

# Fishing Report - Monday 18th March 2024

## What a fabulous start to the season.

On Saturday we welcomed anglers for the start of the season with blue skies and light winds and it was great to have so many anglers out on the water. By lunchtime we did experience cloud cover and a little more wind, but this produced some perfect fishing conditions.

Anglers spread out across the water and moved spot regularly to find the fish. The rod average for Saturday was 3.89 many anglers catching 3/4 fish with some even in double figures. There were several 4lbs rainbows and some lovely 5lb browns. Intermediate lines with black, green, or pink patterns were the order of the day.

Sunday started out with cloud cover however became brighter and warmer during the afternoon. Tower Bank, Stone Island, and the Fishtail showed pods of fish. Sink Tip floater and intermediate lines with black, green, and white pattern proved successful.

Thanks for all you support over the weekend and the positive comments made on your catch returns. We look forward to seeing you all through the season and welcoming new and old anglers over the coming weeks.

# Terry's Top Tips

Terry's top tip for the week ahead. Try fly patterns which are black, green with sparkle, using sink tip / intermediate lines. Move around to find the pods of fish and keep closer to the banks not in deep water.

#### **Reminder Regarding Browns**

Lots of brown have been seen & caught over the weekend.

So just a reminder regarding our rules on Browns. Please make sure that all brown are returned to the water promptly or better still not removed from nets once caught. Flies must be removed carefully before returning the browns safely back into the water.

#### Wheelie boats / Access boats for all anglers

We have several wheelie/ access boats available for those anglers who are wheelchair bound, registered disabled or just need safer access and electric engine start. These boats have allowed many of our anglers to remain fishing despite their disability, injury or recovery from surgery.

The access boats will need to be booked via email or telephone so please get in touch if you would like to reserve one.



Barry Smith with his first fish of the season a lovely 3lb 8oz brown caught on a pink snake near Stones Island.

#### **Rod Average**

The rod average for this week was **3.5** with 105 fish caught by 30 anglers.

# Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest Rainbow was 4lb 1oz caught by My Pym fishing a damsel on a intermediate line. This was one of 7 fish caught overall.

The heaviest brown was caught by Mr Parker at 5lbs. This was 1 of several browns caught, all over 4lbs in weight.

# **Methods & Flies**

Fish have been caught using sink tip / intermediate lines with a few having success on floating lines. Fish have been caught close to the banks in the shallows.

The most successful flies were black, green & pink patterns, including snakes, Gold Head Montana, tadpole and fritz.

## **Top Spot**

The most popular spots have been, fishtail creek, osprey towers and stones island.

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Our online booking system is live, see detail below on how to make your booking All boats must be booked in advance. **Click here for prices and booking** 







