## **Charity Event Entry Form**





## Dear Angler(s)

Just a few words of welcome, I as many of you are aware am the Secretary for the Police Sport UK Fly Fishing Section and for the last 8 years I have run a Fly Fishing Competition between the Police and the Armed Services on Grafham Water. At this match we have been joined by a number of other Services of the United Kingdom, colleagues from the other two emergency services Fire & Rescue and the Ambulance Service, the match has also attracted rods from the Civil Service, Prison Service and I know a couple from the Education Service are at the edge just waiting their moment to enter.

These matches have always been well supported and fished in a truly friendly but sportsman like fashion, but we were all acutely aware that the matches didn't embrace some of angling colleagues who had been injured in the service to their country.

So with this event I am endeavouring to make amends. The event will run during the week of the Stirling International Angling Festival and I hope to embrace some aspects that the festival will create. The Charity Competition will run from Wednesday  $6^{th}$  – Sunday  $10^{th}$  August 2014. Anglers are invited to participate in the event as either an individual or in a 3 person team. I have secured a number of boats at the Lake of Menteith and Carron Valley over the 5 days of the event allowing anglers to select a venue to fish a qualifier before reaching a final match at the Lake of Menteith on the Sunday  $10^{th}$  August.

Boats are available at the Lake of Menteith on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> / Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> and on Carron Valley on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>. I do appreciate that if you are successful on the Saturday at Carron Valley, you will be invited to a final at the Lake the following day.

At the end of each match I have arranged a bite to eat for the competitors where the results will be announced, details of these venues will be confirmed nearer the time.

All cheques to be made payable to:- <b>Police Fly Fishing Section "Charity"</b> and	Urgent Enquiries contact me via
forwarded with entry forms to	My home email
Calum Fraser Group 2	Clmfras@aol.com
Alloa Police Office Mar Place	Or
Alloa. FK10 1AA	Mb.Tel. 078 1277 1048
calum.fraser@scotland.pnn.police.uk	

The cost is £55.00 per individual angler, £150.00 for a team of three; the money will go towards the overall cost of fishing and participating in the event. The cost of the Sunday final; fishing and meal afterwards for the qualifying teams and individuals are free. At the conclusion of the event I will then

divide the money I have collected into to four and send it to the respective organisations 40% will go to Help for Hero's, 25% to the Police Dependants Trust, 25% to the Fire Fighters Charity with the final 10% being allocated to Services Championships where disabled members of the services will join their more able colleagues at the annual all Services Championships. The exception to this split in money raised, is where person(s) have downloaded a Sponsor form for a specific charity then the full amount raised will be sent to that specific charity.

The organisation of this event is still at the early stages, unfortunately through the powers that control my position within Police Sport UK I can offer no monetary prizes for first, second and third place. However I have been touch with several people who wish to donate some fantastic prizes and as such these will allocated to those individuals and team members that do well in the event. I may even run a small raffle again to generate funds for the respective charities. I am also endeavouring to ensure that a commemorative medal is arranged for anglers not only winning heats and the final, but participating and raising money for such good causes.

In the event of cancellation of any heat as result of the weather or other unforeseen cause then efforts will be made to provide another suitable date, however if this is not possible the Entry Fee will be refunded to the person completing the entry form, though this will done by post and not on the morning of any match. Any additional donation will refunded at the discretion of the competitor.

In the event of a competitor cancelling his or their entry to this Charity match neither the entry fee or raised donation will be refunded. I would recommend that a replacement angler be found to compete in their place.

If a date desired for a heat is over-subscribed, I will endeavour find another mutually agreed date or time for a competitor to fish. Initially I thought about keeping all four heats prior to the Final on the Sunday as day sessions; however I have split Thursday at the Lake into a Day & Evening Session and the Friday at Carron Valley similarly. It will give organising team a little challenge to ensure we are there to see you on the water and provide at the conclusion. However, if I fail to secure a date and time for a competitor wishing to participate the Entry fee will be refunded.

You will note on the Entry Form I have left space for you to select the date, venue, and whether you wish to participate as a team or individual, please put a tick or cross in the appropriate box

The Rules for this event are the Fisheries own rules, which can be obtained from the fishery offices at both venues. I have agreed that after you have despatched your fourth fish, anglers will debarb hooks and fish Catch & Release thereafter. The returned fish will be recorded on cards which will be provided on the day and endorsed by your fishing partner. A Health & Safety Risk Assessment will be carried out prior to each competition commencing and anglers will be guided through this at a briefing prior to the fishing commencing. Participants in these events will be covered by Police Sport UK insurance during the times of the competition.

I have endeavoured to answer all the possible questions that may arise when reading this entry form, should you have any questions please don't hesitate in contacting me either via email or the mobile phone

Yours in fishing & tight lines

Calum Fraser Secretary/Treasurer Police Sport UK Fly Fishing Section