

ALDERNEY ANGLING FESTIVAL 2009

The Committee extends a warm welcome to all anglers in the 24th Alderney Angling Festival, and looks forward to meeting both new participants and old friends

12.00 noon 17th October to
12.00 noon 24th October 2009



Derek Spears with his 49-0 Tope

CATEGORIES:

Best Ballan Wrasse

Best Bass

Best Bream

Best Couch's Sea Bream

Best Conger

Best Plaice or Sole

Best Thick Lipped Mullet

Best other Specimen under 5lb

Best other Specimen over 5lb

Best Garfish or Mackerel (£50 1st Prize only)

PROPOSED PRIZE LIST:

New Alderney Record £500

Best Overall U.K. Angler £150

Best Overall C.I. Angler £150

CATEGORIES:

1st -£150, 2nd -£125, 3rd -£100, Plus 4th & 5th Prizes.

Please note: These prizes are the minimum that may be awarded.

ADDITIONAL TROPHIES:

Barbie Cosheril Trophy. Andy James – Ray Trophy

Best Fish of the Festival, Bert Messam Plaice Trophy and the Herbie Pike Memorial Trophy, for the fish that the committee deem the best fish of the festival

If you have any queries or require more information, please ring on Mark 01481 824884 or you can email him mark@alderneyangling.com

General Information

Hire cars are available, but there is a shortage. Cars may be shipped from Jersey and Guernsey via Alderney Shipping, and from Poole via Channel Seaways.

Sailings are weekly and there are special freight rates for competitors.

Fishing gear etc. can be packed in the car with no weight restrictions. For further details on shipping and special rates phone Alison 01481 822231 or email aldship@cwgsy.net. It would be helpful to book cars on sailings by the end of August, at the very latest.

Flying

Aurigny will carry baggage up to 15kg free of charge from Southampton, 20kg inter island, after that a charge will be made and there is no guarantee that it will be on the flight. There is no size restriction for fishing gear, and they will carry live bait and chervy (suitably packaged). They will fly fishing gear over a day or two early.

Blue island has a 15kg baggage allowance. Again there is no guarantee that anything over that weight will be carried on the same flight. They have an upper size limit of 6 feet, and again will carry well – packaged live bait. They will also fly fishing gear over a day or two early.

ALDERNEY BREAKWATER

This long breakwater is not the property of Alderney. No vehicles are allowed on it. There are no toilets or rubbish bins available, and anglers must take their litter away with them. There is lifesaving equipment halfway along and at the far end. It is not really suitable for children without adult supervision and in rough weather water will break over it. The Harbourmaster has authority over anyone visiting the breakwater and his advice should be sought if necessary. Even in calm weather huge swells may spring out of nowhere and wash the entire length of the structure. If the locals leave, then leave yourself. Please do not take risks.

Please note due to renovation work, the commercial quay may be closed to the public.

SOUVENIRS

Sweatshirts will be on sale at the weigh-in.
You can buy the sweatshirts by mail order.
Order forms enclosed.

ALDERNEY ANGLING FESTIVAL 2008 RESULTS

BEST CHANNEL ISLANDS ANGLER

Dick Smith (Many congratulations to Dick. This title is highly coveted amongst Channel Island anglers and involves a certain amount of insomnia to win it. What makes Dicks achievement even more remarkable is that he has won it 6 times since 1998 but only in the year ending in an even number! Save your money next year Dick or break the hoodoo!!)

BEST UK ANGLER

Steven Hazell (Well done to Steven, it was the first time he fished the festival, made the old man chuffed to bits!!)

LADIES TROPHY

Esther Hatton

VETERAN SHIELD

Pete Walker

BEST PAIR (a right family affair)

1. Dick Smith and Matt Smith (Father and Son) 193.23%
2. Steven and Michael Hazell (Brothers) 192.55%

BEST TEAM

Hot Rods 274%

ANDY JAMES CARTILAGINOUS TROPHY

Derek Spears Tope 49lb

BARBIE COSHERIL BEST FISH OF THE FESTIVAL

Derek Spears Tope 49lb

BEST BALLAN WRASSE (6LB) (Qualifying weights in brackets)

1. Bernie Le Gallais 6-12-8
2. Andy Appleby 6-6-8
3. Dick Smith 6-3-12

BEST BASS (6LB)

1. Jamie Sugden 9-11-0
2. Alan Eastwood 8-0-14 (Plug Caught)

BEST COUCHES SEA BREAM (1LB 4OZ)

1. Rob Blondin 1-6-6

BEST CONGER EEL (25LB)

