

Best methods See report.

Mid-week boat winner J Millard of Stevenage.

Fish stocked 9,000.

Forthcoming events

Beginners courses 27 March; 9 and 20 April; 1 May and throughout the season.

10 April **Bob Church Open**

24 April **GWFFA versus EDFFA match**

Call the fishing lodge on 01480 810531 for more information.

Pitsford Water

Fish week 642 (season 642) Returns 130 (130) Rod average 4.94(4.94)

Anglers are enjoying a great start to the season at Pitsford Water with a rod average of 4.94. As usual bank areas have seen excellent sport with boat anglers also taking bag limits.

Black and green lures on di5 or fast intermediate lines have been the order of the day for many but in coloured water bright lures have also worked well. Buzzers on floating lines have begun to take some nice fish in the evenings.

Nigel Woodhead took a lovely 10lb 4oz fish this week with others netting fish up to 7lb 4oz. Some nice over wintered rainbows in the 3-4lb bracket also turned up.

Mid Northants Flyfishers held their annual early season bank match at Pitsford Water on Sunday. 21 Anglers fished catching 95 fish giving a rod average of 4.5. The best fish was caught by Richard Slater of Northampton. Mick Jeyes won the match with an 8 fish limit, weighing 21lb 5oz, this included a Rainbow weighing 8lb 6oz. Mick O'Farrell took second place with 8 fish weighing 18lb 2oz. Richard Slater took third place with 7 fish for 17lb 6oz. Lots of the fish were caught during the match around the Bog Bay to Stilton Point area.

Best Rainbow 10lb 4oz taken by Nigel Woodhead.

Best boat areas Bog Bay, North Farm Bay, Stone Barn.

Best bank areas Stilton Point to No fish Point, Northfields Shore, Stone Barn and the Pines.

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Mid week boat winner R Graham of Wollaston.

Fish stocked 4,900

Forthcoming events

Beginners courses; Saturday 26 March; 2, 6 and 23 April; 8, 11 and 21 May and dates throughout the season.

Ravensthorpe Reservoir

Fish week 315 (season 1215) Returns 42 (207) Rod average 7.5 (5.8)

Anglers have enjoyed another excellent week at Ravensthorpe Reservoir. Peter Collins caught and released a 7lb Rainbow and released 8 others whilst fishing from the platforms with floating line and diawl bachs.

Mick Osgood caught the best fish of the week – a 9lb 6oz Rainbow from Platform 12 with floating line and black lure. Gordon Green had a good brace with fish of 8lb 14oz and a 7lb Rainbow on intermediate line and black and green lure off the Platforms.

Trevor and David Heseltine had 36 fish to the boat – the best went to 8lb on a floating line and kelly green line, black and green lures and buzzers from the Coton end. There are also plenty of overwintered fish around.

Best Rainbow 9lb 6oz taken by Mick Osgood.

Best boat areas Coton car park/Causeway Island

Best bank areas Platforms 1–12.

Best methods Bank – Best during the afternoon. Damsel nymphs and black and green lures on intermediate lines.
Boat – some fish taken off the top to small black hoppers, but mostly buzzers and diawl bachs fished on intermediate and di 3 lines.

Mid-week boat winner Gary Clark of Kislingbury.