

# Supplementary files for Janáč et al.: Fish in newly created ponds: factors affecting colonization and assemblage structure

Table S1. Backward stepwise regression procedure determining best model predicting presence of fish in the newly built ponds. Final model (m6) parameters in bold. P stands for P value of likelihood ratio tests between the corresponding model and the nearest model, within which it is nested. M. = model, Area = pond area, depth = maximal depth, sett. = distance to the nearest settlement, litt. = littoral width, age = pond age, slope = bank slope, bare = percentage of bare bank, cond. = conductivity, road = road distance, water = distance from the nearest water source.

| m.        | predictors  |              |              |              |     |       |      |       |      |       | AIC          | AICc         | P            |
|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----|-------|------|-------|------|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| m1        | area        | depth        | sett.        | litt.        | age | slope | bare | cond. | road | water | 152.6        | 155.4        |              |
| m2        | area        | depth        | sett.        | litt.        | age | slope | bare | cond. | road |       | 151.3        | 153.7        | 0.393        |
| m3        | area        | depth        | sett.        | litt.        | age | slope | bare | cond. |      |       | 149.3        | 151.3        | 0.881        |
| m4        | area        | depth        | sett.        | litt.        | age | slope | bare |       |      |       | 147.5        | 149.1        | 0.654        |
| m5        | area        | depth        | sett.        | litt.        | age | slope |      |       |      |       | 145.8        | 147.1        | 0.599        |
| m6        | area        | depth        | sett.        | litt.        | age |       |      |       |      |       | 144.0        | 145.0        | 0.650        |
| <b>m7</b> | <b>area</b> | <b>depth</b> | <b>sett.</b> | <b>litt.</b> |     |       |      |       |      |       | <b>142.3</b> | <b>143.0</b> | <b>0.600</b> |
| m8        | area        | depth        | sett.        |              |     |       |      |       |      |       | 145.8        | 146.3        | 0.019        |
| m9        | area        | depth        |              | litt.        |     |       |      |       |      |       | 147.4        | 147.9        | 0.007        |
| m10       | area        |              | sett.        | litt.        |     |       |      |       |      |       | 148.2        | 148.7        | 0.005        |
| m11       |             | depth        | sett.        | litt.        |     |       |      |       |      |       | 148.8        | 148.4        | 0.003        |

Table S2. Backward stepwise regression procedure determining best model predicting presence of fish in the newly built ponds, performed on a reduced dataset (n = 28), which covered all ponds with water bird surveys. Final model (m4) parameters in bold. P stands for P value of likelihood ratio tests between the corresponding model and the nearest model, within which it is nested. M. = model, Area = pond area, depth = maximal depth, sett. = distance to the nearest settlement, litt. = littoral width, birds = water-bird diversity.

| m.        | predictors   |              |       |      |       | AIC         | AICc        | P            |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|-------|------|-------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| m1        | sett.        | litt.        | depth | area | birds | 39.2        | 44.8        |              |
| m2        | sett.        | litt.        | depth | area |       | 37.7        | 41.7        | 0.493        |
| m3        | sett.        | litt.        | depth |      |       | 35.8        | 38.5        | 0.738        |
| <b>m4</b> | <b>sett.</b> | <b>litt.</b> |       |      |       | <b>34.8</b> | <b>36.5</b> | <b>0.313</b> |
| m5        | sett.        |              |       |      |       | 40.6        | 41.6        | 0.006        |
| m6        |              | litt.        |       |      |       | 38.3        | 39.3        | <0.001       |

Table S3. Results of vector fitting of the predictors to NMDS ordination of fish assemblages based on quantitative Bray-Curtis dissimilarities. Coordinates of predictor projection on the first two ordination axes (NMDS1, NMDS2),  $R^2$  and P value obtained by 999 permutations are shown. Significant predictors are in bold.

