

SPECIAL
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TEREST:

- **SNAP** Scotland's countryside charity invests in angling development
- **JADBOS** Scotland's new angling development group
- **Coaches and leaders** growing angling participation levels requires more volunteer coaches and leaders
- **Club structure** recognize your role as a club
- **Be a castaway** - the national web based club for young anglers
- **Old kit turned into new** - YOU CAN HELP



Coaching at
Kingennie fishery

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The Scottish National Angling Programme

This Newsletter has been designed by SNAP to begin a new process of communication around and within Scotland's angling community.

With the introduction and funding of a full time professional sports development manager by Scotland's countryside charity, the Scottish Countryside Alliance Educational Trust, angling for the first time had the opportunity to create a development structure for the growth and sustainability of the sport.



SNAP was set up in September 2006 to create a socially inclusive structure for growth within the angling community. The programme is funded for three years at which point the angling community and its governance will take over the running of the programme.

SNAP's three main areas of work will be in club development; volunteer training; and the creation

of a national web based angling club for young people. The SNAP manager will also chair the newly formed Joint Angling Development Bodies Of Scotland (JADBOS) who will be responsible for the overall development of the sport and the uptake after 3 years of any structures put in place by SNAP.



Joint Angling Development Bodies of Scotland (JADBOS)

Conception

JADBOS was set up by SNAP to ensure any future development work in angling was controlled by one central group consisting of a quorum of the three angling governing bodies and advisors from other relevant areas e.g. casting instruction and further education.

JADBOS aims:

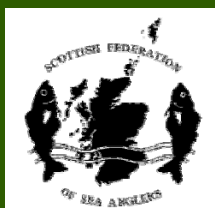
a) to promote and facilitate the growth of the sport of angling in Scotland. This will be achieved through creating, managing and administering one, UK recognized, credible and progressive coach education structure that caters for the volunteer leader through to the career coach

b) to promote and market the Scottish Angling Coaching Programme to the angling community and any other relevant partners and ensure that they are informed of the progress and implementation of the new coach education structure.



The growth of angling is dependent on an increase in the number of active volunteer coaches/leaders

Scotland's Angling Governing Bodies



River Spey Angling Association leaders and juniors

New Coach Education Structure

The current situation

Angling instruction in Scotland at present is based around internal game fishing instructional qualifications delivered by a number of angling organizations. The courses are costly and time consuming and therefore the majority of candidates are individuals working on their own professional development. This programme, all though of high quality, is run for anglers by anglers, is based around game fly angling only and is not recognized externally by generic coaching/qualification bodies. It is not designed to grow numbers of volunteer angling coaches/leaders across all angling disciplines but to create career development opportunities for entrepreneurial game fishing, casting instructors. This structure undoubtedly has its place as a specialized internal angling 'bolt on' qualification to a coach's CV but it requires a grassroots coach education structure below it to help grow the participation levels of the sport; this will in turn provide business

for fisheries and therefore the professional casting instructors.

The new structure

The new coach education structure will be designed to create a progressive pathway from volunteer leader to international Coach. Its purpose will be to generate sufficient coaches and leaders to help deliver angling skills to a new generation of anglers and to current anglers in a safe enjoyable and environmentally responsible fashion. The structure will be administered and delivered by JADBOS and will be compliant with the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) and will be a United Kingdom Coaching Certificate (UKCC).

The Scottish Angling Coaching Programme will begin with the Scottish Angling Leaders Award (SALA). Ideally every adult working with young people in angling environment should go through this course (see below). Candidates wishing to progress to coach status and to gain a UKCC qualification will then go on to level 1

and 2 UKCC. To follow on from this links are being made with LANTRA, Barony and Inverness Colleges to provide progressions into land based Scottish Vocational Qualifications SVQ's, and further education opportunities in guiding and fisheries management courses.

For the first time Scotland will have a clear progressive coach education structure for angling. Delivered by one body (JADBOS) and recognized by external funding and educational organizations.

Coach licence

Coaches who are currently qualified with an angling qualification and who wish to cross over into the new structure will be considered for Approved Prior Learning. This process will take into account the areas from the new qualification that have been covered in your previous qualification giving credit to the candidate saving duplication.

The new structure is currently being developed by JADBOS, UKCC and the angling governance of the other home nations.

Scottish Angling Leaders Award...

...To develop a raft of new volunteer leaders to the sport of angling in Scotland, through the development and delivery of a Foundation Course, the Scottish Angling Leaders Award. Participants will learn how to encourage young people to 'have a go' at fishing, and introduce young anglers to the sport in a safe, enjoyable and environmentally responsible manner, whilst understanding their roles and responsibilities as a volunteer.

Fishing offers young people more choices, healthy social recreation, release from rural isolation and urban exclusion. However, if angling and all its social, environ-

mental and economic benefits are to be utilized by people from all backgrounds and abilities, the volunteer base has to grow and be trained to a basic level to protect the child and the volunteer.

The new Scottish Angling Leaders Award (SALA) will not be a coaching qualification but a 'Leaders award', designed to give the volunteer protection and confidence to work with children. Although an angling award, only the very basics of angling will be covered on the course with more time being spent on how to develop a safe, fun environment, within which children can be introduced to safe outdoor activities.

The SALA course will be run on a reactive basis initially. Where a club charity or other organization is planning to involve angling in these programmes, arrangements can be made to put your volunteers through a 6 hour course to ensure they learn how to deliver a safe, fun and environmentally responsible event as well as protecting the leaders and participants.

