



# SANACC

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## 2023 Annual Report



# S<sub>cottish</sub> A<sub>nglers</sub> N<sub>ational</sub> A<sub>ssociation</sub> C<sub>ompetition</sub> C<sub>lubs</sub>

## Report for 2023

### **Membership**

Our club membership numbers in 2023 was up slightly at 147 clubs which was two more than in 2022. (2022 – 145; 2021 – 149; 2020 -164; 2019 – 169; 2018 – 175)

### **AGM**

The 2024 AGM will be held on Sunday 3rd March at the King Robert Hotel.

Twenty Five clubs were represented at the 2023 AGM and teas and coffee were provided prior to the start of the meeting. The members were informed that the Committee had looked at the entry requirements for the loch and river nationals and as both of those events were the qualifiers for the international teams it was decided that entry to them would be restricted to anglers who were eligible to fish for Scotland. Nationality was not a bar but any angler who had represented a country other than Scotland would not be qualified to enter.

### **Subscriptions**

It was agreed at the AGM to keep the 2024 annual subscription at £40.

### **Finance**

The SANACC accounts for the year showed a surplus of £2,000 compared to a deficit of £6,580 the year before. In 2023 the autumn international was held in Scotland which kept expenditure down. The Association has a healthy reserve and is in a good position to deal with any unexpected financial challenges.

### **Committee and Management Changes**

The SANACC Executive Committee all stood again and were elected to office. The position of Scottish Club Secretary remains vacant.

### **Sponsorship and Fundraising**

The SANACC Committees, team members and competitors are grateful to the sponsors and individuals who supported them throughout 2023.

### **Sponsorship/Fundraising – Loch Teams**

7Plus7 Construction and the Lake of Menteith were the main sponsors of the international loch teams in 2023. This was the tenth year of sponsorship by 7Plus7 Construction and the thirteenth year of sponsorship by the Lake of Menteith. The teams were also sponsored in 2023 by Fishers, Angus Angling, Seaguar, Jewsons, St Andrews Timber, Mckenzie Skip Hire, Owen Gibb & Sons, Principal & Prosper, MF Roofing & Roughcasting,

Scott Henderson Joinery, SIIS Ltd., M Ink Tattoo, Kitchen and Bathrooms by Coast, UK Plumbing Supplies and Fleximix Concrete.

There were three fundraisers held in 2023 at Parkview, High Cleughern Fisheries and Eden Springs Fishery. Wullie Simpson once again held the fundraiser at Parkview for us while Jim Mckinlay, Martin McCaffery, Grant Osler and Tyler Hay organised fundraisers at High Cleughern and Eden Springs. The Teams wish to thank everyone who donated prizes and bottles and particularly wish to thank Fishers and Angus Angling who supplied the main match prizes; the Meatmarket – Shandwick lunchtime pies and a meat hamper for the auction, Fario Flies, FNF Flyfishing Ballo Fly Fishing, Frank's Flies, Glencorse Reservoir, Greig Davie, Davy Moore and the peg sponsors MF Roofing, Ormiston Transport Training, Ormiston Law Practice, Derek Goodwin Pest Control, DSD Ames Tapers and Decorating, C W Technical Services, French Vehicle Services, Recovery & Breakdow, Kinglassie, Eden Springs Fishery, Bespoke Embroidery Erroll, Joseph Wood, Parkview Fishery, Smith Street Motors, Craig Scott Windows, Bonnington Joinery, Robert Brown Painter, Fife Council Fostering, Fife Caravan Services and Mick Tait Plumbing. The loch teams wish to thank everyone who provided prizes or sponsored a peg or attended a fundraiser. Your support is appreciated.

The teams filled two wooden fly boxes with flies which were raffled at the National heats and semis. The box filled by the spring team was won by Ronnie Glass of Kelso AA and the box filled by the autumn team was won by Alan Brock of Crieff AC.

### **Sponsorship – Scottish National Championship**

The hook/fly measures used throughout the competition were sponsored by 7Plus7 Construction and the waterproof paper used for the catch returns was sponsored by R & E Hygiene.

### **Sponsorship – Scottish Club Championship**

The Scottish Club Championship was sponsored by the Lake of Menteith, Snowbee, My Fishing Flies, Glencairn Crystal, Thermo Fisher Scientific and Angus Angling.

My Fishing Flies provided boxes of flies for the heat and semi-final winners and in the final each member of the winning team received a box containing around 160 flies. Snowbee provided discounted vouchers in the final and Glassware was provided by Glencairn Crystal. Angus Angling sponsored the hook/fly measures used throughout the championship and the sponsorship from Thermo Fisher Scientific was used to provide £30 vouchers to the winning team in each heat.

