

WORLD FLYFISHING CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

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NEWS RELEASE

DRENNAN ENGLAND TEAM TAKE THIRD PLACE IN WORLD FLYFISHING CHAMPIONSHIP

The Drennan England Team took third place in the World FlyFishing Championship, fished in the Ringebu area, Norway, on 11th-13th August. The Gold Medal holders showed their experience and versatility in generally poor and unfamiliar conditions to come through in the final session to clinch their well-deserved place, very nearly catching the Czech and Italian teams.

The main positions (twenty teams) were:

- 1. Czechoslovakia
- 2. Italy
- 3. Drennan England Team
- 4. Scotland
- 5. France
- 6. Belgium
- 7. Wales
- 13.Ireland

In the individual placings, Chris Ogborne (Bristol) was the best-placed English rod with 7th position. Other English positions were - John Pawson 15th, Jeremy Lucas 25th, Ian Greenwood 30th, and John Lindsey 38th.

In the other home countries, the best placed rods were Hywel Morgan of Wales 2nd, David Chalmers of Scotland 6th, and James Maher of Ireland 14th. The 1993 World Champion, Russel Owen of Wales was 11th.

The main individual places (100 competitors) were:

- 1. Pascal Cognard, France
- 2. Hywel Morgan, Wales
- 3. Pierluigi Cochito, Italy
- 4. Trond Bechsen, Norway
- 5. Alain Gigot, Belgium
- 6. David Chalmers, Scotland
- 7. Chris Ogborne, England

The fishing in the five sessions was very mixed, with cold north winds and heavy rain on the mountain lakes, yielding very few fish, and the forest lakes nearly as difficult. Boats on the river yielded good catches, whilst other river venues varied from good to near impossible.

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