

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship 2016



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Jimmy McBride receiving the National Trophy and a Ridgeline Monsoon Smock from Nigel Winkle of sponsors Ridgeline UK

The 2016 National Championship came to a conclusion with the final at the Lake of Menteith on Saturday 10th September. 391 anglers entered the competition which started in April and continued through heats and semi-finals at Carron Valley Fishery, the Loch of Harray, Lintrathen Reservoir, Loch Leven and the Lake of Menteith which reduced that number to the 60 anglers who contested the final.

The Championship was sponsored for the fourth year by Ridgeline UK who provided the winner with a Ridgeline Monsoon Smock. The second received a Ridgeline Torrent Jacket, the third a Ridgeline Pintail Explorer and the captor of the heaviest fish a Ridgeline Grizzly Jacket. Ridgeline also provided their Igloo Tops for all of the semi-final winners. The fly measures used throughout the competition were sponsored by 7 Plus 7 Construction while the Lake of Menteith provided commemorative bottles of beer to all the boatmen in the final and to the winners of the heats and semis held there. This year Frozen North Fly Fishing provided a packet of their gel fritz for each of the competitors.

The SANACC Committee wish to thank all of the sponsors along with Stuart Marshall who piped the competitors off at the start of the final; Wendy and Wilson Mitchell who provided the buffet; Ian and Eleanor Campbell who recorded the weigh-in, the staff at all of the venues who were helpful and patient throughout the year and of the course the 30 boatmen who gave up their time to ensure that we had a successful final.



The day started off bright with a light westerly breeze and very little cloud and as the boats set off about 80% of them made for the Cages, Stable Point, Malling Shore and Plantation areas with the rest going to International Bay, Road Shore, Butts, Gap and Sams Point. The breeze picked up throughout the day and almost all of the competitors were struggling to connect with fish and by mid afternoon the average bag was about 2 or 3. Conditions improved around 3.30pm when some thicker cloud covered the sun and more fish were seen to be moving.

photo left:
second placed Neil Anderson
receiving his Ridgeline Torrent Jacket
from Nigel Winkle of sponsors Ridgeline UK

At the half way point there 16 boats in Cages Bay with more drifting from the Malling Shore to Stable Point and others drifting over the deeper water on the lodge side of squirrel island. As the boats returned to the shore at 5.30pm there many concerned faces as the competitors discussed their day and tried to work out how many fish would be needed to get in the top twenty that were guaranteed a place in the 2017 teams that would represent Scotland at Chew and Menteith.

The last two hours of the final had proved once again to be the turning point for many competitors who managed to capitalise on the willingness of the trout to feed and the total trout caught by the 60 finalists was 301 for 660lbs 12.5ozs. The competition was fished on partial catch and release basis with the the first three fish being retained and an allowance of 2lbs awarded for each returned fish. The heaviest fish to be brought to the scales weighed 3lbs 10.1ozs and was caught by Gilmerton FFC angler Greg McLaren.

This was never going to be an easy final and out of the 60 anglers there were 3 previous National Champions; 5 Brown Bowl winners and 38 internationalists.

Top rod and the 2016 Scottish National Champion was Jimmy McBride (top photo) of The Heriot AC with 11 fish for 22lbs 6.1ozs. Jimmy's boat partner, Paul Sharp of Leven Fly Casters, took the last qualifying place in 20th position with 6 fish for 12lbs 11.4ozs

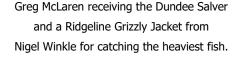
> photo right: third placed Paul Garner receiving his Ridgeline Pintail Jacket from Nigel Winkle of sponsors Ridgeline UK

Neil Anderson of Monikie AC was second with 10 fish for 22lbs 3.7ozs. Neil also qualified for the Scottish team at the 2015 National final and is in the team heading to Wales later in September for the Autumn International.





In third place with 11 fish for 21lbs 15.1ozs was Paul Garner of Alba Orvis FF. Paul also came very close in the 2014 National final when he was second and as happened this year he had the same number of trout as the winner but lost out on weight. Paul's boat partner, Dave Carr of Tweed Valley Tanglers, also qualified for the international teams with his 6 fish for 14lbs 14.5ozs which put him in 16th spot.





piper Stuart Marshal



The six semi-final winners receiving their Ridgeline Igloo Tops from Nigel Winkle of sponsors Ridgeline UK left to rightL Ally Middlemass, Allan Mclachlan, Sandy McConnachie, Nigel Winkle, Jimmy McBride, Colin McGlone and David Moore

124th Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

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10th September 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Jimmy McBride	Heriot AC	11	22	6.1
2	Neil Anderson	Monikie AC	10	22	3.7
3	Paul Garner	Alba Orvis FF	11	21	15.1
4	Gerry Rattray	Soldier Palmers	8	19	11.1
5	Scott Reith	Arbroath AA	9	19	6.2
6	Andrew Glasgow	Ferry FF	9	18	13.4
7	Ronnie Gilbert	Menteith Ospreys	9	17	11.8
8	Kevin McCabe	Change FF AC	8	17	3.6
9	Ray Anderson	Lesley & Glenrothes AC	8	17	2.8
10	Sean McCaffrey	North Shetland FF	8	17	1.7
11	Rab Maxwell	Clatto & Stratheden AC	8	17	0.8
12	Alan Hill	SPRA FFS West	8	16	7.7
13	Derek Purves	Bank of Scotland East AC	7	15	11.2
14	Kevin Neri	Raemoir Trout Fishers	7	15	10.1
15	Alan Porteous	Dounreay FFA	6	15	0.5
16	Dave Carr	Tweed Valley Tanglers	6	14	14.5
17	Ally Middlemass	Kinross AC	6	14	14.0
18	James Gardiner	Alba Orvis FF	7	14	10.0
19	Andrew Kennedy	Butcher Boy AC	6	13	3.7
20	Paul Sharp	Leven Fly Casters	6	12	11.4
21	Nigel Burns	Crieff FF	6	12	6.3
22	Steven Welsh	Dalbeattie AA	6	12	4.2
23	Ewan Clark	Strathtyrum AC	6	12	3.1
24	Mark Fleming	Firecats AC	5	12	2.7
25	John Simpson	Caley Liners FF	5	11	10.2
26	Stephen Leask	Neilston FF	5	11	8.8
27	John Buchanan	Newton Mearns FF	5	11	11.1
28	Andrew Kemp	Perth RASC	5	10	10.6
29	Greg McLaren	Gilmerton FFC	4	10	9.9
30	Peter Auchterlonie	Menteith Ospreys	5	10	5.9
31	Kenny Miller	SPRA FFS West	5	10	0.5
32	Brian Duffy	Kahts Whiskers AC	4	10	0.1
33	James Kerr	Firecats AC	5	9	15.4
34	Kevin Andrews	Ayr Travellers FF	4	9	6.8
35	Calum Crosbie	Alba Orvis FF	4	9	5.4
36	David Mateer	SPRA FFS North	4	9	3.8
37	Bradley Chalmers	Granite City FF	4	9	1.3
38	George Brown	Rothes Oak AC	4	9	0.1
39	Stuart Leslie	W. S. Sinclair FF	4	8	8.5
40	Barry Tindell	Blairadam AC	4	8	7.9
41	Gregor Fleming	Bridge of Weir (Loch) AC	4	8	5.5
42	William Simpson	Rothes Oak AC	3	7	12.0
43	Martin McCafferty	Rainbow Warriors AC	3	7	10.4
44	Alan Gilbert	SPRA FFS West	3	7	9.1
45	Allan Gamble	RAF Fish Hawks	3	7	7.2
46		St Fillans & Lochearn AA	4	7	5.7
46	George Whyte Allan Mclachlan	Dalzell AC	4	6	-
48	Malcolm Russell	W. S. Sinclair FF	3	6	9.8
48	Colin McGlone	Townhill AC	3	5	15.2
50		Zetland AA	3	5	
51	Stephen Breivik Lee Anderson	Rescobie Loch DA	2	5	12.0
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52	Stewart Barclay	Gilmerton FFC	2	4	15.4
53	Frank Watt	Shetland AA	2	4	13.1
54	Gordon Hayward	Balfron Piscatorials	2	4	10.1
55	Billy Neil	Kilmallie AC	2	4	6.1
56	David Moore	Dunfermline Artisans AC	2	3	12.2
57	Colin Macdonald	Saltire FF	1	2	15.6
58	Alan Steven	FAFA	1	2	11.6
59	Sandy McConnachie	W. S. Sinclair FF	1	2	7.4
60	Campbell Wilson	ABC & D AC	1	1	10.9
		Total	301	660	12.5

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Semi-Final No 6 - Lake of Menteith 1st July 2016

The National semi-finals finished at the Lake of Menteith on a wet, breezy and unseasonally cold July day. The conditions didn't put the fish off and the 28 anglers caught a total of 205 trout for 428lbs 7.5ozs. A couple of cracking trout weighing just under 6lbs and just under 5lbs were brought to the scales and both were capped at 4lbs for competition purposes. It was very close for the qualifying places and the top 9 qualified for the National final with the cut-off being 19lbs 3.8ozs. Top rod was Alan McLachlan of Dalzell AC who had 16 trout for 33lbs 7.2ozs. Alan never left Cages Bay and took all his fish on a booby fished on a slow glass line.

