



SFSA Member Newsletter

Dec 2019

Exec Update



2019 has been a year of challenges for all involved in running the Federation. SportsScotland have now pulled any investment across all 3 disciplines of angling, meaning that what all we have to work with is membership and club annual fees. Moving forward we are having to manage very carefully what we can and cannot do as a governing body.

Ian Napier has also retired, and goes with a huge thank you from all the members, but he leaves a massive hole for us to fill, for the first time in our history we do not have a secretary to handle our administration, someone to man the phone and to keep us in line..

We are trying to manage with volunteers from within the exec, so bear with us as we put in place new procedures and responsibilities. There has also been an issue with our email system and the change over from Ian, which meant we have been offline for a few months, I'm pleased to say this has now been resolved and with the new membership payment system now fully online, we will quickly get caught up with everything.

The good news from the exec is that we have 3 new members to the board bringing a bit more youth, enthusiasm and modern skill sets which we need to move forward.

We welcome:

Mike Kyle.

Chris Horn

Alasdair Campbell

We are actively looking for an admin person to help us, we can manage a small voluntary role, someone that has spare time and wants to help???



The new calendars, are ready and the exec members will be taking membership monies when they see you, and handing out the calendars to members that have renewed with payment to the bank account or those that have tried the new online membership system through the Angling Scotland Website.

From all on the exec we wish you the very best for 2020.

Mike Horn- President

Introduction

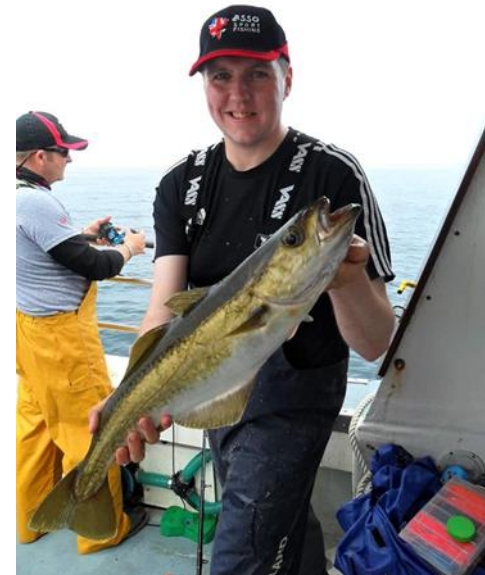


It has been a while since the Federation has officially communicated to you through a newsletter and we must apologise for this. As Mike mentioned in the Exec update we face many challenges in terms of resources both financially and in personnel.

However the Executive have been working hard in the background to keep the Federation in a good position, running competitions, attending International events, undertaking required training (from SportsScotland) and assisting in environmental campaigns etc. Much of this work is unseen and with a small executive, can be a challenge to fit in to everyones schedules.

But there is much more we would like and need to do as we move forward and this newsletter is the start of the progress we hope to make over the coming years to improve our Federation and promote and protect our sport. This newsletter should give you a feel for what has happened in 2019 and some of the upcoming events in 2020. In 2020 we hope to make these newsletters a regular occurrence and I would encourage all members to email in any information they would like included. In 2020, I would like to see the Federation become more active on Environmental issues and grass roots development and I hope to include Specific updates on these areas in future newsletters. Again if any members would like to share any ideas in these areas or feel they can assist in any way then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Finally I will highlight that memberships for both clubs and individuals are due for renewal and details of how to do this are included below. I hope you will continue to support our Federations work and at the AGM I hope to give a detailed breakdown on what we have achieved to date and how we intend to move forward our Federation on in 2020.



Have a Very Merry Xmas & Tight Lines in 2020
Alasdair Campbell- Vice President

Please email any correspondence to
sfsasecretary@googlemail.com . We currently don't have a
Secretary but various members of the Exec monitor the Inbox

Individual Memberships

Annual subscription to the Federation falls due for renewal on the 1st January 2020.

Benefits of Membership

- Ensure your voice is heard.
- Support our work to promote, grow and protect the sport of Sea angling in Scotland.
- Members enjoy PI insurance cover in case an accident happens.
- Opportunity to be involved in a pathway to international selection - juniors, youths, ladies or seniors.
- Access to sea angling coaches and potential for further education via UKCC qualifications giving opportunities to coach.
- Individuals members leagues and ability to qualify for Scottish teams.

