

DIARY

2013

Nov 16th/17th English Species (Flatfish) Weymouth.

2014

January 18th Annual General Meeting – Poole

January 19th Fun Fish Event - Poole

May 3rd/4th English Species (Rays), Sheerness

May 30th/31st European Species, Olafsvik, Iceland

June 14th/15th English Boat Championship

June 27th/28th Shore Championship, Dover.

September 15th/19th European Boat and Line, Weymouth.

2014

August 1st/8th European Boat and Line, Stromness, Orkney.

Report on Standing Committee Meeting 26th April 2013

Robert Kramer, president of IGFA addressed the meeting to look at possibility of closer working with EFSA such as aligning the rules and record keeping procedure.

You can become a free member of IGFA by providing an Email address; this just gives you access to the All Time record list and the list of records pending.

IGFA also maintain a length record list but only acceptable if measured on a measure that they sell for about 40 Dollars and supported by a picture of the fish on the measure.

IGFA have a membership of about 25000 worldwide and a budget in the millions with several full time paid staff, quite an organisation.

New HQ levies and time scale for payment were introduced, including an upfront when hosting a competition of £500 payable which is refunded once they receive the report and photo's of the event.

I had an agenda item to discuss lures and impregnated bait. It was the decision of the meeting to allow all lures including bait alternatives such as Gulp and Marukya. Though it was proposed to give it further discussion as time and developments in lures progress.

The Game Festival Officer, Massimo Brogna would like the contact detail of section members that are interested in taking part in Game fishing so he can contact them direct for views on any proposals or any information on events.

Boat and Line 2013 Norway. Reported that there will be 4 30-man boats with 15 on each side as a "boat" Confirmation of bus between Loo school and Harbour. It was asked for clarification of some information. The page that said about Fishing in Oresund, the boat rod maximum of 10 feet is not a rule only a guide so no restriction on length. Also drawing of rig showing 30 to 80cm between pirk and flier are again guidelines, there are no restrictions on spacing.

Boat and Line 2014 Weymouth. Preliminary brochure was circulated to the meeting, a few points were discussed which require changes to the brochure but other than those changes it is now finalised and will be online soon.

Boat and Line 2015, section Scotland to be held in Stromness on the Orkney Island as previous. Date 1st to 8th August

Boat and Line 2016, Cobh Ireland 9th to 17th September with the Commodore hotel as the HQ hotel again.

Species 2014 Species cod in Iceland 30th/31st May, Olafsvik which is about a 3 hour drive from Reykjavik. Accommodation will be about 40 euro pppn include breakfast and is only 5 minutes from the harbour. Fishing will be on 4 or 5 man boats in 20 to 100 m depth.

Game 2013 still time to enter.

Game 2015 proposed Miami USA mid March. Cost will be based on 2 3 or 4 anglers on a boat. Deposit required by June 2014 with balance by November 2014.

Shore 2013, Netherlands, 83 entries from 8 sections

Shore 2014 section Wales in early November. They have a good deal with a local hotel although there is a possibility of using the old Butlins camp and go self catering.

Shore 2016 section Ireland hosting fishing the beaches at Wexford.

Next meeting at the Boat and Line in Denmark in August with the Spring 2014 meeting in April.

Report on Standing Committee Meeting 3rd August 2013

The Standing Committee meeting was held in Elsinore, Denmark on 3rd August 2013.

There was an initial paper produced by David Styles on the subject of artificial bait and artificial lures and the way forward with the latest developments in these products. Each section required giving it some thought and it would be on agenda at next SC meeting in April. The aim is to get correct wording for the rules. It was said that we should not totally ban all artificial's but leave room for there use should a section wish to supply as bait or if a sponsor wished to supply them.

The Executive still require a Public Relations Officer, so all section were asked to see if a suitable candidate could be found.

The Treasurer stated that from 2015 the membership levy to HQ would increase by £1 so England will have to pay £10 per each England member to HQ from 2015.

The Treasurer went on to say he would be standing down in 2016 when his current term is up, this will be after 40 years in the position. The Fish Recorder, David Wood, indicated that he also would not be standing for re-election at next term of office.

