 5ft under the surface.

Slow glass lines and floating lines were used as was the controversial bung. It brought results for some.

The Dam Wall area, the deepest part of the lake, produced and the ripple edge in the mid-point of the lake was also favoured, but even the best, and there were some famous names on the bank, found it tough going.

They had practiced at the water for several days before the hooter blew to signal the start of the one-day competition.

They had tied flies in their rooms until midnight and talked tactics, meeting bankside and in their accommodation.

Such is fishing and in a tense situation like a Home International, numbers are crucial.

Scotland’s captain, Graeme Lynch, is a regular at Newhaylie and lives around ten miles away at Beith in Ayrshire. He knows how to fish the water and that helped but the six-strong Tartan team certainly upped their game on the day and the loss of a fish through a hole in the net near the end of the contest did not matter in the overall scores.

Lynch was beaten into second place by Irish angler Sean Kirwan who netted 13 fish, seven in the morning and six in the afternoon, and that was a notable achievement. Lynch also had seven in the morning and three in the pm session.

Debutant David Harrington from Uphall Station was fourth in the individual standings with eight fish during the two sessions with anglers moving around the lake to different pegs in 40-minute spells.

The focus was intense. The casting prodigious but one angler dropped his pattern into shallow water in a margin near one of the concrete walls in the 3.8-acre water.

He was winding in excess line when a fish took the pattern. He looked shocked and frantically tugged on his line, playing the hard-fighting trout. It escaped just before the net. He was gutted.

That’s how much these anglers cared and that is why the victory was so sweet for Scotland who fielded an inexperienced team but still won gold.







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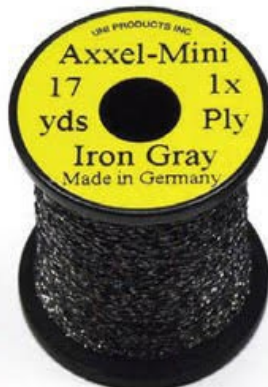


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Catching Bigger Fish on the Fly



Catching that big trophy fish is often the goal most fly anglers hope to achieve at sometime during their fly-fishing career.

It can sometimes happen by surprise or by luck.

But catching that bigger fish regularly is what makes the difference between the men and the boys and between the women and the girls.

Big fish are at the top of the food chain, and they didn't get there by chance.

Usually they're clever, wary, and opportunistic.

How can a fly angler put this to good use?

Base your fly choice by the time of the year and on the water temperature.

Big flies don't always catch big fish, you have to offer what the fish wants.

In general, the water temperature and the season will dictate what to put at the end of your tippet.

Big flies in moderate temperatures.

When the water temperature facilitates a quick digestion (46° to 57° Fahrenheit or 8° to 14° Celsius) and the time of the year is at a peak (usually early spring and late fall) is when I throw big single articulated flies at them.

Big streamer flies like a snake or a humungous can work a treat during this time.

Use smaller flies in extreme temperatures.

My personal best has been taken on the smallest flies like a size 12 or 14 cormorant in either black or white, at a time in the season when the fish are usually lethargic. I usually use a very slow figure of eight retrieve with an occasional fast and quick pull back in between to get the attention of the fish.

Also try slowing down your retrieve and pause your stripping action.

Most people strip way too fast for a big trout to constantly chase the fly.

In general, the fish look at the fly offered to them, and have a little think if it's worth chasing. slow down and pause. Pause, Stop, Pause, and Stop! You can't pause long enough for the fish to take.

We're lucky as fly anglers because the flies we tie and use are still attractive to the fish on a stop, or even on the hang just before re-casting the fly out again. Keep your line tight to feel any takes and react quickly especially on the hang as I've had many a fish this way as they will follow the fly all the way to the end without you knowing it until the very last second when they decide to strike at your fly.

Be consistent when fly fishing as it is hard work and sometime frustrating trying to target that nice large fish and landing it.

And always remember the golden rule SLOW DOWN as the bigger fish aren't as fast as the smaller ones but are still there to be caught if you use the correct fly and retrieval method.

How to Fish the Bung

UNLOCK THE SECRETS OF STILLWATER INDICATOR FISHING AND WATCH YOUR CATCH RATES SOAR

The Bung, bobber, sight indicator, call it what you will, is a perfectly legitimate and often lethal method on Stillwater's large and small across the UK. Sadly, some anglers seem to loathe it. I'm not sure why: ethics; casting aerodynamics; the fact that it's far too close to coarse fishing for comfort perhaps? Whatever the reasons, some people just really don't like the Bung and those opinions may be tough to change with this article, but we'll try!

