



SANACC

(*Scottish Anglers National Association Competition Clubs Ltd*)

2025 Annual Report

Scottish Anglers National Association Competition Clubs

Report for 2025



Membership

Our club membership numbers in 2025 was down on the previous year with 131 clubs which was eleven fewer than in 2024. (2024 – 142; 2023 – 147; 2022 – 145; 2021 – 149; 2020 -164)

AGM

The 2026 AGM will be held on Sunday 8th March at the King Robert Hotel.

Nineteen clubs were represented at the 2025 AGM and teas and coffee were provided prior to the start of the meeting.

Finance

The SANACC accounts for the year showed a surplus of £4,800 compared to a deficit of £7,000 the year before. In 2025 the autumn international was held at the Lake of Menteith which saved on transport costs. The Association has a healthy reserve and is in a good position to deal with any unexpected financial challenges.

Committee and Management Changes

The SANACC Executive Committee all stood down and Peter Auchterlonie, Derek Purves and Tom Burnett did not stand for election. They were replaced by Jock Kettles (Edinburgh and East of Scotland); Andrew Kemp (Perth & Dundee); and Gordon Hayward (Glasgow & West Of Scotland).

Sponsorship and Fundraising

The SANACC Committees, team members and competitors are grateful to the sponsors and individuals who supported them throughout 2025.

Sponsorship/Fundraising – Loch Teams

7Plus7 Developments and the Lake of Menteith were the main sponsors of the international loch teams in 2025. This was the twelfth year of sponsorship by 7Plus7 Developments and the fifteenth year of sponsorship by the Lake of Menteith. The teams were also sponsored in 2025 by Fishers, Angus Angling, Seaguar, Cornerstone Restaurant, Thomas Johnstone Ltd, Jewsons, Modern Electrical Solutions, Mckenzie Waste Ltd, Phoenix AC, Kitchen and Bathrooms by Coast, R Clouston Ltd., 1314 Electrical Services, Travis Perkins, East Kilbride AC and Badenoch AA.

There were two fundraisers held in 2025 at Parkview Fishery, and the Waterfront Fishery. Wullie Simpson once again held the fundraiser at Parkview for us while the fundraiser at the Waterfont was organised by Martin McCafferty. The Teams wish to thank everyone who donated prizes and bottles and particularly wish to thank Fishers and Angus Angling who supplied the main match prizes; and the Waterfront Coffee Shop and Restaurant, French Vehicle Services, David Bonnington Joinery, Parkview Fishery, Smith Street Motors, Ian Hutcheon and Allan Smith. The loch teams wish to thank everyone who provided prizes or sponsored a peg or attended a fundraiser. Your support is appreciated.

The teams filled two fly boxes with flies which were raffled at the National heats and semis. The box filled by the spring team was won by Sean McCaffrey of North Shetland FF and the box filled by the autumn team was won by Wullie Leach of Change FF AC.

Sponsorship – River Team

The 2025 International River Team was sponsored by T-Squared Ltd, Laboratory Specialist Services and ECD Architects.

Sponsorship – Scottish National Championship

The National was sponsored in 2025 by Fishers and Vision who provided a pair of sunglasses for the winner of each heat and vouchers for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the final. The hook/fly measures used throughout the competition were sponsored by 7Plus7 Developments and the waterproof paper used for the catch returns was sponsored by R & E Hygiene.

Sponsorship – Scottish Club Championship

The Scottish Club Championship was sponsored by the Lake of Menteith, Snowbee, My Fishing Flies, Glencairn Crystal, Thermo Fisher Scientific and Angus Angling.

My Fishing Flies provided boxes of flies for the heat and semi-final winners and in the final each member of the winning team received a box containing around 160 flies. Snowbee provided discounted vouchers in the final and Glassware was provided by Glencairn Crystal. Angus Angling sponsored the hook/fly measures used throughout the championship and the sponsorship from Thermo Fisher Scientific was used to provide £30 vouchers to the winning team in each heat.

Sponsorship – Champion of Champions

The Lake of Menteith, My Fishing Flies, Glencairn Crystal, Angus Angling and McLanachan Transport sponsored the Champion of Champions. My Fishing Flies provided a box containing around 160 flies for the winner and McLanachan Transport provided £200 for the top three. Glencairn Crystal provided glassware and Angus Angling provided the hook/fly measures.

