



## **NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2020**

### **CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS**

In this difficult time for all of us it was with much regret and a heavy heart that all EFSA events for 2020 were cancelled, both our EFSA England and the European Championships. The committee have still been working hard initially organising the events and then the additional work needed to cancel, and once this decision was made it was decided to do refunds for all cancel competition to enable a clearer picture of our financial position and to simplify money held for events.

Looking forward to 2021. EFSA England and EFSA HQ are planning a full year of events, all updates on these events will be on our England website along with entry forms. We do ask at this time to pay for all entries by online transfer and to email entry forms to Keith if this is a problem for anyone please let your Secretary know and he will assist you.

Having said look forward to fishing events in 2021 at the time of writing this England looks to be heading for another Lock-down, so there is still no clear picture of where we will be at the end of this year. So with 2021 not very far off and our AGM just into the new year we are mindful of what we may be able to do in 10 weeks time. So we have a meeting on 7th January 2021 (via Zoom), where we will make a decision, but it is very much looking that we will not be able to meet in person. If this is the case we will be looking to hold the AGM from the comfort of your own home via Zoom. So after our meeting in January we will put information on the website and send email to all with AGM details.

At this time of contact I would like to say to you all, Stay safe, and hope to see you all out the other side of this Covid time. Meanwhile I hope you are still managing to wet a line when the occasion allows and the wind stops blowing!

Neil Bryant

## **BOAT EVENTS**

Well what a disappointing year for us all, with every boat competition being cancelled due to the weather and Covid 19. I would like to thank all the skippers and hotels for there help in transferring and cancelling dates with no financial liability to the section.

Our two main events in 2021 will be the English Boat in Plymouth and English Species in Hayling and both fished to Covid 19 rules.

The events will be limited to 5 anglers per boat and 25 places.

Should guidance change then that will be taken into account for each event and conveyed to the competing anglers.

Due to social distancing and maximum guidance numbers there will be no Open Team events.

Registration and Presentation format will be confirmed nearer dates.

This situation is very fluid and if numbers can be increased on boats then entry fee refunds will be made.

We are planning to do our AGM via a zoom conference call, and there will be no Fun fish this year.

Please all stay safe and hopefully see you all soon.

Andy Selby

## **SHORE**

### **English Shore Championship 9<sup>th</sup>& 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Third time lucky? With this year's Shore Championship cancelled due to Covid restrictions and the previous year bad weather putting us on the beach, we will try again to fish Brighton Marina. The match is scheduled for Friday 9<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Further details will be put on the website as they become available together with the entry form.

Barrie Senior

## DIARY UPDATE

### 2021

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| January 23 <sup>rd</sup>                     | EFSA England AGM-Crown Hotel, Weymouth       |
| January 24 <sup>th</sup>                     | Fun Fish Event, Spurdog Weymouth.            |
| April 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> TBC  | English Shore, Brighton Marina.              |
| April 24 <sup>th</sup> /25 <sup>th</sup>     | English Species, Smoothhound, Hayling Island |
| May 9 <sup>th</sup> /12 <sup>th</sup>        | EFSA Game, Cape Verde.                       |
| May 21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup>       | European Species, Olafsvik, Iceland.         |
| June 19 <sup>th</sup> /20 <sup>th</sup>      | English Boat, Plymouth                       |
| September 18 <sup>th</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup> | European Boat, Cobh, Ireland                 |
| Sept 27 <sup>th</sup> /Oct 2 <sup>nd</sup>   | European Shore, Kilmuckridge, Ireland        |

### 2022

|     |                           |
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| TBA | European Species, England |
| TBA | European Shore, Wales     |
| TBA | European Boat, Denmark    |

### 2021 European Championships

**European Species, Olafsvik.** Detail and entry form are on the website as will any further updates, closing date for English entries is January 28<sup>th</sup> 2021. Andy Smith has a coach booked for travel from Airport and Olafsvik as we have done before. No flights have been looked at yet as need to see how the world is by next year and what restrictions are in place.

European Shore, Kilmuckridge, Ireland. No further information at this time though should be available soon

European Boat, Cobh, Ireland. As above no detail yet from Ireland.

For all the above refer to the website for updates. Once I know who is travelling to any of the above events either by entering or contacting me, I will then update you personally via email.

Stay safe all

Kim Bowden

## **2021 AGM NOTIFICATION OF ANY PROPOSALS**

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Crown Hotel, 52 St Thomas St, Weymouth, DT4 8EQ at 1100 hours on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, **or** via a Zoom online meeting

Any proposals for the 2021 AGM must be with the Secretary by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

Any proposal received shall be included in the agenda under Special Business.