The Bung, should be part of your fly-fishing armoury, it's as simple as that. Ask anyone who uses this method, either for pleasure or while competing, and they'll be sure to tell you about its effectiveness. It offers near-perfect static presentation which cannot be achieved any other way.

A Little History

The Bung has come a long way since its introduction, The original tactic when targeting fish feeding on the riverbed with various heavy nymphs suspended under some yarn or a bobber (little plastic float), was quickly and easily adapted for Stillwater fishing. It's still a lethal and popular method for river fishing, particularly in the US, but our own UK Stillwater fraternity has taken this method and honed it to within an inch of its life to make it what it is today.

Fishing a small water fishery can throw up many a situation where adapting to the conditions is key – And sometimes that means fishing the bung. It's a method which is now widely used and offers some extremely exciting sport when the fish favour a static fished fly – It's an ideal method for fishing buzzers, and more recently, bung flies, suspended at the optimum depth.

The only way to describe 'the bung' is as a float, a strike indicator.

It's designed to suspend a single or team of flies at a certain depth, allowing your fly to fish in the taking zone longer than when using a conventional sinking fly line. As is everything in fly fishing, the bung has its days and is extremely effective and often un-matchable when the fish switch onto it.

There are quite a few different types of bungs on the market.

Here are 4 tips on how to fish the bung!

1. It might sound a bit daft, but make sure you have an extremely buoyant indicator that's capable of suspending your intended flies. There's nothing worse than finding out your bung sinks under the weight of the flies beneath. The higher the indicator rides on the surface, the more visible it will be.
2. Have a selection of colours – black, orange, yellow and white are by far the best depending on the light. Carrying a range of colours will ensure you're equipped for varying lights throughout the day.
3. Tie the bung as close as you can to your line on either a short dropper or NZ style – this will give you the best bite detection as the whole rig is in contact with the fly beneath.
4. This might be a simple one, but don't cast too far... keeping sight of the bung is essential to hooking the fish, as soon as it dips, you need to strike, if you cast too far you won't see the subtle takes. Also, an important part is to remember to keep your line straight because if it's too slack you could miss out on the fish when striking.



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Burnhouse Lochan Fishery Annual Competition

By Maisy May Anderson Final was held on Sunday 22 October 2023.

A massive thank you to today's finalists! I hope you all enjoyed your day in the sunshine, and to those that caught the tigers and monsters.....I wish your arms a full and speedy recovery. The early arrivals were greeted with a spectacular sunrise a soul warming and calming start to the day! The fish rising everywhere and the big fish causing a stir.

When that sun came out though, all I could think was well at least it's a great day for a BBQ! The flat calm and bright sunshine worried me after the 2 extremely difficult qualifiers, I thought we had hit it 3rd time unlucky!!! But after the Bell rang my worries very quickly disappeared.

There were times when the sound resembled that of a water park! It was awesome!!!

The big fish were biting, in particular the tigers! There were sore arms but big smiles all round!

At lunch there came a welcome rest for the arms. What a truly beautiful day for a BBQ, very much welcome after the horrific weather we have endured this week.

A massive thank you to my team, who are completely new to the fishery, Bryan and Robert started at the busiest time we have ever had, thrown in at the deep end, and they are handling it like they have always been here!

Another extremely massive thank you to Martyn Shearer who forgot we had the final on today, he popped up to fish but a fellow chef, he volunteered to help me with the BBQ! You are a legend, it has been an exhausting month for me and I am massively grateful for your help, support and friendship! The guys loved the feast we grafted over.

After lunch the fishing slowed slightly, but the prime specimens kept biting!

It was a close game throughout, apart from first place, this year's champion ran away with it from the start, maxing out all but 1 peg in the morning.



