

Elworthy takes the spoils at Tamar Open

The 70 peg Open at Upper Tamar Lake, the largest at the venue for a number of years, proved a real success with anglers from all over the South West entering. After breakfast in the tea room the draw was made and all anglers tackle was taken to their swim. 30 anglers fished the Devon Bank with 10 on the next point over and the remaining 30 on the Cornish bank reaching nearly as far as the bird hide.



Good bags of fish were caught all over the venue but it was Paul Elworthy from Tiverton (pictured far left with Roy Retallick) that took the spoils bagging the £275 first prize with 38lb 13oz from peg 20 on the point of the arm on the Devon Bank. Paul's bag was made up mainly of bream to over 5lb and a roach of over 1lb all caught on the feeder. Paul also took the super pool prize of £200 to complete a good days work!

Stephen Maynard from Peg 35 took second place and bagged £175 with 28lb 2oz of bream, roach and rudd.

Joseph Bray took third and £125 with 27lb from peg 69 on the Cornwall bank.

Making up the places were Andy Wilkinson with 26lb 2oz and Nick Jones with 24lb 14oz collecting £75 and £50 respectively.

A big thank you must go to Pallatrax bait and tackle company for sponsoring a large bucket of prizes including ground bait, method mix, pastes, squabs and many more items which was won by Stephen Maynard.

Thanks also to Exeter Angling centre who kindly sponsored a large carry all bag which was won by Paul Elworthy.

A huge thanks must go to Roy Retallick who helped to run the competition and also to the South West Lakes Trust staff and volunteers who helped moving tackle on the day.

We are planning more competitions in 2011 so keep an eye on our website for more details or contact me on 01566 771930.

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