

# Fishing Report – Monday 28th October 2024

We have experienced a much more settled week with calmer wind conditions although the fog has hindered us on a few of the weekday mornings.

Monday saw a great start to the week with Mr Savage catching a fabulous 6lbs plus brownie from Upperfields bay. You can see how excited he is with the catch, pictured below. Richard was fishing an intermediate line with a size 10 silver fly with a rabbit back of his own design.

Tuesday was a busier day, there were a variety of returns with some anglers struggling to get the fish to the boat, reports of takes without full catch success. On the flip side reports showed some having 6 fish to the boat. Lots of use of pink snakes or black and silver patterns, most fish were caught whilst drifting from middle of the water to Upperfields, Stitch Plantation and Fishtail creek.

Wednesday was a delayed start with thick fog lingering past 9am. Once visibility allowed, our 3 boats were raring to the leave the jetty, some having their last day out for the season. A number fished the Dam wall area on intermediate lines and pink snakes. Only a few fish were caught however a number of them being lovely 3lb rainbows.

Thursday was a complete contrast of a day with dry bright conditions. We had a small group from East Midlands Police and a number of regular anglers. All bar one return recorded fish catches and takes. Snakes, Cormorants and Humungous flies were used together with intermediate lines. The boats were still position in the middle of the water.

Saturday was a reasonable day and most anglers caught. The Fallows party had their last visit of the season and had 3 a piece, they were located around fishtail creek and spent the day stripping back pink snakes and black & green snakes. Phil Harding also fishing in a similar spot using a Di5 and pink snake caught a 3lb 11oz rainbow another large fish caught for this week.

Sunday brought a group from the North West Fly Fishers, they were due to be with us the previous week but had to postpone due to the winds from storm Ashley. Weather was much more favourable especially for those that had less experience and confidence fishing from the boats. There were a mix bag of catches but a good day had by all. The highlight of the day was Brian Shields and Ben Bayliss recording a catch of 10 fish to the boat, Brian caught a lovely 3lb 8oz rainbow, pictured below. They fished all over the water moving from Fishtail Creek to North End, Brown Ale Bay and finishing up around the back of Stones Island. Mini Snakes & blobs on Di5 / Intermediate lines were the order of the



We look forward to our last week of the season and the weather is certainly looking favourable, with moderate winds and mild temperatures for this time of year. We look forward to seeing you all for a final fish for 2024. For those that may be interested in our Predator fishing days and catching one of the fabulous resident perch, we have a few days available over the coming weeks. See more info below.

## **Predator Fishing**

Following the success of our predator fishing days held at the end of last season, we will be offering a number of days at the end of Fly Fishing season. We had excellent reports with regards to the resident perch with some large specimens being caught. The reports regarding pike were less promising but many visiting anglers feel they experienced follows, pulls and breaks from what could quite possibly have been pike.

There will be 8 days in all with limited number of boats each day so book your tickets to guarantee your visit. <u>Click the link for more information& booking</u>



Fabulous 6lbs 12oz Brownie caught by Richard Savage. Caught in Upperfields Bay whilst fishing an intermediate line with a size 10 silver fly with a rabbit back, Richards own design.

## **Rod Average**

The rod average for this week was 2.84 with 125 fish caught by 44 anglers.

#### Best Rainbow/Brown

The heaviest rainbow was caught by Phil Harding at 3lbs 11oz.

The heaviest Brown was 6lbs 12oz caught by Richard Savage.

This fabulous fish was caught in Upperfields Bay whilst fishing an intermediate line with a size 10 silver fly with a rabbit back, Richards own design.

## Methods & Flies

Intermediate lines have definitely been favoured however these have been used in many different ways. Some angler preferring fast retrieve, other slow retrieve. Fish have been caught near the surface or in only a few feet of water, The brighter Autumn days haven't really affected the depth of the catch.

Popular flies have been, pink, black or yellow snakes black & silver Humongous, tequila blob, cormorant, white minkie and cats whiskers have all been popular.

## Top Spot

The most popular spots have been, Buoys 4, & 10, middle of the water, Stitch Plantation, Fishtail Creek and Dam Wall area. We have also seen interest in Millfields and Brown Ale Bay.

## All boats must be booked in advance.

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