

Fishing – Young day out attracting real interest



Paul Young (left) speaks to a customer during an event hosted by Orvis in Edinburgh. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

It is the season for annual meetings and the first one in our diary is hosted by Cramond Angling Club at Cramond Boat Club at 7.30pm on Wednesday, November 21.

West Lothian Angling Association follow on Monday, November 26 at 8pm in Mid Calder Community Centre.

Musselburgh and District Angling Association hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, November 27 at 19.45 in the Congregational Church at 6 Links Street, Musselburgh.

Chris Halliday, the chairman, said that this will be the ideal opportunity for anybody interested in joining the committee and he added: "You can put your name forward for consideration by email to riveresk-mdaa@hotmail.com."

Meanwhile, bids are still coming for for a day out with fishing celebrity Paul Young, a former star of the highly-

successful TV programme, Hooked on Fishing.

Edinburgh-born Young has appeared in Still Game and The Tales of Para Handy and the auction is to raise funds for Scotland's successful ladies fly fishing team.

They have won gold in three out of the last five years in the Home Internationals against England, Ireland and Wales but the team of 12 and one reserve are looking for fresh blood to maintain their purple patch.

In 2019 they fish Draycote near Rugby in Warwickshire and they are trying to raise funds to send a team.

Paul will spend a day at a venue of the winner's choice and on a date to be mutually agreed as an auction prize and the top bid so far in the auction, which finishes at the end of the month, is £1,200.

Liz Mclellan, one of the Scottish women's fund-raising team, said that interest has been high and the Armadale-based international angler added that the auction is on Facebook.

This is one of a number of fund-raising activities by the women's team who come from all over Scotland including Helensburgh, Forfar, Irvine, Kinross and Edinburgh.