Cardiff Bay Yacht Club

ANGLING SECTION

The angling section of CBYC is actively supported with over 60 members interested in getting out on the water and angling. We have an active Calander of events which normally plans 26 competitions throughout the year – these competitions vary in format to challenge anglers to catch either the most different species in a day, a points per species based on the difficulty or longest fish of the day, each of these competitions need a different strategy to test the angler.

Throughout the 26 competitions there is always the chance to catch the specimen of the year and in 2024, we are targeting cod, bass, bull huss and thornbacks with the chance of secure a cash prize of £50 at the annual presentation evening.

We also manage a species hunt which runs for a number of months, and surprisingly we have caught 43 different fish within the Bristol Channel in 2024. Prizes in this competition going to the top 10 anglers with a best ladies & junior prize also awarded.

The club is self-funding and stages two Open Competitions each year. The OPEN Cod competition now in its 47th year and attracts an average of 120 boats with 430 anglers, often fishing for a prize table valued at £7.5k. In 2024 we ran the inaugural Summer Open Competiton which attracted 36 boats and 114 anglers targeting 4 longest fish.

The sections moved to catch and release fishing over the past 4 years – whereby we now compete by measuring and photographing fish, before release. The section communicates through WhatsApp and Facebook sites to keep the sections members updated.

The section works hard to raise money for charity, and we usually raise over £2,000 from Charity competitions which we run as a memorial to previous members of the section. The Open Competitions, typically split 50:50 with cancer charities and the RNLI.

The cost to membership of the Angling Section is £20 p.a., which enables the section to promote the fishing competitions and maintain the prize money / fishing equipment available in our competitions.

<u>Committee</u>

The Angling Section Committee volunteer many hours, and dedication to the running of the club. We meet monthly throughout the year, to provide a varied diet of competitions and ensure the financials balance, to enable the payment of prize money and fishing tackle as we stage 27 competitions and also raise money for charity.

We hope to continue to see the section thrive and will be looking to increase our offering to attract youngsters to our sport.

Tight Lines

Committee CBYC Angling Section