Attached to this correspondence is a blank renewal form that you may complete and return if there are any changes to your personal information. Please send to sfsasecretary@googlemail.com. This form can also be used for new membership applications.

The annual subscription remains at £20 for senior members, £22 for families and £2 for juniors. There are different ways in which you can pay your subscription. The preferred way and at least cost to the Federation is to pay your sub. directly into our account, the details are;

Name: The Scottish Federation of Sea Anglers

Sort Code 83-19-04

Account number 00754966.

Please remember to include your name and reference to membership if paying this way and please drop an email to sfsasecretary@googlemail.com to confirm.

You can also pay using Paypal (sfsasecretary@googlemail.com), Please remember to include your name and reference to membership if paying this way. OR by cheque made payable to 'Scottish Federation of Sea Anglers. These can be sent to; Alasdair Campbell, 2 Shodshill Mill Farm, Lanark, ML118NT.

In 2020 we are looking at migrating to an online membership platform which is also being used by the SFCA and SANA. This would allow easier management of your membership with less man handling for both the exec and members. You can view this platform at <https://adbos.azolve.com/Account.mvc/Login?ReturnUrl=%2f> .2 members of the Exec have recently being trained in the use of the site and will be evaluating its potential for the Federation,



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Example of some Exec Activities in 2019



Exec members have been supporting the training of new angling coaches.



Angling Scotland Limited

Exec member has been supporting the implementation of Angling Scotland Limited. A required body from SportsScotland to allow all angling bodies to keep their national body status

National Boat Comps 2019

Across Scotland, the Federation, EFSA and individual clubs organised boat competitions attended by anglers from all over Scotland and further a field.



Thanks goes out from the federation to all the organisers of these events, who put in lots of their spare time to host great events enjoyed by so many.

Headline Winners for 2019

SFSA Boat League

- 1- Scott Gibson
- 2- Peter Redshaw
- 3- Steve Burns

West of Scotland Open- Scott Gibson

EFSA Arbroath Cod Festival- Peter Redshaw

Scottish Open Light Line Championships- Peter Redshaw

North of Scotland Championships- Scott Gibson

Highlands & Islands Open- John Nicolson

Western isles Open- Scott Gibson

Viking Championships- Kevin Mackay

Scottish Open- Paul Firth



**2019 Boat League Winner
Scott Gibson**

Special Mention- Steve Souter came exceptionally close to winning the European Championships this year, coming a very close 2nd in a highly competitive field in Weymouth.

National Boat Comps 2019- Some Pictures from 2019



International Boat Team – Home Nations 2019

Scotland fielded a team at this years Home Nations event held in Weymouth and hosted by the Angling Trust in June. The team consisted of Don Campbell (Manager), Daz Rose (Captain), Alasdair Campbell, Gillies Mackenzie, Scott Rennie, Tom Lessels & John Little. As so often happens at these events, the weather was good in the preceding days for practice but come the main event, the weather turned foul. Fishing was restricted to inshore waters with anglers scratching out a mix of small fish including, rays, conger, bream and gurnard. Winners of this years event were Ireland who fished very consistently over the two days across the team. Unfortunately Scotland landed in 4th place. Thanks went to the Angling Trust for organising the event and to all the teams who created a competitive but friendly atmosphere.



SALC Home International Boat Angling Championship – Weymouth June 12th – June 16th

10 YEARS ANGLING TRUST

England	Day One	Total %	Day Two	Total %	Overall Total %	
Gary Geoghegan (M)	56.25		100.00		156.25	
Martin Bobbett	90.00		100.00		190.00	
Brett Lomas	66.66		33.33		99.99	
Richard Day	61.36		46.77		108.13	
Cliff Newbold	93.75		41.86		135.61	
John Bellamy	70.83		70.00		140.83	
Peter Bailey (R)						
Cliff Williams (2 nd R)		438.85		391.96		830.81
IRELAND						
Liam O' Callaghan (M)						
Dan Lynch	89.58		46.51		136.09	
Pat Condon	93.75		100.00		193.75	
Padraic Clear	77.08		86.66		163.74	
Pat Wright	56.81		51.61		108.42	
David McCormick	100.00		61.29		161.29	
Heiko Dreier	93.75	510.97	62.79	408.86	156.54	919.83
SCOTLAND						
Don Campbell (M)	100.00		40.00		140.00	
Darren Rose	95.83		53.22		149.05	
Tom Lessels	65.90		32.98		98.45	
Scott Rennie	52.27		56.81		108.08	
Gillies Mackenzie	16.66		56.66		73.32	
John Little	20.83	351.49	22.58	260.82	43.41	612.31
WALES						
Phil Clarke (M)	100.00		60.46		160.46	
Peter Duffield	75.00		38.70		113.70	
Mark East						
Medwyn Jones	41.66		27.41		69.07	
Stuart Jones	86.00		26.66		112.66	
Mark Northam/R.A.M.S.	20.83		23.25		44.08	
Colin Orme Thomas	93.18	414.67	46.66	223.14	139.84	639.81