Boat and Line 2014. EFSA England reported to the meeting our progress with hosting the 2014 Championships.

Boat and Line 2015 Championships. To be hosted by Scotland in Stromness in the Orkneys 1st to 8th August. Format will be very similar to the previous Championship held there.

Boat and Line 2016 Championships. To be hosted by Ireland in Cobh, Ireland. Proposed dates are 9th to 16th September.

European Species 2014 to be hosted by Iceland in Olafsvik 30th to 31st May. The species will be cod fished mainly from 4 to 8 man boats. More details to follow and brochure should be on the web site soon. Fishing there this year in May and many cod were caught up to 1.22 meter in length with each angler averaging 32 fish over 2 days not including undersize ones. Do not hesitate as closing date for entries will be 15th January 2014.

European Shore Championship 2013 in Netherlands. Confirmed that 81 anglers were taking part.

European Shore Championship 2014 in Pwllheli, Wales, probably in November.

Game 2015. Proposal is Miami with 3 days fishing, detail and cost will be available in the near future but likely cost for a team of 4 around \$6,400 for entry and \$800 for accommodation.

Next SC meeting Crawley scheduled for 12 April 2014.

Report by Kim Bowden

**Notice of Annual General Meeting to be held at The Arndale Court Hotel,
Wimbourne Road, Poole on Saturday 18th January 2014 at 11:00**

Notice is hereby given of the EFSA England Annual General meeting. Any proposals for the meeting must be submitted to the Secretary no later than 30th November 2013. All proposals received shall be discussed under Special Business within the Agenda shown as follows.

AGM Agenda 2014

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
- 2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2013.**
- 3. Matters arising.**
- 4. Executive Officer's Reports.**
 - a) Chairman; N. Bryant.
 - b) Vice-Chairman; R. Ashby
 - c) Secretary; K. Bowden.
 - d) Treasurer; P. Hart.
 - e) Membership Registrar; G.Galbraith.
 - f) Fish Recorder; A. Smith
 - g) Public Relations Officer; J. Whippy.
 - h) Boat Festival Officer; A. Selby.
 - i) Shore Festival Officer; P. Curtice
 - j) Press Officer; M Bobbett
 - k) Social Secretary. M. Osborne
 - l) Competitions Coordinator; K. Scaggs.
 - m) Standing Committee Delegate K. Bowden.

5. Report on Championships/Festivals during 2013.

- a) Flounder Competition – Dover
- b) English Species Boat – Weymouth
- c) English Shore Championship – Chesil Beach
- d) English Boat Championship – Plymouth
- e) European Species Championship – Italy
- f) European Shore Championship – Holland
- g) European Boat and Line Class Championships – Denmark
- h) Game – Mexico

6. Election of Officers. (All 3 year terms unless otherwise stated)

- a. Vice Chairman 1 year term Nominee - R. Ashby
- b. Fish Recorder 2 year term Nominee - A. Smith
- c. Treasurer 3 year term Nominee - P. Hart
- d. Press Officer 3 year term Nominee - M. Bobbett
- b. Membership Registrar 3 year term Nominee - G. Gailbraith
- e. Competition Coordinator 3 year term Nominee - K. Scaggs

7. Election of Honorary Auditor.

1 yr term - Nominee/s Mr J. Knight

8. Events for 2014.

- a) Fun Competition
- b) EFSA Species Championship
- c) English Boat Championship

- d) European Boat and Line Class Championships
- e) European Shore Championship
- f) English Species Festival Boat
- g) English Shore Championship

9. Special Business.

None notified

- 10. **Presentation of Fish of the Year Awards** – Andy Smith
- 11. AGM 2015

Fish Recorder's Report

Following what seems like an only too brief summer, we are now fast approaching the end of the 'Fish of the Year' year. It took a long time to pick up momentum on entries this year but they have been flooding in recently, with the majority of the entries coming from the West of the country.

