



## Fishing Report

### Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023

Great to see an increase in the rod average to 4.6.

Our rod average this week stands at 2.3 which is down from last weeks but still good for our water at this time of year. We've seen a few different areas fishing well this week with many fishermen taking a gamble at catching in Fishtail Creek and some catching around Bouy 4. However, the Dam Wall and middle reservoir are still proving to be the best areas at the moment. Blobs and blood worms have been popular specifically red or orange ones along with Minkie's. All kinds of methods have been used throughout the week including floating lines and intermediate lines as fish seem to be between 5-7ft deep, which is obviously quite shallow for this time of year.

The beginning of the week provided good catching for J. Forde and E. Forde. Between them they caught seven fish using a Donegal Hooligan fly and were most successful in Mid reservoir. Mr Scragg and Mr Walker also made a good start to the week for us, having caught three rainbows each from middle Reservoir using intermediate lines and a Minkie on the end - their biggest fish was just over 3.5lbs

Wednesday saw Phil Harding catching into the double figures again with a total of twelve caught and his biggest fish weighing 4lb 10oz. His 12 fish were caught within the middle of the Reservoir using slinking intermediate lines and blobs. Wednesday also saw slow retrieves, Di7's and back drifts being the popular methods amongst fishermen with The Dam Wall providing the most rewarding catches.

On Thursday Mr Savage and Mr Cummins caught seven fish between them and had great successful day in central Reservoir fishing on sinking lines and various coloured blobs. Their estimated total bag weight was 21lb with their biggest fish weighing 4lb+.

Friday and into the weekend witnessed Fishtail Creek providing catches for the first time in a couple of months. On Saturday the Elton's caught four fish with the biggest fish weighing 3lbs 12oz and the total bag weight being 13lbs. Sunday provided a successful day again for Mr Gardner-Thorpe, whom had eight fish to the boat with his favourite minkie fly and floating lines.

Many people have done well with Minkie's this week and are certainly the preferred fly with the trout at the minute.

Fingers crossed for some drier weather this coming week.

Here's a fish joke from Jess to cheer us up a bit.

*What did the fish say when it swam into a wall?*



Picture 1 - Tyler's first visit to Carsington, fly fishing with his dad. Caught a lovely rainbow

Picture 2 - Mr E Ford with his 5lbs rainbow caught and returned on Tuesday.

Caught on a Hooligan fly.

### Rod Average

The rod average for this week was 2.3 with 76 fish caught by 3 anglers.

### Best Rainbow/Brown

Our heaviest recorded rainbow was 4lbs 10oz caught by Mr Phil Harding using a blob.

### Methods & Flies

Fish have been caught using green blobs, red blobs, orange lures, tadpoles, pink snakes, blood worms and Minkie. Most anglers have fished on a mixture of lines from floating to sinking depending on the weather of the day. Many anglers have fished a drift from the dam wall to fishtail creek.

### Top Spot

The most popular spots have been Buoy 10, Buoy 4 and Middle of the reservoir, Dam Wall, Millfield's, fishtail creek and buoys 3& 4.

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### 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 use your new found skills to go out on the water to catch some fish.

The next dates for these sessions are

Sunday 20th August

Sunday 3rd September

Fri 15th September

Sun 15th October

( 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.