The results

1st & the 2023 Burnhouse Champion GREG HOGGAN - 23 fish TOFF 9.05
2ND - JOHN DONALDSON- 17 fish TOFF 9.27
3RD - GREG HOWE - 15 TOFF 9.02
4th - ALLAN MELVILLE - 13 TOFF 9.11
5th - COLIN SHARPE - 12 TOFF 9.01
6th - DARREN MCPHERSON JNR 12 TOFF 9.10
7th - AARON KIRKWOOD - 12 TOFF 9.15
8th - SCOTT MUDIE - 11 TOFF 9.02
9th - WULLIE CARR - 10 TOFF 9.05
10th - JIM BURTLE- 10 TOFF 9.34
11th - GEO KELLICHAN - 10 TOFF 9.40
12th - BLAINE O'DONNELL - 9 TOFF 9.03
13th - KYLE BURNS - 8 TOFF 9.30
14th - DARREN BARCIK - 7 TOFF 7 9.07
15th - BRIAN SUTHERLAND- 7 TOFF 10.06
16th - CHRIS MELVILLE - 6 TOFF 9.20
17th - SCOTT POZZI - 5 TOFF 9.03
18th - WULLIE TURNER 5 TOFF 11.37
19th - ROBBIE BIRRELL - 4 TOFF 9.08
20th - DARREN MCPHERSON SNR - 4 TOFF 9.20
21st - ALAN SMITH - 4 TOFF 9.35
22nd - ROSS FISHER - 2 TOFF 9.11
23rd - STEVEN MCGOWAN - 2 TOFF 10.03
24th - And the lucky winner of the grumpy spoon, a very very last min step in, he made it just in time, JIM ANDERSON 1fish.

Well done to all of the finalists, a spectacular 214 fish were caught with a rod average of 8.91! Tremendous angling! I hope you are all incredibly proud not just for today but for making it to the final when we had very difficult conditions for the qualifiers!

It has been a long and tiring month for myself and the team, and it meant the world to have you all there today! To hear the laughter and to see those smiles!

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Keeping Warm When Fishing

By The Editor

Winter is slowly but surely starting to creep in here in the UK and this is the time to start thinking about your personal health and safety when out fishing during the colder weather.

To keep warm is all about wearing the right clothing layers and the correct fabrics.



First of all, there is the base layer which you wear next to your skin, and don't think about the old-fashioned granddad long johns and vest, start thinking about more modern specially made clothing for this purpose.

Most modern base layer clothing is made of polyester and polypropylene which are often mixed with Lycra or Spandex to give some stretch when you're bending and moving about.

You can either go for a lighter or heavier layering depending on how you are fishing, if you are just moving around the fishery on foot, I would recommend a lighter layer, however if you are just standing nearly in the same spot all day or sitting in a boat a heavier layer is recommended.

I like the Imax Vapour Mesh Base Layer as this provides an internal grid structure which provides comfortable airflow and the lightweight yarn wicks moisture away quickly from the body so that you don't get cold and wet.

The mid layers are a good shirt that has air vents and slightly looser than the base layer. I like the Simms Montana Shirt, even though I mostly wear it during the summer months as it gives me freedom to move but keeping me cool also, this also works the other way round during the winter months as it also helps to keep me warm but not sweaty as this also leaks out any moisture.



On top of the shirt, I wear a Microfleece Pullover this is a great thermal regulating layer that can be worn all year round. The microfleece has a high neck and a zip. The microfleece gives a useful level of insulation while also helping to regulate body temperature meaning it is ideal as a mid-layer or as a base layer.

The trousers I would recommend are the Simms Cold Weather trousers as it sure is nice to put on fleece-lined Nylon shell pants on a frosty morning headed out to the river. The Durapel Plus finish and COR3 technology make this cold weather pant a winner.

The trousers are 100% Nylon shell fabric with COR 3™ technology and Durapel Plus finish; 100% Polyester fleece lining and hand warmer pockets.

The outer layer depending on the weather I would wear my normal over trousers and weatherproof jacket.



For your head during colder weather, I know that the fishing baseball caps are good for keeping the sun out of your eyes even during the winter months, but try and get one with fur lined pull down ear muffs. Or wear a balaclava under your cap and pull it down when your ears are just starting to get too cold.

Don't forget about your hands and feet when out fishing as there's nothing worse than a touch of frost bite. Always wear a good pair of thermal socks and a pair of thermal boots that can stand up to the cold, I always wear the Stillwater Snow Boots Moonboot style wellies for the ultimate in warmth and comfort, these boots have a really thick sole and a removable thermal Liner. No more cold feet with these boots they can withstand cold weather up to minus 25deg.

Finally, I hate wearing gloves when I'm fishing as you can't grip the line very well, I always take a long a couple of hand warmers and spare charcoal, they not only heat up your hands but keep you warm as well with the heat permeating through your trousers or jacket pocket. If you

do wear gloves ensure that they are neoprene gloves as they will keep your hands warm and dry.

