

Fishery News. Week ending 13 June 2010

2009 title holder Phil flies into the lead

Phil Longstaff leads title race in Rutland Water Tuesday Night Boat League

Pick of the Pike

Boat fishing at Pitsford Water with lures starts this week

Pike fishing is permitted with lures over 18cm only at Pitsford

Alternate weeks Monday to Friday, commencing 16 and 28 June, 12 and 26 July, 9 and 23 August, 6 and 20 September.

2010 Pike dates and permits with Anglian Water

Boat fish for Pike from 16 June at Rutland, Grafham & Pitsford - permits to fish with flies over 10cm, using a wire trace for pike & zander.

Pike permits (plus usual boat fees)

Predator season permit £199

Predator day permit £15

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Rutland Water 01780 686441; Grafham Water 01480 810531;
Pitsford, Ravensthorpe & Hollowell 01604 781350,
Taverham Mills Fishery 01603 861014; Alton Water 01473 589105
Recreation Dept Anglian Water 01572 653021

Grafham Water

Fish week 1,275(15,350) Returns 291 (2,884) Rod average 4.38 (5.32)

Grafham Water has continued to fish well again this week with static black or olive buzzers taking the vast majority of trout being caught on floating lines. Once again the boat anglers have had the best of the sport mainly at the western end of the reservoir (Savages Creek, Rainbow Point, Valley Creek and L and H buoys or Gaynes Cove) on either floating lines with black or olive buzzers, diawl bachs and crunchers fished static or medium sink lines with gold head damsel nymphs, diawl bachs, GRHE and black and green tadpoles fished slowly.

With the variable wind directions that we have been experiencing bank anglers have managed to find some good fishing this week at Gaynes Cove, Savages Creek and the south Dam on floating lines.

Competition news

Invicta Tuesday Night boat league week 5

13 Anglers took part this week and the reservoir fished well with 32 trout caught for a rod average of 2.5 for the evening. Top rod on the night was Andy Linwood of Perry. Andy caught 7 trout in 3½ hours at Savages Creek on olive buzzers.

1st Andy Linwood 7 fish

2nd Mark Searle/John Vincent 6 fish

3rd Oscar Boatfield 3 fish

Best Rainbow Three at 4lb 12oz

Best Brown Five at 2lb 8oz.

Best boat areas L and H buoys, Savages Creek, Lodge frontage, Valley Creek, Gaynes Cove.

Best bank areas South Dam, Gaynes Cove, Savages Creek.

Best methods See report

Mid week boat winner: J Bretherick of Perry.

Fish stocked 2,000

Forthcoming events:

Invicta Tuesday Night boat league

England Qualifier 'Odds & Sods' 20 June

Pro Am Boat match 23 June

English Youth National 4 July

Anglian Water Airflo International Midland Final 12 July

Anglian Water Airflo International Southern Final 19 July

Youth International 28 July

Beginners courses: 24 & 27 June; 4, 17, 23 & 28 July and other dates throughout the season.

Rutland Water

Fish week 1,294 (season 18,232) Returns 402 (4,212) Rod average 3.21 (4.32)

Rutland Water is fishing well considering the variable weather conditions, with an impressive rod average of 3.21. Boat fishing has again dominated the numbers of fish caught, with bank fishing good in limited areas. Boat anglers have caught fish virtually all over the reservoir from the top of the North Arm all the way round to the Old Hall/Browns Island area of the South Arm.

One of the best bags of fish recorded last week fell to Yorkshire anglers Mike Barratt and Peter his boat partner who netted 14 fish for over 40lb from the North Arm. The fish fell to nymphs/buzzers on floating line. Lincolnshire angler Mick Atkinson recorded the best fish of the week a 6lb 7oz Rainbow.

Bank angler Malcolm Janik of Spilsby, Lincolnshire, has enjoyed consistent sport recently with numerous limits fishing between Sykes Lane and Whitwell, using nymphs. Malcolm has taken fish up to 3½lb recently.

Grantham angler Rob Holloway had a quick fire limit from the Sailing Club on Wednesday morning using diawl bachs on a floating line. One or two anglers have taken fish on the fly albeit in the late evening with fish only coming in/up after sunset.

Competition news

Tuesday night boat league

Market Harborough angler Phil Longstaff went into overdrive last Tuesday with eight fish weighing 20lb 7oz, including the best fish of the night a 5lb 7oz Rainbow. This result has put Phil, last year's league winner, into top spot as both Richard Cooper and Keith Jones failed to score. There were three other eight fish limits on the evening Malcolm March (2nd), Chris Evans (3rd) and Bob Norman (4th). Bob took the

quickest limit of the night with eight fish bagged in less than an hour out on the water.

- 1st Phil Longstaff 8 fish for 20lb 7oz
- 2nd Malcolm March 8 fish for 20lb
- 3rd Chris Evans 8 fish for 17lb 3½oz

League table after week 5

- 1st Phil Longstaff 29 points
- 2nd Richard Cooper 28 points
- 3rd Keith Jones 20 points
- 4th Mike Netherclift 12 points
- 5th Paul Wild 10 points

Cutting Trophy 4 June

This match was fished on a very warm, humid evening with a light south easterly breeze. Congratulations to the winner Hilary Tomlinson who caught her eight fish match winning weight of 23lb 15oz from Sailing Club Bay. Jeremy Ball (runner up in the Wadham Trophy) caught the best fish a Rainbow of 4lb 13oz. Most fish came from Sailing Club Bay and were caught on a variety of patterns. However, Roy Taylor caught five nice silver fish from the Normanton Blue Pipes. Rutland Water Fly Fishers would like to thank warden Mick Brooksby who helped with the weigh in and saw everyone safely off site.