### **Sponsorship – Champion of Champions**

Snowbee, The Lake of Menteith, My Fishing Flies, Glencairn Crystal, Angus Angling and McLanachan Transport sponsored the Champion of Champions. Snowbee provided discounted vouchers, My Fishing Flies provided a box containing around 160 flies for the winner and McLanachan Transport provided £200 for the top three. Glencairn Crystal provided glassware and Angus Angling provided the hook/fly measures.

### **Competition – Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship**

Seven venues were used for the 2023 Championship with heats being held at Frandy, Harelaw, Harray, Leven, Lintrathen, Menteith and Watten. 276 anglers fished the heats which was slightly up on the year before. ( 2022 – 273; 2021 - 141; 2019 – 337; 2018 – 333; and 2017 – 361).

The 2023 Scottish National Champion is Derek Pozzi (photo on front page) of Thalassa AC. Sean McCaffrey of North Shetland FF was second and Michael Low of Menteith Ospreys was third. This was the third time that Derek has been the National Champion having won in 2018 and 2021.

### **Competition – Scottish National River Championship**

The Scottish National River Championship was once again held over three heats and with 32 anglers taking part it was back on a par with pre covid years. (2022- 26; 2019 – 32; 2018 – 33; 2017 – 33)

The 2023 River Champion is Scott Hamilton of Tweed Valley Tangles. Rab Maxwell of Clatto & Stratheden was second and Craig Brown of Strathgryfe AA was third.

### **Competition - Scottish Club Championship**

The number of teams taking part in the Scottish Club Championship was up by one with 103 teams contesting the heats as opposed to 102 in 2022. (101 in 2021; 132 in 2019; 134 in 2018; and 150 in 2017) The 2023 Scottish Club Champions are Military Veterans FF "B". Glasgow PO "A" were second and Albacats "B" were third. The heaviest fish caught during the heats fell to Comin Smith of Brechin AC.

The £1 charity collection at the Saturday night heats continued in 2023 and along with funds raised at raffles held at the presentation dinners following the Scottish Club Championship final and the Champion of Champions a total of £1,719 was raised. A donation of £3,251 from previous years collections was given to the Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity

### **Competition – Champion of Champions**

Competitors in the Champion of Champions qualified from the ten Saturday night heats of the Scottish Club Championship with the top six individuals each Saturday night going through to the Champion of Champions final. Spaces not taken up by the top six qualifiers were allocated on a count back at each heat. The 2023 Champion of Champions is Keith Logan of the Heriot AC. This was the second time that Keith has won the Champion of Champions having been the winner in 2021. Greig Davie of Albacats was second and Derek Keenan of Saltire FF was third.

Tom MacTaggart  
SANACC Secretary

## Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

Sponsored by 7plus7 Construction and R & E Hygiene  
Final - Lake of Menteith 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023

The final of the 2023 National was at the Lake of Menteith on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September and the 2023 National Champion is Derek Pozzi of Thalassa AC. Derek has been incredibly consistent over the last few years and having been the National Champion in 2018 and again in 2021 he is now the National Champion for the third time. Derek was presented with the National Trophy and a £200 voucher for Angus Angling by Quint Glen, fishery manager.

Conditions at the Lake were good with overcast skies for most of the day and a light ripple or flat calm until late afternoon when a chilly breeze got up.

Derek boated 14 trout for 28lb 4.3oz and was closely followed by Sean McCaffrey of North Shetland FF who had 12 trout for 27lb 11oz. Michael Low of Menteith Ospreys was third with 11 trout for 22lb 15.5oz. Sean and Michael each received a voucher for £100 for Fishers of Penicuik. They also qualified for the 2024 international teams.

James Charters, who boated for Sean McCaffrey and Kevin Neri, was the best boatman of the day and he received a bottle of Dalwhinnie Gold malt.

The heaviest fish of the day that was brought to the scales weighed 4lb 15.8oz and was caught by George Gall of Rescobie Loch DA.

The top 20 anglers are qualified for the 2024 international teams that will be going to Ireland in the spring and Wales in the autumn.

The SANACC committee wish to thank the 33 boatmen who gave up their time to assist with the management of the final. They also wish to thank 7plus7 for sponsoring the fly measures; R & E Hygiene for sponsoring the waterproof paper; OTFA and Dounreay FFA for running the heats at Harray and Watten; and the management and staff at all of the fisheries for their assistance at all stages of the Championship.



