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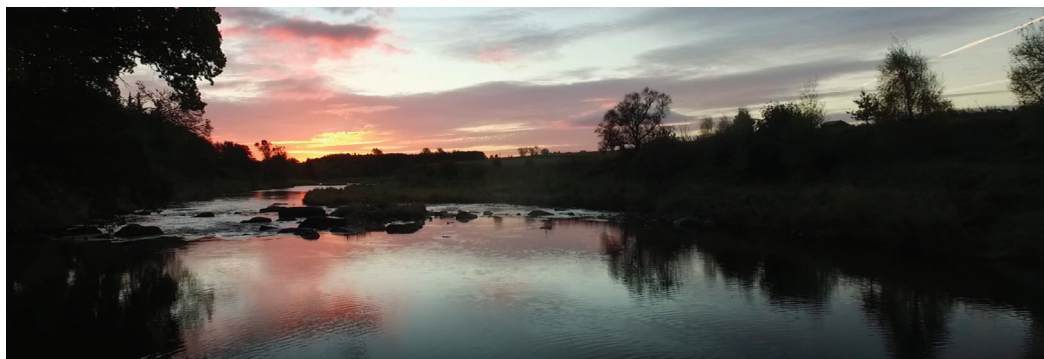
THE DEVERON FLYER

The Deveron, Bogie and Isla Rivers Charitable Trust

Newsletter 33, spring 2017

Welcome to the 33rd newsletter of the Deveron, Bogie & Isla Rivers Charitable Trust.

The Trust's objectives are to 'conserve, protect and rehabilitate salmon, sea trout and trout and other indigenous species of animal, bird, insect and plant life and more generally to promote the ecological cycle for the benefit of the inhabitants of the Deveron'.



Lots of fundraising!

WHAT? Buffet and Fundraiser

WHERE? Fife Lodge Hotel, Banff

WHEN? 10th June 2017

TICKETS? £20 Call **01466 711388**

**Henderson's Country Sports, Turriff
or the Digital Croft, Huntly instore**

The Deveron, Bogie and Isla Rivers Charitable Trust is hosting a Buffet and Fundraiser at the Fife Lodge Hotel, Banff on the 10th June 2017 with an auction to raise funds. There will be a fantastic variety of Lots on offer, many of which are not normally available to the public. Most Lots are listed on the back page but for full descriptions please visit www.deveron.org/auctions Everyone is welcome to join us for a fun evening!

BID ONLINE If you are unable to join us on the evening, bidding can be made online now at www.deveron.org/auctions or by post. If you would like the Trust to bid on your behalf on the auction night, please contact us and we will do so. Online bidding will close at midnight on Friday 9th June 2017.


Sundown on the Deveron
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**Drinks Reception, three-course (hot) Buffet
Dinner and Charity Auction.**

**Tickets: £20 per person (dress: casual)
6.30 for 7pm**

**Saturday 10th June, Fife Lodge Hotel, Banff.
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Deveron Salmon Smolt Tracking

2017 PROJECT UPDATE

In 2016 our salmon smolt tracking project found 60 per cent mortality between the Allt Deveron and the river estuary at Banff. To investigate this high level of mortality within the river, a new project has been developed in conjunction with Glasgow University and the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust, that will hopefully determine where this mortality is taking place and the cause. With generous seed funding secured from the Atlantic Salmon Trust, the DBIT membership has kindly sponsored 40 radio tags that were subsequently purchased from a company in the USA. As the tagged smolts migrate downstream they will be detected by 3 fixed receivers located at Avochie, Muireisk and Inverichnie. Further manual tracking will be conducted by car and on foot to locate smolts within



the river and any that are removed from the river by predators.

The 40 salmon smolts were tagged over four dates in April and

tracking has been taking place to follow their progress downstream. Migration was relatively slow at first, until significant snow melt lead to a significant rise in the river and as result many of the smolts moved rapidly downstream. At the time of writing, 16 tagged smolts had passed the lowest fixed receiver at Inverichnie and the rest were spread out through the river. A full report will be issued in due course.

Bags helping hogweed control

The Deveron, Bogie and Isla Rivers Charitable Trust is delighted to announce it has bagged £5,000 from a Tesco funding scheme



Tesco teamed up with Groundwork to launch its Bags of Help funding initiative, which sees grants of up to £5,000, £2,000 and £1,000 raised from the 5p bag levy. Millions of shoppers voted in stores up and down the country and as a result, The Deveron, Bogie and Isla Rivers Charitable Trust has been awarded £5,000. Work can now begin on bringing its Giant Hogweed project to life.

The aim of this project is to work with local volunteers, community groups such as Huntly Fishings and landowners to control the dangerous plant Giant Hogweed. Controlling Giant Hogweed using a systematic top-down approach will stop the plants seeding and creating a larger problem for the future. It will also allow members of the public, tourists, anglers, pets and families to safely visit the rivers. This has many benefits such as health and recreation, which will help the local economy.



