

Fishing Report 16th May 2022

We've had another week of very changeable weather, beginning with a few days of strong, blustery winds before ending the week with a mini heat-wave. This has undoubtedly affected the methods used throughout the course of the week.

Most of our anglers have reported success using intermediate or slow sinking lines, and whilst buzzers are still proving successful there are now a whole host of fly options that are working well, as mentioned in the stats below.

We've had many anglers reporting back that there are a lot of fish being seen in the reservoir, but they're often proving a little elusive to catch. When caught they're strong, fighting fish who do their best to get away!

Friday saw Mr Wood have another good day on the water, this week catching 15 to the boat including a nice brown that was safely returned - great work!

On Saturday Reece Allcock and Ross Saunders had a fantastic day, catching 19 to the boat including a brown. They found success around Fishtail Creek using Di3 and Di5 lines with black zonkers - great effort chaps!

We were pleased to welcome brothers Simon and Steve Vorley for two days out on the water as part of their annual get together. They found success under the Osprey Towers fishing with hothead damsels and managed to net the largest rainbow of the week, at an estimated 7lb - cracking result, well done!

On Sunday we played host to Errwood Fly Fishers, below is a lovely account of their visit and competition from chairman Lyn Powell.

"Dear Carsington Fishing,

Thanks for hosting Errwood Flyfishers day at Carsington yesterday (Sunday).

We all had a great day out for our twice postponed (due to Covid) annual trip to Carsington though conditions became a bit "challenging" particularly from the early afternoon with 15mph Easterly gusts. Over 60 fish were taken on the day with some really good fish being caught including a fine 3lb 4oz brownie caught by Dave Hamnett's boat partner Barry Hartle. Heaviest trout of the day was caught by Dave Locket (3lb 8oz rainbow) with best 4 fish bag taken by Ray Billings (11lbs 1oz). Ray and Dave also managed to pick up the trophy for heaviest boat (of fish!) returning an excellent 20lb 12ozs for their 8 fish haul narrowly beating the Hon EFFC Chairman (Lyn Powell) with boat partner Gair Ford by 1lb. Thanks all for attending, to Don Hough for organising and thanks also to Carsington for hosting us.

Regards

Lyn Powell (chairman EFFC)"

Pictures

It's good to be able to feature those great catches on our weekly reports. We have already received some great shots, thanks to those who have emailed in.

Please don't hesitate to email photos of your catch to flyfishing@carsingtonwater.com. Remember to note your name, weight of fish, fly used and area caught. We always have a camera in the fishery lodge so let us know if your catch is worth a snap!

Rod Average

The rod average for this week was **3.5** with 224 fish caught by 64 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest Rainbow was 7lb (est.) caught by Simon Vorley. The heaviest Brown was 4lb caught by David Parker.

Methods & Flies

Fish have been caught using intermediate and slow sinking lines, both Di3 and Di5 lines receiving good mentions this week. Using a midge tip has again proven successful for some. The most successful flies were buzzers, black snakes, black zonkers, nymphs, hothead damsels, crunchers, orange fabs, diawl bachs and gold ribbed hares ears.

Top Spot

The most popular spots have been Shiningford, Tower Bank, Sheepwash, Fishtail Creek and Millfields.

Casting Tuition for Beginners

Our beginner's casting tuition has restarted for the 2022 season.

This is a great opportunity to learn the basics of casting, knots and entomology under the guidance of a qualified instructor. Our qualified instructor will provide all equipment for the course - you are welcome to bring your own. The cost is £40 per person, minimum age 12 years. Booking is essential as places are limited, please visit our website to book your place.

How to Make a Booking for Carsington Water

The best way to make a booking is via our website – www.carsingtonwater.com. We have two time options for booking a day boat, 8.30 - 17.30 or 9.00 - 18.00. We are also now pleased to be offering a half day 8.30 - 2pm boat option.

If you have purchased multiple permits from us at the beginning of the season then please just book your boat and follow the instructions on the booking page.

Derbyshire County Angling Club - DCAC customers also have the same time options.

If you have any problems then please do give us a call.

Safety Information

Please can we remind our anglers:

- Always wear your killcord whilst the engine is running
- Do not stand up whilst the boat is moving either as driver or passenger
- Wear your lifejacket on top of all other clothing
- Carry a mobile phone

Fishing Reports

Our weekly fishing reports will be emailed out to those on our mailing list and will be available to view on our website: <u>http://www.carsingtonwater.com/Fishing-Reports.html</u>. If you would like to be on our email mailing list then please let us have your details. <u>http://www.carsingtonwater.com/contact-us/info_2.html</u>

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 2022 season. Don't forget to book your boat in advance to avoid disappointment.

Boats will leave the jetty at either 8.30 or 9am and must be back to the jetty by 5.30 or 6pm respectively.

Please allow sufficient time to return from your fishing spot

Please note that Carsington is a boat fishing water only. It is advisable that boat bookings are made in advance to avoid disappointment. Discounts are available for bookings of 5 or more boats.