



Fishing Report - Week ending Sun 18th May 2025

Terry's Top Tips for the week ahead.

It's been a more tricky week with a mixture of fishing techniques used. Floating lines with buzzers, nymphs and diawl bach have still worked well however some anglers have reverted to the intermediate lines fishing a little deeper with cormorants, hothead damsels, fritz and montana. The cool north easterly wind which has blown constantly for a whole week keeping the air temperatures quite chilly especially in the mornings.

Wednesday saw a group of anglers from the St Oswald's Lodge and Fly Fishers for a Masonic Lodge social fishing day. The weather conditions were much more favourable than the past few years when they have visited and a great day was had by all. This was a great practice day ahead of their Plate competition in June.

Below is a picture of the 6lb rainbow caught by David Marriot.



Evening Fishing

Thanks to all those who have supported the evening fishing so far this season. We have more dates coming up through May and June and hopefully will be able to add a few in for early July before the water temperatures become warmer.

21st May, 28th May, 4th June, 11th June, 18th June, 25th June.

If you wish to fish into the evening until 8pm please make sure you book the later fishing time option or let us know at point of booking. We do not charge any extra for the boats on these days.

Jetty Times

Now that the clocks have changed, we have fishing options of, 8.30 – 17.30, 9.00 – 18.00 or 8.30 – 14.00. Please make sure you choose a suitable time option when booking online.

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](#)

Day out with the AAFFF



It was great to see Mark and Shaun from the AAFFF back on the water again this week. On Monday they fished with an elderly gentleman called Gary. He had spoken about his love for Fly Fishing but had not been able to fish for a number of years. Litchfield hospital therapy department contacted the All Abilities Friendly Fly Fishers to see if they could support with a day's fishing for Gary. The weather was certainly in their favour and Gary caught two perfectly conditioned rainbows and lost many more. You can certainly see by the photos how much Gary enjoyed his day afloat. We look forward to seeing the AAFFF out on the water again supporting anglers who may not be able to get out and fish without that bit of extra support. Our wheelie boats certainly help make the experience enjoyable and our friendly staff are always on hand to help.

For more information about this amazing group of anglers check out their website. www.aafff.co.uk

Rod Average

The rod average for this week was 7.1 with 541 fish caught by 76 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest rainbows caught this week weighed 3lbs 9oz caught by Phil Harding by Tower bank using a Midge tip and buzzer.

Methods & Flies

The most popular line have been by far floating with many fish being caught much closer to the surface and a little further out from the banks. During the warm still days and the breezier days anglers have chosen to fish deeper down where the fish had moved to following the bright weather.

The most popular flies have been buzzers, black pennel, shipmans buzzer, black or olive buzzer, nymphs, daiwl bach's, hoppers, black sedge, Montana, cormorants, hot head damsels and pink snakes.

Top Spot

The most popular spots have been, all across the east bank especially within Fishtail creek, also Middle wood to Millfield's, Shinning ford, stones and sailing club island..