Members can register entries up to 15th November 2013, after which time I will inform the winners by post and arrange for the trophies to be engraved. Entries received after this date will be entered in next year's list.

If you are one of the lucky winners, the trophies will be presented at the AGM and it would be great if you could collect your trophy in person.

We have received entries in all categories apart from Flounder from the boats and Black Bream from the shore, so if you catch one of these it is worth entering.

If you have a picture of your catch please send it in, as it is always better to see the fish, if nothing else from personal curiosity.

Here is the current situation.

BOAT

BASS	J Ball	Cornish Fed	A	11lb 10oz
BLACK BREAM	D Lynes	PM	D	4 lb 4 oz
	A			
COD	Sherwood	PM	E	32 lb 4 oz
CONGER	A Bird	PM	D	68 lb 12 oz
FLOUNDER				
PLAICE	J Whippy	PM	D	5 lb 10 oz
	N			
POLLACK	Cottington	PM	E	15 lb 12 oz
RAYS - Blonde	A Bird	PM	D	24 lb 4 oz
	G			
SMOOTHOUND	Browning	Cornish Fed	A	23 lb 1 oz
WHITING	I Burden	Portland	D	3 lb
WRASSE - Ballan	N Coan	Portland	D	6 lb 10 oz
			Tub	6 lb 11oz -
OTHER (by %)	J Tucker	Cornish Fed	Gurnard	222.92%

NORMAN WITT TROPHY - Best Catch of the Year

JUNIOR FISH OF THE YEAR

Smoothound	S Pattinson	Portland	D	16 lb 0 oz - 106.67%
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OVERSEAS FISH OF THE YEAR

John Dory	C Searles	PM	Portugal	8 lb 12 oz
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CONGER CLUB TANKARD

A Bird	PM	68 lb 12 oz
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SHORE

BASS	K Eddy	Cornish Fed	A	16 lb 8 oz
BLACK BREAM				
COD	P Dixon	Portland	D	8 lb 8 oz
CONGER	R Hendra	Cornish Fed	A	37lb 5oz
FLOUNDER	J Bowler	Portland	D	3 lb 4 oz
PLAICE	J Harris	Cornish Fed	A	3lb 5 oz
POLLACK	M Pickford	Portland	D	1 lb 4 oz
MULLET (by %)	N Coan	Portland	D	3lb 5oz - 73.61%
	M			
SMOOTHOUND	Flambard	W/Wight	E	14 lb 5 oz
WHITING	P Dixon	Portland	D	2 lb 12 oz
WRASSE - Ballan	P Rolls	Portland	D	6 lb 12 oz
		Christchurc		40 lb 2 oz -
OTHER (by %)	M Finn	h & D	Stingray	160.50%

English Boat Championship, Plymouth 13/14th July 2013

It was 6 in the evening when we arrived in Plymouth (after a 7 hour drive from Kent) and well what a pleasant change to arrive at the chosen venue in shorts and tee shirts, not only that the forecast for the weekends weather was for no wind and sunshine, the local news channel had however commented that it would be a terrible weekend for the surfers!! What a shamenot.

Day One

The weather forecast was spot on, no wind, no waves, no clouds and plenty of sunshine. Many of the anglers were already in shorts and tee shirts at 7 o'clock in the morning, looks like the hats, water and sun protection lotions would be as essential as the bait.

After a briefing, the squid, mackerel and ragworm baits were shared out and the boats were loaded. After a short stop to stock up on fresh mackerel most of the boats headed straight to the Eddystone reef although one remained behind on the mackerel mark to commence the day with 10 mackerel for each angler followed by several whiting each, he then caught up with the other boats to drift the sands and reef around the Eddystone lighthouse.

The drifts were quite slow due to the lack of wind and tide, this gave plenty of time to chase the whiting, red gurnard, dogfish and ling that feed on the sandy areas, then onto the ridge that borders the rising reef area where the cuckoo wrasse, whiting, Pollock & pout could be targeted.

Although the cuckoo wrasse were limited to 2 each it seemed impossible to keep away from them, I managed to catch them on every rig that I sent to the bottom, even on a conger trace and a 4/0 hook targeting ling.