International Boat Team – Home Nations 2019



International Boat Team – Home Nations 2020



Wales will host the Home Nations in 2019 out of Milford Haven, summary details are given here and an application form for the squad with further information is attached to this correspondence. Applications are invited from all federation members.

Venue: Milford Haven

Date: 17-20 June (Squad will travel to Milford Haven on 13th June and leave on 21st June)

Practice: It is expected that the Squad will travel to Milford Haven for a practice weekend 1 month in advance of the event. Cost to be confirmed.

Costs: Costs are yet to be confirmed but based on previous events it can be expected that the financial commitment from each angler will be c.£1,000 for competition fees, hotels, practice boats and bait. At this time, SportScotland provide no funding for International teams and any financial assistance will have to be sourced from alternative sources.

Team Selection will be via the evaluation of applications made relevant to the following criteria;

1- Venue Experience / Performance (40%)

Competition Experience / Performance on the venue to include recognised events at National, European or International level over previous 10 years.- PRIMARY

Other experience such as local events / competitions or Scotland Team events similar venues that can be verified.– SECONDARY

2- Competition Performance (40%)

Results in competitions of recognised events worldwide over previous 10 years.

3- Team Work (20%)

Previous experience / participation within the Scottish Team Squad over the previous 10 years. - PRIMARY

3 independent judges will evaluate all applications.

National Shore Comps 2019

Across Scotland, the Federation organised several competitions through 2019.

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Headline Winners for 2019

Lunan Bay Open- Steve Rischardson

Loch Fyne Open- Chris Horn

Scottish Open- Gareth Gardiner

East Fife Open- Mike Kyle

Individual Members- Chris Horn

Clyde & West Open- Neil Cutler

Erskine Open- Neil Cutler

Flounder Championships- David Proudfoot

Bass Rock Open- Gareth Gardiner

Iain Reid Memorial- Lesley Maby

National Shore Comps- 2020



SFSA OPEN SHORE MATCH LEAGUE

The Federation will this year run an open league alongside the Individual Members Shore League. This will be held in conjunction with the eight pegged matches listed below.

Entry fee will be a one off £20, 100% of this will be paid out at the end of the league. Anglers can enter before any event, but already held event results will not count towards their total. Each angler will count their top four results from the selected matches, points will be awarded as per the current individual members format. In the event of a tie, the next best result will act as a tie break, after this it will go to results six, onwards. It is anticipated that a minimum of the top three places will receive prize money at the end of the league, though this could increase depending on entry.

Open League

Match 1- 28th March SFSA Spring Open Riverside Drive- lug and mack only

Match 2- 17th May SFSA Open St Cyrus

Match 3- 6th and 7th June SFSA 2 Day Open Riverside Drive

Match 4- 23rd August Clyde and West Open

Match 5- 20th September SFSA Erskine Open

Match 6- 11th October SFSA Flounder Championships Lunan Bay

Match 7- 7th and 8th November Ian Reid Memorial

Match 8- 22nd November Bassrock Open

National Shore Comps- 2020



Other Matches

Match 1- 15th March SFSA Cod Open Arbroath

Match 2- 28th March SFSA Spring Open Riverside Drive Lug and Mackerel only

Match 3- 17th May SFSA Open St Cyrus

Match 4- 6th and 7th June SFSA 2 Day Open Riverside Drive

Match 5- 26th July East Fife Open

Match 6- 1st August Individual Members Shire Championship

Match 7- 23rd August Clyde and West Open

Match 8- 20th September SFSA Erskine Open

Match 9- 11th October SFSA Flounder Championships Lunan Bay

Match 10- 7th and 8th November Ian Reid Memorial

Match 11- 15th November SFSA 5 Man Team Championships

Match 12- 22nd November Bassrock Open

International Shore Junior Team - 2019

The development of the Scottish Youth Shore Angling Team has proved to be a success over the last 3 years resulting in very respectable results, 2 silver medals (Wales 2017, Ireland 2019) and a championship winning gold medal (Scotland 2018) probably the most consistent youth team at the championships over this period.

