



SWFSA NEWS -

February 2018

Update from the AGM

South West Federation of Sea Anglers Annual General Meeting and Presentation Evening 2018

This was held at Sidmouth Sea Angling Club HQ on the 14th February 2015 with 38 persons representing 7 clubs and the personal members. With little correspondence received the meeting was quite quick. A proposal to re-elected the Committee back 'en bloc' was carried unanimously.

The only constitution change that was voted in, was to reduce the days for FOTM submissions to 10 days from the end of the month.

This will be introduced in 2019.

We could still do with some more committee members. If you are interested in coming on the committee contact Andrew. Contact details available on the website.

A reminder was also given to all club present that Juniors can process fish for a certificate at 75% of the specimen weight!

A discussion took place on the Bass Restrictions.

A member asked what the stance was from the federation with the current Bass Ruling. He stated that the renew ruling was published today stating that Bass must be returned immediately after capture.

We will try and clarify the exact ruling and put out a statement shortly.

If this is the case, and fish need to be returned "**immediately**" no weighing would be allowed, or photo opportunity.

In light of this the Federation would not be able to accept any Bass whilst this ruling is in place.

A selection of photos and list of winners will be added to the presentation page on the website, Please check it out!

Fish Recorders info is on the next page and as it's full I will sign off now!

Wishing you all good fishing

Andrew

Fish Recorders report.

A total of 246 FOTM claim forms were received last year.

This is an increase of 38 from the previous year

236 Senior and 10 Junior Entries

9 Fish were recorded under 100%

90 fish between 100 and 110%

68 Fish were between 110 and 125%

61 Fish between 125 and 150%

15 fish between 150 and 175%

2 fish between 175 and 200%

141 fish were recorded from the Shore 105 from the Boat of which 6 were processed from the Wrecks.

20 fish were processed for Catch and Release

Top specimen from the Shore was a Red Gurnard of 1lb 14oz 12dr caught by Kyle Bowler.

Top specimen from the Boat was a Brill of 7lb 11oz caught by Steve Butler

1 New Junior Boat Record

3 catch and release records

Major Award Winners were:-

Best Fish By A Lady

Dee Weeding Undulate Ray 15lb 15ozs 1 32.80%

Best Junior

Jack Pike Smoothound 11lb 1oz 12dr 111.09%

Best Specimen Of The Year

Kyle Bowler Red Gurnard 1lb 14oz 12dr 192.19%

Best total percentage from 3 different Species Over all.

Kyle Bowler Black Bream 3lb 7ozs 171.88%

Kyle Bowler Red Gurnard 1lb 14oz 12dr 192.19%

Kyle Bowler Pouting 2lb 0ozs 133.33% Total of 497.39%

Best 3 Species By A Personal Member

JAMES ATKINSON SMALL EYED RAY 12lb 6oz 8dr 155.08%

JAMES ATKINSON Spurdog 10lb 13oz 8dr 135.49%

JAMES ATKINSON Bull Huss 12lb 13ozs 128.13% total of 418.69%

Best Shore Fish By A Personal Member

Andrew Atkinson Spurdog 13lb 12ozs 171.88%

Best Boat Fish By A Personal Member

Glynn Rodd Cod 27lb 13ozs 154.51%

Best Released Fish from a Boat

David Atkinson Spurdog 16lb 4ozs 134.90%

Best Released Fish from the Shore

Cameron Atkinson Spurdog 11lb 14ozs 148.44%

Best Released Fish By a Junior

Jack Pike Tope 52lb 0ozs 130.00%