On Crusader day 1 both Ray Barron and Pete Bailey finished on 83 points each. The Eddystone reef it was meant to be small eels there was about 14 caught all about 35 to 40 pound, when the skipper Richard said it used to be mainly smaller congeners, Kim commented yes that was a few years ago, they have put on weight since then!

The sea was flat calm and a couple of sun fish were sighted along with a giant bait ball that had been chased up to the surface by some unknown predator. There was a slight mistake in the rules as foul hooked fish could be counted, this had to stand for day one as the message did not filter through until Saturday evening, by which time any foul hooked fish had already been recorded and results calculated.

Day one results

- 1st Dave Clark 86points
- 2nd Ray Barron and Pete Bailey 83 points
- 3rd Mike Patten 76 points
- 4th Paul Hart and Mike Smith 70 points
- 5th Rod Adamson and Vernon Allen 63 points
- 6th Martin Bobbett 56 points
- 7th Jon Law 46 points
- 8th Andy Smith 44 points

Day Two

With 11 boat winners from day one (not bad seeing that there were only 8 boats) there was a fair chance that several competitors would secure a second boat win, this could mean a count back on points to confirm an overall winner.

Day two followed the same format with the exception of a clarification on the rules, no foul hooked fish would count as this is the EFSA rule. The weather was just as good as Saturday, some anglers looked rather red from yesterdays over exposure to the sun, wonder how many of you realise that there has been a 60% increase in skin cancer to white males in this country over the last 12 years?

The calm sea allows spotting basking sharks a lot easier, I did manage to get a couple of shots of one that got within range of our boat, not a fantastic picture but still exciting to view one of these superb giants of the sea.

During the days challenge some anglers were struggling to find the Pollock, not everyone is entirely honest when it comes to providing the information to their fellow competitors (well it is a competition after all) it seemed that they were between 5 and 32 turns up, the best comment came from Tony Hudson when he hooked into yet another fine Pollock, “this one was 32 turns up and it took it on the drop” we all knew what he meant but funny all the same.

Cliff Newbold and Rod Adamson had a close challenge right up to the last cast, cliff was in the lead by 7 points when Rod saw the tell tell bite from a dogfish, his experience showed as he patiently waited for another one to take the other bait, sure enough the second one took, once in the net Rod asked how long remained, to which the skipper replied “that’s it lines up” those two fish took Rod to his second day win.

Martin Bobbett had a close competition with Mark Shortt from Ireland, Mark dropped a conger around 20 minutes from the final whistle and ended up runner up by 7 points, the eel would have secured Marks boat win. Martin returned to port with a second boat win to his credit. Once onshore the results started to filter in, nail biting times when you know you’re in with a chance of a pin!

It became apparent that Rod and Martin were the only two double boat winners, with Rod securing gold for the second time at this venue, even stranger Martin took silver in this event for the second time, the only difference in the top four from 2008 was Paul Hart who took bronze this time (Gary Galbraith took bronze in 2008) and Ray Barron took fourth spot both times.

Martin Beer of the Eddystone eel company had kindly donated a pack of 170mm weighted eels for each competitor and a trophy for the best fish caught over the 2 days using one of these lures. Several fish were captured on these lures, some nice whiting and a couple of good Pollock. The Trophy was secured by Roger Whiting with a fine Pollock.

The committee would also like to thank Tom Worthy for supplying the bait for both days' and as always Andy Selby for the effort that Charlie and he put in to organise these fantastic events, next year back to Torquay? (Andy's 1stpin was secured there I believe)

Overall results

1st Rod Adamson 100(63), 100(84) 200 (147)

2nd Martin Bobbett 100(56), 100(65) 200 (121)

3rd Paul Hart 100(70), 96(48) 196 (118)

For the full set of results please visit our website.

