Message from LSTPA Committee

You are all once again welcome to the 16th annual stream rehabilitation competition on Lough Sheelin. The proceeds from the competition will be primarily used in funding stream rehabilitation and habitat improvement. You, as our competitors and supporters are an essential part of this important work. We would like to acknowledge and thank you for your past support and look forward to your continued support and help.

Our competition this year is being held on **Saturday 1st October**. The committee have decided to hold the entry fee at €90 per angler. We hope that in doing this it will in some way show the gratitude of the LSTPA for your loyalty and support. As always you can be assured of a great array of prizes. The committee have decided that all entries are paid by the closing date as no entries will be taken on the morning of the competition. This is a committee decision and is final.

Work on stream enhancement is continuing and we hope to have work on the Maghera River completed this year. Work has also been carried out by IFI on tributaries of the Mountnugent River. We would like to acknowledge this work and the co-operation of the Office of Public Works in carrying out this important habitat work.

The importance of habitat and stream restoration as well as water quality has been brought clearly into focus following the recent fish kill on the Crover River. Work was undertaken on this stream in the past ten years using funding from this competition. Sadly the results of the work were clear to see by the numbers of young trout killed in the incident.

The LSTPA would like to thank the Local Fishery Staff for all of their efforts in maintaining Lough Sheelin as a Wild Trout Fishery. In particular we would like to wish Mr Fergus Lynch well on his recent retirement from IFI.

The LSTPA would also like to let anglers know that IFI have launched a Public Consultation on the Western Lakes Plan. The plan covers Loughs Corrib, Mask, Carra, Conn, Cullin, Arrow and Sheelin. The plan can be viewed on the IFI website. We encourage all anglers to engage and provide feedback on the plan to IFI.

We wish to acknowledge the assistance and help of the local community and landowners who facilitate Wild Trout habitat and rehabilitation work in the Lough Sheelin Catchment. Without this co-operation and generosity it would be impossible to develop and maintain wild trout habitat.

Sincere and heartfelt thanks to all of our sponsors without whose support we could not run our competition.

We look forward to meeting you all on the 1st October and we hope you have an enjoyable days fishing.

LSTPA Committee.

Principal Sponsors

Sheelin Boats, Mountnugent, Co. Cavan

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The LSTPA would like to acknowledge the help and support of all those who sponsored prizes. Please support our sponsors in every way.

Your Safety on the Lake is Important.

All anglers must wear a life jacket or buoyancy aid.

Anglers must also wear eye protection and a hat.

Please ensure that before you go out on the lake that you check your boat and make sure you have all the necessary items to ensure a safe days fishing. It is essential that all boats have a functioning set of oars. Ensure that the engine is working properly and that you have enough fuel for the day.

All operations of the boat should be governed by the conditions on the day. Take into account the wind and wave conditions.

Make sure that the kill cord if available is attached to your clothing if you are operating the engine.

One person at a time should change seats.

If a person falls overboard get them alongside the boat and proceed slowly towards the shore or shallow water. Be aware of the propeller and move slowly.

If you fall overboard always stay with the boat. If there is more than one person in the water you should all stay with the boat until help arrives. Use common sense at all times to avoid danger.

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LOUGH SHEELIN TROUT PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

Stream Rehabilitation Competition

BE COVID AWARE

16th Annual one day Boat Competition at Kilnahard Pier, Lough Sheelin, Co. Cavan. Saturday 1st October 2022 Fishing from 11.00am to 6pm.

All proceeds in aid of stream enhancement and rehabilitation.

The LSTPA would like to acknowledge the assistance of IFI and all of the community and landowners who facilitate Wild Trout habitat and rehabilitation work in the Lough Sheelin Catchment.

€9,500 in Prizes

First Prize: 19ft Sheelin Boat + Paddy Sheridan Memorial Cup

Official Entry Form

Name (please PRINT)
Full Address
Telephone
Email
Name of boat partner

Cheques and postal orders made payable to the LSTPA. No entries accepted without Name address and telephone number.

Entries to: Éamonn Ross Ardlougher Ballyconnell Co. Cavan 086 661 9834 Email: loughsheelincompetition@gmail.com Please do not send cash through the post.

Closing date for entries is **Monday 26th September 2022.**

Entry Fee €90.

Competition Rules

Fly fishing only maximum 4 flies. All prizes will be for the heaviest fish. In the event of there being a tie for weights the longer fish will be declared the winner. Competitors to arrange their own boats and engines. Fish must measure 16 inches from tip of nose to middle of fork of tail. All lighter fish should be returned in the interest of conservation. All fish killed must be weighed in. 2 fish bag limit. Any competitor found in possession of an undersized fish will have his/her entire catch disqualified. Any competitor found trolling lures or flies will be disgualified. No boat may fish within 100 yards of the boat in front or cut in on the drift of another boat. Only Brown trout will weigh in. Boats, bags, and gear may be inspected at any time. Boats must be inside the markers by 6pm. Anglers are asked to follow the request of weigh in stewards. All competitors fish at their own risk. The organising committee and the LSTPA will not be responsible for any accident or loss. All entrants who are not members of the LSTPA will be enrolled as members of the Club for the duration of the competition. Any competitor found discarding litter in boats or at landing points will be disgualified. All competitors must wear life jackets, eye protection & hat. No fish finders allowed. Any disputes will be referred to a disputes committee who will adjudicate following consultation with all relevant people. The decision of the disputes committee is final. All entries are accepted subject to this condition. All prizes must be collected on the night of the competition. Fishing from the shore is not allowed. All competitors must sign in before start. In the event of inclement weather or other unforeseen circumstances the committee may at its discretion hold a lottery of all paid entrants to distribute all the prizes. The committees decision in this regard will be final. All entries are accepted on the basis that the above rules are fully accepted by the entrant. All entries must be received by the closing date.

No entries can be taken on the morning of the Competition.

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Competition Prizes

- 1st Sheelin Boat + Paddy Sheridan Memorial Cup + Fishing Tackle
- 2nd Sage X fly rod Sage Reel and Fly line Electric engine
- **3rd** Electric Engine, Boat Seat, Airflo Life Vest, Fly Line
- 4th Electric Engine Boat Seat and Fly Line
- **5th** Greys rod and reel, fly line and Stanley flask
- 6th Life Jacket, Boat Seat and fly line
- 7th 2 nights B&B Crover house, boat hire and Fishing tackle
- 8th Fish finder and Fly line
- **9th** Fish finder
- **10th** Fishing Tackle to the value of €100
- **11th** Fishing Tackle to the value €80
- 12th Fishing Tackle to the value €75
- **13th** Fishing Tackle to the value of €70
- 14th Fishing Tackle to the value €60
- 15th Fishing Tackle to the value €50

Denis O'Keeffe memorial cup for most consistent LSTPA angler over the year.

The committee reserve the right to change prizes to ones of equal value.

Anglers must arrange their own boats, engines and partners.