Richie Miller, Director of the Deveron, Bogie and Isla Rivers Charitable Trust and The Deveron Fishery Board, said: "We are thrilled to have been awarded the top award from the Tesco's Bags of Help initiative and the grant aid will help immensely in controlling Giant Hogweed this coming season".

Tony McElroy, Tesco's Head of Communications in Scotland, said: "Bags of Help has been a fantastic success. We've been overwhelmed by the response from our customers. The great thing about Bags of Help is that local people are invited to decide how the money will be spent in their community. We can't wait to see the projects come to life."

Lots to auction - at a glance

Below we list most of the Lots available to bid for online or at the forthcoming Buffet and Fundraiser at The Fife Lodge Hotel, Banff on Saturday 10th June. It will be great to see you all there but if you can't make it and would like to place a bid please call the Trust on 01466 711388

Lot	Donor	Description	Guide	Lot details
1	Colin Hendry & DBI	Single Malt signed by Colin Hendry	£130	Hand-signed, 18-year-old Macduff single malt
2	Glendronach Distillery	Connoisseur's Experience	£140	In-depth tasting tour for four people
3	Wild Trout Trust & Sage	Sage Pulse (Fast Action) fly rod	£399	A 9ft 6in #5 fly rod designed from scratch
4	Major Mike Tait	Rolls Royce experience	£200	1929 Rolls Royce vintage luxury picnic for two people
5	Robert McConnell	Six Deveron place mats	£60	Each with its own unique picture
6	Rory Cooper & Allan Liddle	Guided Trout Fishing	£90	At Mamoch Lodge for two rods in spring 2018
7	Allan Liddle	30 trout flies	£100	All tied by Allan Liddle presented in a box
8	Stewart Spence	Marcliffe Hotel and Spa	£340	Two nights' accommodation, for two people
9	Michael Kitchen	Print of Bridge of Alvah	£40	Limited edition print ready for framing
10	Jim Cruickshank	Salmon fishing at Camousie	£200	2 days for 2 rods in August 2017
11	SRU	Rugby Ball signed by current squad	£180	18 players inc 3 British Lions Laidlaw, Hogg and Seymour
12	Paul Young & Robert Shields	A cast or two with Paul Young	£250	One day's fishing for three rods - August 2017
13	William Foster	Salmon fishing on the Dee	£300	Two rods on North or South Park in June by arrangement
14	Robert Shields	Hospitality Day with Derby County FC	£450	Four tickets to the football, as guests of Longcliffe Quarries. Drinks and 3-course meal before the game.
15	Robert Shields	Macduff distillery Malt Whisky	£300	Six Bottles of Longcliffe Director's choice malt
16	Robert Shields	Barbarians vs New Zealand	£300	Two tickets - Twickenham - Sat 4th Nov 2017
17	Mary Burnett Stuart	Boat of Turtory and Ardmallie fishing	£300	Two rods for 6 days. Taken by arrangement
18	Malcolm Hay	Deveronside shooting at Edinglassie	£750	Rough day's shooting for three guns. Lunch. 15 Nov-1 Feb
19	AFC Com Trust	Aberdeen FC ball signed by First Team	£130	In a presentation case with plaque
20	Gordon Morison	Golf at Meldrum House	£250	Two people, inc buggy and lunch
21	Andrew Morison	Guided Roe stalking	£150	Morning/evening at Balmaud Farm, Aberdeenshire
22	Alan Twatt	250 Shotgun cartridges	£120	12 gauge, 30g number 7 with fibre wad
23	Ian Gordon	Multi-Tip Shooting head Salmon fly line	£70	by Greys - Choose your own size
24	David Borthwick	Drone Flight (Aberdeen/Moray only)	£80	High definition video clips and photos from the air
25	Sir Andrew Walker-Okeover Bt	Fishing and accommodation	£250	Two day's trout fishing on River Dove - stay in Okeover Arms
26	The Beresford Fishery	Historic fishing experience	£300	Two day's fishing on the River Dove - beat where the science of Angling is held started by Izaak Walton - stay in Hartington Hotel. Shrimp & Chardonnay picnic lunch. 2018
27	David Burgess	Expert clay-shooting tuition	£50	1-hour with Scottish International shooter
28	Robert Stephen	Lunch for 6 at Celebrations	£60	Turriff
29	Anthony & Diane Sharpe	Fishing at Rothiemay	£200	One week's fishing for two rods
30	Torquill Gordon-Duff	Roe Buck stalking	£150	Morning/evening stalk on Drummur Estate
31	Stewart Yates	Guided Fishing in Assynt	£50	Half day guided fishing with qualified guide

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