Peter Auchterlonie of Menteith Ospreys was second with 16 trout 32lbs 10.9ozs and he also spent his day in Cages Bay using a slow glass line. His fish fell to a tequilla fab, diawl bachs and crunchers.

Third place went to Alan Porteous of Dounreay FF who had 16 trout for 31lbs 14.3ozs. Alan also took his fish in Cages Bay using a jelly blob, diawl bachs and cat boobies on a midge tip line.

photo: Alan Porteous, Alan Mclachlan and Peter Auchterlonie



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Semi-Final No 6 - Memteith 1st July 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Alan McLachlan	Dalzell AC	16	33	7.20
2	Peter Auchterlonie	Menteith Ospreys	16	32	10.90
3	Alan Porteous	Dounreay FF	16	31	14.30
4	David Mateer	SPRA North	12	25	7.90
5	Paul Garner	Alba Orvis FF	13	25	6.10
6	Alan Steven	FAFA	12	24	3.10
7	Stuart Leslie	W. S. Sinclair FF	11	22	8.00
8	Malcolm Russell	W. S. Sinclair FF	10	21	15.30
9	Alan Hill	SPRA West	9	19	3.80
10	Kenny Finlayson	Gartmore AC	9	19	2.30
11	Brian Kennedy	Caley Liners FF	9	18	8.50
12	Tom Burnett	St Mirin AC	8	15	8.50
13	Kenny Whitehead	Cove & Kilcreggan AC	5	14	5.80
14	George Telford	Dalzell AC	7	13	7.30
15	Graeme Lynch	Beith St Inans AC	6	13	1.00
16	Tony Chalmers	Dounreay FF	6	12	2.70
17	Toby Bracey	Frozen North AC	5	10	15.60
18	Dennis Splaine	Strathleven FF	5	10	13.00
19	Laurie Taylor	Bothwell & Blantyre AC	5	10	5.20
20	Norman Irvine	OTFA	4	9	14.60
21	lan Dobbie	Sunburst AC	3	8	3.00
22	Mike Cordiner	Aberdeen & District AA	4	8	2.20
23	Kevin Muir	Orkney TFA Stromness	4	7	12.70
24	Stuart Raybould	Caley Liners FF	3	6	3.00
25	James Bews	Aurora Orkney FF	3	5	13.60
26	David Auld	Ellem FC	3	5	7.90
27	Kenny McClymont	Glasgow Post Office AC	1	1	12.00
28	Steven Anderson	Leslie & Glenrothes AC	0	0	0.00
		Total	205	428	7.50

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Semi-Final No 5 - Carron 30th June 2016

Carron hosted our 5th semi-final and the 29 competitors were faced with a wind a good deal stronger than forecast and temperatures a touch lower. A total of 192 fish for 216lbs 1oz was caught and the top 9 rods qualified for the National Final.

Top rod was Jimmmy McBride of Heriot AC who had 17 fish for 18lbs 1.8ozs. Jimmy spent his day between Binn Bay and Carron Bay where he took his fish on dries.

Sean McCaffrey of North Shetland FF was second with 13 fish for 15lbs 6.5ozs. Sean took his fish on dries at the north dam. James Gardiner of Alba Orvis FF was third with 11 fish for 12lbs 11.9ozs. James also took his fish at the north dam where he was fishing an olive dabbler, black hopper and cat booby on a di3.

Jimmy, Sean and James



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Semi-Final No 5 - Carron 30th June 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Jimmy McBridre	Heriot AC	17	18	1.80
2	Sean McCaffrey	North Shetland FF	14	15	6.50
3	James Gardiner	Alba Orvis FF	11	12	11.90
4	Kenny Miller	SPRA West	10	11	9.50
5	Rab Maxwell	Clatto & Stratheden AC	10	11	7.50
6	Andrew Kennedy	Butcher Boy AC	9	10	5.00
7	Steven Welsh	Dalbeattie AA	9	10	4.90
8	Andrew Glasgow	Ferry FF	9	9	15.70
9	Barry Tindell	Blairadam AC	10	9	6.50
10	Donnie MacBeath	SPPM AC	8	9	4.50
11	Mike Willis	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	8	9	3.70
12	Mark Caisley	Butcher Boy AC	6	7	9.10
13	Douglas Fairbairn	Kilmallie AC	6	7	4.70
14	Mark Stephen	Stewarton AC	6	6	13.70
15	Scott Aitken	Tartan Tyers FF	6	6	7.50
16	Colin Reid	Strathgryfe AA	6	6	5.00
17	David McMillan jnr	North Shetland FF	4	6	4.10
18	David McMillan snr	North Shetland FF	6	6	3.60
19	Cameron Duncan	Perth CSSC	6	6	3.00
20	Kevin Lynch	IBM Freshwater AC	5	5	11.80
21	Barry Robertson	Lintrathen FF	4	5	6.40
22	lan Glassford	Bothwell & Blantyre AC	5	4	7.20
23	lan Wallace	Harrow AC	3	4	5.80
24	Jake Chambers	Dunoon & District AC	3	3	8.70
25	David Bicket	Munnoch AC	3	3	4.80
26	Wullie Leach	Change FF AC	4	2	6.20
27	Gary Hamilton	Harrow AC	2	2	4.80
28	Tom McBride	Renton FF	1	1	14.50
29	Alan Lusk	Strathgryfe AA	1	1	10.60
		Total	192	216	1.00

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Semi-Final No 4 - Lake of Menteith 28th June 2016

The second week of semi-finals got under way at the Lake of Menteith on Tuesday 28th June. It was overcast for most of the day with occasional showers. The wind was light and switched direction frequently giving spells of flat calm, light ripple and a good wave. Although conditions were good many of the anglers found the going hard although most did well and some really found the answers. There were 48 competitors and between them they caught 306 fish for 648lbs 0.2ozs. A minimum of 8 trout was needed to qualify for the final and the top 15 went through. The cut off point was 16lbs 12ozs.

The top rod was David Moore of Dunfermline Artisan AC who caught 20 trout for 40lbs 14.5ozs. David stuck with two yellow owls throughout the day and all his fish were taken on various drifts in the Heronry area.

In second was Ronnie Gilbert of Menteith Ospreys who had 15 fish for 30lbs 1oz. Ronnie took his fish in Cages Bay on a tequila fab and nymphs on a slow glass line. Paul Sharp of Leven Fly Casters took third place with 13 trout for 28lbs 1.2ozs. Paul also took his fish at the Heronry where he was using a black hopper and suspender hares ears on a floating line.

Ronnie, David and Paul



Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Semi-Final No 3 - Loch Leven 17th June 2016

The third of the National semi-finals was held at Loch Leven on 17th June on a cold, wet and blustery day. There were 10 competitors who caught a total of 8 trout for 11lb 7.75oz. The top three rods qualified for the final.

Top spot went to Ally Middlemass of Kinross AC who had 3 trout for 3lb 7.875oz. Ally spent his day in the mid buoy area and took his fish on a claret snatcher and a bibio fished on a di7. His boat partner, Brian Duffy, of Kahts Whiskers AC tied for second place with 1 trout of over 3lb that was capped at 2lb 8oz. Brian caught his fish on a black snatcher fished on a di7.

