

**Newsletter** 

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And thankfully, that is January over with! I'm pleased to say it was kinder to us than this time last year when the lakes were frozen for quite sometime and we hardly saw a soul. This January saw a record number of anglers for us and some visitors in the holiday lodge too as well as our angling competition. We hope you are keeping well too! Love, Emily & Terry x

# **January Competition**

We had a successful competition on the 22<sup>nd</sup> with 8 competitors, of whom almost all caught their bag. Mike Sinclair was our overall winner with the heaviest bag of about 12lb +. We had good weather, good food and banter. We already have 7 people already booked in for March 26<sup>th</sup> so get in early if you would like to join in.

### **Diary Dates**

Please note 6<sup>th</sup> February is fully booked.

March 12<sup>th</sup> – Family Fishing day. Bring kids/grandkids. Food and activities available

March 26<sup>th</sup> - Spring Competition.

# **Fishing Report**

We had a record January number of anglers this month and we have welcomed some more new people to our friendly little fishery. The weather has been cold with some biting winds but this hasn't prevented people catching their ticket. We have stocked weekly since the holidays finished and have put in a range of sizes. People are liking the challenge and reward of getting a large fish. Thank you to those of you that have returned the larger ones and carried on fishing. I'm often asked how many fish I stock. It's an impossible task!! I look at a range of things and you play an important part in that. Primarily, I see how many tickets I've sold and how many you have recorded; please remember to do this as I heavily rely on this. I also look at the 10 day weather forecast, the amount of people booked in and any events planned, as well as when our Bibury delivery guy, Ian, can come up this way. So please ensure you let me know if you are on your way and what you catch. That way I can manage the stock for you effectively. Thanks.

#### For Sale

We have a variety of nets, rods (both coarse and fly), holdalls, tying vices, priests etc here that have been donated. We also sell patches, trout tube (brilliant) and flies in the office. Our chosen charity is Macmillan Cancer Support and any funds raised by donated items goes to them. Please feel free to pop in and look.

#### Raffle items

Continuing the theme – I am going to hold a raffle on our events days to help raise money for charity. If you have anything you would like to donate e.g. chocolates etc please drop them into me in the office. The first raffle will be on our family day in March.

## Family Fishing Day - Saturday March 12th

We like to encourage a family atmosphere here and with this in mind, we are holding a fun fishing day. Bring the children/grandchildren down (7yrs old or 36 yrs old - we don't mind!!) and enjoy catching a fish for tea. Food will be available to purchase and other activities to do (weather dependant). Please note that children must be supervised at all times and running around the pools is not permitted for safety reasons. Check the website for ticket details.



#### **Holiday Let News:**

We are still Letting the Lodge out as a holiday Let but during the off season months and quieter weeks we are running it as a B & B. So, if you want an overnight stay as you have travelled far, it would be perfect for you. Prices start at £55pp. See Emily to book in <a href="mailto:bransfordfisheries@gmail.com">bransfordfisheries@gmail.com</a> or book now for a spring break away

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