Competition – Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

Six venues were used for the 2025 Championship with heats being held at Frandy, Harelaw, Harray, Leven, Lintrathen and Menteith. 266 anglers fished the heats which was down on the year before. (2024 – 280; 2023 – 276; 2022 – 273; 2021 - 141; 2019 – 337; 2018 – 333; and 2017 – 361).

The 2025 Scottish National Champion is Brian Kennedy (photo on front page) of Glasgow Post Office FFC. Brad Gair of Balfron Piscatorials was second and Gregor Fleming of Snowbee Alba Cats was third.

Competition – Scottish National River Championship

The Scottish National River Championship was held over two heats and with 19 anglers taking part which was down on the year before. (2024 – 31; 2023 – 32; 2022- 26; 2019 – 32; 2018 – 33; 2017 – 33)

The 2025 River Champion is Scott Hamilton of Tweed Valley Tanglers. Scott was the 2024 Champion. Ian Jones of Lochgelly SRC was second and Ross McKean of Crown FF was third.

Competition - Scottish Club Championship

The number of teams taking part in the Scottish Club Championship was down by 2 with 98 teams contesting the heats as opposed to 100 in 2024. (100 in 2024; 103 in 2023; 102 in 2022; 101 in 2021; 132 in 2019; 134 in 2018; and 150 in 2017) The 2025 Scottish Club Champions are West Linton AC "A". Glencoe FF "A" were second and Team Flybox "A" were third. The heaviest fish caught during the heats was taken by Calum Stephen of Balfron Piscatorials.

The £1 charity collection at the Saturday night heats continued in 2025 and along with funds raised at raffles held at the presentation dinners following the Scottish Club Championship final and the Champion of Champions a total of £1,726 was raised. A donation of £3348 was given to the Glasgow Childrens Hospital Charity.

Competition – Champion of Champions

Competitors in the Champion of Champions qualified from the ten Saturday night heats of the Scottish Club Championship with the top six individuals each Saturday night going through to the Champion of Champions final. Spaces not taken up by the top six qualifiers were allocated on a count back at each heat. The 2025 Champion of Champions is Craig McKean of East Kilbride AC. Brian Kennedy of Glasgow PO was second and Peter Shepherd of Bridge of Allan 76 AC was third.

Tom MacTaggart
SANACC Secretary

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship
Sponsored by Fishers Direct, Vision, 7plus7 Construction and R & E Hygiene
Final - Lake of Menteith 20th September 2025

The SANACC Committee wish to thank Fishers Direct and Vision who provided prizes in the heats and vouchers for the top three in the final; 7Plus7 Developments who sponsored the fly measures and R&E Hygiene who sponsored the waterproof catch returns. They also wish to thank all of the fisheries that hosted the heats and semis and particularly OTFA for managing the Harray heat and the Lake of Menteith for hosting the final and providing pies for the competitors at the end of the session. The committee are also grateful to Ian Colligan for standing in as a port angler and fish weigher on numerous occasions and usually at short notice.

The National final was held on a calm day and although overcast the rain stayed away. There were 65 anglers in the final and they caught 265 trout. Of the 115 that were brought to the scales 16 were over 4lbs and 2 were over 5lbs. The match was fished to a two fish kill with 2lbs being awarded for each returned fish. Large fish were capped at 4lb. The top 18 anglers qualified for the 2026 International teams. It was a close match with the top 9 anglers only separated by 3 fish.

Top rod and the 2025 National Scottish Champion was Brian Kennedy of Glasgow Post Office AC. Brian received a £300 voucher from Fishers Direct and was presented with the National Trophy by International Team Manager, Derek Keenan. Brian was in the team, managed by Derek Keenan, that won gold at the autumn international at Menteith the previous week.

Brian caught a total of 11 trout. The two brought to scales weighed 6lb 2.2oz and with 18lb awarded for the returned 9 fish he had a total weight of 24lb 2.2oz.

In second place was Brad Gair of Balforn Piscatorials close behind with 10 fish for 22lb 1.9oz. Brad received a £100 voucher from Fishers Direct. In third place was Gregor Fleming of Snowbee Albacats FF with 9 fish for 21lb 7.2oz. Gregor also received a £100 voucher from Fishers Direct.



National Champion Brian Kennedy receiving the trophy from Derek Keenan



Left:
Brad Gair
Second place



Right
Gregor Fleming
Third place

The heaviest fish brought to the scales weighed 5lb 5.3oz and was caught by Mark Fleming of Snowbee Albacats FF. Mark was presented with a bottle of malt and the trophy by Derek Keenan. The flybox prepared by the gold winning autumn team was raffled and was won by Willie Leach.