To arrange a SALA course contact Ian Robertson at ian@scaet.org.uk or on 07733 360 621



Angling Club Development

The long term future of angling lies with the introduction of the sport to new young anglers. With all sports now working hard to attract young people, angling clubs must begin to take on a new role and recognize that the responsibility for the sustainability of the sport lies with them

— offering a reduced price ticket is no longer sufficient to grow the sport. With a well structured development section and by making use of other organizations within your community, your club can become an effective community asset as well as realizing its responsibility to the growth of its

own sport, without being a burden to the individual volunteer.

Clubs interested in creating a development section should contact:

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SNAP Manager at
ian@scaet.org.uk or on
07733 360 621



The Castaways

www.thecastaways.org.uk

The Castaways is designed to provide access to affordable equipment, fishing and instruction as well as providing a national web based club for new and current young anglers. The content of the site will be split into four sections (see below) and the club section will eventually be run by the members of the Castaways with photo galleries, competitions, angling newsround etc. This will provide an opportunity for junior clubs to share good practice ideas and possibly even make contact for away trips to other clubs.

Web site sections

Starting Out

Designed to provide information for newcomers to the sport and novice anglers, this section introduces young anglers to the basics of the sport and advising how and where to get started.

Tips and Tackle

Up to date information for current young anglers to help them develop their angling knowledge, skills and awareness of their responsibility to their environment.

The Castaways Club

This section will provide information on Scotland's first national web based angling club, how to join, competitions, photo gallery, members articles, etc

Where to Find...

Information on access to affordable equipment, fishing and instruction as well as angling courses, qualifications and career information/opportunities in angling related subjects.

Your involvement

If you know of any young people or adults interested in contributing to the website content, please send info to:

secretary@thecastaways.org.uk

We are also looking for schools and individuals to get involved with the general running of the Club. If you are interested in working for the club please contact Ian Robertson SNAP Manager at ian@scaet.org.uk or on 07733 360 621

To become a castaway you can join online at the above address.



Angus Schools Castaways at Kingennie

SNAP will
provide the
structure,
you the
angling
community
deliver the
opportunity

Where are we now?

Club development and SALA

SNAP is currently working with angling clubs in Ayrshire and Aberdeen, and is building links with clubs in the north-west Highlands and the Borders. The Development Cluster Initiative is being rolled out and the first SALA course has been delivered on Speyside with courses planned in Ayrshire and Aberdeen.

Hardy Greys will be the main sponsor of the volunteer course.

The 'Castaways' web club

The SNAP and 'Castaways' web-sites are now designed and were launched on Friday 13th April 2007.

The 'Castaways' logo and name was designed by pupils from Turriff Academy and Ross High School in a national schools' competition sponsored by Glasgow Angling Centre.

JADBOS

The Formation of One centralised body responsible for the overall development of the three angling disciplines, sea, coarse and game, will ensure that the governance of the sport is no longer fragmented and angling can follow one centralised development structure after the SNAP initiative expires in 2009.

Getting Involved in Angling Development

There are a number of ways you can get involved to help angling development.

Clubs - Create a development section. Get advice from the SNAP manager on community development clusters, club structure, junior sections, volunteer recruitment and events.

All organizations - If you work with young people and the benefits of angling appeal to you contact the SNAP Manager for advice on how to get involved.

Schools - Do you have an angling club? Would you like to create links with your local club?

Media - If you feel SNAP is a worthwhile initiative and you can offer media coverage, please contact the SNAP Manager for more information.

Send articles and information for the Castaways web site to:

secretary@thecastaways.org.uk

Retailers/Manufacturers - The Castaways is designed to give affordable access to equipment, fishing and instruction to young people. Can you help with offers to Castaways members?

Supporters - Make a donation to SNAP or offer an angling auction lot.

Anglers - The SALA course is designed to help you give some time to working with young people and passing on your skills. Encourage your club to run this 6 hour course to help you introduce young people to the sport.

For further information on Scotland's National Angling Development Programme contact:

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Unwanted fishing equipment !!!

If you have any unwanted, old or new fishing equipment and you would like to help give others the opportunity to have a go at angling, we can help.

The Glasgow Angling Centre has kindly offered to turn old and unsuitable equipment into new child friendly kit.

This will be done by selling on your old and unsuitable kit and replacing it with child friendly equipment to be used for local and national development initiatives run by schools, clubs, community centres and young peoples' charities.

Equipment and volunteers supported by a national development structure will help Scotland grow and sustain angling and its social, environmental and economic benefits.

PLEASE SEND EQUIPMENT DONATIONS TO :
SNAP, c/o GLASGOW ANGLING CENTRE,
UNIT 1, THE POINT RETAIL PARK,
29 SARACEN ST.,
GLASGOW,
G22 5HT



Useful contacts

ASSOCIATION OF SCOTTISH
STILLWATER FISHERIES
www.assf.net

ASSOCIATION OF SALMON
FISHERIES BOARDS
www.asfb.org

ATLANTIC SALMON TRUST
www.atlanticsalmontrust.org

BARONY COLLEGE
www.barony.ac.uk

BRITISH TROUT ASSOCIATION

FISHSCOTLAND
www.fishscotland.co.uk

GAME ANGLING
INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATION
www.gameanglinginstructors.co.uk

SALMON AND TROUT ASSOC.
www.salmon-trout.org

SCOTTISH ANGLERS
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www.sana.org.uk

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FOR COARSE ANGLING
www.sfca.co.uk

SCOTTISH FEDERATION
OF SEA ANGLERS
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TRUST SCOTLAND
www.rafts.org.uk

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