

# Carsington Water - Pre Season Report 2025

We are looking forward to reopening on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March and welcoming all our anglers back on the water for the 2025 season.

Water levels fell a very small amount throughout last season and I'm sure you can imagine with the rain we have had over winter its not taken long for the levels to return to 100%. This is great news as the stability of the water levels really help stabilise the fishing conditions giving little disruption to the habitats and fish themselves. We haven't experience prolonged low temperatures and so the water temperatures will not take too long to rise to those average Spring levels and help to bring the fish up in the water. High water levels also maintain the beautiful bay areas and creeks which are popular fishing spots and most of all keep the water quality gin clear. Hopefully, these conditions will result in some lovely over wintered fish being caught.

Next week we will begin getting the boats back on the water. Over the Winter we have been maintaining engines, sprucing up some of the boats and servicing the access / wheely boats.

Our stocking will commence with a number of pre season deliveries arriving from our excellent fish farm Bibury Fish Taxi. Ian has been busy bringing on the stock ready to be set free and ready for you all to catch in the coming weeks. Our stocking programme will be maintained in the same way as the past seasons with regular drops throughout the season of rainbows 2lbs and above.

Bookings have been open since our email pre Christmas and it's great to see a lot of regular and new names in the diary. We are currently fully booked for Saturday 15th March and only have a few boats left for Sunday 16th March. Please endeavour to make your bookings via our website in advance.

We will have reception staff available 10am - 4pm over the next few days to help with any further enquiries. Or drop us an email and we will get back to you with any support you need with your booking.

Our online booking system is live, see detail below on how to make your booking

All boats must be booked in advance.

Click here for prices and booking

# **Fishery Update**

You will be pleased to hear that the same familiar faces will be here to welcome you at reception and on the jetty and we are just in the final stages of recruiting some extra help to support with fishery set up and pack down in the evening.

Giving us more time to support you all on and off the jetty and with any of your enquiries.

#### **Prices**

Like all waters we have had to make some small increase to our prices to support the ever increasing operating and staffing cost of the fishery. To help soften the permit price increase we are still offering the purchase of 10 permits at a reduced price, these can be shared with your boat partner.

More information and costs are shown below.

In addition to the multi permit offer we have been looking at our boat options and have listened to a number of our customers requests. Since the fishery opened there has been a restriction on when Individual / single occupancy boats could be booked - this was just during weekdays. We have made the decision to open this option to every day of the week, allowing individual anglers to purchase a reduced boat on Saturday and Sundays as well as during the week. Hopefully, this will help attract a few more anglers to fish over the weekend. This will also be the case for the half day reduced option as well.

## Fishing times and late opening

We are still offering fishing bookings for 8.30 - 17.30 or 9.00 - 18.00 once day light hours allow. We have also set out a number of days for our later / evening fishing option: You can opt to book for an afternoon or a whole day fishing until 8pm on these days. The later options do need to be booked in advance so that we can allocate staff to support the sessions. The dates are all shown on the fishing information page on our website.

#### **Predator Fishing**

After another successful end to last year with 2 weeks of predator fishing, we have been asked by many of the predator anglers to announce our dates for 2025 early. These are all available to book via the website from 5<sup>th</sup> November onwards. It was another successful Autumn for perch fishing but we are still yet to see a pike despite a number of anglers being sure they had knocks and traces.

#### **Life Jackets**

As you all know lifejackets are mandatory here at Carsington and must be worn on the jetty and whilst you are on the boat. We have been busy testing and checking ours ready for the season ahead.

A little reminder - please do not store your jacket in the bottom of the boat like a number of anglers did last season. This not only results in the jacket being set off if it gets wet from water in the bottom of the boat, but it is not going to support you if you fall into the water. Also, make sure you wear your jacket on the outside of your clothing and not underneath your waterproof.

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## **MULTIPLE PERMIT OFFERS**

For those anglers who fish with us regularly you can buy multiple permits at a reduced price. We have the options of purchasing 10 Full day, Sporting or Concessionary permit at a discounted price. The permits must be used during the 2025 season but they can be share between two anglers. See more details below

# 10 x Full Day Multi Permit (4 fish bag limit plus catch & release)

Full Price = £360 ( 10 permits at £36 each ) 2025 Season Multi Permit offer = £310 - saving £50

## 10 x Sport Day Multi Permit (Catch & Release only)

Full Price = £250 ( 10 Permits at £25 each ) 2025 Season Multi Permit offer = £210 - saving £40

## 10 x Concessionary Multi Permit (4 fish bag limit plus catch & release)

Full Price = £360 ( 10 permits at £36 each ) 2025 Season Multi Permit offer = £295 - saving £65

Purchase via our website or call reception to purchase over the phone.