The heaviest fish of the day was a magnificent specimen that weighed 5lb 1oz and was caught by Billy Neil of Kilmallie AC. Billy caught his fish in the Black Wood area on a dunkeld sparkler fished on a fast glass. For competition purposes his fish was capped at 2lb 8oz and earned him a tie for second place.



Left: Brian, Ally and Billy

Right Billy with his 5lb 1oz trout



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Semi-Final No 3 Loch Leven 17th June 2016

	Place	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1		Ally Middlemass	Kinross AC	3	3	7.875
2	eq	Billy Neil	Kilmallie AC	1	2	8.000
2	eq	Brian Duffy	Kahts Whiskers AC	1	2	8.000
4		Donald McGregor	Balfron Piscatorials	1	1	4.500
5		Connor Campbell	Kinross AC	1	0	14.500
6		Peter Cameron	Househillmuir FF	1	0	12.875
7	eq	Stevie O'Neill	Menteith Ospreys	0	0	0.000
7	eq	Allan Smith	Kinross AC	0	0	0.000
7	eq	Arthur Macdonald	SPPM AC	0	0	0.000
7	eq	Stephen Francis	Househillmuir FF	0	0	0.000
			Totals		11	7.750

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Semi-Final No 2 - Carron 16th June 2016

The National moved to Carron on 16th June for the second of our semi-finals. The steady rain was interrupted now and again with some drizzle and with a light breeze which occasionally dropped away completely it was an interesting competition. From the off the trout were up and showing and stayed there until early afternoon when the competitors found it increasingly harder to tempt them. Some mastered the conditions and put together good bags while others struggled.

There were 36 competitors in this semi final and between them they caught a total of 322 trout for 361lbs 8ozs. The top 11 qualified for the final.

The top rod, who will receive a Ridgeline Igloo Top from sponsors Ridgeline UK was Colin McGlone of Townhill AC who had 21 fish for 22lbs. Colin took most of his fish in Carron Bay with a few coming from the Top Dam. All his fish fell to nymphs and a fab fished on a buzzer line. In second spot was John Simpson of Caley Liners with 290 fish for 21lbs 12ozs. John caught his fish at the Top Dam and 30 minute Bay where he was fishing hoppers on a midge tip line. In third was Colin Macdonald of Saltire FF with 17 fish for 18lbs 7ozs. Colin caught his fish at the willows and Burnhouse Bay on hoppers and fabs on a floating line.



John Simpson, Colin McGlone and Colin Macdonald

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

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Semi-Final No 2 - Carron 16th June 2016

9am to 5pm

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Colin McGlone	Townhill AC	21	22	0.00
2	John Simpson	Caley Liners FF	20	21	12.00
3	Colin Macdonald	Saltire FF	17	18	7.00
4	Stephen Breivik	Zetland AA	16	17	7.50
5	Neil Anderson	Monikie AC	14	16	7.50
6	Scott Reith	Arbroath AA	14	16	4.00
7	George Whyte	St Fillans & Lochearn AA	13	15	0.50
8	Bradley Chalmers	Granite City FF	15	15	0.00
9	DaveCarr	Tweedvalley Tanglers	14	14	10.50
10	Allan Gamble	RAF Fish hawks	11	12	14.00
11	Alan Gilbert	SPRA FFS West	11	12	3.00
12	Gordon Hayward	Balfron Piscatorials	10	12	1.50
13	Davy Bertram	Newton Mearns FF	11	11	14.00
14	Bill Ramage	Tillicoultry AC	9	11	3.50
15	Neil Cockburn	Phoenix AC	10	11	0.00
16	Gus Shepherd	Saltire FF	12	10	15.50
17	Kenny Sichi	Priory FC	9	10	1.00
18	Steven Thomson	Canmore AC	8	9	1.00
19	Mike McKenna	Aberdour AA	8	8	12.00
20	Keith Logan	North Berwick AC	7	8	12.00
21	Sam Montgomery	Rainbow Warriors	8	8	7.50
22	Douglas Scott	Earlston AA	8	8	1.00
23	Gary Wilkinson	Cupar AC	6	7	9.00
24	Alex McEwan	Stirling Castle AC	6	7	6.00
25	lan Wright	Black Bull FFC	5	7	3.00
26	Paul Clarke	Priory FC	6	6	14.50
27	Bill Paterson	Aberdour AA	5	6	13.00
28	Graeme Callander	Whalsay AA	5	6	5.50
29	Derek Hessett	Granite City FF	6	6	3.50
30	Paul Wilson	Sharpe Gentles	4	6	3.00
31	Peter Shepherd	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	5	5	12.00
32	John Leask	Stromness Fly Tyers	3	4	1.00
33	William Taylor	Laurencekirk & District AA	3	3	4.50
34	Douglas Hek	Crown FF	2	1	6.00
35 eq	Jim Watson	Grizzlecats	0	0	0.00
35 eq	Andy Elkin	Port Glasgow AC	0	0	0.00

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Semi-Final No 1 - Lintrathen 14th June 2016

The day started off with a blustery north easterly wind and rain. All the boats bar 2 headed for the shelter of sawmill area at the start of the session and it was apparent that the fishing had became a lot harder probably due to a change in weather from previous days where the returns for some anglers were in double figures during practice.

Total

The 36 competitors caught a total of 129 trout for 229lbs 1oz and the top 11 qualified for the National Final.

Top rod on the day was Sandy McConnichie of OTFA with 11 trout for 17lb 13oz. Sandy will receive a Ridgeline Igloo Top from sponsors Ridgeline UK. He was using a floating line with a black booby and 2 diawl bachs. In 2nd was Ray Anderson of Leslie & Glenrothes AC with 8 fish for 14lb 8oz using a 6ft fast tip line with 2 fabs and diawl bachs. In 3rd was Ewan Clark of Strathtyrum AC with 7 fish for 12lb 4 oz. Ewan caught his fish using a midge tip line with a tacquila booby and buzzers. Most of the best baskets were taken in the sheltered area in sawmills.



Ray, Sandy & Ewan

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Semi-Final No 1 - Lintrathen 14th June 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Sandy McConnachie	Orkney TFA	11	17	13.00
2	Ray Anderson	Leslie & Glenrothes	8	14	8.00
3	Ewan Clark	Strathtyrum AC	7	12	4.00
4	Andrew Kemp	Perth RASC	8	11	5.00
5	George Brown	Rothes Oak	6	10	6.00
6 eq	Kevin McCabe	Change Fly Fishers AC	5	9	8.00
6 eq	Greg McLaren	Gilmerton FFC	5	9	8.00
8	James Kerr	Firecats	5	9	2.00
9 eq	Lee Anderson	Rescobie Loch DA	5	8	9.00
9 eq	Mark Fleming	Firecats	5	8	9.00
11	Derek Purves	Bank of Scotland East AC	3	8	9.00
12	Jim Mckinlay	East Kilbride AC	5	8	3.00
13	John Tullet	Bank of Scotland Glasgow	4	7	15.00
14	Ian Runcie	Brechin AC	4	7	9.00
15	Tyler Hay	Lintrathen FF	4	7	8.00
16	Graeme Connelly	Tartan Tyers FF	5	7	1.00
17	Brian Foreman	Royal British Legion Kirkwall	3	6	14.00
18	Ben Robertson	Phoenix FF	3	6	3.00
19	Derek Pozzi	Thalassa AC	4	5	15.00
20	Ian Webster	Gartmore AC	3	5	14.00
21	Stuart Marklow	Defending Champion	3	5	13.00
22	Joe Bell	Trout Anglers Club	2	4	6.00
23	Calum Brodie	Firecats	4	4	5.00
24	Neill Duff	Leslie & Glenrothes	2	4	5.00
25	lan Wilson	Clatto & Stratheden AC	2	4	2.00
26 eq	John Maestri	Soldier Palmers	2	3	15.00
26 eq	George Charters	Blackbull FFC	2	3	15.00
28	David Kemp	Stanley & Dist.	3	3	14.00
29	Scott Pozzi	Rainbow AC	2	3	12.00
30	Andrew Barrowman	Granite City FF	2	3	8.00
31	lain McLeod	Strathtyrum AC	1	2	1.00
32	Keith Doig	Balbeggie AC	1	1	14.00
33 eq	Robert Smith	Perth Anglers Club	0	0	0.00
33 eq	Paul Cushnie	Leslie Llanilar	0	0	0.00

