

Fishery News

Week ending 24 May 2009

- **New look website for Fishery New**

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- **Boat pair share the spoils in Tuesday Evening Boat League**

Paul Wild (Ketton) wins with Chris Evans (Stamford) in the same boat to take second at Rutland Water

- **Big Rainbows keep on coming at Ravensthorpe**

11lb 1oz Rainbow for Peter Collins of Long Buckby

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Pitsford, Ravensthorpe & Hollowell 01604 781350

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Rutland Water

Fish week 2,888 (season 16,507) returns 632 (3,413) rod average 4.56 (4.83)

Rutland Water is in excellent form with outstanding fishing and plenty of quality fish. Regular visitor to Rutland Water, Stephen McLean writes, "Every year the fishing is superb, a combination of the facilities, the staff, not to mention the fish. On Friday John McLean and I had six fish to the boat caught up the north arm in Dickenson's Bay. After lunch we headed up the south arm to try our luck, between the Bunds and Green bank. Floating line, damsel on the point with two red cheeked diawl bachs on the droppers I cast out, straightened my line, immediately it tightened and after 15 heart stopping minutes we had landed a Brown that I'll literally never forget. The fish was returned, our estimate was at least 8lb."

The best Rainbow of the week weighed 7lb 8½oz and was taken by season ticket holder Phil Clamp of Macclesfield. Phil lured the fish on a tube fly fished on a wet cell 2 line. Weighing in the best brown of the week was dry fly enthusiast and season ticket holder Peter de Kremer from Oakham. Peter hooked the fish from down the south arm of the reservoir.

Best methods have been nymph's straight lining and the bung with dry fly also working very well. Hatches of fly have been excellent with buzzers but there has been a superb increase in the number of olives hatching this season which has seen the bigger fish on the move.

Pitsford senior warden Nathan Clayton brought his son Joshua, 8 years old, and 6 year old daughter Jasmine to Rutland and both caught fish with Jasmine's Rainbow at 2lb 12oz her first ever trout! Jasmine's fish wasn't as big as Joshua's but he managed to hook two fish together and landed them both.

Prospects look very good with big fish showing in many areas feeding on buzzers, olives and snails.

Competition news

Tuesday evening boat league

The first match of the season went ahead last week. 16 Anglers fished taking 57 fish. The 'hot' boat was occupied by Paul Wild and Chris Evans. The pair certainly got into the fish, both taking an 8 fish limit, with Paul, of Ketton, near Stamford, just edging Chris, of Stamford, into second place.

1st Paul Wild 8 fish for 18lb 8½oz
2nd Chris Evans 8 fish for 17lb 15oz
3rd Phil Longstaff 6 fish for 14lb 1oz

Vision Pairs

Monday 24 May

28 pairs fished this match with a terrific rod average of 6.27

Winning pair was Ron Gent and Clive Morgan. Ron took the best bag at 31lb ½oz. Robert Edmunds, a late entry, took the best fish a Brown trout at 6lb 1¼oz

Best Rainbow 7lb 8½oz taken by Phil Clamp of Mansfield

Best boat areas Normanton, Sykes Lane, bottom of both arms, Sailing Club

Best bank areas Normanton, the Finches, Old Hall, Sykes Lane, Sailing Club,
Yellowstone

Best methods Floating line with nymphs and dries

Mid week boat winner Roland McKendrick of Queniborough, Leicester

Fish stocked 2,500

Forthcoming events Tuesday Night Boat League

Beginners courses 6,7, & 20 June; 4,12,19 & 26 July & throughout the season

12 June **WaterAid Flyfishing Challenge**

13 June **Anglian Water Floating Line competition**

24 June **Anglian Water Airflo International Midland heat**

Grafham Water

Fish week 616 (season 8,481) returns 325 (2,166) rod average 1.89 (3.91)

The recent extreme fluctuations in weather conditions, from strong southerly winds early in the week, to red hot flat calms at the end of the week, have made fishing challenging. Boat anglers have enjoyed the best sport on a mixture of methods from floaters with buzzers and small nymphs (mainly from the western end of the reservoir, Savages Creek, Rainbow Point and Valley Creek) to fast sunk lines with blobs and boobies from Gaynes Cove, bowl of the dam and G,Q and I buoys. Bank anglers have had some good sport this week mainly at the back end from G buoy, Hill Farm and the bowl of the dam mainly on floaters with buzzers and small nymphs.

