

GROMAIN & RECTORY SEASON RODS 2011

Gromain and Rectory beats are let in a novel way that overcomes the problem of “being there on the right day”. Both these upper Wye beats are classic fly waters but, in common with all up river beats, are dependent on favourable water heights. The previous system of day per week letting meant that some fishers were never there when it was in good order. So again in 2011, a pool of rods is able to access the two beats on almost any day of their choice using the Wye and Usk Foundations Booking Office. Any overspill can be accommodated on the Llanstephan fishing.

How it will work

- Season rod payments are for either 7 or 5 days. Half rods will fish alternate weeks (7 days). You need to book with the booking office 01982 560788 in advance of your preferred day and preferred beat.
- On weekdays you will have the choice of fishing Gromain or the Rectory – but not both! Weekends it is Gromain only. There will always be rods reserved at the w/e solely for season rods.
- To be fair to others please book only fishing you are planning to use. If you find you can't make it, please cancel at the earliest opportunity.
- The skill is, as ever, gauging what will be the prevailing conditions on the day you choose and whether these conditions suit one beat better than another (I still can't get it right after 30 years!). The gauge and other weather information to assist is to be found at <http://www.wyeuskfoundation.org/conditions/index.php>

Other Information

Boundaries

and Pools: Per enclosed maps

Rods: Rectory: Three rods max per day. Monday – Friday only on Rectory
Gromain: Three rods max per day Monday - Sunday

Booking: In theory you can fish on each and every weekday on either beat. (and weekends on Gromain for those who have taken the extra two days) To avoid congestion, please book in advance on 01982 560788 (Wye and Usk Foundation Booking Office) However, you should only make bookings that you will definitely use. Priority will always be given to anglers who use the system least. In the event of a “Full House” the booking office will put you on

Middle Llanstephan as a guest of SMS if available

- Guests: We give two (free) guest day permits on request. Guests should be accompanied by the season rod and booked through the Booking Office
- Catches: Salmon: **22** – 2010; **17** – 2009; **64** -2008; **44** - 2007 over 95% on fly. Excellent trout to 5½ lbs, Barbel to 8 ½ lbs Chub to 6lbs; Dace and Grayling
- Notification: We send email updates of conditions, catches etc. WUF has a webcam on a gauge to give instant water height and colour information. Please advise of successes, fish hooked, other points of interest for circulation.
- General: Unlike much of the Wye there is fly fishing in every pool. There are just a few places where a spinner is likely to prevail: the middle and tail of the Rectory and Ty Mawr above the Gravel catch (Rectory) Ferry and Spring pools (Gromain)

CONDITIONS OF LETTING 2011

- Environment Agency rules and regulations should be observed at all times: Only Spin and Fly 3rd March – 31st August; Fly only 1st September – 17th October. All salmon must be returned. We have had nearly 100% returned since 1998. Trout and Grayling may be retained - up to two of each as per EAW byelaws.
- Catches of salmon should be recorded in the hut or the owner notified within 48 hours.
- The owner reserves the right to fish one rod after 6pm
- Gromain has some pools with boards to aid wading. On no account should felt only soles be used on them
- From time to time it is necessary to carry out essential bank maintenance. Whilst endeavoring to limit interference to the privacy of tenants, it may become necessary to have workmen and machines working on the bank occasionally.
- **Disclaimer: All persons attending this fishery (fishers, friends, observers, children guests, pets etc) do so entirely at their own risk. The owner, his employees, agents, whilst endeavoring to take reasonable care of the property, disclaim all liability for loss or damage to persons or property or anyone attending this Fishery in any capacity. Please Note All Safety Warnings**