1. Stephen Lumb 37-0
2. Pete Walker 25-8
3. Steven Hazell 25-0

BEST THICK LIPPED MULLET (4LB 4OZ)

1. Steve Mullins 5-1-12
2. Stephen Winter 4-15-12
3. Keith Quertier 4-13-6
4. Geoff Plumridge 4-13-4
5. Mark Plowman 4-12-6

BEST FISH WITH ALDERNEY RECORD UNDER 5LB

1. Jasper Osborne - Tub Gurnard 1-6-6
2. Keith Quertier - Red Mullet 3-3-0
3. Steve Mathias - Cuckoo Wrasse 1-6-10
4. Lee Vaudin Golden - Grey Mullet 2-1-6
5. Esther Hatton - Golden Grey Mullet 2-0-8

BEST FISH WITH ALDERNEY RECORD OVER 5LB

1. Derek Spears Tope 49-0
2. Steven Hazell Bull Huss 11-3-12
3. Michael Hazell Bull Huss 9-11-10
4. Graham Hazell Bull Huss 9-4-2
5. Pete Walker Bull Huss 8-8-4

BEST GARFISH

1. Dick Smith 1-5-12

No Black Bream (3lb), No Sole/Plaice (2lb 4oz) weighed in.

Festival 2008 Report

The highlight of the October month is the annual Alderney Angling Festival which is held on what is considered to be the best tides of the month. The Committee look for spring tides and dark nights and this year these tides were at the end of the month. Those that knew their salt were drooling with excitement at this prospect as November the last few years has been a very key month for tremendous fishing around our shorelines.

As you can imagine we were chomping at the bit at the start, an excellent first weigh in and then it all went horribly wrong. We were in for a rude awakening, a culture shock you might say and a return to reality to some 'normal' fishing.

The weather played a major part anyway, then on Sunday morning a cold front went through and air pressure dropped. I am told at times this is enough to put the fish down but despite that we had to contend with hail, sleet and stiff to gale force winds mainly from somewhere between North and East.....yuk. This made a lot of the marks unfishable, the main one was the Breakwater.

The bit, however, that frustrated myself though, and although I was never told directly, was that some anglers felt that the Festival was held late. Strange comments indeed when we were still in the month of October when it is always held, and the Committee will always pick the best tides for such a prestigious event to be held. That besides Alderney experiences some incredible fishing from mid August till mid January, this time though we never hit the heights. Fish have fins and boy the blighters used them. Seals were spotted frequently around the coastline and they do have an effect on your catches when they are present. Alderney have a population of Seals to the north on the island of Burrhou. They however normally stay there and never venture towards Alderney.

We normally see Seals after the New Year when the really big shoals of fish move in on their migration down the Channel, Bass, Bream and Mullet mainly and they winter over at this end of the Channel and beyond, but maybe the Seals that follow these shoals of fish up and down the Channel arrived earlier. Perfectly feasible as the sea temperature dropped from 15C as of 22nd October to 12.6C on 1st November. I digress. Amongst all that though some did catch plenty of fish, lots of Black Bream reported and a fair bit of Red Mullet which reflected on the fishing we had been experiencing. Sole featured well too, I was given 5 for tea!

The difficulty was that the size wasn't there for what ever reason. Thick Lipped Mullet were very achievable as were Golden Greys with a sprinkling of fish around 2lb. Also plentiful but not everyone's cup of tea to fish for were the Bull Huss.

There were two really good stand out fish for me, Derek Spears 49lb Tope caught from the Breakwater (this was followed by him with another of 38lb!), and Keith Quartier's magnificent 3lb 3oz Red Mullet.

The Alderney Angling Festival would like to say Thank You to all the sponsors, whom without, the Festival wouldn't survive:

Jack and Daphne Main
Julie and the Girls on behalf of Lloyds TSB
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Alderney Electricity
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Boardman's Pharmacy
and Alderney Fuels.



OCTOBER

G.M.T.

