



Annual Conference



Sustainable Fisheries

# Conference Programme

## 7th - 9th September 2004 Cardiff

Hosted by  
The Institute of Fisheries Management  
Welsh Branch

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## Tuesday 7th September

9:00	<b>Welcome to conference and house keeping</b> John Gregory, Chair, IFM Welsh Branch	
	<b>Welcome to Wales</b>	
9:10	Carwyn Jones, AM. Minister for the Environment, Planning and Countryside, Welsh Assembly Government	
9:25	<b>Sir Hugh Fish memorial lecture: Sustainable fisheries</b> Lynda Warren, Chair of the 2000 Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Review	

<b>SESSION 1 - DELIVERING COMMUNITY BENEFITS THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS. SPONSORED BY DOW CORNING.</b>		
<b>Chair: Pat O'Reilly MBE, Chair FERAC Wales</b>		
9:45	<i>Introduction: Sustainable fishery project and Fishing Wales</i> Pat O'Reilly <i>Industry, fishery development and the community</i> - Jonathon Coldman, Dow Corning <i>River Taff Salmon Homecoming Project</i> - Mary Hitchings Head of Ynyshir Primary School, Porth, Rhondda <i>Community benefits of river habitat improvements in Pembrokeshire</i> – John Stoner, Pembrokeshire Rivers Trust <i>Funding projects to deliver these benefits</i> - Andy Schofield, Environment Agency Summing up and discussion	
11:00	<b>Coffee</b>	
11:20	<i>Fisheries partnerships: Look what can be achieved in 12 years!</i> Gareth Goodchild, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Canada	
11:40	<i>A community project for tilapia aquaculture in Kenya</i> Mucai Muchiri, Charles Ngugi, Moi University, Kenya and Phil Hickley	
12:00	<i>Emerging partnerships in UK marine fisheries: A sustainable approach</i> Sally Bailey, WWF	
12:20	Discussion	
12:35	Conference photograph, front entrance to Viriamu Jones Gallery.	
12:50	<b>Lunch</b>	

<b>SESSION 2 - VALUING OUR FISHERIES, SPONSORED BY THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY.</b>		
<b>Chair: Dafydd Evans, Head of Fisheries, Environment Agency</b>		
13:50	<i>The social &amp; economic values of fishing in England &amp; Wales</i> Guy Mawle, Environment Agency	
14:10	<i>Heritage value of fisheries: Background and results</i> Diane Simpson, ADAS and Charles Crundwell, Environment Agency	
14:30	<i>The netsmen's view: Commercial exploitation or heritage?</i> John Powell and Peter Kavanagh, Severn Netsmen Association	
14:50	Discussion	
15:05	<b>Tea</b>	
15:25	<i>Does increasing angling opportunities make economic sense?</i> Claire Johnstone, Environment Agency	
15:45	<i>Assessing the value of recreational sea angling</i> Keith Lawrence/Rod Cappel, Nautilus Consultants	
16:05	<i>Economic impact of angling in Scotland</i> Geoff Riddington, Glasgow Caledonian University	
16:25	Discussion	
16:40	<b>Annual General Meeting: Institute of Fisheries Management</b>	

19:00	<b>Poster session and drinks reception at the Thistle Hotel. Sponsored by Cardiff Harbour Authority.</b>	
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Wednesday 8th September

**SESSION 3 - BALANCING ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS.**  
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**Chair: Sian Griffiths, FSBI**



- 9:00 *The benefits of saltmarshes for flood risk management & fisheries*  
Trazar Astley, Flood Defence Scientist, Environment Agency
- 9:20 *Sustainable fish stocking (title tbc)*  
David Fraser, English Nature
- 9:40 *Protecting fish from avian predators*  
Ian Russell, CEFAS
- 10:00 Discussion
- 10:15 Coffee**
- 10:35 *Lough Neagh – What is the future for the last great european eel fishery*  
Robert Rosell, Department of Agriculture, Northern Ireland – Aquatic Sciences
- 10:55 *Balancing the social value of fisheries and corporate interest*  
Øystein Aas, Norwegian Institute for Nature
- 11:15 *Managing wetlands*  
Matt Self, RSPB
- 11:35 *Cardiff Bay barrage: Balancing environmental needs*  
David Lowe, Cardiff Harbour Authority
- 11:55 Discussion

12:15 Bus to Welsh Assembly Government Building

**12:30 Lunch at Welsh Assembly Government**



Site Visits and Fishing options

- Either** Fisheries issues, and tour of the Cardiff Bay barrage and impoundment
- Or** Coarse fishing at local venue
- Or** Grayling fishing on the River Taff
- Or** St Fagans Museum of Welsh Life

**19:30 The President's Reception and Annual Dinner at Cardiff Castle**



Thursday 9th September

Session 4 - Looking after the Natural Resource: Are we doing enough to deliver sustainable benefits?

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**Chair: John Stoner, Pembrokeshire Rivers Trust.**

- 9:30 *Does salmon stocking work? A case study on the role of stocking in the recovery of the River Tyne salmon fisheries.*  
Nigel Milner, Environment Agency
- 9:50 *The eel in crisis?*  
Tony Bark, Kings College
- 10:10 *Delivering a world class fisheries service: Where is the next generation of fishery scientists coming from?*  
Dafydd Evans, Head of Fisheries, Environment Agency
- 10:30 Discussion
- 10:45 Coffee**
- 11:05 *Management of the bass fishery*  
John Leballeur, Bass Anglers Sportfishing Society
- 11:25 *The deep sea fisheries: Can they be exploited sustainably?*  
Monty Priede, Aberdeen University
- 11:45 *Sustainable management of shark populations: Reality or oxymoron?*  
Jim Ellis, CEFAS.
- 12:05 Discussion
- 12:20 Lunch**

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**Chair: John Solbe, President IFM.**

- 13:20 *Real time management of the Icelandic salmon fishery*  
David Jarron, Vaki, Iceland
- 13:40 *Sustainable management of coastal shelf fisheries*  
Nick Baily, Fisheries Research Services, Aberdeen
- 14:00 *Raising the issue of sustainable fisheries with consumers: Certifying fisheries as sustainable*  
Alex Hickman, Marine Stewardship Council
- 14:20 *Managing the cockle fishery*  
Phil Coates, South Wales Sea Fisheries Committee
- 14:40 *Salmonid 21C: The next steps towards sustainable management of salmonid fisheries*  
Keith Hendry, APEM
- 15:00 Discussion