

Grayling News

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To all our members worldwide

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You will have received your booking forms in the last issue of the NEWS. Please let Tony Bridgett have your completed forms as soon as possible and book your hotel rooms promptly. It all makes the job much easier for him and the hotel rather than having lots of last minute bookings and possible problems.



So, put the dates in your diary, send off the form, book the hotel and we'll see you there!

British Flyfair 2004

Following the success of last year's inaugural event, this year's will take place on November 6 and 7, again at Trentham Gardens in Staffordshire. To be run in association with 'Fly Fishing and Fly Tying' magazine the show will be expanded by adding an extra marquee to house a Destination Theatre. In total the show will have 65 of the world's



best flytyers, 80 exhibitors from Europe and Britain, a dedicated flytyers' theatre, casting demonstrations and free flytying and casting lessons. Last year's was very good, this year's promises to be better. We will have our stand there. The website is www.thebritishflyfair.com

New Overseas Area Secretaries

We are pleased to announce two new Overseas Secretaries.

Firstly, we have Vincenzo Penteriani who is the new Spanish Secretary. Vincenzo is an Italian researcher who was born in 1964. In 1999 he finalized a PhD in ecology in France and since 2000 he has been working in the Estación Biológica de Doñana (Spain). He is an Instructor and Co-ordinator for Europe and USA of the TLT FLYCASTING HIGH-SCHOOL of Roberto Pragliola (Master of the FFF Europe).

In 2003 he started a scientific study on the behavioural reactions of grayling to dry flyfishing with Roberto Pragliola in the Slovenian waters, under the support of the Fisheries Research Institute of Slovenian and his Director, the Dr. Joze Ocvirk. His article on this topic will appear in the Summer issue of 'Grayling'.



Secondly we are pleased to announce Ann-Helen Kristell – pictured above – as the new Swedish Area Secretary. She may well be known to some of you as she and her husband Ingemar run the Tjuonajokk Vildmarkscamp – the well known fly fishing camp based in the far north of Sweden.

Tjuonajokk is located close to the mighty Kaitum river 120 kilometres north of the Arctic circle, where they can offer world-class fly fishing for grayling that average 0.6 - 0.7kgs. The fly fishing for trout and pike are also of very high class, with the record for trout of 5.6kgs and for pike of 10.3kgs. The camp provides excellent comfortable cabins, a sauna and has a first-class restaurant.

Since grayling is their most well known fish species they have many fly fishermen from all over the world visiting just for these large and hard fighting fish. Ann-Helen says, "I am honoured to represent The Grayling Society in Sweden."

On behalf of the GS committee we would like to extend our thanks and good wishes to both Ann-Helen and Vincenzo and wish them well in their new GS roles.