

# Angling Trust – Marine - Wyvern Region Open Shore Slapton, South Devon, On the 15th Jan 2023.

The South West's first major event in 2023 attracted 130 anglers to the South Hams to fish the annual



Angling Trust Wyvern Open Festival, with some competitors traveling from South Wales & the Isle of White, the weather conditions on the day saw a strong to gale force, west / south westerly wind with occasional heavy blustery showers for the five hour event. Whiting, Dogfish, Smoothounds, Spotted Ray & Small Eyed Ray were caught during the event, 52 competitors returned to the scales with fish to record. The results were announced within half an hour of the close of scales at the Festival Headquarters at the Stokeley Farm Shop.

The main sponsor was Julian Shambrook of Anyfish Anywhere Ltd, a major fishing tackle manufacturer, based in Torquay. All of the sponsors for the day were thanked for their continuing support each year, also a big thank you to Stokeley for their hospitality & providing an excellent venue.

The worthy winner, of the event was Tom Travers of Honiton S.A.C., he recorded a Whiting of 1.225lb & a Spotted Ray of 3.25lb giving him a total of (153.89%), he was presented with the top prize of £200 cash and the Brixham Bowl, other tackle prizes to the value of £800 were awarded down to 12<sup>th</sup> place, these were announced by the Chairman of the Wyvern Region Alex Parker and presented by Julian Shambrook.

It was also very encouraging to see a junior Archie Sweetland from Honiton SAC take 11<sup>th</sup> place in a competition which attracted 130 anglers.

The Region promotes the Angling Trust "Take Five" anti litter campaign and encourages all anglers to leave the beaches cleaner than they found them.

**The first Twelve Places are as follows: -**

<b>First:</b>	<b>£200</b>	<b>Brixham Bowl</b>	
Tom Travers	Honiton SAC	Whiting	1.225 lb Spotted Ray 3.25 lb
			<b>Total: 153.89%</b>



Tom Travers (right) receiving the first prize of £200 from Julian Shambrook of Anyfish Anywhere.

<b>Second</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table &amp; Bideford Cup</b>		
Adam Slack	Brixham SAC	S E Ray	6.69 lb
		Whiting	0.855 lb^^
			<b>Total: 131.31%</b>

<b>Third</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table &amp; Appledore Cup</b>		
Julian Shambrook	Torquay	L.S.D.	1.785 lb
		Whiting	0.755 lb
			<b>Total: 121.73%</b>

<b>Fourth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table &amp; Sidmouth Cup</b>		
Rob Marshall	Unattached	Whiting	0.670 lb
		L.S.D.	1.845lb
			<b>Total: 118.47 %</b>

<b>Fifth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>		
Liam Teppett	West Bay S.A.C.	Whiting	0.805 lb
		S. E. Ray	5.75 lb
			<b>Total: 117.56%</b>

<b>Sixth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>		
Matt Werbitzky	West Coast S.A.C.	Whiting	0.570 lb
		L.S.D.	1.970 lb
			<b>Total: 116.80%</b>

<b>Seventh</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>		
Joe Walton	Teignmouth SAS	Whiting	0.590 lb
		L.S.D.	1.825lb
			<b>Total: 112.33%</b>

<b>Eighth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>			
Adam Green	Plymouth Sound SAC Whiting		0.635 lb	
		L.S.D.	1.670 lb	<b>Total: 109.13%</b>
<b>Ninth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>			
Gavin Hitchcock	S.W.A.F.S.A.C Whiting		0.645 lb	
		L.S.D.	1.565 lb	<b>Total: 105.60%</b>
<b>Tenth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>			
Paul Rohrbaugh	Sidmouth S.A.C. Whiting		0.685 lb	
		L.S.D.	1.430 lb	<b>Total: 102.87%</b>
<b>Eleventh</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>			
Archie Sweetland	Honiton SAC Whiting		0.730 lb	
		L.S.D.	1.290 lb	<b>Total: 100.27%</b>
<b>Twelfth</b>	<b>Pick of the Prize table</b>			
Johnathon Bray	unattached Whiting		0.830 lb	
		L.S.D.	1.110 lb	<b>Total: 99,73%</b>

**Best Team      Team Shield: ( Team of four anglers, Best fish by each angler)**

*Team: Anyfish Anywhere*

Rob Marshall  
Julian Shambrook  
Marcus Ward  
Pete Hutchins  
Total 251.87%.



**Pool (best individual species)**

- 1/ 50% Alan Hobbs Roving Rods SAC 92%
- 2/ 30% Tristan Rowe Cormorants SAC 90.33%
- 3/ 20% Tom Travers Honiton SAC 81.67%