SFCC / RAFTS Annual Biologists' Meeting
&
SFCC Annual General Meeting

Marine Scotland Freshwater Laboratory, Pitlochry

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Day 1: Wednesday 30th January 2013

10:30 **OPEN** **James Hunt**
Welcome, general introduction & update from SFCC Chairman

SESSION 1: UPDATES

10:35 **Updates from SFCC, RAFTS and Marine Scotland Science**
Updates from the three organisations with opportunities for questions & discussion

11:40 **RAFTS Barriers prioritisation** **Rob Mitchell**
An update on the national strategy to prioritise obstruction removal

12:00 ***Gyrdrodactylus salaris* eradication procedures on the River Vefsna, Norway** **Chris Horrill**
A report on the visit to the River Vefsna to observed GS eradication in action

12:20 **UDN project** **Sandra Schlittenhardt**

12:45 **LUNCH**

13:45 **SFCC Annual General Meeting**
Please see separate agenda

15:00 **COFFEE**

SESSION 2: TROUT – monitoring and tracking

Chair: Ronald Campbell

15:30 **Tweed Trout logbooks** **Kenny Galt**
The Tweed Trout logbook scheme

16:00 **Annan Trout monitoring** **Nick Chisolm**
Monitoring the effect of catch and release on Brown Trout catches

16:10 **Monitoring Trout catches on Loch Awe** **Allan Kettlewhite**
A comparison of recent and historical catch data for Trout from Loch Awe

16:25 **Accoustic tracking Trout from the Black Water** **Marcus Walters**
A joint presentation from the Deveron, Bogie & Isla Rivers Trust & the Moray Firth sea Trout Project to understand the migration pattern of Trout from the Black Water, an upland tributary of the Deveron

16:40 **Angling diary** **James Hunt**
A report on the online angling diary progress

17:00 **CLOSE**

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19:00 **DINNER**

Day 2: Thursday 31st January 2013

09:30 **OPEN** **James Hunt**
Welcome & general introduction

SESSION 3: CONSERVATION LIMIT SETTING FOR SALMON

Chair: Julian Maclean

09:35 **Conservation limit setting for Scottish Rivers** **Julian Maclean**
The background to conservation limit setting and its application to Scottish Rivers

10:05 **Natural production of Atlantic Salmon in the Endrick Water in relation to carrying capacity** **Andy Burrows**
A practical example from the Lomond Trust

10:30 **Conservation limit setting for tributaries using fish counters** **James Hunt**
Putting together length-fecundity relationships and their application to fish counter data

Discussion

11:00 **SIGMA 7** **Jonathan Bunn**
A demonstration of a hand held device used in Ireland for field data collection

11:30 **A web based mapping system for bringing together fisheries specific data**
David Frasier and Louise Bermingham
An outline concept of how a web based mapping system could be used to view or share fisheries data from different organisations

12:00 **LUNCH**

SESSION 4 : RESTORATION AND MITIGATION

13:00 **Restoration of the Rottal Burn in Glen Clova** **Marshall Halliday**
Channel realignment of the Rottal Burn to establish connection with the local flood plain

13:20 **Restoration of the Fishrie Burn** **Richie Miller**
Dam removal, insteam habitat improvement and river bank restoration on a tributary of the Deveron

13:40 **Flow regulation on the River Awe** **Allan Kettlewhite**
Ecological assessment to inform changes in the flow regime from Loch Awe Dam

SESSION 5 : GENERAL

14:00 **Moray Firth Sawbill group** **Keith Williams**
A presentation from the Ness & Beauly Fisheries Trust on coordinated data collection and license application

Discussion – can we collect or analyse Sawbill data in better ways?

14:30 **Crayfish eradication in Lochaber** **Diane Baum**
The trials and tribulations of a Signal Crayfish eradication attempt for a quarry Loch in Lochaber

14:50 **The River Naver Fisheries** **Chris Conroy**
A presentation on the work carried out by Chris for The River Naver Fisheries

15:15 **CLOSE**

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