National Champion Derek Pozzi



Left:  
Sean McCaffrey  
Second place



Right  
Michael Low  
Third place

# Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

## Lake Of Menteith

23rd September 2023

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Derek Pozzi	Thalassa Ac	14	28	4.30
2	Sean McCaffrey	North Shetland FF	12	27	11.00
3	Michael Low	Menteith Ospreys	11	22	15.50
4	Martin McCafferty	Future FF	9	20	2.50
5	Douglas Beckett	Perth CSSC	9	20	0.70
6	Calum Clark	Hawick AC	8	19	15.40
7	Willie Simpson	Roths Oak AC	9	18	4.90
8	Colin Macdonald	Saltire FF	8	28	3.70
9	Kevin McCabe	Change FF ACC	8	17	14.20
10	Thomas McMillan	Dalry Garnock AC	9	17	3.60
11	Kevin Neri	Lintrathen FF	8	16	9.30
12	Joseph Wood	Bridge Of Weir (Loch) AC	6	15	14.80
13	Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	8	15	13.30
14	George Telford	Avonbank AC	7	15	11.40
15	Neil Cockburn	Phoenix AC	7	15	7.60
16	Ally Middlemass	Dalzell AC	6	15	5.10
17	Sandy McConnachie	Aurorak Orkney FF	7	15	1.00
18	Tyler Hay	Defending Champion	7	14	15.80
19	Ben Robertson	Sunburst AC	7	14	13.10
20	Peter Cameron	Househillmuir FF	7	14	10.00
21	Gregor Fleming	Bridge Of Weir (Loch) AC	7	14	8.80
22	Andrew Glasgow	Ferry FF	7	13	11.30
23	David Downie	Team Fly Fishing World	5	13	8.40
24	Campbell Morgan	FNF Falcons	6	13	1.30
25	eq Graeme Lynch	Lochend FF	6	13	0.50
25	eq Robbie Gibson	Balfron Piscatorials	6	13	0.50
27	Stewart Barclay	Gateside FF	6	12	14.40
28	Alan McConnachie	OTFA Stromness	6	12	13.10
29	Andrew Kemp	Perth RASC AC	5	12	4.80
30	Peter Auchterlonie	Menteith Ospreys	5	12	2.90
31	Derek Purves	SANACC	6	11	13.50
32	Keith Renton	Tweed Valley Tangles	4	11	6.10
33	Brian Fletcher	Kilbirnie AC	4	11	5.90
34	David Mateer	SPRA FFS North	5	10	10.60
35	John Kerr	Harrow AC	4	10	5.80
36	Frank Wattt	Shetland AA	5	10	4.60
37	Darren Barcik	Rainbow AC	5	10	0.90
38	George Gall	Rescobie Loch DA	3	10	0.00
39	Alexander Donald	Dounreay FFA	5	9	10.10
40	David Moore	Dunfermline Artisan AC	5	9	9.50
41	eq Brad Gair	Balfron Piscatorials	4	9	3.00
41	eq Kenny Finlayson	Gartome Aberfoyle Dist AC	4	9	3.00
43	Andrew Morgan	W.S.Sinclair FF	4	9	0.50

44	Stewart Inglis	Grimm Anglers	4	8	15.20
45	John Watt	Dunfermline Rusty Nail	4	8	15.10
46	George Charters	Black Bull FFC	4	8	12.50
47	Murray Hunter	Costa Ecosse	4	8	11.20
48	Peter Shepherd	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	4	8	4.00
49	David Wright	St Boswells, Newtown & Dist	4	8	8.30
50	Bob Mitchell	Stanley & District AC	4	7	12.20
51	Nigel Burns	Crieff AC	3	7	3.50
52	John Simpson	Glasgow Post Office AC	3	6	11.00
53	Campbell Cree	Firecats	2	6	2.00
54	Scott Robertson	NCR AC	3	6	0.90
55	Derek Marklow	Loanhead & District AC	3	6	0.40
56	Frank Ross	Monfieth Trout AC	2	5	9.00
57	Angus Robertson	Lochan Dubh	2	5	3.40
58	Andy Gray	Harelaw FF	2	5	3.20
59	David Wales	Dalry Garnock AC	1	3	13.60
60	Paul Cushnie	Leslie Llanilar	1	3	9.00
61	Eck Moffat	Dalzell AC	1	2	15.80
62	Gil Farid	Central Belters FF	1	2	7.30
63	Ken Oliver	Strathgryfe AA	1	2	0.20
64	Archie Blair	Port Glasgow AC	1	1	11.00
65	Stevie Whitehead	Dalzell AC	1	1	10.80
66	Mark Fleming	Albacats	0	0	0.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>4.30</b>

### Scottish National River Championship

River Tummel  
6th August 2023

The final of the 2023 National River Championship was held on the River Tummel on Sunday 6th August and was won by Scott Hamilton of Tweed Valley Tanglers. The top six make up the team of five and reserve that will represent Scotland at the 2024 River International in England.

