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### A WARM WELCOME AWAITS...

A thank you if you braved the January weather to come to us. We are so grateful for your support. The weather was shocking so its no surprise it was a slow month – unless you are one of the 20 or so that came the other Friday!! That was a shock I can tell you.

See you soon – drop me a message or an email if you are popping down.

With love, Emily & Terry x

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January saw frozen lakes again for about a week and winds that made even the most experienced angler stay away. However, we have had some good fish caught a couple 6-7lb+ were pulled out as well as 3-4 lb ones too. This weather is ideal for stocking the larger trout so if you enjoy the challenge of catching a larger fighting fish then please bear in mind that I do put bigger ones in this time of the year. I am still stocking every 7-10 days dependent on when Bibury can deliver in this area.

The Walton pool remains low but not as much – the pump runs about ten minutes before it runs dry as the

national water table is still terribly low . The other pools have to fill first and and then they cascade into that one. So please do a rain dance!

### **Competition**

Our really enjoyable competitions can only run if we have people who come along! You do not have to be an experienced or confident fly-fisher. We have a mixed bag of competitors of all ages and genders. Please don't think you are not good enough to join in yet. It is the least competitive competition I have ever seen!! We just enjoy banter, friends and food and whoever wins, wins. It's a great morning out and saves you being dragged around the shops or having to do DIY. The heaviest 4 fish bag wins and I do put some bigger ones in a

few days before . We enjoy breakfast and lunch for £12 total and you just pay the fishing ticket. So if you are interested, there are plenty of spaces available for Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February ( hopefully dependent on the weather if course). Why don't you just give it a go? Email me.

# • A gentle reminder that the prices have had to increase and to be passed on to you

2 fish = £28, 3 fish = £33 and a 4 fish ticket = £38. Catch and release will be £14. Everything else remains the same. We hope that you will still appreciate the quality of fish and standard of care we continue to give to you.

#### **Good News!**

As some have you may have seen on our B & B facebook page and also in the window of the house – we have been awarded a fabulous score of 9.1 with Booking.com based solely on the reviews and scores of our past guests. This now sits proudly next to our hygiene rating of 5/5. We have fully transferred over to a B & B now and have beautifully comfortable beds, ensuite bathrooms, and tea and coffee facilities in each room. You receive a 25% discount on your fishing ticket also . Not only that but you get to see a smiling Emily cooking your breakfast in the morning (never mind , it cant all be good! Hahahaha)

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