EUROPEAN BOAT AND LINE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013

Monday morning and the 115 anglers mustered on the quayside to board 1 of the 4 boats. Each boat had up to 30 anglers on board, with each side of the boat having 15 anglers as 'one boat' for the purpose of the championships so 4 boats would give 8 boat winners. On a positive side the boats had good facilities with coffee and food on board, also cold beer, which a bottle of went down very well on the way back to port after the fishing!

At eight O'clock the boats departed from Elsinore harbour in Denmark and headed east and over to The Swedish side of the shipping channel a distance of only 4 miles or so. Even though the boats were not that fast it meant that by 0820 it was lines down.

LIGHT LINE CHAMPIONSHIP

The first day of the Championships was the Light Line Championship. This year the line was 8lb, and as we soon found out there were no fish to put the line under and test as the heaviest fish caught was a cod of about 4 pound with most fish under 1 pound. Species caught included Dab, Herring, Whiting, Haddock and Coalfish with Plaice and Flounder often up to a couple of pound. There were plenty of Cod though most were about 6 to 8 ounces with the occasional bigger one. In the 'other' category for good points there were large numbers of Goldsinny Wrasse to be found on the Flounder ground.

This was just a one day competition so it did not take much to work out the honours amongst the 8 boat winners, as may have been expected the top 10 were all Swedish or Danish.

- 1st Brian Jensen of Denmark
- 2nd Sixten Dahlbom of Sweden
- 3rd Thor Rasmussen of Denmark

BOAT CHAMPIONSHIP

After the first day fishing the Light Line that evening was spent modifying rigs more so with smaller hooks than style of rig. This was after what was a regular meeting each evening after the fishing when all the English competitors got together and shared the information on what the boats fished for and what rigs seemed to work best or did not work.

Tuesday saw the start of the Boat Championship. So with fresh hopes at the start of the 4 days to come the boats again all departed at 0800 hours. As soon became the pattern for the week the boats fished very similar grounds each day, so we soon got to know which buoy (they seemed to favour buoys as marks rather than we are more used to GPS numbers) had what sort of ground and what fish were to be had. Some different fish were caught in only 1 or 2 included Sea Trout and Ling.

At the end of day 1 at the top of the score table were the Danish and Swedish again. Colin Searles was top English on this day in 18th place, obviously remembering how he fish the last competition there a few years previous, he was closely followed by Cliff Newbold in 20th position.

Day 2 and the same pattern of fishing, only one boat had a slight variation as he had a mark that fished well for sandeel and launce, which scored well in the Others category. While no English boat winners Neil Bryant with 97% on the day put him 10th overall. Cliff Newbold had another good day and his 95% raised him up to 14th.

Day 3 and despite a bit of rain and stronger winds the boats were still a good platform to fish from. Again no boat wins for England, it was tough against 14 other anglers and also fishing one end of the boat you could not see what was being caught at the other end of the boat so it was not till the end of the day that you could figure how well you had done. Cliff put in another good day and moved him to 7th overall. Ray Barron had a better day and moved up to 10th place ahead of Neil Bryant in 11th by 0.7%!

Day 4 and the final day of the competition and finally the English cracked it with both Neil Bryant and Ray Barron winning their boats.

With the 4 days percentages totalled top honours again going to Denmark and Sweden, not surprising when as some of them admitted they had fished these water for the past 20 years or more. However this time there were 3 English in the top 10 with Ray Baron out in

front in 6th place followed by the most consistent one of the week Cliff Newbold in 7th, closely followed by Neil Bryant, all 3 were separated by only 1.2 percentage points!

Boat Championship Individuals

- 1st Martin Hubert of Denmark
- 2nd Neils Godsk Jergensen of Denmark
- 3rd Sixten Dahlbom of Sweden

English Placings

- 6th Ray Barron
- 7th Cliff Newbold
- 9th Neil Bryant
- 16th Mark Smith
- 19th Gary Gailbraith
- 21st Perry Dack
- 27th Mike Smith
- 30th Paul Hart
- 31st Colin Searles
- 38th Matt Osborne
- 39th Richard Russell
- 41st Barrie Senior
- 49th Vernon Allen
- 51st Ken Smith
- 56th Andy Smith
- 58th Kim Bowden
- 59th Pete Bailey
- 85th Neil Cottington

International Teams

- 1st Denmark A
- 2nd Sweden A
- 3rd England A, comprising of Ray Baron, Colin Searles, Paul Hart, Perry Dack and Mike Smith.

