

Fishing news round up



There is a new leaseholder at Clubbiedean Reservoir in the Pentlands following a recent tender process by Scottish Water.

Members of the current Clubbiedean Fishing Club have been told that it will not exist after February 28.

Rudy Anderson, the leaseholder for the past five years, advised members of the situation in a message on the club Facebook page.

He said that the lease had not been renewed and revealed that Scottish Water made it a blind bid this year.

Mr Anderson said: "I will miss the fishery and all the people I have made friends with over the past five years.

"I would like to give special thanks to all who helped me out in different ways in setting up the club."

Meanwhile, I hear there is a new committee running the Musselburgh and District Angling Association and permits are available for their stretch of the River Esk from Ace Bike Co at 101 North High Street, Musselburgh EH21 6JE (behind the Brunton Hall) t: 0131 665 4468 (open 9am to 6pm, not Sunday) or the Edinburgh Angling Centre on Granton Retail Park, 65 West Harbour Road, Edinburgh EH5 1PW t: 0131 202 6351.

There is not a map for the river but Stevie Devine told me that the bottom bridge on the Esk nearest the mouth is where the stretch starts and it finishes close to The Cowpits in Whitecraig at the Dukes Wall.

The permit I'm told is £20 with concessions available.

Elsewhere, Orvis in Edinburgh (near Charlotte Square and just

off Prices Street) have another free fly tying session on Sunday, March 5 between 11am and 1.30pm.

This video may help you to get a flavour.

Anybody interested is asked to phone the shop at 19 Hope Street, EH2 4EL on 0131 226 6227. The session is open to anybody with any level of experience.

Finally, Glasgow Angling Centre at Unit 1, The Point Retail Park, 29 Saracen Street, Glasgow G22 5HT t: 0141 212 8880 are holding an open weekend on March 3 and 4 offering free tuition and free demos along with the latest products for 2017.

Among celebrities attending are broadcaster and international angler, Hywel Morgan, a Daiwa consultant, Paul Young, the actor and presenter of several TV fishing shows, and Scottish fly tying guru, David McPhail of Fulling Mill, the star of many videos available on YouTube. PS: the store also promises huge savings.