

## Tamar Carp Competition Result July 2010

The second carp competition of 2010 at Upper Tamar Lake was held from the 2-4 July with 19 anglers all vying for the £150 first prize. Thank you to all the sponsors. The finishing places were as follows:

6<sup>th</sup> - Danny Noone with one fish of 3lb 12oz winning a bucket of spod mix sponsored by Top 4 Carp at South Molton.  
 5<sup>th</sup> prize, a selection of items including boilies from Summerlands Tackle at Westward Ho! was won by James Kavanagh with one fish of 7lb 10oz.  
 4<sup>th</sup> was won by regular prize winner Steve Hutchinson with one fish of 10lb 4oz and he received 5kg of boilies from the Cornwall Bait Company.  
 3<sup>rd</sup> was former Trust employee Ray Philpott and he received a £50 voucher from Twyford Farm Supplies at Tiverton with one fish of 14lb 8oz. Ray also won the prize for the biggest fish of the competition which was 5kg of Grinney Baits sponsored by Wayne Grinney.  
 2<sup>nd</sup> place eventually went to Chris Ogden who led the competition for some time. His three fish totalled 31lb 14oz and he collected the £100.  
 The winner, who received £150, with 4 fish for a combined weight of 47lb 1oz was Wayne Grinney (pictured on left with Gary Vogel). It's the second year running that the singles has been won from Peg 1 by the dam and also the second successive competition following on from the doubles in April.



Thank you to Gary Vogel, North Devon General Assistant and Bob Davey, bailiff at Tamar for their help over the weekend. If you would like to sponsor any prizes for future competitions please e-mail me. [bsmeeth@swlakestrust.org.uk](mailto:bsmeeth@swlakestrust.org.uk)

The date of the next competition is 1-3 October and entry forms can be obtained on 01566 771930.

## Trenchford Piking Success

Tim and Calvin (pictured) Harrison enjoyed some success at Trenchford Reservoir recently with 3 pike up to 9lb. A bright yellow jerk bait caught the first fish of the day with the others falling to a popped up roach dead bait in 15 foot of water. Tim said 'we could have had a lot more if we hooked the fish on the dead baits after we had 7 runs between us, but overall a great day'. Tottiford has recently been stocked with some more pike so check our website for more details. For venue latest call 01647 277587



## Tamar Open Match £1200 Prize money!

We will be running the Tamar Open Match fishing competition on the 10 October with £1200 in prize money available. Overall prizes, section prizes and great sponsor's prizes will be up for grabs so call 01566 771930 to book your place. Breakfast is also available in the tea room but must also be pre booked.

### WORTH A CAST.....

- Upper Tamar match weights to 70lb
- Argal with carp up to 38lb
- Squabmoor with carp to 34lb
- Jennetts with tench and bream to 8lb, perch to 5lb and carp to 30lb

# South West Lakes Trust Reflections

Coarse Fishing Edition, Summer 2010



## Foreword with the Editor

The summer seems to have been and gone with the blink of an eye but there is still time for you to get down to one of our lakes and catch something extra special. The 6<sup>th</sup> edition of coarse fishing reflections brings news of some good catches and reports as well as work we have been doing to improve the fisheries and how we have introduced coarse fishing to over 100 young people throughout the region this summer. We have a new partnership with a bait and tackle company and a big money match competition coming up at Upper Tamar. Re-stocking of fisheries is underway and if you have any views on anything covered inside why not contact me [bsmeeth@swlakestrust.org.uk](mailto:bsmeeth@swlakestrust.org.uk). Ben Smeeth

## Dates for your diary:

**Tamar Doubles Carp Comp 1-3 October**  
**Tamar Open Match Comp 10 October**

## Inside this edition...

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**Right:**  
**Shaun Passmore**  
**3lb 5oz Perch**  
**Jennetts**



**Left:**  
**Tim Harrison**  
**9lb Pike**  
**Tottiford**



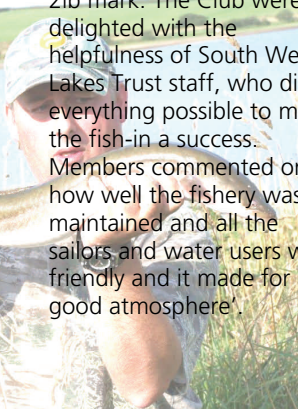
**Chris Blythe**  
**with a brace of commons from**  
**Jennetts at**  
**20lb 6oz right**  
**and 18lb 12oz left**



## Upper Tamar hosts National Eel Club

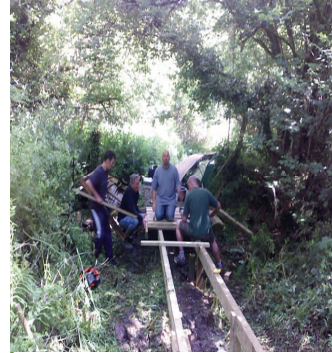
The National Anguilla Club which was formed in 1962 to study eels recently held a 48 hour competition at Upper Tamar Lake. Committee member, Steve Dawe, and captor of the largest eel over the weekend, a 4lb 9oz specimen (pictured) had this to say: 'the weekend went well but the lake didn't fish as good as I know it can, we had around 16 NAC members attend and landed 56 eels. The weather started good but the mist and temperature drop definitely put the fish off the feed. Most eels were taken on long range tactics using running rigs baited with lobworms or fish section. The most productive areas were the aerator pumps where the fry had gathered and the bottom had been deepened by the constant turbulence. We had members from as far away as Blackpool and Kent and

the fish-in turned out to be one of the best represented events the club has held. The breakdown of eels was as follows 10 eels of 1lb+, 37 eels of 2lb+, 6 eels of 3lb+ and 3 eels over 4lb. The best eel of the competition weighed 4lb 9oz and was caught by myself on a dead bait fished at range. All the bigger eels came out in the daytime which is the norm for this water and we also had several perch to around the 2lb mark. The Club were delighted with the helpfulness of South West Lakes Trust staff, who did everything possible to make the fish-in a success. Members commented on how well the fishery was maintained and all the sailors and water users were friendly and it made for a good atmosphere'.