Scott took the lead in session one where his 8 fish won him that session. He moved further ahead after winning the second session with 6 fish. In session three he had a third place with 4 fish and rounded off his day in session four with 3 fish and a second place to give him 7 place points from 21 fish and 6672 points.

Rab Maxwell of Clatto & Statheden AC was second with 17 place points from his 14 fish. In third place with 21 place points from 11 fish was Craig Brown of Strathgryfe AA. Richard McHattie of Aberdeen & District AA was fourth with 25 place points from 8 fish and Dick Logan of Coldstream & District AA was fifth with 29 place points from 7 fish. The sixth place went to David Downie of Team Fly Fishing World with 34 place points from 8 fish.



Five of the top six from left:  
Craig Brown, Rab Maxwell, Richard McHattie, Scott Hamilton and David Downie

Scottish National River Championship Final - River Tummel - 6th August 2023																	
NAME	CLUB	Session 1			Session 2			Session 3			Session 4			Total			Final Placing
		No of Fish	Pts	Place (1)	No of Fish	Pts	Place (2)	No of Fish	Pts	Place (3)	No of Fish	Pts	Place (4)	No of fish	Points	Place Points	
Scott Hamilton	Tweed Valley Tangles	8	2866	1	6	1805	1	4	1017	3	3	984	2	21	6672	7	1
Rab Maxwell	Clatto & Stratheden AC	3	859	5	1	460	9	5	1396	2	5	1629	1	14	4344	17	2
Craig Brown	Strathgryfe AA	5	1365	2	3	1095	2	2	750	8	1	235	9	11	3445	21	3
Richard McHattie	ADDA	2	686	6	2	573	7	3	847	5	1	363	7	8	2469	25	4
Dick Logan	Coldstream and District AA	2	562	8	1	377	10	2	785	6	2	745	5	7	2469	29	5
David Downie	Team Fly Fishing World	0	0	20	3	980	3	2	769	7	3	847	4	8	2596	34	6
Mark Straughen	Coldstream & District AA	4	1065	4	3	848	4	0	0	20	1	409	6	8	2322	34	7
Grant Gibson	St.Boswells Newton & District AA	4	1125	3	3	765	5	1	310	10	0	0	20	8	2200	38	8
Mike Cordiner	Raemoir Trout Fishers	1	293	13	2	566	8	1	295	11	1	221	10	5	1375	42	9
Matthew Dean	Team FlyFishing World	0	0	20	0	0	20	5	1767	1	2	874	3	7	2641	44	10
Scott Robertson	NCR AC	1	480	9	1	370	11	1	395	9	0	0	20	3	1245	49	11
Andrew Foggin	Earlston AA	1	461	10	0	0	20	1	225	12	1	350	8	3	1036	50	12
Martin Stewart	Ormiston AC	1	235	16	2	599	6	0	0	20	0	0	20	3	834	62	13
David Chalmers	Lochgelly SRC AS	0	0	20	0	0	20	3	860	4	0	0	20	3	860	64	14
Ian Jones	Lochgelly SRC AS	1	310	12	1	310	12	0	0	20	0	0	20	2	620	64	15
Ron Chesney	Crown FF	2	590	7	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	2	590	67	16
Lee Ross	Coldstream and District AA	1	351	11	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	1	351	71	17
Matthew Skeoch	Crown FF	1	245	14	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	1	245	74	18
Kenny Riddell	ADAA	1	240	15	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	1	240	75	19
Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	20	0	0	80	20

### Scottish Club Championship

Sponsored by The Lake Of Menteith, Snowbee, Glencairn Crystal, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Angus Angling, McLanachlan Transport Ltd and My Fishing Flies.  
Final - 29th September 2023

With storms running across the country on the days before the Scottish Clubs final it was only to be expected that conditions would be difficult on match day. On the day the 60 anglers in the twenty teams that qualified for the final had to contend with a strong westerly with frequent squally showers and gusts. It brightened up through the afternoon and given the difficult conditions the anglers did well to net a total of 125 fish for 297lb 11.5oz quite a few of which were over 4lbs. The final was fished to a two fish kill followed by catch and release will 2lb being awarded for each returned trout.

The top team was the Military Veterans FF "B" represented by JP Maestri (8 fish), Jock Royan (2 fish) and Graeme Sharp (7 fish) with a total of 17 trout for 36lb 7.9oz. They received the first prize of £500 and each member of the team received a box of 120 flies provided by My Fishing Flies; vouchers from Snowbee for 50% discounts and gold medals.