## **AGM 2021**

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
- 2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2020.**
- 3. Matters arising.**
- 4. Executive Officer's Reports.**
  - a) President, T. Entwistle
  - b) Chairman; N. Bryant.
  - c) Vice-Chairman; R. Ashby
  - d) Secretary; K. Bowden.
  - e) Treasurer; K. Scaggs
  - f) Membership Registrar; G. Galbraith.
  - g) Fish Recorder; A. Smith.
  - h) Press Officer/Public Relations Officer, B. Senior.
  - i) Boat Festival Officer; A. Selby.
  - j) Shore Festival Officer; B. Senior.
  - k) Social Secretary. M. Osborne.
  - l) Competitions Coordinator; K. Scaggs.
  - m) Standing Committee Delegate K. Scaggs.
- 5. Report on Championships/Festivals during 2020.**
  - a) Fun Fish Competition – Weymouth
  - b) English Species Festival Boat – Penzance
  - c) English Shore Championship – Brighton
  - d) English Boat Championship – Plymouth
  - e) European Species Championships -- Weymouth
  - f) European Shore Championship – Ireland
  - g) European Boat and Line Championships – Ireland
- 6. Presentation of Fish of the Year Awards – Andy Smith**

**7. Election of Officers. (All 3-year terms unless otherwise stated)**

- a. Vice Chairman R. Ashby
- b. Secretary K. Bowden
- c. Shore Festival Officer B. Senior
- d. Chairman of Selectors Boat R. Russell
- e. Chairman of Selectors Shore B. Senior
- f. Chairman of Selectors Game A. Smith
- g. Selectors Boat
- h. Selectors Shore
- i. Selectors Game

**8. Election of Honorary Auditor.**

1 yr term - Nominee/s Mr J. Knight

**9. Events for 2021.**

- a) Fun Competition -- Weymouth
- b) EFSA Species Championship – Iceland
- c) English Boat Championship -- Plymouth
- d) European Boat Championships-- Ireland
- e) European Shore Championship -- Ireland
- f) English Species Festival Boat – Hayling Island
- h) English Shore Championship – Brighton
- i) EFSA Game, Cape Verde

**10. Special Business**

**11. Annual General Meeting 2022**

## CURRENT EFSA FISH OF THE YEAR 2020 (Closes 30<sup>th</sup> November)

| FISH                             | NAME                | CLUB       | WEIGHT    | %       |            |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| <b>BOAT</b>                      |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Bass                             | Ray Ashby           | PM         | 9lb 2oz   |         |            |
| Black Bream                      | Andy Smith          | PM         | 3lb 3oz   |         |            |
| Cod                              | Matt Osborne        | PM         | 9lb 2oz   |         |            |
| Conger Eel                       | Paul Maris          | BCC        | 75lb 0oz  |         |            |
| Flounder                         | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Plaice                           | Barrie Senior       | PM         | 3lb 4oz   |         |            |
| Pollack                          | Gary Geoghegan      | PM         | 18lb 8oz  |         |            |
| Ray – Blonde                     | Nigel McLoughlin    | BCC        | 30lb 0oz  |         |            |
| Smoothound                       | Alan Bird           | PM         | 18lb 4 oz |         |            |
| Whiting                          | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Wrasse – Ballan                  | Dave McCune         | PM         | 5lb 0oz   |         |            |
| Other by %                       |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Greater Weever                   | Gary Geoghegan      | PM         | 1lb 12oz  | 350.00% |            |
| <b>SHORE</b>                     |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Bass                             | Rodney Whitewood    | West Wight | 11lb 8oz  |         |            |
| Black Bream                      | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Cod                              | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Conger Eel                       | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Flounder                         | Derry Meyers        | Portland   | 2lb 1oz   |         |            |
| Plaice                           | Floyd Wellington    | Portland   | 1lb 7oz   |         |            |
| Pollack                          | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Mullet –all by %                 |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Thin lipped mullet               | Matthew Lavis       | PM         | 2lb 6oz   | 73.08%  |            |
| Smoothound                       | Alfie Lelliott      | PM         | 13lb 2oz  |         |            |
| Whiting                          | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Wrasse – Ballan                  | <i>None to Date</i> |            |           |         |            |
| Other by %                       |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Stingray                         | Mike Lelliott       | PM         | 37lb 0oz  | 370.00% |            |
| <b>Junior Fish of the Year</b>   |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Thin lipped mullet               | Matthew Lavis       | PM         | 2lb 6oz   | 73.08%  | 15 yrs old |
| Smoothound                       | Alfie Lelliott      | PM         | 13lb 2oz  | 109.38% | 12 yrs old |
| Stingray                         | Freddie Lelliott    | PM         | 18lb 0 oz | 180.00% | 10 yrs old |
| <b>Overseas Fish of the Year</b> |                     |            |           |         |            |
| Roosterfish                      | Ray Barron          | PM         | 45lb 0oz  | 39.47   |            |
| Black Marlin                     | Shawn Trinder       | PM         | 320lb 0oz | 20.51   |            |
| <b>Conger Club Tankard</b>       | TBA                 |            |           |         |            |
| <b>Norman Witt Trophy</b>        | TBA                 |            |           |         |            |