



Fishing Report

Monday 3rd July 2023

What a wonderful start to the week we had! The rod average for Monday alone was 3.75, Mr Savage was just one of the anglers that helped to contribute to this figure. He caught five rainbows, one of which made catch of the week weighing in at 4.5lbs, most productive fishing took place at The Tower end of The Dam Wall, using deep methods and different types of snakes. Mr Goldthorpe also returned with five rainbows and he left us with the following remark ' lovely fish quality - very good size.' His catches were again from the Dam area of the reservoir and he was mainly using DI-Backs and boobies.

Middle of the week once again provided good catching at The Dam Wall, fast sinking lines were very popular along with black and green buzzers, DI-Backs, orange lures and orange snakes. During Wednesday Newton caught four fish in Mid lake area and advised that the fish were lying about 10ft down.

Towards the end of the week catch returns slowed down nut those who did catch were succeeding the most by buoy 4, some were fishing on floating lines and others were on intermediates. Many fishermen were using Olive Snakes or dark coloured buzzers. However, Mr Middleton was fishing the day away on Thursday using Gold headed flies and had an 'enjoyable day'

The overcast weather on Sunday meant very few fishermen joined us on the water, which meant Mr Udell and Mr Ashworth had a great day fishing with no competition but each other. It allowed both gentlemen to test the waters and discover the best areas and flies ready for when their is some healthy competition out their for them. (see Mr Udell and Mr Ashworth pictured) The best areas for the two were Shiningford and Osprey Towers, but the pair remained reluctant to provide insight on best flies for the day.

We'd like to make all anglers aware of the alterations in our [rules](#) to catching and taking Brown trout.
No fish other than rainbow trout are to be taken from the reservoir and all brown trout caught must be handled carefully and safely returned to the reservoir.



Rod Average

The rod average for this week was 1.6 with 41 fish caught by 26 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

Our heaviest recorded rainbow was 4lbs and 5oz caught by R. Savage caught on a deep method using snakes.

Methods & Flies

Fish have been caught using green & black boobies, orange lures, orange snake, DI-Backs, and Goldheads. Most anglers have fished using Di7 or Di8, slow sinking, deep down as well as floating lines closer to the surface.

Top Spot

The most popular spots have been Millfield's, Shiningford, Dam Wall, and Middle of the reservoir.

Fishing until 8pm available on the following dates

We're pleased to confirm we now have opened the following dates for evening fishing, with afternoon and full day boats being able to fish through to 8pm. These will need to be booked via the website, please ensure to choose the correct time option when making your booking.

The available dates are:

- Monday 3rd July
- Wednesday 12th July
- Monday 17th July
- Thursday 20th July

Advance booking is essential.

Please let us know if you experience any problems when making a booking.

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

Friday 26th May

Friday 23rd June

Sunday 23rd July

(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.