Add 1hr for B.S.T. until Sunday, 30th October

DATE	DAY	HIGH WATER				DATE	DAY	LOW WATER					
		Morning		Afternoon				Morning		Afternoon			
		Time	M	Time	M	Time	M	Time	M				
1	Th	0519	5.19	1733	5.44	1	Th	1150	1.96	*	*	*	*
2	F	0553	5.51	1808	5.73	2	F	0006	1.64	1221	1.59		
3	Sa	0625	5.77	1840	5.94	3	Sa	0036	1.33	1251	1.32		
4	Su	0656	5.97	1913	6.10	4	Su	0107	1.12	1322	1.14		
5	M	0728	6.10	1944	6.18	5	M	0139	1.00	1353	1.04		
6	T	0800	6.17	2017	6.17	6	T	0209	0.97	1425	1.02		
7	W	0831	6.14	2049	6.05	7	W	0241	1.03	1458	1.11		
8	Th	0904	5.99	2125	5.79	8	Th	0314	1.21	1532	1.33		
9	F	0938	5.72	2204	5.44	9	F	351	1.51	1613	1.65		
10	Sa	1019	5.38	2254	5.05	10	Sa	0433	1.90	1703	2.04		
11	Su	1118	5.01	*	*	*	*	11	Su	0530	2.31	1615	2.38
12	M	0012	4.72	1251	4.77	12	M	0700	2.60	2003	2.49		
13	T	0206	4.68	1441	4.90	13	T	0851	2.54	2146	2.19		
14	W	0338	5.00	1601	5.29	14	W	1020	2.11	2255	1.70		
15	Th	0441	5.44	1658	5.72	15	Th	1117	1.59	2344	1.24		
16	F	0529	5.84	1746	6.06	16	F	*	*	*	*	1201	1.17
17	Sa	0612	6.13	1828	6.27	17	Sa	0024	0.93	1239	0.90		
18	Su	0651	6.28	1907	6.35	18	Su	0101	0.79	1316	0.79		
19	M	0727	6.32	1943	6.30	19	M	0135	0.79	1350	0.82		
20	T	0800	6.26	2016	6.15	20	T	0207	0.92	1423	0.95		
21	W	0832	6.09	2049	5.89	21	W	0240	1.13	1456	1.19		
22	Th	0901	5.84	2119	5.57	22	Th	0309	1.44	1527	1.51		
23	F	0930	5.51	2149	5.20	23	F	0338	1.81	1557	1.90		
24	Sa	1001	5.15	2223	4.83	24	Sa	0407	2.22	1633	2.30		
25	Su	1039	4.79	2315	4.50	25	Su	0445	2.61	1722	2.66		
26	M	1144	4.48	*	*	*	*	26	M	0543	2.95	1840	2.92
27	T	0046	4.30	1341	4.38	27	T	719	3.12	2024	2.92		
28	W	0236	4.39	1511	4.58	28	W	910	2.99	2153	2.64		
29	Th	0344	4.69	1607	4.91	29	Th	1026	2.60	2250	2.24		
30	F	0432	5.04	1650	5.25	30	F	1112	2.17	2330	1.85		
31	Sa	0512	5.38	1730	5.56	31	Sa	1149	1.78	*	*	*	*

NEW 

FIRST QUARTER 

FULL 

LAST QUARTER 

2008 Prize Giving



Festival Rules (Please Read Carefully)

1. The rules of the Festival shall apply at all times. Any infringement of these rules may result in the disqualification of the angler or anglers concerned.
2. The Festival shall only run during the allotted time span. This is from 12 noon 17th October, to 12 noon 24th October 2009.
3. All anglers shall have paid the full registration fee of £40, which includes entry to the Pairs and Teams, before they start fishing.
4. Pairs. Two anglers may compete together for the pairs trophy. Only the best fish of each species caught will count towards the total percentage.
5. Teams 4 anglers may compete together for the team trophy. The two best fish of each species caught will count towards the total percentage. All rules and conditions of the festival shall apply. All pairs and teams must register by 12 noon on 17th October 2009.
6. The Festival is open to shore caught fish only.
7. No fish listed in the British Mini-Species list shall be entered. The Festival will be fished to the Alderney Angling Festival Species list only.
8. Anglers must weigh in his/her own fish.
9. There is no limit on the number of fish entries per angler providing that each such entry complies with all Festival Rules and regulations.
10. No entry shall be considered valid unless the entry form has been signed by the AAF Committee member who had weighed the fish. The AAF Committee member may reserve the right to not sign the entry form if he feels that the entry has not complied with the rules of the Festival. Any such unsigned forms shall be referred to the AAF Committee – their decision shall be final in such circumstances.
11. The Weigh-in officer retains the right to carefully examine any fish entered. The AAF weigh-in officer reserves the right to gut any fish should it be felt necessary.
12. A registration form must be completed in full by each angler. Photocopies of the forms are acceptable. Full home address is required.
13. An angler shall not win more than one prize in each category.
14. A board shall display the weights of the top five fish caught. This information shall be displayed at the weigh-in-station. All positions on the board must be beaten and not equalled. Only one prize will be awarded for each position. In the event of a tie for 1st place, both names will appear on the trophy. Only fish heavier than the fifth heaviest qualifying weight shall be accepted for entry into the festival

The Best C.I. & U.K. Angler will be awarded to the angler who weighs in
the most number of different species.

