

Linlithgow extension plus latest on land and sea fishing

Linlithgow Loch has been granted an extension so anglers can now fish on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 9am to 4pm during November, and the prospects look good.

Tom Lambert, secretary of the Forth Area Federation of Anglers, who run the fishery, said that floating lines can work on the East Side of the lake which is shallower while other areas have produced with intermediate lines and lures.

Booking is advised but not essential.

Nearby, Millhall near Polmont report that their regular season is over but fishing continues at weekends.

A spokesman said that the loch "fished its socks off" last weekend with lots of big catches reported by multiple anglers.

Floating and midge-tip lines were in use by the majority of anglers with damsel, Ally McCoist, FAB, blob, buzzer and cormorant patterns all accounting for fish.

Egg and shimmie patterns also worked under a bung.

Top rods included Robbie Gibson who returned 22 fish, B Heggie with 21 fish, S Merrier had 18 fish, G King and R Weir each had 16 fish, S Pozzi had 14 fish and J Whitlam and D Merrier

returned 12 fish each.

Bowden Springs near Linlithgow is also fishing well. Peter Dancer from Oban has not fished for some years but cast a line and landed seven on yellow dancer while Mr McGeechan had two of 6lb on app and buzzer patterns.

On to sea fishing and Aquamarine Charters of Eyemouth say they have angling spaces on Saturday, November 11, leaving the dock at 7.45am. Ring 07860 804316 if you are interested.

And Stewart Falconer has confirmed that the East Fife Open Pegged Match will be on Saturday, November 25 from 3pm to 8pm on Elliot Beach near Abroath with registration from 1pm to 2pm at the Railway Bridge Car Park. Ring Stewart on 07759 379978 or Mike on 07912 842665 to book your place.

And a reminder that Mike and Chris are holding their annual Winter Heaviest Cod League starting on Saturday, November 18, registration at the Victoria Car Park, Arbroath, from 14.00 to 14.30 and fishing from 15.30 to 20.30 with boundaries from Carnoustie to Ferryden. Call Chris on 07872 944807 for more details. Four more rounds are scheduled after that.

PICTURE: Mike Horn one of the organisers of the Winter Heaviest Cod League. Picture by **Nigel Duncan** on Kirkcaldy Beach