



Fishing Report - Week ending Sun 20th April 2025

It was a slow start to the week with cooler temperatures and gusty conditions. Despite the conditions Steve Marples caught a cracking 15 fish using cats whiskers.

As things settled from Wednesday onwards the buzzers fishing certainly kicked in and many fish were caught producing a slight increase in the rod average to 6.45.

Thursday saw many boats out and a number of fish caught, Roy Lewin returned following his visit on Sunday for the Alex Booth competition and had a much better day with 14 fish to the boat. All were caught on buzzers around Half Moon Bay using the figure of 8 fishing method.

This success continued into Friday with Rod Goldthorpe also fishing buzzer in the same area on the Eastern shore and having 24 fish to the boat. Mr Livin and Mr Evans also fished the same bank and caught 10 -12 fish - most fish being between 2 – 3lbs. Interestingly, many of these were caught on very different methods with black & green lures and sinking lines.

The overcast conditions of Saturday produced excellent fishing conditions and saw many anglers recording double figures. A number of boats were out practicing ahead of next week's Spring Open Competition. The last few boats have now been taken for this competition so fingers crossed for good weather conditions and hopefully, the water will continue to fish well.

On Sunday we played host to the All Abilities Friendly Fly Fishers (AAFFF)

This is a fantastic group who support and promote fishing to beginner and experience anglers with a variety of disabilities. We had 8 boats out in total. All anglers caught with one boat having 35 fish on total.

See report and pictures kindly sent in by organisers Mark Goodge.

AAFFF Carsington Report

An enjoyable day was had by all at Carsington today, 20th April. The fishing was by no means easy on what started out as a bitterly cold morning with a biting northeast wind, so we all headed to the far shore for some relief. Thankfully, in the shelter of the hills and wood on that side, it was at least two coats warmer, and some fish were rising. The wind dropped, and we started to catch, then the sun came out, and the coats came off. But thankfully, the fish continued to show and take.

Jon Morgan Parker and Pete Line were top boat by far with 35 fish landed. But the best achievements today were by Steve Derwin and Allen Betts, who both caught their first trout on the fly today ❤️👏👏👏👏 in fact Steve went on to catch 3, including the beauty on the photo.

16 anglers caught 90 trout with a bag average of 5.63

A big thank you to Claire, Sarah, and all the rangers for all their help and advice.

Such a friendly group and atmosphere at Carsington, we will be back ❤️😊

Thank you to all of those anglers who have taken the time to complete their catch returns and leave positive comments on the quality and size of fish caught and the quality water and surrounding scenery. If certainly a beautiful place to spend the day afloat.

Please Note – We are fully booked on Saturday 26th April due to the Spring Open competition.

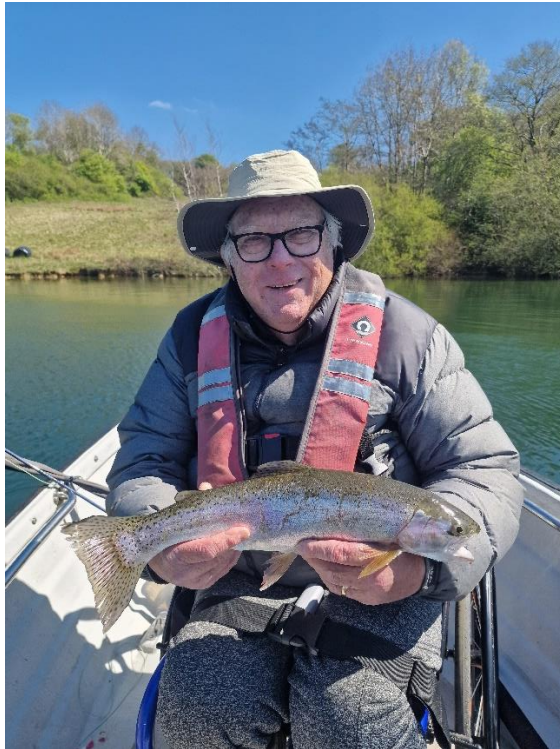
Jetty Times

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](#)



Steve Derwin from the AAFF group, pictured above with his first ever catch, Steve then went on to catch a further 3 fish. The picture shows what a great day he has out on the water with boat partner Mark.

Rod Average

The rod average for the opening weekend was 6.45 with 413 fish caught by 64 anglers.

Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest rainbow was caught by Mark Smith at 4lbs 8oz

Methods & Flies

Anglers have mostly used a mixture of floating and sinking lines, Di3, Di5 & Di8 and sink tips with a slow retrieve also some found the figure of 8 method successful.

The most popular fly patterns have been buzzers, nymphs, dawlback, hot head damsels, black & green Montana, gold head hares ear, cats whisker, pink snakes, black and green lures.

Top Spot

The most popular spots have been, fishtail creek, Upperfields Bay, Halfmoon bay, Stitch Plantation and Millfields.