Photo on left
Mark Fleming
with Derek Keenan



Photo on right
Willie Leach

Scottish National Trout Fly Fishing Championship

Sponsored by Fishers Direct

Lake of Menteith 20th September 2025

		Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1		Brian Kennedy	Glasgow PO FFC	11	24	2.20
2		Brad Gair	Balfron Piscatorials	10	22	15.90
3		Gregor Fleming	Snowbee Albacats FF	9	21	7.20
4		Kevin Malcolm	Strathy AC	8	19	5.50
5		Adam King	Balfron Piscatorials	8	18	11.70
6		Brad Chalmers	Lintrathen FF	8	18	7.00
7		Willie Leach	Change FF AC	8	17	4.90
8		Sean McCaffrey	North Shetland FF	7	17	2.20
9		Neil Anderson	Monikie AC	8	16	13.50
10		Peter Auchterlonie	Greys Menteith Ospreys	7	16	13.10
11		Michael Low	Greys Menteith Ospreys	7	15	13.50
12		Campbell Cree	Firecats	7	15	8.90
13		Peter Cameron	Househillmuir FF	6	15	6.70
14		Craig McKean	East Kilbride AC	7	14	5.80
15		David Carr	Tweed Valley Tanglers	6	14	3.20
16	eq	Joseph Wood	Snowbee Albacats	5	14	0.00
16	eq	William Davidson	Black Bull FFC	5	14	0.00
16	eq	Darren Heenan	Arbroath AC	5	14	0.00

19		Andy Kemp	Perth RASC	6	13	10.40
20		Martyn Shaw	Firecats	6	13	2.20
21		Mark Fleming	Snowbee Albacats FF	5	13	1.40
22		Stevie Plank	Johnstone FF	5	12	12.50
23		Tyler Hay	Tartan Tyers	6	12	11.60
1		Mark McNaughton	Lonchend FF	5	12	10.70
25		Scott Reith	Arbroath AC	6	12	9.50
26		David Wales	Dalry Garnock AC	5	11	11.40
27		Greig Davie	Thalassa AC	5	11	9.50
28		Kevin Andrews	Lochan Dubh	4	11	10.00
29		Graeme Connelly	Kahts Whiskers	4	9	15.20
30		Ben Robertson	West Linton AC	3	9	15.10
31		Ed Brown	Dundee West End AC	4	9	11.40
32		Kenni Hope	Hawick AC	4	9	7.90
33		Chris Mcallister	Lintrathen FF	3	8	12.50
34		Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	4	8	11.50
35		Chris Harkess	Phoenix FF	3	8	9.80
36		Brian Mackenzie	Neilston FF	4	8	6.60
37		Keith Renton	Tweed Valley Tangles	3	8	5.20
38		Fergus Aitchison	West Lothian FD AC	3	8	1.50
39		Sandy McConnachie	OTFA Stromness	2	7	13.00
40	eq	Kevin Porteous	FNF Falcons	3	7	9.30
40	eq	John Maestri	Military Veterans FFC	3	7	9.30
42		James Gardiner	Ruthven FF	3	7	2.00
43		Peter Shepherd	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	3	7	1.90
44		Douglas Fairbairn	SPPM	3	6	12.20
45		Neil Cockburn	Phoenix AC	2	6	2.40
46		Colin Macdonald	Saltire FF	3	6	1.80
47		Stephen Breivik	Shetland AA	2	6	0.20
48		David Wright	St Boswells Newtown & Dist AA	2	5	15.30
49		Harris Campbell	Stranraer & District AA	2	5	12.80
50		Alan Porteous	FNF Falcons	2	5	11.80
51		Greig McLaren	Gateside FF	2	5	4.10
52		David Moore	Dunfermline Artisan AC	2	5	3.80
53		Calum Clark	Firecats	2	4	15.10
54		Nigel Burns	Crieff AC	1	3	13.20
55		James Bews	OTFA Kirkwall	1	3	12.50
56		Cameron Kelly	Harelaw FF	1	3	10.50
57		Martin McCafferty	Future FF	1	3	8.40
58		John Simpson	Glasgow PO FFC	1	3	5.60
59		Kevin McCabe	Change FF AC	1	3	1.60
60		Alan Lusk	Strathgryfe AA	1	2	13.10
61		Tony Li	GFFC	1	2	10.30
62		Derek Marklow	Loanhead & District AC	1	2	3.80
63	eq	Ross Carnegie	Lochan Dubh	0	0	0.00
63	eq	Jim Adams	W.S.Sinclair FF	0	0	0.00
63	eq	Scott Bowdler	Balbeggie AC	0	0	0.00
			Total	265	650	5.20

The 2025 Scottish National River Championship River Tay & River Tummel

The final of the 2025 Scottish National River Championship was held on Sunday 27th July on the Rivers Tay and Tummel. Fourteen competitors took part and over the four sessions they caught a total of 71 fish. The top six anglers make up the team for the 2026 International.

