

RHYL & St ASAPH ANGLING ASSOCIATION

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AUTUMN 2009 NEWS LETTER

Our fishing season has been one of mixed successes very little water for the first half of the season then a good flood, followed by several small ones which was not conducive to good fishing. Despite the conditions being against us some members have been very successful with Salmon and Sea Trout catches.

Extension to the Fishing Season

The Environment Agency has agreed to an extension to the season until 31st October 2009 **subject** to the following: 1/ You must hold a full migratory fishing licence, 2/ You must make written application to fish the extended period, 3/ You must maintain a log book supplied by the Federation via the club recording details of your fishing effort and catch / or as advised by the E.A. 4/ Approved methods of fishing will be Fly Fishing or Spinning only, 5/ All fish must be returned to the river. This is a way of establishing if our river system is a later running river than the current season allows. If this were to prove the case we would have a strong case for a permanent extension to the season. It is very important that we continue to submit our catch returns at the end of this season. If we can show that our river system is running later we will have a very strong argument for a permanent late closing of the fishing season. Application form is enclosed or can be found via our web site www.rhylandstasaphanglers.org **Applications must be received by the 18th September If you are sending your application via post please send to the address shown on the form**

Booking of Beats / Car stickers

We have installed a new sign at Wern Ddu informing members that if you have not booked or have no sticker on your vehicle you **must not fish**. This has been done because members are not adhering to the club rules. This has led to complaints from our riparian owners, which could put our tenancy under threat. Car parking is clearly designated for each beat you must **not under any circumstances** use access from one beat to get to another this is part of our contract with several riparian owners. Should we lose a beat by disregarding these rules you will be asked to leave the club.

Bryn Polyn

The entrance to this beat has been fitted with a gate and a combination lock. The combination number is 1575. There are a couple of properties very close to the point of access, so will members who are night fishing please take every care to leave the premises as quietly as possible, e.g. Get your passenger to open the gate so you can drive through without leaving the engine running. Shut car doors quietly, and keep your voices down.

Web Site

www.rhylandstasaphangers.org

A lot of work has been done to make the website more user friendly & also to use it as a recruitment tool. We want to hear any news or views about the club or fishing matters that affect us. Please forward any items, photos or news of decent catches to Charlie Wileman 01244 383417 or Field Officer Martin Guiver 01745 720213 for inclusion. The site can only be as good as we make it.

Please help us with any information that will make the site interesting. If you have an email address & we are not using it please let us have it. We can save a significant amount on our postage bills.

Coaching

If you are new to fly fishing or know somebody who is a potential member and want to learn to fly fish, or would like some help with your casting please let us know. We are running an introduction day at the club lake on Saturday the 19th September this is free of charge to members £10-00 to none members. Please contact Ian Macdonald for availability.

Pont y Ddol Beat

We have been very fortunate in receiving grant aid via the Clwyd and Conway Rivers Trust. Considerable work has been completed on the upper Pont y Ddol beat. Fencing has been installed to prevent cattle entering the river together with reinforcement of the riverbank alteration of flow. This was undertaken to prevent erosion but inadvertently should improve the fishing potential.

Working Parties

We are looking for beat managers for the following beats Maes Elwy Woods, Pont Clwyd, Town Water, Llansannan, Upper Bodfari, Llannerch, Gypsy Lane, Glan Llyn, and Byn Polyn. It is a very simple job to do all that is required is to walk or fish the beat and report any work that is required to the Field Officer. The main dates for working parties 25 / 26 October but we will need help in-between those dates. Because of floods, wind damage etc. Would members who are willing to assist please contact any of the following.

Please call or email

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