Loanhead & District AC

ABC&D AC

Total

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129

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229

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1.00

33 eq

33 eq

Derek Marklow

Brian Abel

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK, Heat 10 - Lake of Menteith, 19th May 2016

The Lake of Menteith hosted the last of the National preliminary heats and presented the top 8 competitors with commemorative bottles of beer to mark their 50th anniversay. Each competitor also received a packet of fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing. Temperatures remained low throughout the session with the wind gradually easing to produce calm conditions by the end of the day. On the other hand the rain gradullay increased but the trout continued to feed regardless of what the weather was throwing at the anglers. The top 26 of the 51 anglers quaified for the semi finals and a total of 318 trout for 646lbs 15ozs were caught. The best basket was taken by Mark Stephen of Stewarton AC who had 17 trout for 35lbs 10ozs. Mark never left the Heronry where he caught his trout on buzzers fished on a floating line. Keith Logan of North berwick AC ws second with 15 trout for 29lbs 15ozs. Keith caught his fish on buzzers and blobs on a mdige tip line in Cages Bay and Sam's Point. Ewan Clark of Strathtyrum AC took third spot with 14 trout for 27lbs 5ozs which he caught at Loche End/Tods Hole on a candy booby and buzzers on a midge tip line.



Keith, Mark and Ewan

SANACC Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 10 - Menteith 19th May 2016

Club

Fish

Lbs

Ozs

Competitor

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Mark Stephen	Stewarton AC	17	35	10.00
2	Keith Logan	North Berwick AC	15	29	15.00
3	Ewan Clark	Strathtyrum AC	14	27	5.00
4	Calum Brodie	Firecats AC	13	26	13.00
5	Paul Clarke	Priory FC	13	25	15.00
6	Andrew Kemp	Perth RASC	12	23	1.50
7	Donnie MacBeth	SPPM Angling Club	11	21	14.50
8	Douglas Fairbairn	Kilmallie AC	11	21	11.00
9 eq	Colin McGlone	Townhill AC	11	21	8.00
9 eq	Mark Fleming	Firecats AC	11	21	8.00
11	Colin Reid	Strathgryfe AA	7	17	8.00
12	Scott Millar	Thalassa AC	9	17	1.00
13	Gus Shepherd	Saltire FF	8	16	5.50
14	Brian Duffy	Kahts Whiskers AC	8	15	15.00
15	Jake Chambers	Dunoon & District AC	7	15	6.00
16 eq	Arthur McDonald	SPPM Angling Club	8	15	4.00
16 eq	Sam Montgomery	Rainbow Warriors	8	15	4.00
18	James Kerr	Firecats AC	7	15	0.50
19	Andy Elkin	Port Glasgow AC	7	14	14.50
20	Gary Wilkinson	Cupar AC	7	13	15.50
21	John Benson	Glasgow Post Office FFC	6	13	5.00
22	James Gardiner	Alba Orvis FF	6	13	0.00
23	lain McLeod	Strathtyrum AC	6	12	15.00
24	Paul Cushnie	Leslie Llanilar	5	12	5.00
25	Robert Smith	Perth Anglers Club	6	11	12.50
26	Mike McKenna	Aberdour AA	5	11	1.50
27	William Rankin	Dunoon & District AC	5	10	10.00
28	Kevin McIntyre	Stranraer & District AA	5	10	6.00
29	Lee Lindop	Dunoon & District AC	5	10	2.00
30	Alex Frew	Largs & District AC	5	9	14.50
31	Stevie Harper	Rainbow AC	5	9	10.00
32	Lenny Young	Kahts Whiskers AC	5	9	4.00
33	Tom Loch	Stranraer & District AA	5	9	0.50
34	Archie Blair	Port Glasgow AC	4	9	0.50
35	lan Kettles	Stanley & District AC	4	8	8.50
36	Tony Li	GFFC	4	8	3.00
37	Kevin Docherty	Sharp Gentles	4	7	9.50
38	Alastair MacGillivray	SPPM Angling Club	4	7	1.00
39	James MacDonald	Kilmallie AC	3	6	8.50
40	James Thomson	Perth Anglers Club	3	6	0.00
41	Peter Batchelor	Harrow AC	2	5	14.00
42	Barry Dexter	Sharps Gentles	2	5	0.00
43	Ronnie Robb	Stewarton AC	3	4	14.00
44	Andy Gourlay	Leslie Llanilar	2	4	6.50
45	Ronnie Peterson	Dunrod AC	2	3	15.00
46	Charlie Wilkinson	Cupar AC	2	3	11.50
47	Eddie Malone	Grizzle Cats	2	3	4.50
48	James Calderwood	Perth Anglers Club	1	2	3.50
49	Richard O'Donnell	Port Glasgow AC	1	2	2.00
50	John Laurenson	GFFC	1	1	12.00
51	Michael Thomson	Butcher Boy AC	1	1	8.00
		Total	318	646	15.00
		10.001	320	040	13.00

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

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Heat 9 - Carron 18th May 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Kevin Andrews	Ayr Travellers	37	39	2.00
2	Paul Garner	Alba Orvis	31	33	0.00
3	Grant Ostler	Future FF	31	31	12.00
4	Kenny Whitehead	Cove & Kilcreggan	31	31	5.00
5	Ken Oliver	Inverclyde	26	27	5.00
6	Alan Hill	SPRA West	26	27	1.00
7	Stewart Barclay	Gilmerton FFC	23	24	0.50
8	James Gardiner	Ruthven FF	22	23	14.50
9	James Hay	Dunfermline Artisans	20	22	10.00
10	lain Webster	Gartmore AC	20	20	11.00
11	Kenny Findlayson	Gartmore AC	19	20	6.00
12	Neill Barrett	Gilmerton FFC	18	20	2.50
13	David Auld	Ellem FC	19	20	0.00
14	Barry Phillips	DunfermlineRailway AC	15	16	3.00
15	Stevie Mannion	Lochinch AC	14	15	3.50
16	Colin McMonagle	Dunfermline RailwayAC	13	14	3.00
17	Ronnie Orr	Milingavie AC	11	12	2.00
18	David Stewart	Ruthven FF	10	11	13.50
19	Stevie Cowan	Ayr Travellers	11	11	12.50
20	Jim Youngman	Ellem FC	12	11	3.50
21	Jim Dick	Ben Wyvis FFC	10	11	3.00
22	Ross Carnegie	Blairadam AC	7	8	1.50
23	Rory Crosbie	Future FF	7	7	14.50
24	Frank Boggie	Cove & Kilcreggan	6	7	10.50
25	Brian Pitcher	Milingavie AC	4	5	3.00
26	Ian Woolley	Ben Wyvis FFC	3	2	8.50
		Total	446	476	7.50

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 8 - Loch Leven - 17th May 2016

The last three heats of the prelim stage of the National are held on 17th, 18th and 19th May and they started on Tuesday at Loch Leven. The day started off bright and sunny with cloud and wind gradually building as the session progressed. There were 17 competitors in this heat and each of them received a packet of ftitz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing. The top 9 qualified for the semi-finals. 27 trout for 33lbs 22.625ozs were caught.

There were a couple of big fish caught with one thought to be over 6lbs being released. The heaviest fish brought to the scales was a superb trout (see photo below) of 5lbs 2ozs caught by Neilston FF angler Steven Leask. Steven caught the fish just outside the pier on a viva sparkler on a di7 line.

The best basket was taken by Barry Tindell of Blairadam AC. Barry had 4 trout for 5lbs 13.375 ozs which were caught at the Black Wood and at the back of the castle on kate's and sparklers on a di7. David Moore of Dunfermline Artisan AC was second with 5 trout for 5lbs 6.625ozs. David took his fish at the North Buoy and at the side of the Scart and they were also caught on kate's and a dunkeld sparkler on a di7. Paul Sharp of Leven Fly Casters was third with 4 trout for 4lbs 5.5ozs. Paul took his fish on a viva and dunkeld sparkler fished on a di7 at the north can.