Top Senior was Richard Russell

Full list of results to be found at www.dhf.nu

Report by Kim Bowden

European Species Championship 29th –31st May 2014

Iceland Section is hosting the event and the species is cod from the prolific waters of Northern Iceland. Link to brochure and entry form as detailed below. <http://www.efsa-england.com/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/BrochureOlafsvik2014.pdf>

Location for the event is Olafsvik, which is small fishing village in North West Iceland. They held a competition at the venue earlier in the year and the average over 2 days was 32 cod each not including undersize fish. Many cod were caught over 1 meter and biggest was 1.22 meter so chance of your personal best. Fishing will be in small boats with 4 to 8 anglers per boat.

I recall last Species comp in Iceland when cod did not count and I had 3 drops each of 2 12-pound cod, so 72 pound of cod in 4 or 5 minutes then made the skipper move off what must have been a large shoal of 12-pound cod!

Full brochure is on the web site. Just a note on the hotel, it appears to be full. I am trying to see if the Iceland Section is holding any rooms. I have also asked for information on alternative accommodation. So if you are having difficulty with accommodation then contact me.

Matt is looking at travel arrangements including possibility of mini bus or coach to travel the 235km from airport to Olafsvik so please let me know if you are intending going so we have an idea of numbers. See details below. Closing date for entries is 16th January

EFSA European Species Championships-Iceland-Travel information

We have been looking at trying to arrange a “group travel” for everyone to see if we can save some costs and to also get everyone equal opportunity to be a part of this wonderful trip and I have now completed some preliminary enquiries for you to consider.

PROPOSAL:

WEDNESDAY 28th MAY

Flights: Depart Wednesday 28th Luton 07.40am arrive Reykjavik 09.40am - £200 approx

Coach: from Reykjavik to venue and return to airport (awaiting cost) provisional £ 50 approx

The estimated time for the coach is up to 3-4 hours.

Hotel (subject to availability) 90 euro B&B Twin/Double x 4 nights - £150 approx

THURSDAY 29th

Training Day: We will try to arrange practice for everyone (Awaiting cost)
£ 50 approx
Registration from 15.00-1900 hours at HQ Hotel

FRIDAY and SATURDAY

Fishing and Gala dinner/Prize giving till late probably £280 approx

SUNDAY 1st JUNE

Return Sunday 1st June flight 1015am arrive back in UK 1410pm.
Coach trip back to airport allowing same travel time as arrival.
Contingency £ 70 approx

Total Budget Cost £800.00

I have looked at alternative flights from Gatwick but these are £50 plus dearer.

This is only a proposal so that you can see what can be arranged. The prices for the coach and training depend on numbers going and are only to be used as a guide.

URGENT: PLEASE RESPOND EARLY SO THAT FLIGHTS CAN BE CONFIRMED for the BEST PRICE.

Please contact me on 07900 080709 or email matt-68@tiscali.co.uk to confirm if you wish to be included in these arrangements. Once all the numbers have been finalised you will be advised of the payment required to EFSA England to cover the aforementioned costs and any changes to these will be notified accordingly. In respect of the flights some may wish to book their own direct on Card, that is fine but you will have to have committed finances to take advantage of the coach, training etc, etc as required.

Once numbers are known we can finalise the arrangements. I appreciate some may wish to make their own arrangements and maybe stay longer or go earlier however please do let me know what you are doing so that you do not miss out on the training etc.

Thank you
Matt Osborne
Social Secretary

EFSA English Section Shore Championships 27th- 28th June 2014 - Dover

The fishing venue for the Championships will be at Dover on the Southern Breakwater.

The Match HQ will be at the Grand Birstin Hotel in Folkestone. A deal is being negotiated and it is hoped that preferential rates can be obtained as we have received in the past. Accommodation, breakfast and evening meal is estimated to be approximately £35.00 per night. (Details on how to make the booking and to obtain the preferential rates will be released when known).