An excellent product on the market is the Airflo Hardwear Heated Gloves, they keep your hands and fingers warm during the cold winter months with these waterproofs, easy to operate battery heated gloves. Available in medium and large sizes,



Remember; you don't have to be the height of fashion as long as your warm and comfortable fishing as the cold can spoil a good day's fishing and make you lethargic, thus leading to accidents and a spoilt day on the river or fishery and especially when in a boat on a reservoir, lake or loch. I should know this as quite a few years ago when out boat fishing on a reservoir and new to the sport I didn't have the right clothing on for the inclement weather, by the end of the day I was cold miserable and wasn't fully aware of my surrounding due to being a bit lethargic, whereby I ran the boat aground causing me to fall over in the boat breaking my wrist.

Fly of The Month



Cat's Whisker (Fritz)

This is one of those all-round lures, fish it on a floating, intermediate or sinking line at various rates of retrieve and it will still catch.

The cat's whisker works superbly even when fished very slowly or even on the drop. Try the washing line method, this fly works as both a lure or nymph or even under a bung. The pattern shown is tied to international rules and is a great fish catcher. You must have one of these in your box, don't let the size deceive you, it's very effective.

Hook: Kamazan B175 size 10 heavy competition hooks

Thread: White

Body: Hot Olive Electric Dubbing

Tail: White Marabou

Wing: White Marabou with 2 strands of Krystal Flash

Head: Globrite Floss No 4

STEP 1: Run the thread down to a place opposite the barb and catch in a bunch of white marabou. This is a small slim fly so the bulk on the hook shank needs to be kept at a minimum. Run the thread back and forth along the hookshank to produce a neat level body.

TIP: When preparing the marabou, place the marabou tips in your left hand between index finger and thumb and with the right hand move your thumb and index finger nails down the marabou stripping the webby marabou bulk off the stems. This will result in a slimmer body when tied in.

STEP 2: Now dub the Hot Olive Dubbing onto the thread. Notice I started slightly up from a position where the tail was tied in. I find this makes a neater look to the fly where the body and tail meet.

STEP 3: Wind the dubbing back to the where the tail is tied in and then dub forwards to about 1/4 of the bodylength from the eye. At this point use a dubbing teaser to tease the fibres out making a 'buggy' body.

STEP 4: Now take a bunch of Marabou for the wing. I use the fine tips found at the top of the Marabou feather, the same principal as that used in the Cormorant lure. Tie in the bunch of Marabou just behind the eye of the hook and trim the waste feather. Whip Finish the thread.

STEP 5: Take the scarlet floss and produce a neat head. Secure, Whip Finish and Trim.

Final: Now varnish the head with a couple of coats of Sally Hansen hard as nails varnish.

Tackle Reviews

All tackle reviews are impartial and honest reviews undertaken by the editor.
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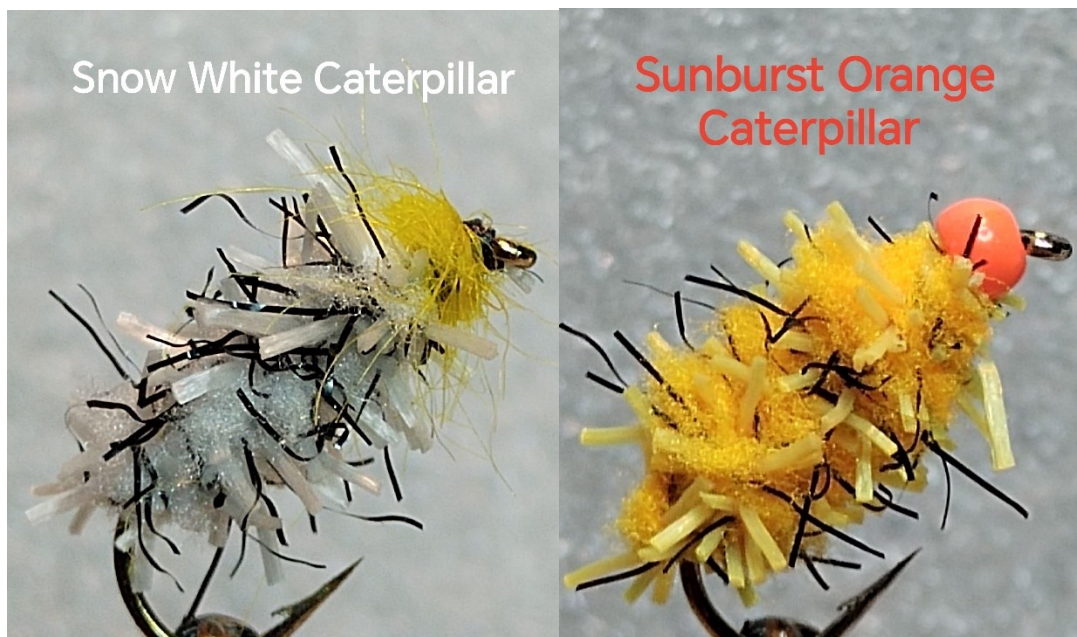
I received some Hairy Caterpillar material from the Celtic Blob Company.