Left: Paul, David & Barry

Right: Steven Leask and his 5lb 2oz trout



SANACC Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 8 - Loch Leven 17th May 2016

	Place	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1		Barry Tindell	Blairadam AC	4	5	13.3750
2		David Moore	Dunfermline Artisan AC	3	5	6.6250
3		Paul Sharp	Leven Fly Casters	4	4	5.5000
4		Gordon Hayward	Balfron Piscatorials	4	3	8.6250
5		Alan Steven	FAFA	3	2	9.2500
6	eq	Ian Dobbie	Sunburst AC	1	2	8.0000
6	eq	Stephen Leask	Neilston FF	1	2	8.0000
8		Graeme Connelly	Tartan Tyers FF	1	2	5.1250
9		Tom Burnett	St Mirin AC	2	1	12.0000
10		Paul Donegan	Rowbank AC	2	1	6.2500
11		David Chalmers	Leven Fly Casters	2	0	15.8750
12	eq	John Kennedy	Dunfermline Railway AC	0	0	0.0000
12	eq	Shane Kelly	Hawick AC	0	0	0.0000
12	eq	Gary Ormiston	Shell Mossmorran AC	0	0	0.0000
12	eq	Brian Mackenzie	Neilston FF	0	0	0.0000
12	eq	Graham Thustain	Dunfermline Artisan AC	0	0	0.0000
12	eq	lan Simpson	Aberdour AA	0	0	0.0000
			Totals	27	33	2.6250

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 7 - Harray 15th May 2016

A strong, blustery, and cold northerly wind on the days prior to last Sunday's Qualifier had certainly had an effect on the angling prospects, but a slight turn to a more north westerly, and a decrease in strength on Sunday, improved sport dramatically, much to the delight of the participating anglers. There were 30 anglers in total, including 7 visiting anglers, which gave 15 qualifying places in semi finals.



Bill, James and Norman

The match was very well organised by Andrew Morgan on behalf of SANNAC, ably assisted by Brian Thomas and Alan Craigie, who were the match officials on the day. All anglers received a packet of FNF Jelly Fritz from the SANACC sponsor on the day, which I'm sure will get put to good use in preparation for various semi final venues.

Most boats headed north from the site at the 10am start, only two boats headed south to the Anvil and Kirk Bay/Tormiston, a brave move which was to pay off big style as the weigh in would show. The rest of the fleet headed for Bankhead, Decca, Merkister, looking to find fish feeding in the sheltered corners and bays. It soon became apparent that things were slow to start with a lot of anglers prospecting after failing to find any feeding trout, but this improved as the day warmed up. There was no apparent midge hatch but the fish were certainly feeding on the pupae as spooning of fish revealed. Shrimp and sticklebacks were also on the menu and all this seemed to supercharge the fish as they were fighting incredibly hard and well above their weight, all this in shallow water gave some spectacular sport.

Qualifiers are all about progress to the next round, but it's nice to win one, and James Bews certainly did on this occasion, by a long way in fact with 17 fish, all taken down the south end of the loch at Tormiston. James and boat partner Malcolm Russell had it to themselves for most of the day and certainly made the most of their opportunities, with fish being taken steadily all day. Erlend Hutchison and Abigail Montgomery were in the other boat which chose the south end, with both qualifying comfortably with 10 and 7 fish respectively. Runner up was another regular visitor, Bill Taylor who put in sterling shift, catching 14 fish and in third place was Norman Irvine with 11 fish. All four of the visiting anglers who qualified deserve a mention on the day, so as well as Abi and Bill, congratulations go out to Shetland men Stephen Breivik and Graham Callander, good angling in a tough heat.

Tactics were similar for all the successful anglers, with the fish feeding over shallow ground, sink tips, and intermediate lines were the order of the day. Fly patterns included mostly Pennel style flies, Snatchers, and Peach or Orange hedgehogs.

		Harra	Qualifier - S	unday 15th Ma	y - 10.00am-5	.00pm.		
Placing	Q	Name	Fish No	Weight	Returned	Weight	Total no	Total Weigh
1st	Q	James Bews	6	5 lb 2.5oz	11	8lb 4oz	17	13 lb 6.5oz
2nd	Q	William Taylor	6	4 lb 2.5oz	8	6 lb 0oz	14	10 lb 2.5oz
3rd	Q	Norman Irvine	6	5 lb 1.5oz	5	3lb 12oz	11	8 lb 13.5oz
4th	Q	Stuart Leslie	6	4 lb 13oz	3	2lb 4oz	9	7 lb 1oz
5th	Q	Kenny Adam	6	3 lb 15.75oz	4	3 lb 0oz	10	6lb 15.75oz
6th	Q	Malcom Russell	6	4 lb 9.25oz	3	2lb 4oz	9	6lb 13.25oz
7th	Q	Erlend Hutchison	6	3 lb 12.5oz	4	3 lb 0oz	10	6lb 12.5oz
8th	Q	Brian Foreman	6	4 lb 9.5oz	2	1lb 8oz	8	6 lb 1.5oz
9th	Q	Kevin Muir	6	3 lb 7.5oz	3	2lb 4oz	9	5 lb 11.5oz
10th	Q	John Leask	6	4 lb 9.5oz	1	12oz	7	5 lb 5.5oz
11th	Q	Stephen Breivik	6	3 lb 12.5oz	2	1lb 8oz	8	5 lb 4.5oz
12th	Q	Sandy McConnachie	6	4 lb 7oz	1	12oz	7	5 lb 3oz
13th	Q	Abigail Montgomery	6	4 lb 3.25oz	1	12oz	7	4 lb 15.25o
14th	Q	Kenny Macleod	6	3 lb 15.5oz	1	12oz	7	4 lb 11.5oz
15th	Q	Graeme Callander	6	4 lb 10.5oz			6	4 lb 10.5oz
16th		Raymond Miller	6	4 lb 6.5oz			6	4 lb 6.5oz
17th		Ken Kennedy	6	4 lb 0oz			6	4 lb Ooz
18th		Billy Thomson	6	3 lb 13.75oz			6	3 lb 13.75o:
19th		Ian Hutcheon	5	3 lb 13.5oz			5	3 lb 13.5oz
20th		Colin Sutherland	5	3 lb 12oz			5	3 lb 12oz
21st		John Munson	6	3 lb 11.25oz			6	3 lb 11.25o
22nd		Andrew Morgan	4	3 lb 1oz			4	3 lb 1oz
23rd		Stewart Wood	3	1 lb 13oz			3	1 lb 13oz
24th		Jim Adams	2	1 lb 10oz			2	1 lb 10oz
25th		James Harcus	2	1 lb 6.5oz			2	1 lb 6.5oz
26th		James Henry	2	1 lb 2.5oz			2	1 lb 2.5oz
27th	-	Stuart Montgomery	1	1 lb 2.25oz			1	1 lb 2.25oz
28th		William Smith	1	8oz			1	8oz
29th		Joshua Brush	0				0	0
30th		Neil Chalmers	DNF				100	100

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 6 - Lake of Menteith - 10th May 2016

There was barely a cloud in the sky for the full session of heat 6 and although there was a brisk easterly wind the temperature was higher than we have been having. In the areas sheltered from the worst of the wind it was hot. There were 57 anglers in this heat and all of them received a pack of fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing and the top 9 received bottles of commemorative beer from the Lake of Menteith. The top 29 qualified for the semi finals.

Top rod was Derek Pozzi of Thalassa AC with 19 fish for 36lbs 9ozs. Derek took all of trout at Lochend and Tods Hole where he was fishing buzzers on a floating line. In second spot was Derek Purves of Bank of Scotland East AC with 17 trout for 33lbs 10.5ozs. He also took most of his fish at Lochend on buzzers on a floating line. Keith Doig of Balbeggie AC was third with 15 fish for 31lbs 9ozs who was also fishing buzzers on a floating line but spent his day at Sandy Bay and International Bay.