Top rod with 11 place points from 9 fish and 440.7 points was Scott Hamilton of Tweed Valley Tanglers. In 2nd with 13 place points from 9 fish and 438.4 points was Ian Jones of Lochgelly SRC. 3rd spot went to Ross McKean of Crown FF who had 18 place points from 11 fish and 500.7 points and 4th spot went to Scott Robertson of NCR with 18 from 7 fish and 348.3 points. 5th with 23 place points from 6 fish and 288 points was Ladislav Piljar from Tweed Valley Tanglers and 6th was Michael Low of Greys Menteith Ospreys with 29 place points from 6 fish and 307.3 points



the top six from left:

Michael Low, Ross McKean, Ladislav Piljar, Scott Hamilton, Ian Jones and Scott Robertson

Scottish National River Championship

NAME	CLUB	Session 1			Session 2			Session 3			Session 4			Total		Final Placing	
		No of Fish	Pts	Place (1)	No of Fish	Pts	Place (2)	No of Fish	Pts	Place (3)	No of Fish	Pts	Place (4)	No of fish	Points		Place Points
Scott Hamilton	Tweed Valley Tanglers	2	109.2	4	3	143.0	3	3	131.5	2	1	57.0	2	9	440.7	11	1
Ian Jones	Lochgelly SRC	4	197.8	1	2	85.0	6	2	101.2	3	1	54.4	3	9	438.4	13	2
Ross McKean	Crown FF	2	108.5	5	6	266.3	1	2	83.4	4	1	42.5	8	11	500.7	18	3
Scott Robertson	NCR AC	2	110.5	3	1	59.0	7	1	46.7	7	3	132.1	1	7	348.3	18	4
Ladislav Piljar	Tweed Valley Tanglers	2	100.5	6	2	95.6	5	1	41.2	8	1	50.7	4	6	288.0	23	5
Michael Low	Greys Menteith Ospreys	1	53.7	8	0	0.0	14	4	208.9	1	1	44.7	6	6	307.3	29	6
Stevie Plank	Johnstone FF	0	0.0	14	1	42.5	8	1	63.0	5	1	44.0	7	3	149.5	34	7
Matthew Skeoch	Crow FF	2	94.2	7	5	221.6	2	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	7	315.8	37	8
Dick Logan	Coldstream & District AA	0	0.0	14	2	106.7	4	0	0.0	14	1	42.2	9	3	148.9	41	9
Kenny Riddell	Aberdeen & District	1	51.8	9	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	1	45.5	5	2	97.3	42	10
Ernest MacKay snr	Aberdeen & District	0	0.0	14	1	42.1	9	1	47.5	6	0	0.0	14	2	89.6	43	11
Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	4	177.0	2	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	4	177.0	44	12
Colin Macdonald	Saltire	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	1	40.3	9	0	0.0	14	1	40.3	51	13
Iain Lindsay	Strathgryfe AA	1	46.0	10	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	0	0.0	14	1	46.0	52	14

Scottish Club Championship

Sponsored by The Lake Of Menteith, Snowbee, Glencairn Crystal, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Angus Angling, McLanachlan Transport Ltd and My Fishing Flies - Final - Lake of Menteith - 26th September 2025

Twenty teams of three contested the final of the Scottish Club Championship on Friday 26th September. The championship was held over ten heats run on Saturday nights which started on 10th May and 40 teams progressed to two semi-finals held in August. From the semis 20 teams made it through to the final. The final was on a catch and release basis with the first trout being killed and two lbs being awarded for all trout released. Heavy trout were capped at 4lbs. The sixty anglers caught a total of 220 fish of which four were over 5lbs and six were over 4lbs.

