



OF GREAT BRITAIN

SUMMER 2010 NEWSLETTER

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is with sadness that I have to report that Linda is retiring at the end of this season. It is 16 years since Linda took over as Secretary and she has selflessly devoted her services to the club during this time. She now wants to spend more time with her family and I am sure you will agree with me in saying a big thank you and wishing her all the best in the future. I am pleased to say that we will not be losing Linda altogether as she has agreed to help the club on a voluntary basis from time to time.

The Annual Dinner will be held at the **Portbyan Hotel, on 22nd October 2010 7.30pm for 8.00pm** the price of the tickets is £14.50 each. I would like as many of you as is possible to attend so we can give Linda a good send off. The Hotel is doing a special rate of £35 per person based on two sharing for Bed & Breakfast for anyone wishing to stay over. Please contact them direct on 01503 262071.



Nigel Birch with his shark

SHARK ANGLING CLUB

In relation to this years Shark Fishing Festival unfortunately we were unable to put to sea on any of the three days due to gales and the Festival was declared null and void for 2010. Looe saw many very disappointed anglers and skippers during this period.

2011 dates for your diaries

2 Day Reef Competition on 7th & 8th May

Shark Fishing Festival will take place on July 13th, 14th, & 15th 2011

The AGM will take place on July 14th 2011.

Here in Looe the interest in shark fishing with light lines is intensifying with Nigel Birch catching a shark estimated weight of 92lb on 12lb line the day before the Festival started! Just after the Festival Steve Chivers caught a shark on 12lb line estimated weight 134lb Steve's fish would have been a line record if it had been brought in and weighed. WELL DONE. Diane Rout, John Reed & Andy Adams have also caught fish on 20 lb line this season.



Steve Chivers with his shark

Both John Reynolds and Richard Porter have sold their boats. The Club thanks them both for their endeavours for the club over the years. John sold his boat

Carrie Jane the new owner Patrick Davis is booking through the Club. Patrick is a very enthusiastic and competent young man and the club has received nothing but praise about him from anglers who have fished with him.

Despite the Festival Days here in Looe the 2010 shark fishing season has been good with a total of over 116 sharks being caught and released to date. Quite a number of these being of good qualifying weight.

I would like to remind those members who were awarded trophies last year to return them by the end of September.

Finally I would like to thank all the committee members, skippers and Linda for their hard work and commitment to club. If any of you are interested in becoming the voluntary Secretary please contact me.

Tight Lines
Hilary Casson
Chairperson.



I am pleased to report that despite the Country being in recession the club continued to make a surplus and is in a healthy financial position. As you will see from the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2009 the surplus

for the year was £1,563 as compared with the previous year of £498. See profit & loss account below.

The Shark Angling Club of Great Britain Profit and Loss Account 2009

Income

Sales	£11,653
Cost of Sales	<u>£4,987</u>
Gross Profit	£6,666

Subscriptions	£2,888
Donations	£20
Festivals	£10,996
Booking Com	£9,508
Interest & Other	£168
	<u>£23,480</u>
	£30,146

Expenditure

Administration	£17,592
Establishment	£10,064
Financial	£325
Depreciation	£602
	<u>£28,583</u>

NET PROFIT FOR YEAR **£1,563**

Photograph showing Tony Pimm (Vice President) presenting Dave Haines (Looe Life Boat) with a donation from the club of £100.