



# BEST OF THE BEST

## 2018

### KENNICK



#### **PERKS WINS £1000 AT BEST OF THE BEST TROUT FISHING FINAL!**

Dave Perks from Newquay has won the annual Best of the Best competition at Kennick reservoir near Bovey Tracey in Devon. Dave caught 6 Rainbow Trout for 12lbs 10oz to scoop the £1000 top prize.

The competition which is now in its fifth year is run by South West Lakes Trust, the largest provider of trout fishing in Cornwall and Devon. Snowbee, based in Plympton, who are a leading brand within the trout fishing industry were once again the sole sponsor of the competition.

The competition was held on 7<sup>th</sup> October at the stunning 50 acre venue which is heavily stocked with Rainbow and Blue trout. Dave's bag of fish included a fine 4lb 7oz Rainbow. Dave finished runner up in the 2017 final and went one better this time holding off the challenge of Paul Jones from Wadebridge who was runner up for the second successive year. Paul caught 7 Rainbows for 10lb 4oz and collected £400 for his efforts.

Third place, winning £250, was Graham Watts from Bodmin who caught 6 fish for 10lb 3oz.

In total 97 Rainbows were caught by the 35 finalists for a rod average of 2.8 fish per person. There were also some cracking Brown trout caught and released with Chris Bolt managing the largest at 3lb 8oz. Fish were caught by a variety of fly patterns throughout the day.

Ben Smeeth, Head of Angling for South West Lakes Trust commented 'it was a cracking final and many congratulations to Dave Perks on the win but well done to all anglers on qualifying for the final and a huge thankyou to Snowbee for sponsoring the event. Our Rainbow trout fisheries will be open for everyone to enjoy until the end of November'

Ben Smeeth

<b>Results</b>	
<b>Winner – Dave Perks 6 fish for 12lb 10oz</b>	<b>£1000 BOB trophy</b>
<b>Runner up – Paul Jones 7 fish for 10lb 4oz</b>	<b>£400 BOB trophy</b>
<b>Third – Graham watts 6 fish for 10lb 3oz</b>	<b>£250 BOB trophy</b>
<b>Heaviest Fish (not finishing in the top three) Ron Wilday 2lb 2oz</b>	<b>£200</b>
<b>Second heaviest fish (not in top three) Rob Gale 2lb</b>	<b>Snowbee Boat Bag &amp; Hat worth over £100</b>
<b>Blind Pairs winners: Chris Bolt &amp; Paul Jones 17lb 11oz</b>	<b>£50 each (£100)</b>
<b>Blind Pairs runners up: Nic Tompkins &amp; Rob Gale 15lb 2oz</b>	<b>£25 each (£50)</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> - Rob Gale 6 fish for 9lb 13oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Spectre 10ft #6wt rod £225</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> – Duncan Kier 6 fish for 9lb 9oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Onyx Cass.fly reel system worth £109</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup> - Ron Wilday 5 fish for 8lb 10oz</b>	<b>Snowbee XS Bank Bag worth £85.99</b>
<b>7<sup>th</sup> - Chris Bolt 5 fish for 7lb 7oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Slim Line fly box kit worth £47.99</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> - Andy Gooding 5 fish for 6lb 10oz</b>	<b>Snowbee 14740 Fly Box Tool Kit £36.99</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> - John Hern 4 fish for 6lb 6oz</b>	<b>Snowbee 18023 Blue mirror sunglasses £30</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> – Darren Penfold 4 fish for 6lb 5oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Easyvue competition fly box worth £20</b>
<b>QUALIFYING PRIZES</b>	
<b>Heaviest Fish Kennick - Mark Cherriton 13lb 10oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Fly Line worth £55</b>
<b>Heaviest Fish Burrator - Nic Tomkins 3lb 4oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Fly Line worth £55</b>
<b>Heaviest Fish Siblyback – Alec Hoare 12lb 15oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Fly Line worth £55</b>
<b>Heaviest Fish Stithians – Paul Wallace 11lb 4oz</b>	<b>Snowbee Fly Line worth £55</b>

Pic below: Simon Kidd Snowbee left, Dave Perks and Ben Smeeth SWLT