Top club were West Linton AC represented by George Charters (9 fish), Mike Devenney (7 fish) and Gordon Leavy (3 fish) with a total of 19 trout for 39lb 5.5oz. Simon Kidd of sponsors Snowbee congratulated the team and presented them with individual vouchers for 50% discounts on Snowbee products in addition to a box of around 120 flies each provided by My Fishing Flies. The team also received the trophy and £500. In second place with 16 trout for 36lb 6.4oz was Glencoe FF represented by Scott Henderson (5 fish), Iain Earle (4 fish) and Robert Wilson (7 fish). The Glencoe team each received discount vouchers for Snowbee products and a cash prize of £200. Third place was won by Team Flybox represented by Kyle Courtney (3 fish), Steven McVean (10 fish) and Kevin Andrews (5 fish) with a total of 18 trout for 36lb 1.4oz). They were presented with discount vouchers for Snowbee vouchers and £100 cash



photo: Simon Kidd of sponsors Snowbee presenting the winners trophy to Mike Devenney, George Charters and Gordon Leavy of West Linton AC



Simon Kidd of sponsors Snowbee with Robert Wilson and Scott Henderson of Glencoe



Simon Kidd of sponsors Snowbee with Steven McVean and Kyle Courtney of Team Flybox

Scottish Club Championship
Final - 26th September 2025

Club	Boat	Competitor	Weighed Fish			Returned		Individual Totals			Team Total			Pos
			Fish	Lbs	Ozs	No	Lbs	Fish	Lbs	Ozs	Total	Lbs	Ozs	
Balfon Piscatorials "A"	7	Bob Robertson	1	4	0.00	3	6	4	10	0.00	15	34	5.90	4
	11x	Adam King	1	2	14.50	4	8	5	10	14.50				
	26	Brad Gair	1	3	7.40	5	10	6	13	7.40				
Black Bull FFC "A"	8	William Davidson	1	2	6.70	0	0	1	2	6.70	9	19	10.60	14
	12x	Jamie McLeary	1	2	11.00	1	2	2	4	11.00				
	21x	Mike Burke	1	2	8.90	5	10	6	12	8.90				
Dalzell AC "B"	9	John Buchanan	1	1	15.40	1	2	2	3	15.40	7	14	7.60	16
	13x	Jim Donnelly	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
	22	Ed Brophy	1	2	8.20	4	8	5	10	8.20				
East Kilbride AC "A"	1x	Adam Jukes	1	4	0.00	2	4	3	8	0.00	14	33	8.90	5
	14	Craig McKean	1	4	0.00	7	14	8	18	0.00				
	23x	Willie Winning	1	3	8.90	2	4	3	7	8.90				
Firecats "A"	2x	Calum Clark	1	4	0.00	5	10	6	14	0.00	11	26	15.20	11
	15	Martyn Shaw	1	3	5.30	1	2	2	5	5.30				
	24x	Allan Barbour	1	3	9.90	2	4	3	7	9.90				
Firecats "B"	3x	Kenni Hope	1	4	0.00	4	8	5	12	0.00	12	27	1.60	10
	16	Alan Steven	1	3	3.00	4	8	5	11	3.00				
	25x	Dominic McAvoy	1	1	14.60	1	2	2	3	14.60				
Glasgow Post Office FFC "A"	4x	Brian Kennedy	1	3	14.60	2	4	3	7	14.60	12	27	7.20	9
	17	Kenny McClymont	1	2	2.80	0	0	1	2	2.80				
	27	John Simpson	1	3	5.80	7	14	8	17	5.80				
Glencoe FF "A"	10	Scott Henderson	1	4	0.00	4	8	5	12	0.00	16	36	6.40	2
	18	Iain Earle	1	2	6.40	3	6	4	8	6.40				
	28x	Robert Wilson	1	4	0.00	6	12	7	16	0.00				
Greys Menteith Ospreys	5x	Martin McCafferty	1	2	5.40	2	4	3	6	5.40	14	28	15.00	6
	19	Michael Low	1	2	6.90	5	10	6	12	6.90				
	29	Ronnie Gilbert	1	2	2.70	4	8	5	10	2.70				
Harelaw FF "A"	6x	Ronnie McKean	1	3	5.00	1	2	2	5	5.00	5	11	8.10	18
	20x	Mario Fionda	1	2	3.10	2	4	3	6	3.10				
	30	Barry Lennon	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
Military Veterans FF "A"	7x	John Maestri	1	2	10.00	2	4	3	6	10.00	13	27	11.40	8
	11	Ian McGregor	1	2	14.20	4	8	5	10	14.20				
	28	Glen Lamont	1	2	3.20	4	8	5	10	3.20				
Military Veterans FF "B"	8x	Jock Royan	1	2	6.40	1	2	2	4	6.40	8	18	3.80	15
	20	Jock Kettles	1	2	6.10	1	2	2	4	6.10				
	29x	Allan Gamble	1	3	7.30	3	6	4	9	7.30				
Neilston FF "A"	9x	Brian Mackenzie	1	3	7.90	6	12	7	15	7.90	12	28	5.20	7
	12	Tom Burnett	1	4	0.00	2	4	3	8	0.00				
	27x	Stevie O'Neill	1	2	13.30	1	2	2	4	13.30				
Perth RASC "A"	1	Andrew Kemp	1	3	6.70	0	0	1	3	6.70	9	21	7.90	13
	13	Grant Sutherland	1	3	8.50	4	8	5	11	8.50				
	26x	Douglas Beckett	1	2	8.70	2	4	3	6	8.70				
Snowbee Albacats FF "B"	2	Mark Fleming	1	2	0.80	0	0	1	2	0.80	11	23	15.70	12
	14x	Stuart Marklow	1	2	12.30	5	10	6	12	12.30				
	25	Gregor Fleming	1	3	2.60	3	6	4	9	2.60				
Select FF "A"	3	Brian Fletcher	1	2	2.80	4	8	5	10	2.80	6	14	2.80	17
	15x	Alex Grant	1	4	0.00	0	0	1	4	0.00				
	30x	Craig Hewitson	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
SPPM "A"	4	Alastair MacGillivray	1	4	0.00	1	2	2	6	0.00	4	11	7.90	19
	16x	Douglas Fairbairn	1	2	12.00	0	0	1	2	12.00				
	24	Donald Gillies	1	2	11.90	0	0	1	2	11.90				
Strathleven FF "B"	10x	Alan Brock	1	2	6.10	3	6	4	8	6.10	5	10	8.50	20
	17x	Nigel Burns	1	2	2.40	0	0	1	2	2.40				
	23	Campbell Morgan	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.00				
Team Flybox "A"	5	Kyle Courtney	1	1	7.60	2	4	3	5	7.60	18	36	1.40	3
	18x	Steven McVean	1	2	12.00	9	18	10	20	12.00				
	22x	Kevin Andrews	1	1	13.80	4	8	5	9	13.80				
West Linton AC "A"	6	George Charters	1	3	4.00	8	16	9	19	4.00	19	39	5.50	1
	19x	Mike Devenney	1	2	2.40	6	12	7	14	2.40				
	21	Gordon Leavy	1	1	15.10	2	4	3	5	15.10				