Keith Doig, Derek Pozzi and Derek Purves

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

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Heat 6 Lake of Menteith 10th May 2016

	Comp	etitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Derek Pozzi		Thalassa AC	19	36	9.00
2	Derek Purves		Bank of Scotland East AC	17	33	10.50
3	Keith Doig		Balbeggie AC	15	31	9.00
4	Derek Hessett		Granite City FF	16	31	5.00
5	John Simpson		Caley Liners FF	14	27	10.50
6	Barry Robertson	n	Lintrathen FF	13	26	14.00
7 e	eq Stuart Marklow		Defending Champion	13	25	11.00
7 e	eq Douglas Hek		Crown Fly Fishers	13	25	11.00
9	Brian Able		ABC&D AC	12	24	0.50
10	Bradley Chalme	rs	Granite City FF	11	24	0.50
11	Gary Hamilton		Harrow AC	12	23	11.00
12	Scott Whyte		Thistle AC	12	23	9.00
13	Andrew Barrow	man	Granite City FF	12	23	8.50
14	Jimmy McBride		Heriot AC	11	23	4.50
15	Derek Marklow		Loanhead & District AC	11	21	7.00
16	Tom McBride		Renton FF	10	20	5.00
17	Mark Caisley		Butcher Boy AC	10	19	11.00
18	George Brown		Rothes Oak	9	19	10.50
19	Ian Glassford		Bothwell & Blantyre AC	10	18	14.00
20	Ben Robertson		Phoenix FF	9	18	10.00
21	Wullie Leach		Change Fly Fishers AC	9	17	15.00
22	Paul Wilson		Sharp Gentles	9	17	0.50
23	Greg McLaren		Gilmerton FFC	8	16	14.00
24	Ian Wright		Black Bull FFC	8	16	2.50
25	Davy Bertram		Newton Mearns FF	7	15	3.50
26	Kenny Miller		SPRA FFS West	7	15	3.00
27	Steven Welsh		Dalbeattie AA	8	14	9.50
28	David Bicket		Munnoch AC	7	13	2.50
29	George Charter	5	Black Bull FFC	6	12	4.50
30	Chris Harkess		Phoenix FF	5	11	10.00
31	David Tyrie		Heriot AC	6	11	3.00
32	William Davidso	on	Black Bull FFC	5	11	3.00
33	Jim Doyle		Clatto & Stratheden AC	5	10	10.00
34	Malcolm Rees		Thistle AC	5	10	7.00
35 e	eq Robin Brown		Bothwell & Blantyre AC	4	9	8.00
35 e	eq Sandy Crawford	1	Barrhead AC	4	9	8.00
37	Jim Hairstans		Barrhead AC	5	9	7.00
38	Bill Sutherland		Avonbank Fishing Club	5	9	3.50
39	Alan Ramshaw		Lintrathen FF	4	8	12.50
40	Jason Henry		Pitlochry AC	4	8	6.00
41	William Cowan		ABC&D AC	5	8	3.00
42	Alan Harvie		Munnoch AC	3	7	4.50
43	Ian Drummond		Last Cast AC	4	7	2.00
44	Walter Archibal	d	Dalzell AC	4	6	13.00
45	Les Grant		Avonbank Fishing Club	3	5	10.50
46	David Stewart		Pitlochry AC	2	5	10.00
47	Richard Anders	on	Rowbank AC	3	5	7.00
48	George Cashmo	ore	St Mungo AC	3	5	4.50
49	Alex Ewart		Lintrathen AC	2	4	11.00
50	Peter Allan		Phoenix FF	2	4	4.40
51	Douglas Grahan	n	Strathgryfe AA	2	4	0.00
52	Ian Campbell		Barrhead AC	2	3	9.50
53	Martin McMan	amon	Perth CSSC	2	3	9.00
54	Gavin Ferguson		Lintrathen AC	1	2	2.00
55	lan Reese		Bridge of Allan 76 AC	1	1	12.50
56	Chris Sutherlan	d	Heatherfly Fishers	1	1	12.00
57	Gordon Gray		Munnoch AC	0	0	0.00
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Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline Uk Heat 3 (Rescheduled) - Lintrathen 6th May

The rescheduled heat 3 went ahead at Lintrathen on 6th May and what a difference from the week before. Out went the blizzard and driving north wind and in came a very soft south breeze which left much of Lintrathen in a flat calm for most of the session. 34 anglers took part and all of them received a packet of fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing. The top 17 qualified for the semi finals.



Frank, Stevie & Jock

Top rod was Jock Kettles of SANACC who went straight to the Sawmills area and set up with a di5 sweep to which he attached cormorants and a pseudo cat booby. Jock caught steadily throughout the day and by he end of the session he had netted 14 trout for 21lbs 8ozs. Jock's boat partner, Curly Wilson had a magnificent trout that went to the scales at 5lbs 10ozs and there were reports of another two large trout that were returned by competitors on catch and release. Curly finished 5th and also qualified for the semis.

Second spot went to Stevie Anderson of Leslie & Glenrothes AC who had 12 trout for 19lbs 12ozs. Stevie also went straight to the Sawmill area where he caught his fish on cormorants and a candy booby on a midge tip line. Stevie's boat partner, Chris McAllister, finished 4th to go through to the semis.

Congratulations to Frank Ross of Monifieth Trout AC who finished in third. This was the first time that Frank had entered the National and due to work commitments he had been unable to put in any practice days. He was partnered with Wullie Simpson who took him to the Sawmill area where he had 12 trout for 18lbs 1ozs. Frank took his fish on a traffic light cormorant and diawl bachs on a midge tip line. Wullie also qualified for the semi finals by finishing in 6th place.

SANACC Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK

Heat 3 - Lintrathen 6th May 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Jock Kettles	SANACC	14	21	8.00
2	Stevie Anderson	Leslie & Glenrothes	12	19	12.00
3	Frank Ross	Monifieth Trout AC 12		18	1.00
4	Chris McAllister	Raemoir Trout Fishers	11	17	11.00
5	Campbell Wilson	ABC&D AC	9	16	8.00
6	William Simpson	Rothes Oak	10	16	2.00
7	Kevin Neri	Raemoir Trout Fishers	8	14	0.00
8	Sandy Forgan	Dundee AC	8	13	11.00
9	George Gall	Rescobie Loch DA	7	11	5.00
10	Peter Auchterlonie	Menteith Ospreys	6	11	1.00
11	Brian Fraser	Newtyle & Meigle AC	6	10	12.00
12	Neil Anderson	Monikie AC	7	9	15.00
13	Jordan Webster	Arbroath AA	6	9	4.00
14	Angus Armour	Loanhead & District AC	5	9	3.00
15	Jim Christie	Blairgowrie Rattray & Dist.	5	8	10.00
16	Scott Reith	Arbroath AA	5	8	6.00
17	Steven Thomson	Canmore AC	4	7	15.00
18	Gordon Walder	Saturday AC	4	7	10.00
19	Aaron Phillips	Monikie AC	4	7	0.00
20	Dougie Dargie	Leslie Llanilar	4	6	11.00
21	Malcolm Selvey	Monifieth Trout AC	4	6	3.00
22	Ernest Mackay jnr	Aberdeen & District AA	5	6	2.00
23	Sandy Boag	Balbeggie AC	3	5	14.00
24	Jock Craig	Brechin AC	3	5	7.00
25	Charles Goodwin	Rothes Oak	3	5	4.00
26	James Watson	Balbeggie AC	2	4	0.00
27	Sandy Sutherland	Perth RASC	2	3	9.00
28	Chris Davidson	Monifieth Trout AC	3	3	5.00
29	Alan Gordon	Brechin AC	2	2	6.00
30	Ewan Scott	Canmore AC	2	1	7.00
31 eq	Ernie Mackay	Aberdeen & District AA	0	0	0.00
31 eq	Jim Beedie	Blairgowrie Rattray & Dist.	0	0	0.00
31 eq	Robert Ewing	Saturday AC	0	0	0.00
31 eq	Chris Langton	Pitlochry AC	0	0	0.00
		Total	176	288	10.00

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 5 - Carron - 3rd May 2016

Heat 5 of the National was held at Carron and each of the 32 competitors received a packet of fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing. Once again the anglers were faced with a cold blustery day. The fish came on and off throughout the day and at the end of the session a total of 209 trout for 247lbs 2.25ozs had been caught.

Top rod was Gary McGinlay of Luggiebank FD with 16 fish for 17lbs 9.25ozs with his boat partner Graeme Lynch of Beith St Inans in second spot with 13 trout for 14lbs 13.5ozs. Gary and Graeme spent their day in Burnhouse Bay and took all their fish on cat boobies and black buzzers fished on a slow glass line.



Gary, Donald and Graeme

Donald Forbes of Strathleven FF was third with 11 trout for 12lbs 9ozs. Donald also took his fish in Burnhouse Bay where he was fishing a GA cat and a carron bunny on a di7. Donald picked up two fish on his first drift and his final two in the last five minutes.

