

"OUR LIFE IS MARCH WEATHER, SAVAGE AND SERENE IN ONE HOUR."



RALPH WALDO EMERSON

It was another quiet month which reflects the current economic crisis as well as the biting winds. Despite that, I can report that 84% of anglers went home with their full bag, which is not bad eh? We've stocked a larger ratio of fish above 4lbs this month than the previous 4 so if you are one that likes to chase a larger trout – you'd better come on down. There is an absolute stunner of a trout which is 12lb+ which was popped in recently. I would be heartbroken if it was killed as it is such a beauty. If you do catch Moby (I've already named him) please put him back in with care. Do not handle him, keep him in the net to release him.

Correct ticket, correct pool

On that note, please can I reiterate that you do not catch and release on any other pool but the island one. It has come to my attention that some anglers are releasing on the other pools, particularly on the Walton as it is the furthest from the office. Firstly, why should everyone else follow the rules and they don't? Secondly, the damage caused by hooks to the fish increase infection and not only that but the fish get wise to this - should they actually survive. Don't do it. If seen we will have to ban you and then ring around other fisheries to make sure they are aware of what you are doing too.

Events

There are no events this month but I am preparing for the 2 that are on in April. April 7th is Good Friday and we are hosting an Easter Egg Hunt the same as we have for the previous two years. I will put on cakes and refreshments, a raffle and an Egg hunt around the fishery (safely of course). There will be pictures around the safer areas of the fishery for children and adults to match to numbers on a sheet and to return to the office for an Egg. Children are to be supervised at all times by an adult and must be respectfully aware of other anglers. It will be timed between 11- 2pm so that anglers can peacefully fish the rest of the time.

Aprils Competitions

Angling – We are holding our next fishing competition on Saturday April 29th which will be the same tried and tested format as always . Heaviest bag wins. Just pay for a 4 fish ticket and £15 for a full English + hot lunch. Always a good, fun day out with friendly people.

Fly Tying Competition – I'm just ironing out some of the details but I thought it would be fun to hold our own fly-tying competition as so many of you tie your own. I have been chatting to Worcester Fly Dressers who have been very helpful so fr and may even lend a hand to help judge it. So watch your inboxes for details coming soon...

Donations

If you don't ask, you don't get! If you have any unwanted Christmas gifts or are Spring cleaning and have any gifts suitable for a raffle for all ages and genders, please bear us in mind. We are constantly fund raising for Macmillan Cancer Support which seems to be something that affects and touches us all for whatever reason. Furthermore, if you feel you would like to drop a small easter egg in for the hunt next month (I promise I wont eat them!) that would be gratefully received too. Thanks in advance.

Pay it Forward

Well done to Leonie Silk (Jim's family) who were the first to email me on Pay it Forward Day which they spotted on our Facebook Page and won a prize. Thank you for following us. Check us out on Facebook as you never know what you are missing out on!

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2 fish = £28,

3 fish = £33

4 fish ticket = £38.

Catch and release =£14