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Champion of Champions Final

Lake of Menteith - Friday 3rd October 2025

Sponsored by The Lake Of Menteith, Snowbee, Glencairn Crystal, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Angus Angling, McLanachan Transport Ltd and My Fishing Flies.

A storm was forecast to hit on Friday 3rd October which threatened the Champion of Champions match and the presentation dinner. On the morning of the championship it was decided to bring forward the finish time to 4pm from the scheduled 5pm. The management at the Rob Roy Hotel, where the presentation dinner was held, agreed to bring forward the meal time to 5.30pm from the scheduled 6.30pm and we wish to thank them for making this change at short notice.

56 competitors took part and between them they netted 98 fish for 228lb 4.6oz of which three were over 5lb and two were over 4lb. The match was fished to a one fish kill followed by catch and release with 2lb awarded for each released fish. Trout were capped at 4lb. The top six from each of the Saturday night heats of the Scottish Club Championship qualify for a place in the Champion of Champions. Qualifiers who cannot take up their place are replaced by the competitor finished 7th and then continue down the result to fill all six places.

The session started in near perfect conditions with a light breeze and cloud cover. The rain started about 11am and gradually got heavier as the day processed and fortunately the strong winds didn't come until after the boats were off the water which gave Quint and Douglas time to pull the boats up the shore.

Top rod and the 2025 Champion of Champions was Craig McKean of East Kilbride AC. Craig caught 7 fish for 14lb 13.1oz. This rounded off a successful season for Craig who two weeks before qualified from the National Championship for a place in the 2026 International teams. Craig received a box of around 120 flies provide by My Fishing Flies and a prize of £250.

In second place with 6 trout for 12lb 6.3oz was the 2025 National Champion Brian Kennedy of Glasgow Post Office AC. Brian received a £100 prize. In third place with 6 trout for 12lb 3.9oz was Peter Shepherd of Bridge of Allan 76 AC. Peter received a prize of £100.