It has a colourful centre, approx. 5mm, and legs extending to 10mm. In the hand it has that silicon rubber type feel and has a slight stretch. The legs in this standard version are a mixture of neon fibre and black giving that really buggy look. Sure to be deadly under the bung and on small lure bodies.

The length of the material is approximately 2 metres per pack. It is available in 18 colours.

I must say I've never heard of it or tried it before.

However, it is a cracking material to use and makes some really good-looking Bung Flies.



You can get the Caterpillar Material from www.celticblob.com and only £3.99 a pack

Fly Tying Time

The Chenille Nymph



The Chenille Nymph is one of the easiest patterns to tie and probably one of the first that a novice fly tier will attempt after a buzzer.

The pattern can be tied in a variety of colours to suit the conditions and an orange variety can work well in bright conditions.

An effective pattern all season, it can be tied with or without bead eyes, gold bead head or even lead wire under the body allowing the pattern to be fished at varying depths.

Hook: Long Shank 8 - 12

Thread: Black 8/0

Tail: Black Marabou

Rib: Oval Silver

Body: Black Chenille

Head: Chain Bead Eyes

Tying Pattern

1. Place hook into vice and touch turn your thread for $\frac{1}{4}$ of the length of the hook and tie in the chain bead eyes in a figure of eight. Add a touch of super glue to the thread to ensure eyes are more stable.
2. Continue the thread in touching turns to just above the hook bend.
3. Tie in some black marabou for the tail, approx. same length as the hook.
4. Tie in the silver wire and black chenille; take thread to just behind the eyes.
5. Take the chenille up the hook in touching turns and secure with a couple of turns of thread, cut off excess just leaving a slight tag to go over eyes.
6. Take the silver wire up the hook in open turns to represent ribbing to just behind the eye secure with a couple of turns of thread.
7. Take tag over eyes and then secure and build up head, tie off and add a couple of drops varnish to thread to secure.

This lure can be tied in various colours from black, white, and olive (to represent an olive damsel)



LINLITHGOW LOCH FISHERY

Forth Area Federation Of Anglers

Linlithgow Loch Spring Competition 2024

The inaugural Linlithgow Loch Spring Competition was held on Sunday 14 May 2023 and was a great success, so the association has decided to hold it on an annual basis. This year's event will be held on Sunday 12 May 2024.

The competition is open to all keen fly fishers, and the entry fee is only £30.00.

1st Prize £100.00 GAC Voucher Plus Trophy

2nd Prize £75.00 GAC Voucher

3rd Prize £50.00 GAC Voucher

Heaviest Fish £25.00 GAC Voucher

The competition will run from 9am till 4pm, all boats must be docked or be ready to dock by 4pm. Any boats not docked by 4.15pm will be disqualified unless mitigating circumstances deem otherwise.

Competitors must arrive by 8am and set up, there will be a competition briefing at 8.30am

You may be allowed 2 rods to be set up during the competition, but only one rod must be used at any one time and lines removed from the water before using the other rod.

Only fishery landing nets are allowed to be used during the competition.

All competitors must be on their allocated boat and ready to leave the dock at 9am once the horn has sounded.

There will also be a raffle on the day with some cracking prizes to be won, tickets are £5.00 per strip.

If you are interested in entering the competition, please contact the federation through our email account at linlithgowlochlodge@hotmail.com

A £10.00 deposit is required when booking your place and full entry payment must be made by Saturday 13 April 2024, or your place will be allocated to the next person on the waiting list for a space.

Competition Rules:

1. Each individual will be randomly paired up with another boat angler.
2. 2 Fish Limit, first two fish must be kept, timings of first fish caught must be recorded on catch sheet in case of a draw on weights of the fish; timings will decide the winners where necessary. The timings must be witnessed by other boat partner. 2lb will be added to total weight score for fish caught after the bag limit.
3. If first or second fish caught and netted is a Brown Trout it must be returned safely to the water, it will count towards the points total and must be recorded on catch sheet. You may keep the next rainbow trout caught towards your bag limit.
4. After first 2 fish caught catch and release will follow, all fish caught must be recorded on catch sheet and witnessed by boat partner. All fish must be landed in the net to count towards points.
5. All hooks must be barbless or de-barbed during the competition.
6. If there is a complaint against another competitor, it must be reported immediately to the officials on duty when returning to the lodge and a decision will be made and announced accordingly.

