

Carsington

Trout fishery

SPRING OPEN COMPETITION 26th April 2025

Information & Rules

Car Parking: Free when parked in the Anglers Car Park. Vehicle registration must be logged at reception. Please ensure that you have given the correct registration details as non-payment of parking notices are being issued.

Times:

- Check in at reception from 08.00 am.
- Briefing – A briefing will take place outside the fishery building at 8.45am.
- **Fishing 9.00am until 5.00pm**

Weigh in:

- Weigh in at the Fishery Lodge any time during the day, by Fishery Staff.
- Weigh in ends at **5.15pm**
- **Please Note:** If you must leave early for any reason, please let them know at the fishery office so they can weigh and record your catch.

Rules and Fish Limit:

- Please respect distance between other competitors. Tackle up by your vehicle or on the boat once afloat.
- Boats to leave the pontoon prior to 9.00am and remain within the 'Yellow Buoys' until the sounding of a whistle, which will start and end the competition.
- **No Brown Trout are to be taken.**
- 4 Fish Bag Limit per Angler. Each boat / pair are fishing for a total of 8 fish, when this has been reached, you must return to the fishery lodge to weigh in.
- A 'Time Bonus' will then apply of 1lb for each complete hour of fishing remaining until 5.00pm. This will be added to the total pairs bag weight, not each individual bag.
- You must weigh in as individual bags as this will put you in the running for the '**Heaviest individual Bag**' prize.
- Barbless hooks to be used after weigh in. Then 'Catch and Release' only.
- No lines are to be in the Water when the 'Engine is Running'.
- No Trolling with oars or 'Rudder'. 'Back Drifting' is allowed.

Safety:

- Life Jackets must always be worn **on top of your clothing**. This includes when on the pontoon.
- The 'Kill Cord' should be attached to the person in charge of the engine when in motion.
- Exercise extreme caution when standing or moving in the boat. Do not fish whilst standing.
- In the event of a 'Thunder Storm' place all rods and landing nets at one end of the boat, sit away from them and return to the 'pontoon'.
- If the Anchor becomes stuck contact the Water Sports office on **01629 540444 (Emergencies only!)**. A replacement will be brought to you.
- Possible High Wind Information – Directed by the Fishery Staff.

Engines: Avoid using the choke. Use a 'small turn on the throttle'.

Emergency Number: Any problems with the Boat or Engine call **01629 540444 (Emergencies Only!)**. This Number is displayed on your Fishing permit. If you experience a lack of 'Signal', indicate you need assistance by waving an Oar. Anyone seeing this please contact the fishery on the above number.

Restricted Areas

- No Fishing within the areas marked with White and Yellow Marker Buoys or within the Sailing Club Bay.
- No fishing in the Water Sports Bay indicated by the line of Yellow Buoys.

Prizes

There will be a prize giving once results are calculated. There will be prizes for,

- The Best Overall 'Pairs Weight' including 'time bonus'. (Names to be entered on the Honours Boards & Prize).
- Top Individual Bag Weight. (Prize)
- The Biggest Fish caught. (Name to be engraved on 'John Wilson Memorial Cup' & Prize & Cup).