Craig McKean being presented with the trophy by
Kenny Miller



Peter Shepherd being congratulated by Kenny
Miller

Champion of Champions

Menteith - Friday 3rd October 2025

	Competitor	Club	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
1	Craig McKean	East Kilbride AC	7	14	13.10
2	Brian Kennedy	Glasgow PO FFC	6	12	6.30
3	Peter Shepherd	Bridge of Allan 76 AC	6	12	3.90
4	Stevie Anderson	Leslie & Glenrothes AC	4	9	11.30
5	Gregor Fleming	Snowbee Albacats	4	9	5.90
6 eq	Douglas Beckett	Perth RASC	4	8	6.80
6 eq	Scott Henderson	Glencoe FF	4	8	6.80
8	Adam King	Balfron Piscatorials	3	7	6.60
9	Andy Gray	Harelaw FF	3	6	15.00
10	Dave Eames	RAF Fish Hawks	3	6	12.20
11	Grant Sutherland	Perth RASC	3	6	10.60
12	Scott Pozzi	Grimm Anglers	3	6	9.10
13	Bob Robertson	Balfron Piscatorials	3	6	3.90
14	Brian Fletcher	Select FF	3	6	3.70
15 eq	Allan Barbour	Firecats	2	6	0.00
15 eq	Allan Gamble	Military Veterans FF	2	6	0.00
15 eq	Tom Beagan	Bridge of Weir Loch AC	2	6	0.00
18	Walter Archibald	Costa Ecosse	2	5	9.10
19	Bill Dick	Rosyth CSSC	2	5	3.30
20	Gordon Leavy	West Linton AC	2	4	15.10
21	Mark McNaughton	Lochend FF	2	4	13.40
22	Michael Ward	Johnstone FF	2	4	9.20
23	Kenni Hope	Firecats	2	4	3.80
24	Charlie Wilkinson	Cupar AC	2	4	3.50
25	Kevin Andrews	Team Flybox	2	4	3.30
26	Sam Harrison	Dalzell AC	2	4	0.60
27 eq	Paul Wilson	Bothwell & Blantyre AC	1	4	0.00
27 eq	George Armour	Black Bull FFC	1	4	0.00
29	Darrell Lindsay	Harelaw FF	2	3	14.80
30	Bobby Quinn	Johnstone FF	2	3	11.30
31	Campbell Cree	Firecats	1	3	8.60
32	Nathan Horner	Cupar AC	1	3	6.50
33	Ian Wright	Black Bull FFC	1	3	6.10
34	Jim Mckinaly	Snowbee Albacats	1	3	2.20
35	Ian Runcie	Brechin AC	1	2	10.20
36	Mark Anderson	Cairnie AC	1	2	9.30
37	Andy Boylan	Lochend FF	1	2	8.10
38	David Fullerton	Strathgryfe AA	1	2	5.60
39	Laurie Taylor	Bothwell & Blantyre AC	1	2	0.70
40	Nigel Burns	Strathleven FF	1	1	13.10
41	Stuart Lindsay snr	Select FF	1	1	10.90
42	Alastair MacGillivray	SPPM	1	1	8.70
43 eq	Dennis Splaine	Strathleven FF	0	0	0.00
43 eq	James Montgomery	Lochgilphead & District AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Allan Szaray	ABC&D AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Gerry McEntee	Cairnie AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Ian Wilson	Rosyth CSSC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Donald MacDonald	Lochgilphead & District AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Kyle Courtney	Team Flybox	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Jim Donnelly	Dalzell Ac	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Alan Brock	Strathleven FF	0	0	0.00
43 eq	John Riley	Barrhead AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Keith Logan	Heriot AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Brian Brown	Kilmarnock FF	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Mike Devenney	West Linton AC	0	0	0.00
43 eq	Willie Winning	East Kilbride AC	0	0	0.00
	Total		98	228	4.60

**Spring Fly Fishing International
Rutland Water, England
16th May 2025**

The dry and bright conditions which were prevalent throughout the spring continued during the international week at Rutland. During the practice sessions all four countries appeared to have identified which areas were holding fish and just as importantly which areas weren't.

On match day some areas were pretty congested and it was difficult to tell which country was going to come out on top. As the boats returned at the end of the match it looked like England were looking confident. They were first to go to the scales and their 185 trout for 367lb 9oz earned them the gold medal. Scotland took the silver with 177 trout for 347lb 10oz. Ireland were third with 108 trout and Wales were fourth with 99 trout.

	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
England	185	367	9
Scotland	177	347	10
Ireland	108	209	14
Wales	193	193	4

Top individual rod and winner of the Brown Bowl and the Phoenix Silver Salver with 27 trout for 53lb 5oz was Scotland's Tyler Hay. Tyler has been very consistent in the recent internationals having been second in the 2024 Autumn match and 6th in the 2024 Spring match.