Wales 2017

Scotland's youths entered these championships which were being held at Pwllheli in N Wales. The team weren't expected to be in the mix for top honours having consistently been the team to pick up Bronze or Dark Bronze medals over the previous recent years. The team learned and practiced to fish for smaller species (bream, wrasse, gobbies) at extreme distances using very light lines (0.16 – 0.20 diameter lines). After good practice sessions the team competed very well winning a Silver medal only missing out on a Gold by a count back of fish.

Scotland 2018

This championship was to be held on home ground in the deep sea lochs of the west coast of Scotland. Expected catches of dogfish, mackerel, gurnards and dabs and the techniques to catch them were more akin to what the boys were used to using. The resulting Gold medal was the first the team had won for over 15 yrs and proved to be the highlight of some of the teams fishing careers so far.

Ireland 2019

Fished on the beaches of County Kerry in SW Ireland the teams would mainly be fishing for flounders and bass with the chance of catching mullet and rays. The team practiced hard but the conditions were not great for large catches of fish, the fishing was hard with some zones only being won with a few fish. The team had to scratch hard for their fish and in a tight finish ended up taking the 2nd place Silver medal.

This continued success is all due to the hard work put in by the members of the team and coaches, through practice and learning varying skills for the different venues encountered, they have developed their abilities to be able to fish against most teams with a good level of success. It is important that this success is continued and encouraged and the youths then go forward to represent Scotland and produce strong senior teams at both Home Nations and World Championships.

Special thanks go to our coaches and organisers who have put in a huge amount of effort to not only organise the events and practices but also the fundraising which allows the juniors to attend these events.

International Shore Junior Team - 2019



Scotland's Young Fishers are FINTASTIC!

Youngsters in Scotland have set the bar high at the home internationals in Rossbeigh and Inch in Tralee, County Kerry Ireland with a brand-new team – the future looks promising!

Contrary to expectations, the new squad were delighted to return home from the competition, bringing the silver award with them.

They were going for gold but were knocked from first place at the last second by the English team.

16, of Stranraer and twins Bruce and Thomas Copeland, 14 from Glenluce – deserve a massive round of applause.

The previous team were recently promoted from the junior team to the young team as a result of their success, which made space for our five brilliant youngsters.



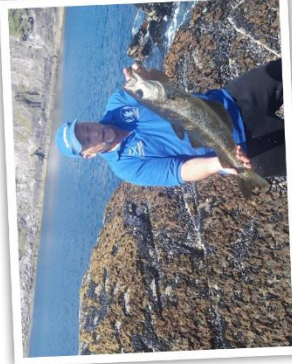
Elated Scottish coach Lindsay Wilson said “We just missed out on the gold. The English manager shook my hand with 20 minutes to go as he thought we had won.

“We were sitting with four zone wins at that point but a few fish at the end changed the outcome.

“But it was still a great result for five new caps with very difficult fishing”

Credit where credit's due, our young fishers – Ciaran Peck, 16 of Stornoway, Luke

McNaught, 16 of Glasgow, Andrew McLean,



pick the final team from that squad. But this year the youths needed four of my anglers, leaving me with a full team of new caps. We get a lot of our young stars from the Clyde and the West match in Greenock that I run.

“Clubs and individuals contact me if they think they've talented youngsters.

“On the subject of up-and-coming talent, I wouldn't bet against there being a future Scotland angler in 10-year-old Stuart Kyle.”

One half of a remarkable father and son team, he was first noticed at the East Fife sea angling club's summer open.

Stuart's overjoyed dad, Mike said “He's doing great – he only really started this year. He's too young for the Scotland team but hopefully one day...”



If you would like more information contact Lindsay on 07751 051782 or visit the Facebook page Scotland Junior Angling Team.