In second place with 14 fish for 31lb 5.7oz were Glasgow Post Office AC "A" represented by Kenny McClymont (5 fish), John Simpson (4 fish) and Brian Kennedy (5 fish). They received the second prize of £200 and each member of the team received vouchers from Snowbee for 40% discounts and their silver medals. In third place with 11 fish for 26lb 7.8oz were Albacats "B" represented by James Kerr (2 fish), Greig Davie (7 fish) and Mark Fleming (2 fish). They received the third prize of £100 and each member of the team received a voucher from Snowbee for 30% discounts.

The heaviest trout caught during the heats that was brought to the scales weighed 4lb 14oz and was caught by Colin Smith of Brechin AC in heat 8.

The presentation dinner was held at the Forth Inn, Aberfoyle and all the anglers that attended the dinner received a Glencairn Crystal whisky glass. A raffle and auctions held at the dinner plus donations raised over £670 which will go to the Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity.



photo: Dale Robertson of sponsors My Fishing Flies Presenting the winners trophy to Graeme Sharp and JP Maestri of Military Veterans FF



Dale Robertson of sponsors My Fishing Flies presenting prizes to Brian Kennedy, John Simpson and Kenny McClymont of second placed Glasgow Post Office AC



Dale Robertson of sponsors My Fishing Flies presenting prizes to Greig Davie, James Kerr and Mark Fleming of third placed Albacats

**Scottish Club Championship**  
**Final - 29th September 2023**

Club	Boat	Competitor	Weighed Fish			Returned		Individual Totals			Team Total			Pos
			Fish	Lbs	Ozs	No	Lbs	Fish	Lbs	Ozs	Total	Lbs	Ozs	
Albacats B	7	James Kerr	2	5	5.10	0	0	2	5	5.10	11	26	7.80	3
	11x	Greig Davie	2	6	7.80	5	10	7	16	7.80				
	26	Mark Fleming	2	4	10.90	0	0	2	4	10.90				
Avonbank AC A	8	William Brownlie	2	6	1.00	2	4	4	10	1.00	8	18	14.50	6
	12x	Alan Martin	2	4	7.60	1	2	3	6	7.60				
	x	George Telford	1	2	5.90	0	0	1	2	5.90				
Balfron Piscatorials A	9	Jake Gilchrist	2	4	4.50	2	4	4	8	4.50	10	24	5.20	5
	13x	Robbie Gibson	2	5	10.30	1	2	3	7	10.30				
	22	Brad Gair	2	6	6.40	1	2	3	8	6.40				
Costa Ecosse B	1x	Russell Dickson	2	6	2.70	0	0	2	6	2.70	3	9	12.80	14
	14	Walter Archibald	1	3	10.10	0	0	1	3	10.10				
	23x	John Benson	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
Ferry FF A	2x	Andrew Glasgow	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	1	2	14.70	19
	15	Gordon Fisher	1	2	14.70	0	0	1	2	14.70				
	24x	Mark Patrizo	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
Firecats A	3x	Joe Wood	2	3	10.90	3	6	5	9	10.90	7	13	2.90	12
	16	Campbell Cree	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
	25x	Kevin Craig	2	3	8.00	0	0	2	3	8.00				
Glasgow PO AC A	4x	Kenny McClymont	2	5	3.10	3	6	5	11	3.10	14	31	5.70	2
	17	John Simpson	2	5	3.80	2	4	4	9	3.80				
	27	Brian Kennedy	2	4	14.80	3	6	5	10	14.80				
Harelaw FF A	10	Barry Lennon	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	1	2	9.50	20
	18	Andy Gray	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
	28x	Mario Fionda	1	2	9.50	0	0	1	2	9.50				
Harelaw FF B	5x	Ross Murdoch	2	5	3.80	4	8	6	13	3.80	7	15	11.60	8
	19	Adam Forrest	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
	29	Vic Donato	1	2	7.80	0	0	1	2	7.80				
Heriot AC A	6x	Keith Logan	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	1	4	0.00	18
	20x	Trevor Gibson	1	4	0.00	0	0	1	4	0.00				
	30	Mel Mitchell	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
Lintrathen FF A	7x	Neil Anderson	2	6	3.10	0	0	2	6	3.10	6	16	9.60	7
	11	Kevin Neri	2	4	12.30	0	0	2	4	12.30				
	28	Bradley Chalmers	2	5	10.20	0	0	2	5	10.20				
Military Veterans FF B	8x	J P Maestri	2	5	12.40	6	12	8	17	12.40	17	36	7.90	1
	20	Jock Royan	2	3	14.10	0	0	2	3	14.10				
	29x	Graham Sharp	2	4	13.40	5	10	7	14	13.40				
Neilston FF A	9x	Paul O'Neill	2	6	10.40	1	2	3	8	10.40	10	24	6.20	4
	12	Stephen Francis	1	2	0.60	0	0	1	2	0.60				
	27x	David Downie	2	5	11.20	4	8	6	13	11.20				
Perth RASC AC A	1	Andrew Kemp	1	2	5.20	0	0	1	2	5.20	3	6	8.00	16
	13	Grant Sutherland	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
	26x	Keith Doig	2	4	2.80	0	0	2	4	2.80				
Port Glasgow AC A	2	Iain Lindsay	2	5	11.50	3	6	5	11	11.50	7	15	5.80	9
	14x	Archie Blair	1	1	15.30	0	0	1	1	15.30				
	25	Derek Barclay	1	1	11.00	0	0	1	1	11.00				
Roths Oak AC A	3	Gary Ormiston	1	3	1.60	0	0	1	3	1.60	3	7	14.30	15
	15x	Paul Cushnie	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
	30x	Wullie Simpson	2	4	12.70	0	0	2	4	12.70				
Saltire FF B	4	Derek Keenan	2	4	15.70	2	4	4	8	15.70	6	13	7.70	10
	16x	Alan Gilbert	2	4	8.00	0	0	2	4	8.00				
	24	Colin Macdonald	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
SPRA FFS West B	10x	Bob Brown	2	6	13.70	0	0	2	6	13.70	4	13	7.10	11
	17x	Harris Campbell	1	2	15.50	0	0	1	2	15.50				
	23	Colin Campbell	1	3	9.90	0	0	1	3	9.90				
Strathgryfe AA A	5	Kenny Finlayson	1	2	6.00	0	0	1	2	6.00	4	9	15.50	13
	18x	Ken Oliver	2	5	6.60	0	0	2	5	6.60				
	22x	David Fullerton	1	2	2.90	0	0	1	2	2.90				
West Lothian FD A	6	Wayne Cram	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00	2	4	4.70	17
	19x	Nicola Carnegie	1	2	0.50	0	0	1	2	0.50				
	21	Ross Carnegie	1	2	4.20	0	0	1	2	4.20				

