



Fishing Report – Monday 15th May 2023

We have seen a rise in temperature and a corresponding rise in the rod average this week. Unfortunately, the start of the week began with Monday being a wash out. Luckily, Tuesday made up for it with calmer and warmer conditions. Two of our regular anglers recorded returns of 19 fish between them. The osprey towers fished well both fished sinking lines with snakes and gold head damsels, 2 of Carsington's favourite flies.

Mr Savage and Mr Cummings fished by the Dam on Thursday on snakes and lures. 8 fish were caught with many weighing around 3.5lbs. Bibury Fish Farm also delivered this weeks stocking with another batch of fabulous rainbows of 2lbs and above. There were a few blues amongst them so keep an eye out for those. Friday gave us a mixture of lure and buzzer fishing depending on your preference. Those fishing on buzzers seemed to record better returns. Lots of moving around to find the fish with Millfield's and the Dam wall being popular spots.

The brighter, warmer condition of the weekend brought the fish up a little. There seemed to be a change of methods with anglers using intermediate and floating lines, Montanas and nymphs worked well. The rod average for the Saturday and Sunday was 6. A number of 4lb fish were caught plus a number of large browns from many different parts of the water.

See below just 2 of the 10 fish caught by Nixon & Booth on Sunday.

Please note that due to a Multi Agency training exercise taking place this week. The Dam wall road will be closed from Tuesday morning to Thursday afternoon. If you are travelling to Carsington via Hulland Ward you will be diverted. If you are able to approach the reservoir via Wirksworth or Ashbourne then this will be easier. The main restrictions on the water will be within the sailing club bay so this shouldn't affect our permitted fishing area too much. Please keep clear of this area and adhere to any further information or instructions which may be given to you on the day.



Rod Average

The rod average for this week was **3.84** with 123 fish caught by 32 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

We had a number of 4lb rainbows caught by Mr Nixon, Mr Elton and Mr Topping.
We had 5 browns caught and released by a number of anglers however no weight estimates.

Methods & Flies

Fish have been caught using mostly intermediate and floating lines, using long leaders on a fast retrieve. Most boats have fished the many of the bays or close into the shore. Casting towards the bank / shallows and drifting away into slightly deeper water on a slow retrieve has worked well.
The most successful flies were buzzers, damselfly, green lures, montana, nymphs and snakes.

Top Spot

The most popular spots have been Millfield's, Dam Wall, Valve tower and Osprey Towers,

Casting Tuition for Beginners

These are ideal for someone who wants to get into fly fishing or just have a go at casting. All fly fishing equipment is included in the price of the session. The session is based on land as the aim is to concentrate on the art of casting a fly rod before you before using your new found skills to go out on the water to catch some fish.

The next dates for these sessions are
Sunday 14th May
Friday 26th May
(more dates are advertised on the website)

The cost is £45 per person, minimum age 12 years. Booking is essential as places are limited, click the button below for dates and bookings.

Autumn Open Competition

Date announcement for the Autumn Open - Sat 7th October 2023

This is a known pairs competition with prizes for the winning pair, heaviest overall bag and biggest individual fish, the cost is £76 per pair. We currently have 6 boats left so don't miss out on taking part in our friendly, enjoyable competition.

You can find more information on past competition and booking information via the following link.

[Autumn Open Information](#)

Fishing Reports

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http://www.carsingtonwater.com/contact-us/info_2.html

You can also help us with our reports by filling in the fishing catch return forms and putting them in the returns box by the warden's office, plus any pictures are always useful.

We look forward to seeing you throughout the 2023 season.
Don't forget to book your boat in advance to avoid disappointment.