The top 16 qualify for the semi-finals.

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Sottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

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Heat 5 - Carron 3rd May 2016

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Gary McGinlay	Luggiebank Fly Dressers	16	17	9.25
2	Graeme Lynch	Beith St. Inans AC	13	14	13.50
3	Donald Forbes	Strathleven FF	11	12	9.00
4	Laurie Taylor	Bothwell & Blantyre AC	9	10	12.25
5	George Telford	Dalzell AC	10	10	8.50
6	Calum Crosbie	Alba Orvis FF	10	10	2.75
7	Andy Dunn	Change Fly Fishers AC	9	10	1.00
8 eq	Gregor Fleming	Bridge of Weir(Loch) AC	8	9	7.00
8 eq	Joe Bell	Trout Anglers Club	8	9	7.00
10 eq	Archie MacGilp	Lochgilphead & District AC	9	9	5.25
10 eq	Campbell Morgan	Strathleven FF	9	9	5.25
12	Dennis Splaine	Strathleven FF	8	9	3.00
13	Greig Davie	Thalassa AC	8	8	9.25
14	Gareth Keir	Stirling Castle AC	7	8	5.75
15	Gerry Rattray	Soldier Palmers	7	8	5.50
16	Keir Hardie	Sunburst AC	6	8	3.00
17	Mick Moran	SANACC	5	7	5.25
18	Jim Wright	Soldier Palmers	5	7	2.25
19	Daniel McCormick	New Haylie FF	6	7	0.00
20	David Bowie	Luggiebank Fly Dressers	5	6	12.00
21	Campbell Cree	Rainbow Warriors	5	6	8.25
22	Jane Wright	Cove & Kilcreggan AC	5	6	2.25
23	Bruce Chisholm	Tweed Valley Tanglers	4	6	1.25
24	James Montgomey	Lochgilphead & District AC	4	5	9.50
25 eq	Martyn Low	Largs & District AC	3	5	8.50
25 eq	Steven Bett	Strathtyrum	3	5	8.50
27	Dave Wright	St Boswells & Newtown Dist.	4	4	1.50
28	Ronnie Glass	Kelso AA	4	3	9.00
29	Brian Yule	Bank of Scotland East AC	2	3	5.75
30	Mark McNaughton	Beith St. Inans AC	2	1	15.50
31	Keith Anderson	SPRA East	2	1	15.25
32	Dugald MacGilp	Lochgilphead & District AC	2	1	14.25
		Total	209	247	2.25

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 4 - Lake of Menteith - 28th April 2016

There were 58 competitors in heat 4 with all of them receiving a pack of fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing and the top 29 qualified for the semi-finals. The day started off with sleet and the weather deteriorated as the session progressed. Temperatures were low and we had snow and hail showers for most of the day.

The top rod was Ally Middlemass of Kinross AC with 17 fish for 33lb 12oz. Ally fished International Bay with a fab on the point and buzzers fished on a floating line. In second place with 17 fish for 33lbs 2oz was his boat partner Allan Gamble of RAF Fish Hawks again with a floater and buzzers. In third place with 15 fish for 29 lb 12.5oz was Scott Aitken of Tartan Tyers FF who fished a candy boobie and a team of buzzers on a floating line in Hotel Bay . The next heat sees us on Carron on the 3rd of May.



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	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Ally Middlemass	Kinross AC	17	33	12.00
2	Allan Gamble	RAF Fish Hawks	17	33	2.00
3	Scott Atken	Tartan Tyers FF	15	29	12.50
4	Bill Ramage	Tillicoultry AC	13	26	0.00
5	David McMillian Jn.	North Shetland FF	12	23	10.00
6	Mike Willis	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	11	21	5.00
7	Sean McCaffrey	North Shetland FF	11	21	3.50
8	Neil Duff	Leslie & Glenrothes AC	10	19	13.50
9	George Whyte	St Fillans & Lochearn AA	10	19	8.50
10	Allan Smith	Kinross AC	10	19	0.00
11	David McMillian Sn.	North Shetland FF	9	18	4.00
12	Kenny Sichi	Priory FC	9	18	3.50
13	Jim Mckinlay	East Kilbride AC	9	17	14.50
14	John Lochart	Cowdenbeath AC	9	17	12.00
15	Donald McGregor	Balfron Piscatorials	8	16	2.00
16	Andrew Glasgow	Ferry FF	8	15	13.50
17	Connor Campbell	Kinross AC	8	15	10.00
18	lan Runcie	Brechin AC	7	15	7.50
19	Colin Macdonald	Saltire FF	8	15	6.00
20	lan Wallace	Harrow AC	8	15	1.00
21	Peter Shepherd	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	8	15	0.00
22	Stephen Francis	Househillmuir FF	7	14	7.00
23 eq	Alan Gilbert	SPRA FFS West	7	13	5.00
23 eq	Peter Cameron	Househillmuir FF	7	13	5.00
25	Stevie O'Neill	Menteith Ospreys	7	13	0.50
26	David Kemp	Stanley & District AC	6	12	12.75
27	Robert Paton	Dunkeld & Birnam	6	12	11.00
28	Andrew Kennedy	Butcher Boy AC	6	12	7.00
29	Jim Watson	Grizzle cats	6	12	3.50
30	Derek Knight	Townhill AC	6	11	14.00
31	Richy Anthony	West Lothian Flydressers	6	11	12.00
32	Ronnie Gray	Arbroath AA	6	11	11.50
33	Jim Ferguson	St Mungo AC	6	11	3.00
34	Andrew Mackean	Townhill AC	5	10	5.00
35	Stewart Marshall	SPRA East	5	10	2.00
36	Gil Farid	East Kilbride AC	5	9	13.50
37	Agnes Thomas	Bank of Scotland East AC	5	9	7.00
38	Malcolm Miller	SPRA East	5	8	14.00
39	PJ McIntosh	Badenoch AA	4	8	7.00
40	Gordon Fisher	Ferry FF	4	8	3.50
41	Willie Edmond	RAF Fish Hawks	4	8	2.00
42	William Morrison	Simmer Dim AC	4	7	11.50
43	Kenny Giblin	Ferry Fly Dressers AC	4	7	4.00
44	Grant Sutherland	Perth RASC	4	7	3.50
45	Alex Galloway	Tillicoultry AC	3	6	4.00
46	Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	3	5	12.00
47	Duncan Ferguson	Good Companions AC	3	5	0.00
48	Alan Smith	Rainbow AC	3	4	15.50
49	Nigel Dyson	Badenoch AA	3	4	12.00
50	Alister Jamieson	Simmer Dim AC	2	4	6.50
51	Graham Hawds	Largs & District AC	2	4	6.00
52 eq	Alan Smith	Simmer Dim AC	2	4	4.00
52 eq	Andy McAdam	FAFA	2	4	4.00
54	William Smith	Cowdenbeath AC	2	3	12.00
55	Alisdair Mair	Lochinch AC	2	3	11.50
56	Ronnie McKean	East Kilbride AC	2	3	10.00
57 eq	Dick Malkowski	Stanley & District AC	0	0	0.00
57 eq	Charles Scott	Badenoch AA	0	0	0.00
		Total	376	738	12.75

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship Sponsored by Ridgeline Uk Heat 2- 21st April 2016 - Carron

There was not a cloud in the sky as the 46 competitors set out on Carron on 21st April for heat 2 of the National. Carron had fished very well in similar conditions for the previous two days and the anglers were hopeful that the rainbows would continue to play their part. All the competitors received a packet of fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing and the top 23 were quaranteed a spot in the semi-finals.

Fish were caught steadily throughout the day and at the weigh-in the anglers recorded a total catch of 413 trout for 484lbs 14.75ozs an impressive rod average of just under 9 trout.

Top rod was John Buchanan of Newton Mearns FF with 16 fish for 18lbs 4.5ozs. John concentrated on the bays and took his fish in Burnhouse Bay and Carron Bay. In the morning John fished two boobies and a buzzer on a di3 and in the afternoon he switched to a di7 to follow the fish down. Ronnie Gilbert of Menteith Ospreys was second with 18 fish for 18lbs 3.75ozs. Ronnie also concentrated on the bays and caught his fish in Burnhouse Bay and Bin Bay. He took his fish on a cat booby and two cormorants fished on a di5. Ronnie caught most of fish in the afternoon. Andy Johnstone of Newton Stewart & District AA took the third spot with 16 fish for 17lbs 14.75ozs. Andy spent his day at the willows and stuck with a carron cat, orange blob and black cat fished on a wet cell 4.



