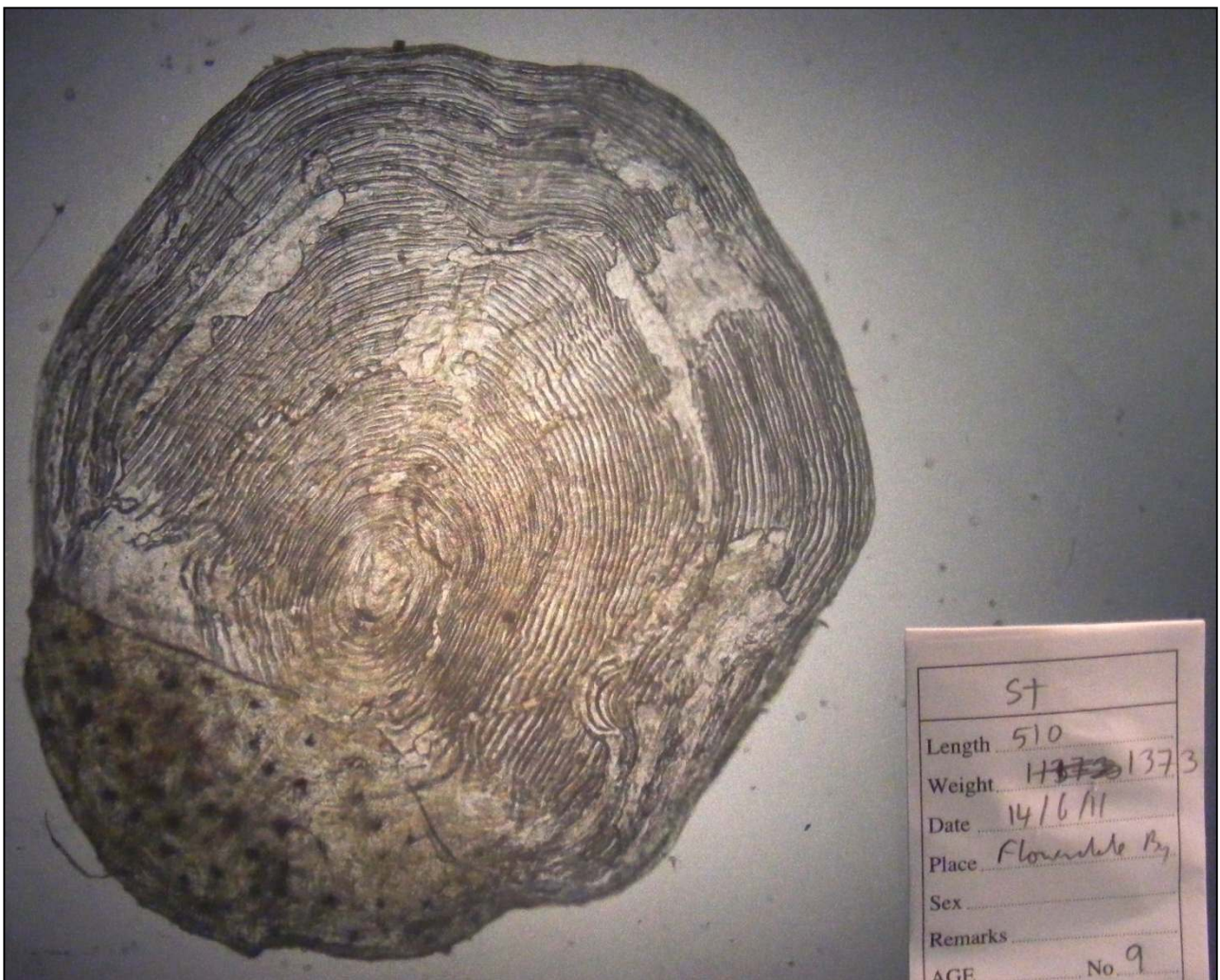


Sea trout, 510mm, 1373g, condition factor 1.04, Gairloch, 14 June 2011



This fish has been aged as a 3 year old smolt, then spawning after its 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> summer (2010) at sea, giving a total age of 8+ years. Note the regrowth following erosion associated with spawning. It's the second biggest sea trout seen to date in Loch Gairloch. The fish carried 41 sea lice (6 chalimus, 20 adults and pre-adults, and 15 ovigerous females). Photo of trout by Peter Maguire.

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