



JERSEY FRESHWATER ANGLING ASSOCIATION **(www.thejfaa.com)**

TROUT

For trout members within the association it will most likely prove to be a bumper year. Due to the work Jersey Water will be undertaking at Val de la Mare following its emptying during 2011, in excess of 10,000 trout will be put into Queen's Valley throughout the year. Therefore to accommodate the Trout members some of the boats from Val de La Mare will be moved to Queen's. Remember this is for this year only, so don't miss out.

It should also be noted that the majority of trout caught and netted from Val De La Mare will be transferred to Queen's valley apart from some of the larger ones which will go for the breeding program at Handois, therefore expect one or two monsters to be caught! The transfer will probably take place once the netting begins just before the summer. It really doesn't get better than this!

The Trout Member's Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 23rd March, upstairs at the Post Horn. Start time 7:00 for 7:30. A buffet will be provided afterwards.

The new season commences on Saturday, 2nd April 2011.

This year the J.F.A.A. has been invited to participate at the JEP Outdoor Show at the RJA & HS from the 13th- 15th May. It is planned that the members of the association will assist with casting and possibly fly tying lessons (volunteers please), a casting competition and Jersey Water (Derek Morris) has threatened to bring along a tank with some whopping browns! The Association needs as many members as possible to take part, so please get in contact with Richard Emery on 866667 or Ross Bannerman 619362 or simply come along.

If that's all not exciting enough, another October away fishing weekend is planned. Last year members fished, amongst others, Avington trout fishery and may well do so again this year if the consensus wish, however other venues are also being considered. It was nice to have a go with the coarse boys as well.

COARSE

As another coarse season draws to a close, a new one dawns and this year promises to be an exciting one. With Val De La Mare being emptied it provides us with a great opportunity to replenish our coarse waters with new stocks and to this end the Committee has agreed a plan with Jersey Water. A UK Fishery Management expert will shortly be carrying out a survey on the water and it is hoped he will return later in the year to undertake a netting programme from which fish will be transferred to our other waters. In the meantime extraction days will be communicated to members where you will be invited to participate and any fish caught will be transferred. Your attendance at both the extraction days and netting days will be greatly appreciated, so keep an eye out for the dates which will be published on the website.

The general upkeep of our waters is extremely important and each year our running costs increase so I urge you all to renew your membership as soon as possible and maybe this year encourage a friend or ex-member to join or re-join the Association, the more the merrier.

That's all for now, tight lines and to our pole fishing fraternity may your elastic be stretched!

David Walters (President)