

# AUCTION

## in aid of the Strategic Exe Weirs project

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**Final bids to be received by 6pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022.**

Email bids to [newsletter@riverexefisheries.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@riverexefisheries.org.uk) , mark your email RETA AUCTION 2022 and include your name, telephone number, the Lot numbers and your bids.

Successful bidders will be notified within 72 hours of the auction closing.

### **Lot 1 – A day's guided salmon fishing for two rods with a picnic on the River Taw**



We are very grateful to Hugh Thompson who has donated a day's fishing with a picnic and accompanied guide for two rods on his excellent beat. The day to be chosen to coincide with a run of large fish for which the beat is famous.

Guide £250

### **Lot 2 – A box of salmon flies**

Perennially popular; a very practical fly box with a clear lid and a selection of salmon flies, every one of which is deadly. Kindly donated by Lance Nicholson Tackle, Dulverton.

Guide £100



**Lot 3 – A day’s trout fishing for two rods on the River Itchen**

We are very grateful to Jonathan Quirk for offering another excellent day’s dry-fly fishing on the River Itchen at Bishopstoke, Hampshire. A rare opportunity to fish the famous Itchen and tread in Halford’s footsteps. Three and a half miles of double bank fishing for brown trout.

Jonathan will accompany the rods and provide an excellent picnic. Any day from 15<sup>th</sup> July onwards.

Guide £300



**Lot 4 – One day salmon or trout fishing for up to three rods at Glanwye on the upper Wye with a ghillie**



We are very grateful to Christopher Morley for this day’s salmon or trout fishing for up to three rods on Glanwye, one of the upper Wye’s more prolific and exclusive beats. A very private double bank beat with some classic fly pools as well as the gutters that this section of the Wye is famous for. A ghillie is available and can be arranged to just show you over the pools or to be on hand throughout for tuition and guiding. There is a lodge with facilities and the use of a balcony overlooking the river for lunch. A perfect place to be. Date to be arranged with the owner.

Guide £200

Lady Pool, Glanwye

**Lot 5 – A tour of the Exe estuary for four guests on a RIB**



A stimulating tour of the Exe Estuary basin for four people in a high speed RIB. From Topsham, meander up to the first barrier on the river, Salmon Pool Weir, then with the wind in your hair admire the wonderful views either side of the estuary basin down to Exmouth and drop off at The Turf

Pub ([www.turfpub.net](http://www.turfpub.net)) or the floating Restaurant for refreshment as required. Timing is very tide sensitive so early planning is necessary.

Guide £150

**Lot 6 – A three course lunch for four, with wine**



Tiverton area's finest gourmet restaurant is the place to be and the lucky winners of this lot will be able to take friends or family to sample a sumptuous three course lunch for four, with wine, as guests of the owners Billy and Tatty Heathcoat Amory.

The Lost Kitchen overlooks the charming village of Chettiscombe and Devon countryside. Celebrating seasonal and fine local ingredients and wood-fired cooking with a mouth-watering modern European menu.

Guide £200

**Lot 7 Two salmon rods for a weekend on the Nether Exe beat**

Two rods for any two days, to be arranged with the owner, on the picturesque Nether Exe beat at Thorverton. 1.5 miles of very lightly fished, mostly double bank, beautiful fly water below Thorverton Bridge.

Guide £150



**Lot 8 – Fishing on The River Exe – an original painting by Gudrun Sibbons**

Gudrun Sibbons was a marine and landscape painter in oils. She was born in Germany in 1925 and studied art in Berlin, Breslau and Hamburg. She came to England in 1949 and married portrait painter and fly fisherman William Sibbons.

Gudrun Sibbons started selling her paintings on the Hyde Park railings in London in the 1950's.

Some of her important buyers included David Niven and Errol Flynn which helped boost her fame.

It is believed that the painting for sale is of her husband fishing the Exe.



The picture and frame measure 45cm by 35cm and the visible picture 39.5cm by 29.5cm.

Guide £100

**Lot 9 – Snow on beech - A painting by Rory Nugent**

Rory studied at the Royal College of Art under Paul Huxley and Michael Heindorff.

His work focuses on the basic elements of animal life, water, landscape and the ever changing light on the sea, earth and sky.

Rory has shown his work at the Barbican, South Bank Centre, Cork Street and the Royal Academy in London. He lives and works in Devon.  
[www.rorynugent.co.uk](http://www.rorynugent.co.uk)

150mm x 100mm oil on canvas. Guide £200

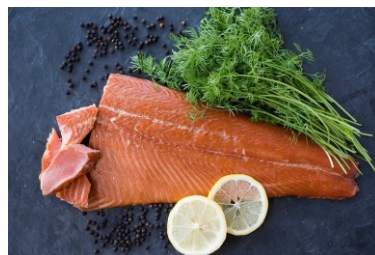


**Lot 10 - A side of sustainable cold smoked trout and a side of hot smoked trout**

Guilt free and significantly better quality than farmed smoked salmon. Very kindly donated by river Test based supplier ChalkStream

<https://www.chalkstreamfoods.co.uk/>

The fish are grown to the highest standards of welfare, food safety and environmental and ecological care. The quality of the fish produced at ChalkStream is directly related to the quality of the water and the high flow rates of the farms.



Smoked to perfection using the traditional kiln method with oak chippings; one side of cold smoked trout and one side of hot smoked trout. Perfect for a bankside picnic.



It will be delivered free of charge.

Guide £60

**Lot 11 - A Loomis GLX Distance 10ft rod**



Loomis are known as one of the world's best rod makers. We have a bargain here – a used but in very good condition Loomis GLX Distance trout/sea-trout/single handed salmon rod 10ft#8 (no rod bag but a Snowbee tube is included). This rod has always received very favourable reviews and this model sold on ebay recently for £455. Loomis are also known for their impeccable customer service which allows replacement of your damaged rod with a current model at minimum cost.

Guide £100

**Lot 12 – A bottle of Champagne Cognac**

Not just any old bottle of brandy but an exceptional Remy Martin Fine Champagne Cognac XO Excellence.

Guide £130



### **Lot 13 – One gun for a day's pheasant shooting on Exmoor**



*'Thank you very much for the welcome, the food and the friendly company. The birds were tremendous and challenging and the skill of the guns memorable. All in all my favourite day of the season.'* PC-G, Devon

A day for one gun on a very friendly, small driven shoot on Exmoor. Expected bag 30-40 very well presented Exmoor birds. The day includes breakfast in Dulverton, a lunch pit stop and a bite to eat afterwards in the most congenial company.

The date is to be arranged with David Rice [whidown@btinternet.com](mailto:whidown@btinternet.com). 07976 354962

Guide - £175

### **Lot 14 - A January day at Stuckeridge**

A 200 high bird day – Henry's own day - for one gun at Stuckeridge.



Superbly presented birds on one of the very best shoots. Stuckeridge is in the Loyton Group portfolio and they have a fantastic reputation for providing the best sport and hospitality; they really are world class.

The last day donated by HL produced 300 pheasants.

Lunch at Stuckeridge and full Loyton hospitality are included.

The date for this exciting and unique day is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Guide - £750