We are lucky enough to have local expert Alan Yates as a club member and he has provided a short summary of info:

Southern Breakwater will have all of the same species with flatfish a possibility. Whilst the venue is less snaggy the strong tide pulls and the changes in direction of the flow can make for interesting fishing. Big fixed grip leads (dover bombs) are needed. It is because of the very strong tides that using braid is not recommended as crossed lines is a possibility.

Alan has kindly offered to provide additional info to anyone by contacting him direct on 01303 250017 or at alankyates@aol.com

The match will be fished “Catch and Return” to a 20 cm size limit.

Bait.

Will be supplied for the competition from local sources. Dependent upon availability it is likely to consist of Lugworm, King Rag worm, Sand eels and Mackerel.

The outline programme for the Championships is as follows:

Thursday	26 th June	Registration	20:30 - 21:30
Friday	27 th June	Fishing	10:30 – 15:30
Sat 15 th June	28 th June	Fishing	10:30 – 15:30

More details will be made available on the EFSA England website and during the registration period.

Boat Events for 2014

English Boat Championship

Next year's English Boat Championship will return to Torquay on the 14th & 15th June. Last time we fished this venue there were quite a variety of fish, although the skippers were not used to competition fishing. Since then, they have run several successful competitions.

The HQ hotel will again be the Rainbow Hotel where everything will be based - i.e. registration, prize giving etc.

We have negotiated some excellent rates for the hotel and details of this will be sent with your confirmation of entry once payment has been received.

Dinner, Bed & Breakfast for a twin/Double for 3 nights is only £99 and a two night stay is £79. There is a supplement for single room occupancy.

This will again be a bait supplied event.

English Species Event

This year we are going to try something new - Ray fishing in the Medway. This will, in the main, be Thornback rays and fishing over the weekend of 3rd & 4th May.

Our HQ hotel will again be the Abbey Hotel who have agreed some excellent rates (Details sent once payment received).

This will again be a bait provided event and don't forget is now a species Pin event.

Agm / Fun Weekend

We will be returning to Poole again for our Flounder event over the weekend of 18th & 19th of January and we have tides that suit both the Shore and Boat Angler. On the boat side we have secured boats that will fish over the flats as well as the channels.

The Agm will be at the Arndale Hotel and special rates have been agreed for EFSA members details will be sent once entry has been received.

European Boat and Line Championships Weymouth
Sat 13th to Fri 19th Sept 2014

Those wanting further details please see the web site or contact our Secretary for a brochure.

The whole event will be based around the Riviera Hotel i.e. Registration, Welcome Reception, Posting of Daily results, Prize Giving and Gala Dinner etc .There will be daily coach transport provided from the hotel to the Quay and back .Also parking permits will be available for guests at the Riviera to park at the Quay if they wish to use there own transport.

Please support the Riviera Hotel they have given us an excellent package of Dinner, Bed, Breakfast and a weekday packed lunch at a special rate of £50 per person per night based on a twin/double, with a £15 supplement for a single room.

We have secured the whole hotel but rooms will be released to the public after March 2014 so please get your booking in early by phoning 01305 836600 and quote EFSA. We hope to fill the hotel so it is exclusively EFSA for the week.

Just a reminder to anglers that we have limited spaces on the boats and you are not guaranteed entry even if you enter before the close of entry. Although we will try and find additional boats it is not always possible. I have said it many times get your entry in Early.

Andy Selby

AGM Attendance Notification.

Please delete whichever statement does not apply.

- a.) This is to confirm I shall be attending the AGM and request that seating is made available.
- b.) This is to confirm that I shall not be attending the AGM and request that my apologies for absence are given to the meeting.

Name (Please print): Date:

Completed forms should be returned by 10th December 2013 to:
Kim Bowden, 12 Padnell Road, Cowplain, Waterlooville Hants, PO8 8DZ.

Alternatively Email me at kimbowden@ntlworld.com