



Fishing Report - Monday 1st April 2024

We have experienced a mixture of weather and wind directions this week however, the anglers have worked through the conditions and produced fantastic returns.

The overall rod average for the week is 6.8 with our best day being Saturday producing a rod average of 9.24.

A fairly breezy start to the week with the southerly winds making it a little more difficult to find shelter. Tower bank and Sheepwash produced not only shelter but good sport with all anglers catching. Mr Topping had 18 fish to the boat - a mixture of over wintered and stocked fish. Methods used were lures & intermediate lines in the morning and buzzers and floating after lunch when the weather become drier. These are two methods which are currently working well.

Tuesday was a much more pleasant day with calmer conditions and warmer temperatures. We had 10 boats out and all returns were positive with many anglers catching 10 plus to the boat. The lighter winds opened up the water and popular spots with Fish Tail Creek and Stones Island producing great returns. Di 3 with a washing line of buzzers was the key to Tuesday catches.

Wednesday was very choppy with a strong southerly wind, only 2 boats ventured out, one being Pete Eville who managed 14 fish to the boat fishing buzzers. His best fish was a 4lb rainbow.

Thursday was a truly dreadful day weather wise and unfortunately this was reflected in the catch reports. A number of our DCAC regular anglers ventured out in the rain but only caught a few fish between them.

Friday's weather forecast quashed the boat bookings for Good Friday with Frank Sunnall having the water to himself. He caught 10 fish in total fishing around the islands and Upperfields bay.

Saturday was a cracking day and the best of the Easter weekend. The rod average for the day was 9.24 with all but a few returned showing fantastic results. It was nice to see Fishtail, Sheepwash and Stitch Plantation all fishing well with fish being caught quite close towards the banks. Many anglers fished intermediate lines, stripping lures and snakes. Chad Critchley (CC Fly Fishing) hosted 2 half day experience days in conjunction with Orvis UK. Both sets of anglers during the morning and afternoon sessions caught a number of cracking fish. Let's hope we have given them a taste of fishing our water and will see them again soon.

Thank you for all the lovely comments left on the returns during Saturday.

*'Pleasurable days Fishing'
'Great Sport'
'Ace Day'
'Awesome Day'
'Fabulous fishing, great fighting fish'*

Sunday's wind and rain forecast, and Easter activities took precedence to fishing with only one boat out. Despite the windy conditions the pair had 14 fish between them. They took shelter initially out of the North Easterly breeze in Fishtail creek and finished the afternoon in Shiningford creek. Pink snakes were certainly the order of the day.

Terry's Top Tips

Terry's top tip for the week ahead.

BUZZERS !

Try using small black buzzers with a floating line or sink tip.
Good locations are currently Sheepwash, Upperfields Bay & Millfield's.



Rod Average

The rod average for this week was **6.8** with 268 fish caught by 39 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest Rainbow was 5lb caught by Gary Fallows he fished the stripping method using a black & green lure and caught this fish in Brown Ale Bay.

A few browns have been reported but nothing noted on weight.

Methods & Flies

Fish have been caught using a mix of lines from intermediate to floating lines stripping back quickly or on a slow retrieve. The most successful flies were black, green & pink snakes, cormorants, black & green Montana, mini viva and small black buzzers.

Top Spot

Fish have been caught towards the banks in the shallower water..

The most popular spots have been, fishtail creek, Tower Bank, Brown Ale Bay, Sheepwash, Upperfield Bay and stones island.

British Summer time

Now that the clocks have changed we are back to having boat booking option of
8.30am - 5.30pm

9.00am - 6pm

or morning session 8.30am - 2pm

Please choose your time when you book your boat online or over the phone.

All boats must be back to the jetty by 6pm.

(Do have some evening / later sessions planned for May, June and July see website for more details)

Our online booking system is live, see detail below on how to make your booking

All boats must be booked in advance.

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