The biggest bag of the week was caught by local season ticket holder Ian Heading from Great Staughton. Ian caught 8 trout for 25lb 7oz on a Di5 line drifting between Q and I buoys.

Competition News

Troutmasters

Grafham Water hosted the Troutmasters with 150 anglers competing. The weather last Monday was not ideal with strong south westerly winds and boats restricted to within 300 metres of the south shore and the north shore unfishable from the bank. Anglers who qualified for this match had done so through their own fisheries by catching a large fish and then competing in a fish off against all the other big captors on that water. With 150 anglers competing the field is split into two with half boat fishing and the other half fishing from the bank. Following a mid day weigh in the two halves swap over and the results are worked out on a points basis depending on individual placings in each session.

The winner this year was Darren Booth representing Stocks Fly Fishery. Darren was the only angler to catch in both sessions taking two fish in the morning from the bank and three in the afternoon session from the boats. Mark Sturgess representing Packington Trout Fishery took the best fish prize with a stunning 4lb Rainbow from along the lodge bank.

- 1ST Darren Booth
- 2nd Mark Sturgess
- 3rd Richard Lansbury
- 4th David Franklin
- 5th Graeme Bell
- 6th Richard Cooper
- 7th Jack McCue(Jnr)
- 8th Dave Morris
- 9th Liam Simpson
- 10th Bob Shaw

Invicta Tuesday Night Boat League

18 Anglers took part in this week's boat match catching 25 trout.

1st Dave Newing 5 fish

2nd Kieran Bonas/John Vincent 3 fish

Dave was top rod this week by fishing diawl bachs and crunchers on a floating line from Sailing Club Bay

Best Rainbow Two at 4lb 4oz taken by Richard Kesek and D Jones

Best Brown 6lb 1oz taken by Steve Battle of Bedford

Best boat areas Savages Creek, Gaynes Cove, Rainbow point, The Seat, G,Q and I buoys

Best bank areas Gaynes Cove, bowl of dam, the Seat, Hill Farm, G Buoy

Best methods See report

Mid week boat winner James Woodroff of Fenstanton

Fish stocked 2,000

Forthcoming events **Tuesday Evening Boat League**

Beginners courses - 7, 24 & 28 June; 5,18,24 & 29 July
and throughout the season

28 May **Fly-fishing for Juniors.**

Sponsored by the Salmon and Trout Association.

Three hours of tuition 9.30am to 12.30 or 1.30pm to
4.30 pm. All for just £10. For more information please
contact Peter Hartley on 07922 126154

2 June **Inter Services**

6 June **Anglian Water Airflo International Midland
Heat**

10 June **Pro-Am boat match**

Pitsford Water

Fish week 547 (season 6,750) returns 202 (1,714) rod average 2.7(3.9)

The best rainbow of the week weighed in at 7lb 6oz and was taken by John Fletcher of Rothwell. John fished a floating line with a damsel nymph off the Cliffs on Saturday.

Season ticket holder Will Linnel and Richard Williams boat fished on Sunday with Will catching 7 fish weighing 22lb and Richard taking 4 fish on a half day ticket in a morning session. Will was using a Di7 line and a green and white booby. They fished close to the dam wall. The small half continues to fish well with fish feeding on daphnia with the best methods floating line and an orange blob and top dropper and two nymphs behind it.

Best Rainbow 7lb 6oz taken by John Fletcher of Rothwell

Best boat areas Small half, main bowl.

Best bank areas Cliff, Gorse, Pines

Best methods Floating line with an orange blob with nymphs behind through the surface

Mid week boat winner B Frith of Mansfield

Fish stocked 500

Forthcoming events Beginners courses 30 May; 17 & 20 June; 4 & 15 July; 1, 5, 15 & 29 August

Ravensthorpe Reservoir

Fish week 428 (season 6,478) returns 90 (1,179) rod average 4.75(5.5)

Peter Collins took the best rainbow of the week at 11lb 1oz with a black buzzer. Mark Williams used an orange blob to take a Rainbow of 8lb 1oz.

Best Rainbow 11lb 1oz taken by Peter Collins

Best boat areas Island to Cotton End

Best bank areas Dam and platforms

Mid week boat winner I Marks of Leicester

Fish stocked 400