## Champion of Champions

Lake of Menteith 6th October 2023

Sponsored by The Lake of Menteith, Snowbee, My Fishing Flies, Glencairn Crystal, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Angus Angling and McLanachan Transport Ltd

The Scottish Club Championship and Champion of Champions drew to a close on Friday 6th October 2023 at the Lake of Menteith when sixty competitors fished to be crowned the Champion of Champions 2023. The top six anglers from each of the ten Saturday night heats of the Scottish Club Championship qualify for the Champion of Champions. Should any angler be unable to take up his spot then the seventh angler from that heat is offered the place. The match was fished to a two fish kill followed by catch and release with 2lb being awarded for each returned fish. Heavy fish were capped at 4lb.

The competitors started arriving at 7.30am and there were a few concerned faces when they saw the strength of the westerly wind that was pushing the waves onto the beach. Fortunately by 9am the wind had dropped to a safe level and it continued to drop throughout the day and by early afternoon conditions were near perfect. The competitors took full advantage of the conditions and netted a total of 339 trout for 729lb 13.4oz. There were around six fish brought to the scales that were over 4lb with the heaviest being around 5lb 8oz..

Top rod on the day and the Champion of Champions for 2023 with 12 fish for 28lb was Keith Logan of Heriot AC. The two fish brought to the scales by Keith were each capped at 4lb. This was the second time that Keith had held the Champion of Champions trophy having also been the Champion of Champions in 2021. Keith received the first prize of £250 provided by McLanachlan Transport; a box of 170 flies presented by My Fishing Flies; a Snowbee voucher for 50% off and a gold medal.



photo left:  
Keith Logan (on  
the right)  
receiving the  
trophy from  
sponsor  
Dale Robertson  
of My Fishing  
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Greig Davie on right with sponsor Dale Robertson