Top rod for England was Gary Morris with 22 trout for 43lb 8oz. James Fegan was top rod for Ireland with 20 trout and Stephen Jones was top rod for Wales with 15 trout



Tyler Hay receiving the Brown Bowl from IFFA President Ian Wilson and IFFS Secretary Michael Callaghan



Back Row Michael Callaghan(IFFA Secretary), George Mackenzie (International Secretary, Derek Keenan(Manager), Ben Robertson, Ronnie McKean, Martin McCafferty, Alan Steven, Michael Low, Ronnie Gilbert, PJ Mackintosh and Ian Wilson (IFFA President)
 Front Row: Brian Fletcher, Gregor Fleming, Kenny Sichi, Derek Marklow(Captain), Kevin McCabe, Alex Donald and Tyler Hay

**Autumn International
 Lake of Menteith
 12th September 2025**

Scotland took the gold medal at the autumn international by two fish from England. The 2025 Autumn International was held at Menteith on 12th September and the four teams had to contend with a day of squally showers and hard fishing. The fishing had been difficult for the whole week and a low catch on match day was anticipated. The teams wish to thank the boatmen who gave up their day to control the boats and the staff at Menteith who were supportive throughout the week.

Autumn International – Lake of Menteith 12 th September 2025			
	Fish	Lbs	Ozs
Scotland	44	115	1.5
England	42	110	9.3
Ireland	38	101	8.4
Wales	31	80	14.3



Scotland's Captain, Martin McCafferty receiving the team trophy from IFFA President Ian Wilson

During the match it was difficult to assess which team was likely to come out on top and as the boats came in the managers did a quick tally which revealed that it was going to be a tight result.

England were first to weigh-in with 42 trout for 110lb 9.3oz but had to settle for second place behind Scotland's 44 fish for 115lb 1.5oz.

Ireland took third place with 38 fish for 101lb 8.4oz with Wales in fourth with 31 fish for 80lb 14.3oz.

Top rod and winner of the Brown Bowl and the Phoenix Silver Salver was Tyler Hay of Scotland with 10 trout for 22lb 4.8oz. Tyler Hay was winning back to back Brown Bowls having been the top rod at the 2025 Spring International at Rutland. This was the first time since 1998/1999 that an angler had won the Brown Bowl at two consecutive internationals.

Top rod for England with 7 trout for 16lb 12.1oz was Tony Fox. Stuart Pickard was top rod for Wales with 7 trout for 14lb 15.9oz and top rod for Ireland was Basil Shields with 6 trout for 13lb 9.5oz

photo
Tyler Hay with the Brown Bowl



This was an excellent team performance by Scotland with three anglers in the top 10 and five in the top 13.

Robert Gibson with his first senior cap for Scotland was in fourth place overall with 6 trout for 14lb 11.2oz. Martin McCafferty (captain) was 8th with 5 trout for 12lb 1.9oz. Peter Auchterlonie was in 12th place with 3 trout for 9lb 9.5oz and Colin Macdonald was in 13th place with 4 trout for 9lb 4oz.



Back Row (from Left): Michael Callaghan (IFFA Secretary) George Mackenzie (international secretary) Tyler Hay Ian Hutcheon Sean McCaffrey Peter Auchterlonie Ben Robertson Michael Low Neil Cockburn Derek Keenan (manager) Ian Wilson (IFFA President)
 Front Row: Brian Kennedy Ronnie Gilbert Kenny Finlayson Martin McCafferty (captain) Colin Macdonald Robert Gibson and Michael Ward

**River International
 12th June 2025
 Munster Blackwater**

Ireland were convincing winners of the River International on the Munster Blackwater with 27 placings which was 20 placings in front of Scotland who had 47 placings. England were third with 63 placings and Wales were fourth with 64 placings.

The Ireland team filled the top five individual spots with Scotland's Mark Straughen in 6th, Matthew Skeoch in 8th, Grant Gibson in 9th, Robert Maxwell in 10th and Scott Hamilton in 14th.

2025 River International Munster Blackwater, Ireland – 12 th June 2025			
	Fish	Points	Place Points
Ireland	160	6998	27
Scotland	90	3981	47
England	43	1830	63
Wales	48	2088	64



Scotland Team from left: Ian Jones (manager and reserve), Scott Hamilton, Mark Straughen (captain), Matthew Skeoch, Robert Maxwell and Grant Gibson

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