

# **Fishing – tight lines at Harlaw as anglers come on down**

**Up to 40 anglers in one day have been noted on the bank at Harlaw and Threipmuir Reservoirs.**

Alan Holbrook, secretary of Mallyen Angling Club who look after Harlaw and Threipmuir Reservoirs, several specimen fish of over 10lbs have been landed since opening day, with black and green lures proving most productive.

At Bowden Springs near Linlithgow owner Jim Gargaro reports that catches have been good with fish of over 7lbs landed.

The best patterns have been black and green tadpole on a sink tip or slow intermediate line and 11-year-old Adam Cuthill caught a well-conditioned 5lb 4oz rainbow on a green cats whisker.

And anglers have also been into hard-fishing fish at Morton Fishings with buzzer, diawl bach and lures attracting attention.

Scotland's ladies fly fishing team are gearing up for their next fund-raiser at Drumtassie near Armadale.

Armadale-based Liz Mclellan, one of the organisers, said the date is April 28 and the cost £30.

Fishing is on a catch and release basis and the ladies are raising money to compete in several major international events this summer.

A hot lunch is provided with a rod for first place. The runner-up receives a fly line and bottle and the third a fly line.

She added: "Forty places are available of which 30 are filled and Drumtassie has been fishing really well with fish up to 20lb plus being caught."