## Argal Boardwalk Replaced

With the help of a team of volunteers the boardwalks at Argal Lake were replaced last month.



Special thanks must go to Dave Reekie for arranging the ten strong team of volunteers. It is good to see so many people give up their weekend to help with this project, without all your help we would not have been able to achieve this task. The new boardwalks will improve access for anglers and walkers alike. Many thanks to all who gave their time.  
*Costa Hadji Argyris*  
*Area Manager*

## Change of staff in North Devon

There has been a change to staff in North Devon with Gary Vogel taking over from Ray Philpott as the General Assistant working across the fisheries in the area. Gary (pictured below) has a great knowledge of the sport and his enthusiasm and ideas will help to promote and improve the lakes he will be working at. Gary was brought up fishing the waters at Mid Kent fisheries and Darenth complex and has caught carp and pike well over 30lb from the UK and abroad. He has been a volunteer bailiff for South West Lakes Trust since 2003 and is delighted to be given the chance to work for the Trust. Gary will help organising the Tamar carp and match competitions and has his sights firmly set on improving the lakes in North Devon. I would like to extend my thanks to Ray Philpott who has been with the Trust since 2005, and before that as a volunteer, and wish him all the best for his future journeys.



## Slade Improvements



Slade Reservoir at Ilfracombe has undergone some major works to the paths and swims. Anglers can now access the far bank with trolleys and can bivvy up with ease. Slade holds carp and pike well over 20lb and bream and tench to over 5lb. There are also some large perch with fish up to 4lb. 24 hour permits are available as well as day and concessionary tickets.

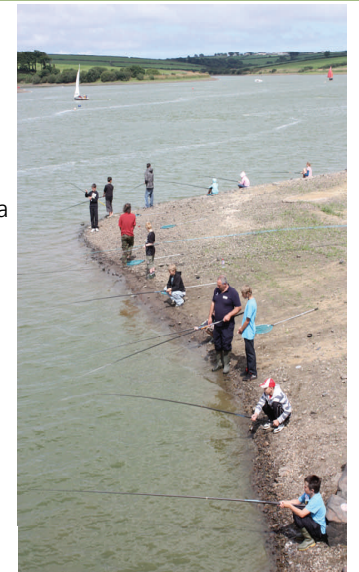
## Beginners fishing days a huge success

South West Lakes Trust has successfully held 6 junior coarse fishing days during the Summer with over 100 children taking part. The days were held at Argal, Busow and Porth in June with 3 more days at Upper Tamar during July and August. Every child that took part caught a fish with some children catching over 70 in one afternoon!!

The days were such a great success that we will be holding a series of beginner days for juniors during 2011 so keep an eye on our website for the dates!

These days were made possible thanks to support from the Environment Agency in particular Fisheries Technical Officer Sally Mitchell. Sally was able to supply us with all the tackle and equipment required to run the days. The main aim is to increase participation for young people into the sport while also helping them to learn the basics of coarse fishing.

I would like to thank Gary Vogel who is our North Devon General Assistant, Bob Davey and Toby Windley for their assistance in making the days run smoothly.



## PALLATRAX BAIT LAUNCHED AT TAMAR

South West Lakes Trust is pleased to have formed a partnership with local bait and tackle company Pallatrax in providing tackle and bait from their exclusive range at Upper Tamar Lake.

One thing that is undeniable is that those anglers who choose Pallatrax products catch fish, quality fish and lots of them. The new range of Naturals baits includes tinned baits, dried baits, method mixes, boilies, sticks and paste. Made from new base mixes the Natural Boilies; Multiworm Cocktail and Crustacean Cocktail are catching serious amounts of fish wherever they're used. The unique smell and taste of the baits has proven them to be an instant bait on many waters, including South West Lakes Trust waters. To check out all of the Pallatrax range view the website at [www.pallatrax.co.uk](http://www.pallatrax.co.uk). To buy bait from Tamar simply pop into our on site café or call Gary on 07739 428169.

An advertisement for Pallatrax Naturals Range baits. It features several images of bait containers and a large image of a fish. The text includes: 'Introducing The Naturals Range', 'IMMEDIATE NATURAL ATTRACTION! TITLES CATCHING NUMBERS AREN'T IN HIS CLASS ANYWHERE ELSE! CHECK OUT THE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS!', 'The complete range includes: Tinned Naturals, Dried Naturals, Method Mixes, Boilies, Sticks And Pastes', 'THE RIGHT CHOICE NATURALLY!', 'Call us today for your free catalogue', 'Crustacean Cocktail', 'Multiworm Cocktail', '50g 14 - part of a range of 50g's in 14's with the Multiworm Cocktail', 'PALLATRAX', 'Tel: 01409-240042 Email: info@pallatrax.co.uk Web: www.pallatrax.co.uk Contact Us Today!'

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