Cutting Trophy results

- 1st Hilary Tomlinson 8 fish for 23lb 15oz
- 2nd Chris Evans 8 fish for 21lb 15oz
- 3rd Jeremy Ball 8 fish for 21lb 6oz
- 4th Jamie Weston 8 fish for 16lb 15oz
- 5th Roy Taylor 5 fish for 12lb 15oz
- 6th Steve Crowder 3 fish for 6lb 5oz

Association of Major Fly Fishing Clubs

Group 3 Saturday 12 June

- 1st Fish Hawks B 58lb 5¼oz
- 2nd GWFFA B 56lb 2¼oz
- 3rd Iver FC 50lb 11oz

Best individual Chris Bobby (GWFFA) - 8 fish for 21lb 8¾oz including time bonus.

Best Rainbow 6lb 7oz taken by Mick Atkinson of Cleethorpes

Best boat areas Sailing Club, Old Hall, Old Disabled Bay, Bottom of the North Arm, Berrybutts and Gibbets Gorse.

Best bank areas Normanton, Whitwell, Carrot Creek, Sailing Club, East Creek.

Best methods Floating line with buzzers, diawl bach, pheasant tail, some fish are falling to dries.

Mid week boat winner: Gordon Bloodworth

Forthcoming events:

Please remember that from May through to September boat anglers have to cease

fishing by 8pm on Mondays and Wednesdays only.

Beginners courses: 20 & 26 June; 3, 11, 18 & 25 July and other dates throughout the season.

Tuesday Evening Boat League

EDFA Disabled International 22 & 23 July

Don't forget the **Help for Heroes** match Saturday 14 August call 01572 653021 for more information.

Pitsford Water

Fish week 451(7,701) Returns 129 (2,148) Rod average 3.29 (3.58)

East Midlands Trout Fishers held their annual boat match on Sunday. 27 Anglers fished giving a rod average of 3.2. Mick Facey caught the best bag; he landed 7 rainbows weighing 14lb 10oz. In second place was his boat partner Kieron Bonas who caught 8 fish weighing 13lb 0oz. Kieron caught the best fish of the match. They all came in for a barbeque lunch and made use of the Anglian Water barbeque.

A group of 12 Welsh anglers from Swansea enjoyed a first time visit to Pitsford. Having previously visited Draycote (closed for the season) they had a good time at Pitsford catching lots of fish at the Causeway and North Farm Bay. They used floating lines and diawl bachs and super glue buzzers. The majority of the party caught their 8 fish limit and returned more fish, they all look forward to returning to Pitsford. Rick Varley and Danny Peet took the Wheely boat out on Sunday in the East Midlands match opting for Pike rather than trout. They landed 15 Pike up to 15lb in weight from the Small Half in a short session.

Wednesday 16 June sees the start of the boat fishing for Pike sessions at Pitsford. Pike fishing is permitted with lures over 18cm only at Pitsford alternate weeks Monday to Friday, commencing 16 and 28 June, 12 and 26 July, 9 and 23 August, 6 and 20 September. This year we are not limiting the number of pike boats let per day and boats will be hired on a first come first served basis. Pike boats will be unavailable at the weekends until 1 October. Anglers can purchase a daily predator permit for £15 (plus normal boat fees) a Predator season permit is also available for £199, plus normal boat fees, which allows you to fish in accordance with individual reservoir rules.

Best Rainbow 4lb 11oz taken by Keiron Bonas

Best Brown 5lb 2oz taken by R Seward of Oxfordshire.

Best boat areas North Farm Bay, Causeway, Pines and Dam.

Best bank areas Grange Farm Creek, North Farm Bay.

Best methods Floating lines, buzzers and nymphs.

Fish stocked 1,750

Forthcoming events:

Beginners courses: 19 & 23 June; 3,14,24 & 31 July and throughout the season.

Alex Booth Flyfishers Charity Match 17 June. Places still available at £38 per person, contact (01159) 725035.

Ravensthorpe Reservoir

Fish week 244 (6,110) Returns 59 (1,242) Rod average 4.13 (4.92)

Bank fishing at Ravensthorpe has improved with some nice rainbows to 5lb coming to damsel nymphs, diawls and buzzers. Boat anglers are enjoying the best sport in all areas, mainly to damsels and buzzers. Think small and slow is the best advice.

Steve Cullen fished a couple of hours on a boat taking two on dries, two on nymphs and two on lures. Daryl Howard from Biggleswade, took best fish - a 9lb 6oz beauty which fancied Daryl's self tied green wire buzzer. Peter Gordon and David Keeble both landed rainbows over 5lb in their bags.

Best Rainbow 9lb 6oz taken by Daryl Howard of Biggleswade.

Best boat areas Island to Coton car park.

Best bank areas Platforms 4 -12

Mid week boat winner: Peter Collins of Long Buckby.

Fish stocked 500