Derek Keenan on right with sponsor Dale Robertson

Champion of Champions						
Lake Of Menteith						
6th October 2023						
		Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1		Keith Logan	Heriot AC	12	28	0
2		Greig Davie	Albacats	13	25	11.6
3		Derek Keenan	Saltire FF	12	24	7.7
4		Robbie Gibson	Balfron Piscatorials	11	23	2
5		Gregor Fleming	Albacats	11	22	3
6		Allan Gamble	RAF Fish Hawks	10	21	9
7		George Telford	Avonbank AC	10	21	4
8		Sean Queen	Lochinch AC	10	20	15.8
9		Stevie Whitehead	Dalzell AC	10	20	0.9
10		Walter Archibald	Costa Ecosse	10	19	14.6
11		William Brownlie	Avonbank AC	9	19	6.6
12		George Charters	Black Bull FFC	8	18	1.6
13		Iain Lindsay	Port Glasgow AC	8	17	6.6
14		Grant Sutherland	Perth RASC AC	8	16	15.6
15		Mick Tait	Kelso AA	8	16	15.3
16		Will Barnett	Leslie & Glenrothes AC	7	16	12.4
17		Joe Wood	Firecats	8	16	5.2
18		Neil Duff	Leslie & Glenrothes AC	8	16	3
19		Trevor Gibson	Heriot AC	7	15	11.9
20		Kenny McClymont	Glasgow Post Office AC	7	15	6.6
21		Colin Macdonald	Saltire FF	7	14	2.5
22		Brian Carnegie	Saltire FF	6	14	1.3
23		Stuart Inglis	Grimm Anglers	6	13	15.8
24		Ronnie McKean	East Kilbride AC	7	13	9.6
25		Alastair MacGillivray	SPPM AC	6	13	0.1
26		Brian Kennedy	Glasgow Post Office AC	6	12	12.5
27		Kenny Finlayson	Strathgryfe AA	6	12	7.6
28		David Wales	Select FF	6	12	5.2
29		Bob Brown	SPRA FFS West	6	12	4.3
30		Alisdair Mair	Lochinch AC	6	11	7.5
31		Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	5	11	5.9
32		Keith Renton	Tweed Valley Tangles	6	11	5.7
33		Archie Blair	Port Glasgow AC	5	10	7.2
34		Craig Inglis	Grimm Anglers	5	10	4.6
35		John Benson	Costa Ecosse	5	9	14.8
36		Vic Donati	Harelaw FF	4	9	3.3
37		Stuart Raybould	Butcher Boy AC	3	9	1.4
38		Gordon Fisher	Ferry FF	4	8	13.3
39		Harris Campbell	SPRA FFS West	3	7	15.7
40		Willie Winning	Central Belters FF	4	7	13.3
41		James Charters	Black Bull FFC	4	7	10.2
42		John Watt	Dunfermline Rusty Nail AC	3	7	10.1
43		Paul Cushnie	Roths Oak AC	4	7	8.2
44	eq	Brian Brown	Kilmarnock FF	4	7	5.8
44	eq	Allan Conlin	Central Belters FF	4	7	5.8
46		Craig McKean	East Kilbride AC	3	6	11.7
47		Jimmy Watson	Balbeggie AC	2	6	11
48		Donald Stewart	Bothwell & Blantyre AC	2	6	7.9
49		Alex Grant	Select FF	2	5	6.6
50		Mick Tarbett	Balbeggie AC	3	5	5.3
51		James Kerr	Albacats	2	5	0
52		Ross Carnegie	West Lothian FD	2	4	12.9
53		Archie Whitehead	Gartmore Aberfoyle & Dist	2	4	11.4
54		Keith MacDonald	Port Ellen AC	2	4	5.8
55		Mel Mitchell	Heriot AC	2	4	3.5
56		Ian McConville	Dunfermline Artisan AC	1	4	0
57		Davie Couper	Select FF	1	3	8.1
58		Jock Kettles	Military Veterans FF	1	3	0.6
59		David Moore	Dunfermline Railway AC	1	2	11.4
60		Craig Hewitson	Select FF	1	2	4.1
				<b>339</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>13.40</b>

**Spring International  
19th May 2023  
Draycote Water, England**

The Spring International was won convincingly by England with 139 fish some 45 fish clear of Scotland in second with 94. Ireland were a further 31 fish away in third with 63 fish and Wales were fourth with 54.

The top individual rod and winner of the Brown Bowl was Richard Hooper of Wales with 15 fish and 952 points. Kevin Glenn was England's top rod with 14 fish and 892 points. Top rod for Scotland and winner of the Silver Salver was Kevin McCabe with 12 fish and 770 points and Stephen Browne was top rod for Ireland with 12 fish and 743 points.

	Fish	Points
England	139	8846
Scotland	94	5998
Ireland	63	4012
Wales	54	3467



photo (left)  
Kevin McCabe  
receiving the Silver  
Salver  
from IFFA President  
Paul Sharman



Back Row: Michael Callaghan (IFFA Secretary), George Mackenzie (International Secretary), Grant Osler, Kevin Andrews, Martin McCafferty, Grant Sutherland, Jim Mckinlay, Peter Auchterlonie, Derek Keenan (Manager) and Paul Sharman (IFFA President)

Front Row: Gregor Fleming, Tyler Hay, Mark Fleming, Derek Purves (Captain), David Moore, Derek Marklow, Kevin McCabe and Joh Tullett

**Autumn International - 15th September, 2023  
Lake of Menteith**

An outstanding team effort from Scotland at the Autumn International at the Lake of Menteith saw Scotland take the gold medal by a wide margin from England, Ireland and Wales. The 14 anglers representing Scotland boated a total of 158 trout with a weight of 336lb 2.7oz which was 54 trout clear of second placed England with 104. Ireland were third with 100 trout and Wales were fourth with 72 trout. Each angler killed their first three trout and then went on to catch and release with an allowance of 2lb given for each returned fish. This was the largest winning margin by numbers of fish since 1938.