Andy, John and Ronnie

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Heat 2 - Carron 21st April 2016

		Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1		John Buchanan	Newton Mearns FF	16	18	4.50
2		Ronnie Gilbert	Menteith Ospreys	18	18	3.75
3		Andy Johnstone	Newton Stewart & Dist. AA	16	17	14.75
4		Alan Brock	Crieff AC	16	16	15.25
5		Alan Porteous	Dounreay FF Ass	15	16	13.00
6		David Wales	Select FF	15	15	14.25
7	eq	Archie Ferguson	Lochgelly SRCAS	14	15	10.50
7	eq	Craig Osborne	Crown Fly Fishers	14	15	10.50
9		Toby Bracey	Frozen North AC	14	15	4.25
10		Nigel Burns	Crieff FF	13	14	15.25
11		Peter Edge	St Mungo AC	13	14	6.50
12		David Mateer	SPRA North	13	13	14.75
13		Martin McCafferty	Rainbow Warriors	11	13	0.50
14		Tam Ramsay	St. Johns Flyfishers	12	13	0.00
15		Brian Kennedy	Caley Liners FF	10	12	10.50
16		Allan McLachlan	Dalzell AC	11	12	9.00
17		Ian Muir	Newton Stewart & Dist. AA	10	12	3.00
18		Derek Keenan	IBM Freshwater AC	10	11	13.25
19		Stuart Raybould	Caley Liners FF	10	11	7.00
20		Kenny McLymont	Glasgow Post Office FFC	8	10	15.50
21		Murray Hunter	Stirling Castle AC	8	10	12.25
22		Mike Cordiner	Aberdeen & District AA	9	10	5.75
23		Tony Chalmers	Dounreay FF Ass	9	10	5.25
24		Derek Kilgour	Heriot AC	9	10	3.75
25		Mick Tait	Kelso AA	8	10	2.25
26		Colin Hek	Crown Fly Fishers	7	9	11.00
27		Anson MacAuslan	Dounreay FF Ass	9	9	9.25
28		Kevin Porteous	Frozen North AC	8	9	6.50
29		Robert Hawkins	Frozen North AC	7	9	6.00
30		Kenny Dickens	Grizzle Cats	7	9	3.50
31		Bill Braithwaite	St Boswells & Newtown Dist	8	9	2.00
32		Craig Gibbons	St. Johns Flyfishers	8	8	12.50
33		Brian Fletcher	Kilbirnie AC	7	8	8.50
34		Ralph Fleming	Kilbirnie AC	6	8	0.25
35		Keith Renton	Coldstream & Dist. AA	6	7	14.75
36		Bobby Quinn	Ayr Travellers	5	7	3.75
37		Roddy Speirs	Kelvinside Academicals AA	6	6	14.50
38		Andrew Kennedy	Glasgow Post Office FFC	5	6	4.50
39		Jim Twaddle	Caurnie Angling Club	5	6	0.25
40		Kevin Stewart	Highland FF	4	5	10.50
41		James Stewart	Highland FF	3	5	6.75
42		Bryan McLymont	Ardrossan Eglinton AC	4	5	0.25
43		Derek Halliday	Kelso AA	3	4	2.75
44		Robert Wilson	Newton Stewart & Dist AA	2	3	12.75
45		David Couper	Kilbirnie AC	1	1	5.25
46		Jamie Robertson	Ruthven FF	0	0	0.00
			Total	442	404	44 75

Total

413 484 14.75

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championshp - sponsored by Ridgeline UK Heat 1 - Lake of Menteith 19th April 2016

Winter finally gave way to Spring for the opening day of the 2016 Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship. The cold, blustery winds of the previous two days and the snow that hit many areas on Saturday became a distant memory as the competitors arrived on Tuesday 19th April at the Lake of the Menteith for the first of our ten heats. The 36 competitors were met with a sunny day and fairly light winds which was entirely different from the two days of practice that many of them had encountered. As they registered they all received a pack of fly tying fritz provided by Frozen North Fly Fishing. 2016 is the 50th anniversary of the Lake of the of Menteith and the Lake's Board have ordered various commemorative items including specially labelled bottles of beer which were presented to the top nine competitors in this heat. There are 387 competitors in this years' Championship and if this heat is anything to go by then we are in for a great year.

The 36 competitors caught a total of 162 trout for 310lbs 1.5ozs and four fish was need to qualify for the semi finals. 18 qualified for the semi finals.

Top rod was Kevin McCabe of Change FF AC with 16 trout for 32lbs 9.5ozs. Kevin started off at Lochend fishing buzzers and a booby on a floating line and took five of his trout in the first twenty minutes. Following a quiet spell he moved to the Road Shore where he picked up another 11 trout on the same set-up. Fourteen of his fish fell to the buzzers with two on the booby.

Scott Pozzi of Rainbow AC took second spot with 11 trout for 21lbs 14ozs. Scott started off at the Butts where he was fishing a cat and sparklers on a fast glass line. He had one fish there and moved down to Lochend where he picked up another two during the morning. His other fish all came from Lochend after 2.30pm.

Rab Maxwell of Clatto & Stratheden AC was third with 10 trout for 18lbs 11.5ozs. Rab spent his day working the Butts with size 14 buzzers and a candy booby on a floating line. Seven of his fish took the buzzers and the other three were on the booby and all of them were caught before 12.30pm



Kevin, Scott and Rab

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		Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1		Kevin McCabe	Change FF AC	16	32	9.50
2		Scott Pozzi	Rainbow AC	11	21	14.00
3		Rab Maxwell	Clatto & Stratheden AC	10	18	11.50
4		John Maestri	Soldier Palmers	7	15	12.00
5		Tyler Hay	Lintrathen FF	8	14	11.00
6		John Tullet	Bank of Scotland Glasgow	8	14	8.00
7		Lee Anderson	Rescobie Loch DA	7	14	6.50
8		Ian Wilson	Clatto & Stratheden AC	7	13	11.50
9		Alan Lusk	Strathgryfe AA	7	12	12.50
10		Alex McEwan	Stirling Castle AC	6	12	7.00
11		Cameron Duncan	Perth CSSC	6	12	6.00
12		Douglas Scott	Earlston AA	6	11	11.50
13		Kevin Lynch	IBM Freshwater AC	5	9	6.00
14		Bill Paterson	Aberdour AA	5	9	2.50
15		Dave Carr	Tweed Valley Tanglers	4	8	0.00
16		Neil Cockburn	Phoenix AC	4	7	2.00
17		Billy Neil	Kilmallie AC	4	7	0.00
18		Ray Anderson	Leslie & Glenrothes AC	4	6	10.50
19		Keith Lewis	Avonbank Fishing Club	3	6	1.50
20		Alexander Donald	Royal British Legion Thurso	3	5	13.50
21		Stuart Hardie	Falkirk Municipal AC	3	5	12.50
22		Ronnie Stevenson	Dunrod AC	3	5	8.00
23		Mark Stewart	Saltire FF	3	5	5.00
24		David Scott	Earlston AA	3	4	12.50
25		Mark McCrum	Rescobie Loch DA	3	4	11.50
26		Colin Fairgrieve	EarsIton AA	3	4	10.50
27		George Murray	New Haylie FF	3	4	9.50
28		Ian MacGregor	RAF Fish Hawks	2	4	4.50
29		Andy Brown	St Johns FF	2	3	13.50
30		Grant McCauley	New Haylie FF	2	3	8.00
31		Ray Wilkinson	Glencorse RSV FF	1	2	8.50
32		Bill Farquhar	Phoenix AC	1	2	4.00
33		Harry Mills	IBM Freshwater AC	1	1	15.00
34		Ian Cannop	Royal British Legion Thurso	1	1	9.50
35	eq	Douglas Borthwick	Ferry FD AC	0	0	0.00
35	eq	David Boyd	Ardrossan Eglinton AC	0	0	0.00
			Total	162	310	1.50