



Fishing Report 25th April 2022

What a change in weather we've had this last week, with very strong north-easterly winds moving in and staying with us for the latter part of the week. This has understandably had an effect on the rod average, but we're pleased to report it's still sitting above our bag limit at 4.72.

Despite the weather conditions we've been delighted to welcome a number of junior anglers this week, who've been making the most of their Easter break and coming to fish with family members.

Buzzers are still the fly of choice, and anyone who's been to site will know there are plenty of hatches coming from the water this year. As with the last few weeks, both floating and sinking lines have worked well, weather dependant.

On Monday one of our regular DCAC anglers Mr Gardner-Thorpe had a cracking day out on the water taking 17 to the boat catching mainly on buzzers. Fantastic effort! Monday also saw Mr Whitcombe, another of our regular DCAC anglers, take 21 to his boat - another cracking day on the water!

On Wednesday we were pleased to welcome Simon Peck and his crew for their regional police fly fishing match. 12 anglers took to the water in challenging weather, 48 fish were caught with one angler taking 10 fish. Buzzers and blobs were the flies of choice, with Sheepwash and Stones Island proving successful locations.

Special mention goes to Adam Larbalestier who headed out on Friday in conditions he describes as 'windy as hell!' He still managed to record 30 fish, with Sheepwash and Shiningford being his area of choice, fishing on snakes, buzzers and nymphs, using Di7, Di5, floater and midgetip lines. An excellent day on the water despite the strong winds, well done Adam!

On Saturday we held our annual Spring Open Competition, the strong winds made for interesting conditions but the first boat bagged up and made it back to weigh within 90 minutes. A full report will be sent out separately, but the overall winners were Richard Hood and Bob Fitzpatrick, with Neil Thomas taking both heaviest fish and heaviest individual bag. Well done to all taking part, an excellent day of fishing.

As always, we thank you for fishing here at Carsington, and we're pleased to share your fantastic results with the rest of our anglers.

Rod Average

The rod average for this week was **4.72** with 392 fish caught by 83 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest Rainbow was 5lb 5oz caught by Neil Thomas.

The heaviest Brown were 4lb 8oz caught by Mr Scragg and Mr Fisher.

Methods & Flies

Fish have been caught using either floating lines or fast sink lines - weather dependant. Pulling slowly through the water has proven a popular method this week. Di5 and Di7 lines have also been well used.

The most successful flies were buzzers, snakes, nymphs, blobs, cormorants, orange fritz, viva and montanas.

Top Spot

The most popular spots have been Shiningford Creek, Tower Bank, Sheepwash, Fishtail Creek, Upperfields and Stones Island.



Neil Thomas with his stunning 5lb 5oz rainbow caught during Saturday's Spring Open Competition.

Casting Tuition for Beginners

Our beginners 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.

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!

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: <http://www.carsingtonwater.com/Fishing-Reports.html>.

If you would like to be on our email mailing list then please let us have your details.

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 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.