It Could Only Happen to a Fisherman

Mother to daughter advice: Cook a man a fish and you feed him for a day. But teach a man to fish and you get rid of him for the whole weekend.

A guy rings his boss and says "I can't come to work today; the boss asks why and the guy says "it's my eyes."
"What's wrong with your eyes?" asks the boss. "I just can't see myself coming to work, so I'm going fishing instead..."

Retired colonel, talking of the good old days: Have you ever hunted bear? His grandson's teacher: No, but I've been fishing in shorts.

How much fishing tackle can a man accumulate before his wife throws him out? I don't know the answer but I think I'm nearly there.

Two guys go on a fishing trip. They rent all the equipment: the reels, the rods, the wading suits, the rowboat, the car, and even a cabin in the woods. They spend a fortune. The first day they go fishing they don't catch a thing. The same thing happens on the second day, and on the third day. It goes on like this until finally, on the last day of their vacation, one of the men finally catches a fish. As they're driving home, they're really depressed. One guy turns to the other and says, "Do you realise that this one lousy fish we caught cost us fifteen hundred dollars?" "Wow!" says the other guy "It's a good job we didn't catch anymore!"

What's the biggest fish you ever caught? "That would be the one that measured fourteen inches..." "That's not so big!" "Between the eyes?"

Two guys are talking about fishing. One says to the other, "I am NEVER going to take my wife fishing with me, ever again!"

"That bad, huh"

"She did everything wrong! She did everything wrong! She talked too much, made the boat rock constantly, tried to stand up in the boat, baited the hook wrong, used the wrong lures and WORST of all she caught more fish than me!"

I think the only reason my husband likes to go fishing so much is that it's the only time he hears someone tell him, "Wow, that's a big one!"

Steven Wright: There's a fine line between fishing and standing on the shore like an idiot.

A woman is in bed with her lover who also happens to be her husband's best friend. They make love for hours, and afterwards, while they're just lying there, the phone rings. Since it is the woman's house, she picks up the receiver. Her lover looks over at her and listens, only hearing her side of the conversation...

(She is speaking in a cheery voice)"Hello? Oh, hi. I'm so glad that you called. Really? That's wonderful. I am so happy for you. That sounds terrific. Great! Thanks. Okay. Bye bye."

She hangs up the telephone and her lover ask, "Who was that?" "Oh" she replies, "that was my husband telling me all about the wonderful time he's having on his fishing trip with you."

The manager of a small business and his secretary decided to go over to her place for some "gymnastics". Afterwards, they both fall asleep.

When the manager wakes up and looks at his watch, he discovers that it is after 8 o'clock in the evening. He jumps up and is panicked because he has to go home to face his wife.

He tells the secretary to quickly take his shoes out into the yard and rub them around in the grass. He finishes dressing and goes home.

When the man opens the door to the house, his wife is standing in the doorway fuming and asks him where the hell he's been until 8:30 in the evening?

The man calmly replies that he and his secretary are having an affair and that they had fallen asleep after going to her place this afternoon.

His wife examined him very carefully and when she glimpsed his shoes, she exclaims: "You liar, you've been FISHING!"

Clark Gable: Hell, if I'd jumped on all the dames I'm supposed to have jumped on, I'd have had no time to go fishing.

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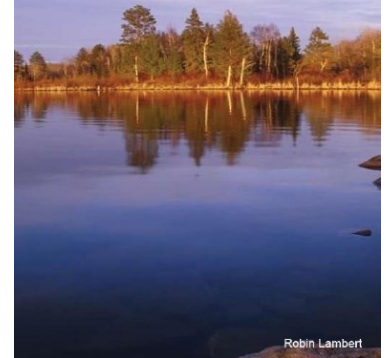
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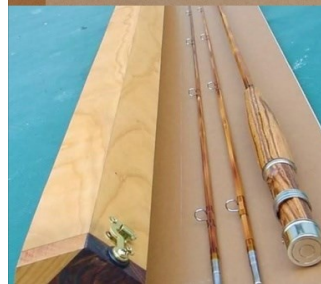


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