



## **Dennett Valley White Trout and The Men**

Every May the white trout swim up the Foyle  
Turning left up Dennett Valley their summer to enjoy  
On their way up river they explore each pool and stream  
Two different paths in Donemana as they fulfil their dream  
Some to Ogilbys Castle others to the Ness

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Every Saturday morning they come to the men's shed  
To take part in all activities not staying in their bed  
Gardening, woodwork, planting hedges, seeds and trees  
Walking on a Thursday in Dennett Valley delight  
Singing on a Monday, fly-tying Tuesday night

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In the beautiful Dennett Valley where we have made our home  
The white trout for the summer, the rest of us stay on  
In our fleeting meetings on the river we both love  
**Cleminson** and **Dennett Red** are the flies that we have tried  
To entice the wily white trout over to our side

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The white trout love the river as indeed do we  
**But for all non-fishermen the shed is the place to be**  
Where we can come together and enjoy the space  
Something for everyone, community for all  
Lovely Donemana, Dennett Valley and our Hall

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We had Covid where we could not go out the door  
Now every week a crisis of some sort or another  
This really is the time we depend on each other  
**In the lovely garden gifted by McGills**  
We come together to talk of all our ills

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Like the white trout on the river and us men on dry land  
When we work together we have the perfect plan

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