In the event of a tie, only the best fish of each species will count towards the
total percentage.

In the interests of sportsmanship anglers are asked not to stake out fishing marks.

Also to leave a reasonable distance between fishermen.

Any angler discovered leaving litter, old fishing line, bait etc. on any part of the coastline will be disqualified.

15. In the interest of conserving our sport, any fish entered for the AAF may not be sold.
 16. All entries shall be calculated as a percentage of the Alderney record.
 17. In the event of multiple claims for the 'New Alderney record' the £500 will be divided by the individual fish qualifying.
 19. The AAF Committee, their employees or representative shall accept no liability whatsoever for any accident, loss of life however caused.
 20. In the interest of safety, the committee reserves the right to put fishing marks out of bounds during adverse weather conditions.
 21. A maximum of two rods, reels and four hooks may be in the water at any one time. Any other tackle not in use shall be broken down. A treble shall count as one hook. A pennel rig shall count as two hooks.
 22. AAF marshals will patrol from time to time to ensure that the rules are strictly enforced. The decision of the AAF Committee is final and anglers shall abide by any such decision
 23. Fish must be caught on rod and line with any legal hook or lure, and hooked and played by one person only. Assistance to land the fish (gaffing or netting) is permitted provided the helper does not touch any part of the tackle other than the leader and / or trace.
 24. The committee will not tolerate abuse from any angler, and continual harassment may lead to disqualification.
 25. Any suggestions or complaints should be put in a formal letter, and handed in at the weigh-in station.
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SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER

The weigh-in station is situated on the Commercial Quay.
The weigh-in station will be open from 10.00am - 12 noon.
Committee members will be available to answer queries,
register anglers etc.

Pre Festival Meeting - The Campania

8.00pm Friday, 16th October

Buffet provided by the Campania.

Informal Prize Giving at The Moorings

24th October 8.00pm.

Last weigh-in 12.00 midday, Saturday 24th.



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**The States of Alderney
Tourism Office
Tel: 01481 822994**

ENTRY FORM

Please Register by post before the Festival

Surname

Christian Names

Home Address

.....

Telephone Post Code

Alderney Address

.....

Telephone

Email

Date of Birth

For Office Use

Registration £40.00

I agree to abide by the Festival rules & regulations.

Signed

TEAMS

ONE PAIR AND /OR TEAM MEMBER ONLY PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM

Pairs

Name team member 1

Name team member 2

Or Four

Name team member 1

Name team member 2

Name team member 3

Name team member 4

Team Name (Your choice)

Veteran Shield 55 and over Please tick box

Please make cheques payable to Alderney Angling Festival and send this form together with your remittance to AAF, 32, Victoria Street, Alderney, GY9 3TA

ALDERNEY ANGLING and SPORTS

Tel: 01481 824884 Mob: 07781 130304

The Angling Festival is on the horizon again so its time to get bait and tackle organised. All frozen baits will be supplied by AMMO again. Please place bait orders by 1st October, this ensures we get the right amounts of bait in stock for the Festival and for the following couple of months. It will also enable us to pack bait together for you to collect to save a mad rush on the Friday/Saturday. For those that place an order before 1st October you will receive a FREE ALDERNEY ANGLING BASEBALL HAT. Bait list is attached below holding the same prices as last year, if you want something else then let me know.

BAIT PRICES

Ragworm	£14.00/lb	Cuttle small ones	£2.80
Sandeels small	£2.10	Mussels approx 4oz per tub	£2.50
Medium	£2.20	Welsh Black Lug 10	£5.25
Large	£2.30	Dungeness Black Lug 10	£3.50
Launce Snake	£3.40	Scallop Frills	£2.00 per pack
Large	£2.80	Hermit Crabs	£2.70 per pack of 6/8
Mackerel 3 per bag	£2.20		
Squid Baby	£2.50		
1lb box	£2.20		
5lb	£8.50		

We'll also have a selection of our own Launce (Huge!), Sandeel, Mackerel, Mackerel Fillets which is local and we freeze ourselves.

REMEMBER IT'S A VAT FREE ZONE!!

.....so look out for our bargains. If you would like us to quote for an order for you then please phone so we can get your tackle requirements in to stock for you to collect. All the top brands stocked, Daiwa, Shimano, Abu, Penn, Shakespeare etc etc. Weights and terminal tackle all reasonably priced so no need to bring your own.

Check our website for normal prices and take advantage of VAT Free Mail Order. You can contact us the phone numbers above or email us mark@alderneyangling.com

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