International Shore Junior Team - 2020

The Federation hope to send Junior Shore teams to both the World Championships and Home nations in 2020. This will be a massive achievement if it can be pulled off but will require massive commitment from our coaches, organisers and anglers.

If you know any juniors who are interested or can offer any assistance or funding to the teams then please get in touch



International Shore Senior Team - 2019



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NAME	COUNTRY	SESSION 1	SESSION 2	
Mike Horn	Scotland	2	2	
Chris Horn	Scotland	1	2	
David Neil	Scotland	4	1	
Les McCarthy	Scotland	4	2	
Mike Kyle	Scotland	3	3	
Final Scores		14	10	24

NAME	COUNTRY	SESSION 1	SESSION 2	
George Smith	England	3	3	
Henry Randell	England	3	4	
Andrew Dugdale	England	1	4	
Ian Bowell	England	1	3	
Ben Arnold	England	3	4	
Final Scores		11	18	29

NAME	COUNTRY	SESSION 1	SESSION 2	
Franco Attanassio	Wales	2	2	
Phil George	Wales	2	1	
Neil Evans	Wales	1	1	
Dai Loder	Wales	3	4	
Tony Thomas	Wales	4	1	
Final Scores		12	9	21

NAME	COUNTRY	SESSION 1	SESSION 2	
Sean Murray	Ireland	1	1	
Eugene Farrelly	Ireland	2	3	
Karl Fogarty	Ireland	4	2	
Paul Whelan	Ireland	4	3	
Stephen O' Donavan	Ireland	2	4	
Final Scores		13	13	26

Mens Team Results

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2019 WORLD GAMES 36th World Championship Shore Angling Seniors



08.02.2019 till 15.02.2019

Langebaan, South Africa



3rd Competition Day (13.02.2019)

Nations Classification

Rank	Nation	Ranks	Points	Count	Max
1	Spain	3 + 17 + 24 + 26 = 70	114 105	116	4 085
2	Netherlands	5 + 12 + 28 + 34 = 79	102 052	112	4 295
3	Wales	1 + 10 + 32 + 38 = 81	104 901	83	10 784
4	Ireland	13 + 15 + 18 + 52 = 98	93 991	103	3 042
5	France	2 + 21 + 39 + 40 = 102	101 896	96	12 574
6	Italy	19 + 31 + 33 + 37 = 120	93 415	89	10 228
7	Scotland	8 + 30 + 41 + 45 = 124	83 622	86	2 522
8	South Africa	7 + 14 + 44 + 63 = 128	100 265	83	5 712
9	Portugal	4 + 11 + 51 + 64 = 130	100 841	104	4 156
10	Namibia	27 + 29 + 35 + 43 = 134	87 910	90	2 722
11	Germany	9 + 23 + 49 + 62 = 143	88 522	86	3 387
12	Paraguay	6 + 16 + 78 + 88 = 188	73 600	49	25 718
13	England	36 + 42 + 54 + 60 = 192	79 630	84	3 894
14	Tunisia	22 + 50 + 69 + 83 = 224	60 310	61	3 269
15	Croatia	46 + 48 + 70 + 72 = 236	65 187	72	2 722
16	Gibraltar	20 + 56 + 80 + 81 = 237	50 096	50	3 758
17	Brazil	25 + 57 + 76 + 85 = 243	49 665	43	3 154
18	Belgium	68 + 71 + 74 + 77 = 290	50 563	53	2 522

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International Shore Senior Team - 2020



The dates for international shore fish offs 2020 (wales/tunisia) are as follows-

13th and 14th june stranraer area
15th and 16th august arbroath area
18th october greenock area
31st october prestwick area

Exact venues will be announced 4 weeks before match but will be in above areas.

Baits will be supplied for each match.

3 mackerel will count in each of the matches, but no feathering or spinning will be permitted.

Due to changes in rules by cip/fips and salc, an international code of conduct will be required to be signed by each participant in these fish offs.

If you wish to enter fish offs an entry fee of £55 will have to be paid to federation by 31st of January 2020.

Please remember that Ian Napier is no longer with the Federation, so do not send payments to him.

If you are paying into SFSA account please put your name as a reference and it is important that you let one of the three contacts listed below know that you have paid.

Any questions please contact, Mike Kyle, Chris Horn, or David Neil and we will try to help