| Predictor                  | NMDS1         | NMDS2         | $R^2$        | Pr(>r)       |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Pond age</b>            | <b>0.566</b>  | <b>-0.825</b> | <b>0.151</b> | <b>0.002</b> |
| Road distance              | -0.112        | -0.994        | 0.029        | 0.365        |
| <b>Pond area</b>           | <b>-0.369</b> | <b>0.929</b>  | <b>0.090</b> | <b>0.038</b> |
| <b>Settlement distance</b> | <b>0.830</b>  | <b>-0.558</b> | <b>0.122</b> | <b>0.013</b> |
| Maximal depth              | 0.196         | -0.981        | 0.021        | 0.483        |
| Bank slope                 | 0.763         | -0.646        | 0.077        | 0.067        |
| Conductivity               | -0.999        | 0.045         | 0.014        | 0.626        |
| Littoral width             | 0.800         | -0.600        | 0.042        | 0.228        |
| Percentage of bare bank    | -0.427        | 0.904         | 0.043        | 0.236        |
| Water source distance      | -0.437        | -0.899        | 0.045        | 0.217        |

Table S4. Results of PERMANOVA and P-value of permutational betadispersion test for differences in fish assemblage structure among three groups of sites.

| tests              | Df   | F     | P     | betadispersion |
|--------------------|------|-------|-------|----------------|
| overall            | 2,69 | 8.625 | 0.001 | 0.005          |
| native - invasive  | 1,56 | 7.560 | 0.001 | 0.136          |
| native – stocked   | 1,31 | 9.172 | 0.001 | 0.113          |
| invasive – stocked | 1,51 | 9.586 | 0.001 | 0.002          |

Table S5. Backward stepwise regression procedure determining best model predicting water transparency and proportion of submerged vegetation in the newly built ponds with fish. Final model parameters in bold. P stands for P value of likelihood ratio tests between the corresponding model and the nearest model, within which it is nested. Assem. = assemblage type, assem:biomass = interaction between assemblage type and biomass.

| response     | predictors    |         |               | AIC          | AICc         | P            |
|--------------|---------------|---------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| transparency | assem.        | biomass | assem:biomass | 661.9        | 664.2        |              |
|              | assem.        | biomass |               | 659.3        | 660.6        | 0.492        |
|              | <b>assem.</b> |         |               | <b>660.8</b> | <b>661.6</b> | <b>0.063</b> |
|              |               | biomass |               | 679.6        | 680.2        | <0.001       |
| subm. veg.   | assem.        | biomass | assem:biomass | 561.5        | 563.8        |              |
|              | assem.        | biomass |               | 559.4        | 560.6        | 0.402        |
|              | <b>assem.</b> |         |               | <b>557.7</b> | <b>558.6</b> | <b>0.567</b> |
|              |               | biomass |               | 570.8        | 570.8        | <0.001       |