Scottish rods were in four of the top five individual positions in addition to filling ten of the top fifteen places.

Top individual and winner of the Brown Bowl and the Silver Salver was Scotland's Ronnie Gilbert who had 20 trout for 40lb 4.5oz.. In addition to being Scotland's National Champion in 2008 and 2014, Ronnie won the Brown Bowl and Silver Salver in the Autumn International in 2022. Close behind in second was Scotland's Scott Aitken who also had twenty trout but with a smaller weight of 39lb .6oz.

Darren Maguire was Ireland's top rod and finished in third place with 19 fish for 38lb 15.9oz. Scotland's Chris McAllister was fourth with 15 trout and Scotland's Martin McCafferty was fifth with 12 trout. England's top rod was Philip Thompson who was 7th overall with 12 fish and top rod for Wales in 19th place was Darren Williams with 8 fish.

Autumn International – Lake of Menteith 15 <sup>th</sup> September 2023			
	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
Scotland	158	336	2.7
England	104	225	3.4
Ireland	100	215	1-1
Wales	72	158	15.4



Scotland's Captain, Keith Renton receiving the winner's trophy from IFFA President Paul Sharman



Ronnie Gilbert receiving the Brown Bowl from IFFA President Paul Sharman and Secretary Michael Callaghan



Back Row from left: Michael Callaghan(IFFA Secretary), George Mackenzie(International Secretary), Derek Keenan(Team Manager), Derek Hessett, Brian Mackenzie, Mark Stephen, Allan McLachlan, Chris Mcallister, Martin McCafferty, Paul Sharman(IFFA President)  
 Front Row from left: Kevin McCabe, Derek Marklow, Scott Henderson, Scott Aitken, Keith Renton(Captain), Stuart Barclay, Gregor Fleming and Ronnie Gilbert.

### **2023 River International Friday 23rd June 2023 River Ebbw, Wales**

At the river international on the River Ebbw on 23rd June Wales took the lead in the first session and stayed there through sessions 2,3 and 4 to take the gold medal with 37 placings.

In session one Wales had two firsts (Kyle Cheshire and Shaun Watkins) and two seconds to sit on 9 placings. Scotland finished session one in a close second spot with 10 placings with two firsts (Martin Stewart and Richard McHattie) and two seconds. Ireland's 12 placings with one first (Darius Simkus) put them in third.

Wales had a very successful session two with three firsts (Simon Barton, Terry Bramwell and Shaun Watkins) and two seconds to move further ahead with 16 placings. Scotland remained in second with one first (Mark Straughen) and two seconds to sit on 23 placings. Ireland had one first (Darius Simkus) and one second to remain in third on 26 placings.

Ireland took session 3 with three firsts (Mark Sloan, Darius Simkus and Kevin Dunne) for a share of second place overall on 35 placings. Wales stayed well ahead with one first (Simon Barton) and three seconds to put them on 27 placings. Scotland had one first (Mark Straughen) and two seconds to be joint second on 35 placings.

Wales continued to dominate in the final session where their three firsts (Simon Barton, Kyle Cheshire and Robert Bending) put them ten placings clear on 37. England had their best session with one first (Carl Nixon) and three seconds but stayed in fourth place with 65 placings. Ireland moved into a clear second place with one first (Mark Sloan) and two seconds to finish on 47 placings. Scotland had one second in the final session to drop down to third overall on 52 placings.

Top individual rod was Simon Barton of Wales with three firsts and a second to finish on 5 placings. Kyle Cheshire of Wales was close behind in second on 6 placings and 1186 points from two firsts and two seconds. Scotlands top rod was Mark Straughen who finished third overall with two firsts and two seconds to finish with 6 placings and 1091 points narrowly missing out on the second spot. Ireland's top rod was Mark Sloan on 7 placings from two firsts a second and a third. Top rod for England was Stan Moore on 11 placings from two seconds a third and a fourth.

River International River Ebbw – 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2023			
	Fish	Points	Placings
Wales	118	5335	37
Ireland	81	3728	47
Scotland	82	3641	52
England	44	1992	65



From Left: Michael Callaghan (IFFA Secretary), Martin Stewart, Dick Logan, Grant Gibson (captain), Robert Maxwell, Mark Straughen, Richard McHattie and Paul Sharman (IFFA President)



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