

## SPORT

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## Force sports lottery

The winners for the month of August 2008 are as follows:

Amount	Name	Station
£1,000	2679 David Grover	Charles Cross
£100	3471 Andrew Nordquist	Exeter
£100	3195 Robert Cooper	Truro
£100	55616 Kevin Stone	Headquarters
£100	3724 Richard Tomlin	Bodmin
£100	4387 Stephen Rae	Torquay
£100	50839 Derek Garnsworthy	Exeter
£100	3971 Russell Fisher	Braunton
£100	553 Lesley Valentine	Exeter
£100	50195 Kerry Wheeler	Headquarters
£100	52858 Nigel Young	Charles Cross
£25	6885 Natalie Atkin	Charles Cross
£25	4031 Glenn Bullock	Newton Abbot
£25	52382 Gill Clifton	Headquarters
£25	54164 Jackie Jones	Newton Abbot
£25	3577 David Liddall	Crown Hill
£25	53039 Trevor Fletcher	Headquarters
£25	54977 Sam Willing	Headquarters
£25	53303 Alan Eskreitt	Charles Cross
£25	4028 John Finney	Paignton
£25	51408 Pamela Whiteway	Penzance
£25	2977 Ian Pollock	Camborne
£25	5346 Maxine Reid	Charles Cross
£25	54977 Sam Willing	Headquarters
£25	4535 Brett Phillips	Launceston
£25	53498 Claire Simmonds	Headquarters
£25	4263 David Sumner	Exeter
£25	6163 Alexandra Doughty	Charles Cross
£25	52912 Sylvia Drake	Cullompton
£25	3496 David Anning	Tavistock

**i** Details of how to join the lottery or increase your chances held please email the Honorary Secretary, Detective Inspector John Trott at Camborne.

## On the fly

THE Force Fly Fishing Club has held its open competition, with a good haul of fish for all its competitors.

The event was held at Wimbleball Lake on Tuesday 16 September, in near perfect trout fishing weather.

Detective Inspector Andrew Berry, who came fifth overall, said: "The 11 competitors landed a total of 46 rainbow trout, including a fantastic specimen of 4lb 9oz, which was caught by recently retired Dick Yarnold.

"The conditions were perfect and we were pleased with the turn out for the day. Competitors were a mixture of serving and retired officers as well as police staff."

The full results are as follows:

- 1 John Methven, seven fish for 10lb 14oz
- 2 Dick Yarnold, four fish for 10lb 2oz
- 3 Paul Tyzack, five fish for 8lb
- 4 James Manser, five fish for 7lb 3oz
- 5 Andrew Berry, four fish for 7lb
- 6 Graham Callender, five fish for 6lb 15oz
- 7 Simon Raeburn, four fish for 5lb 11oz
- 8 Nigel Rabbitts, three fish for 5lb 8oz
- 9 Stephen Hall, three fish for 5lb 4oz
- 10 Jeff Pearce, three fish for 4lb 11oz
- 11 Dave Hockin, three fish for 4lb

**i** The fly fishing club is always looking for new members whether experienced or those who want to try it out. If you are interested please contact Sgt 3714 Nigel Rabbitts for more information.



Detective Inspector Andy Berry handing the trophy to winner, retired officer, John Methven.

## Spirit stays in D&amp;C



The canoe made it over to the Isles of Scilly towards the end of the trip.

**A DEVON & Cornwall Constabulary member of staff has been entrusted with a very unusual object, after assisting its owner with a once-in-a-lifetime trip.**

Barry Hunter, an officer safety trainer in Cornwall and Special Constable inspector, is now looking after a 42-foot canoe after helping Chris Cooper, a seasoned explorer, to paddle the vessel around the south west coastline.

Chris – who asked for officers to assist in the journey through a Billboard article – has returned to his home in Canada, and left the Spirit Dancer canoe with Barry for safe-keeping.

Barry explained: "I got involved with Chris's journey after he came down to speak to the police cadets about his journey. We have a lot in common, as I lived in Canada for many years before I returned to the UK. My daughter is a cadet and we both decided we'd like to get involved and help paddle some of the way, which is how this all began."

Barry then became even more involved, assisting with organising the Cornish leg of the trip, as well as taking part in the paddling. Barry and his daughter, Izzie, joined Chris and the rest of the Spirit Dancer crew for the first time for the Paignton to Dartmouth leg.

He said: "It was six hours of non-stop paddling against the wind and tide, but the weather was glorious, scenery enthralling and the team spirit inspiring. The journey was one of those father-daughter bonding moments that are defining and a lifetime memory!"

Barry now is looking after the canoe and is able to use it for local projects, such as the police cadets and scouts.

He said: "We have had some great trips from Falmouth with the canoe: the tall ships race, an 18th birthday celebration, family groups, sea scouts and there are several partnership groups interested in trips... I could be busy this winter until Chris returns next May!"

"The canoe will be based in Falmouth and I will continue to run trips whenever the weather is reasonable and minimum crew numbers – 12 – allow."

The aim of Chris's journey is to eventually circumnavigate the British Isles, however his first season of paddling has been hampered by the terrible weather of the British summer.

Despite the delay to the schedule, and persistent weather problems, Chris remains upbeat about the voyage.

He said: "The canoe journey this year was actually a tremendous success a story like no other. We were

challenged by the weather and sea conditions – we arrived late into villages many times, but we had a fantastic time.

"I would like to mention that Inspector Barry Hunter was a huge help in organising our arrivals and our overnight stays along the coastline. He involved fellow officers and cadets in the trips and we're very grateful for this.

"Barry played an integral part of this project and hopefully he will join me for the years to come on the UK coastline. We will be moving the canoe to Scotland for the 2009 paddle journey, most likely it will take much longer to get round the coast, but that's fine as the more youth, young adults and adults have the chance to be part of this project the better for all.

"We are hoping for next year to have a commissioned lifeboat available for escort and to keep our journey safer – this year was completely unsupported.

"Over 300 people had the opportunity to paddle the amazing Spirit Dancer, which is fantastic. I'm looking forward to continuing the journey next year and we are currently fund-raising to make sure we can give more people this amazing experience."

**i** You can find out more about Chris's journey at: [www.spiritdancercanoejourneys.ca](http://www.spiritdancercanoejourneys.ca)