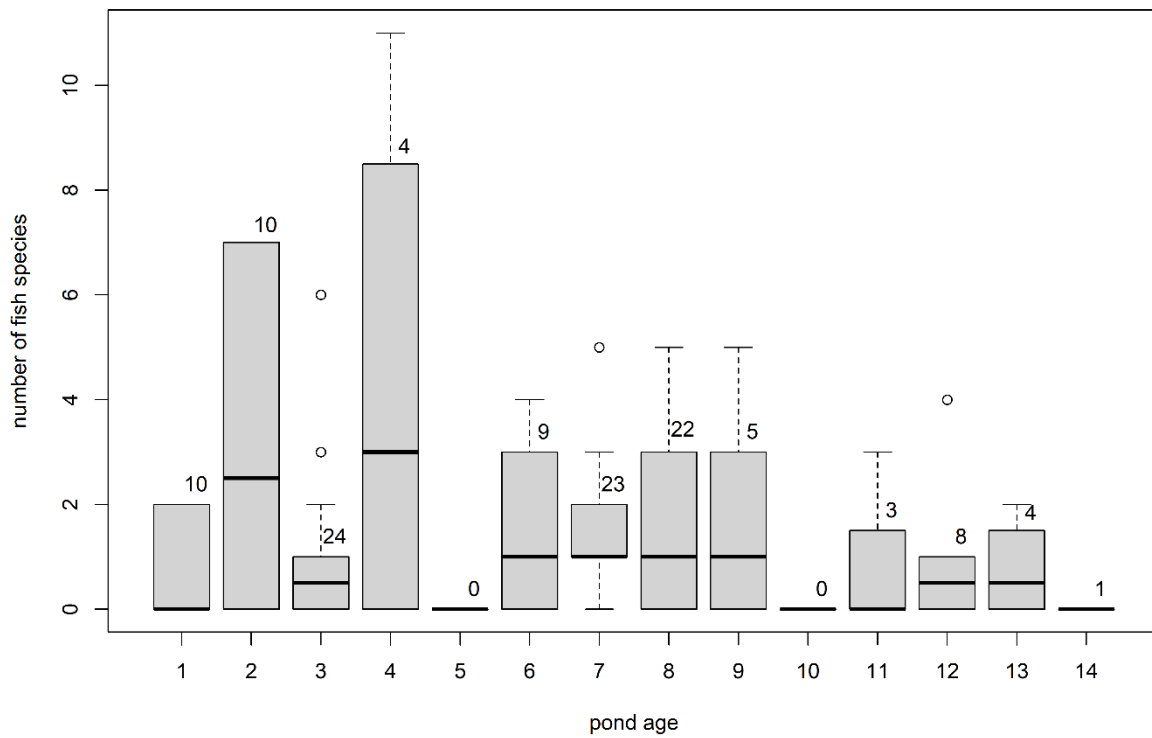


Figure S1. Number of fish species in relation to pond age. The number of ponds sampled in each age category is shown above the bars. Horizontal line = median, boxes = interquartile range, whiskers = non-outlier range, points = outliers.

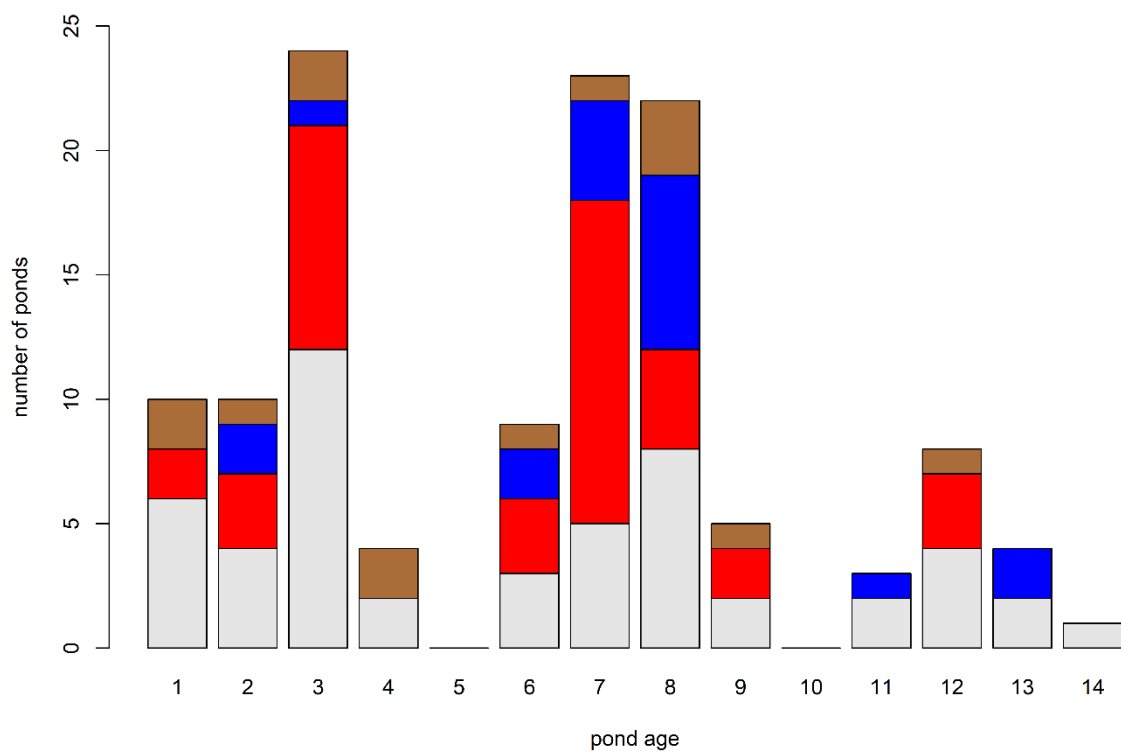


Figure S2. Number of fishless ponds (grey), ponds resided by native fish (blue), invasive fish (red) and stocked fish (brown) assemblages in relation to pond age.