

# RUTLAND WATER FLY FISHERS



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## John Wadham's Fishing Report

### Fishing Report for September / October

September was a lovely warm month and so far October has been similar. That has kept water temps up. The water has however remained beautifully clear throughout the season. Recently, a blue-green algae appeared. The fish don't mind this. I think however that the water needs to cool off quite a bit yet to entice the fish into the margins.

The water is now down about 2.5m, is continuing to fall and is exposing some very useful weed beds. These are however only being spasmodically visited by the trout. Main areas of bank activity have been Stockie bay to the Monument, Blue Pipes at Normanton, New Zealand point, Harbour Wall

and East Creek. Recently an angler at NZ point had a great day on surfaced fished lures landing 5 fish losing others with plenty of offers besides; but next day just an odd offer. A slight change in wind direction had evidently taken the fish elsewhere. Well worth working your way along the bank with a surface lure: if only to find out where they are. There is evidence of the larger resident fish coming into the margins. Two big fish - a Rainbow of 6lb 2oz and a Brown of 8lb 2oz - have been caught on Floating Fry patterns: both from Stockie Bay. The rainbow was caught between the weed bed and the bank. So, no apparent need to wade onto what is now "virgin" territory. There seems to be one or two fish in most spots and may be caught on various patterns: one angler catching 3 fish for 12lb - best 4lb 10oz - from East Creek on Diawlbach. A beginner on one of Curly's courses caught his first fish - a 4lb+ brown

on a roll cast not 5m from the rod top!

Recently one angler hooked and lost an "animal" of a brown near the Sailing Club and an estimated fish of around 8lb was hooked and lost in Whitwell Creek.

The absence of fish in the margins may well be in part due to the apparent dearth of Corixa. This used to be their main autumn diet.

Maybe, when the water cools off they will be more frequent visitors to the weed beds for the abundant fry shoals.

The fish are taking some interest in surface fished fry patterns. E.g. susepender fry: but little interest being shown in Daddies. Adding a bit of movement to the lure seems to attract their attention.

The Rainbows appear to be selecting titbits including tiny buzzers and small dries.

### England International Youth Team Championship - Lllyn Brenig

Congratulations to Junior RWFF members Richard Cooper and Luke Shevlin who won gold in the event. Luke was overall top rod with 8 fish for 14lb 2oz. They helped England to a convincing win with 54 fish for 102lb! Apologies to the lads for only publishing part of their success in the last letter!

### Anglian Water Fulling Mill

If the result of this match is anything to go by, you need to get out in a boat a.s.a.p.! 25 Teams accounted for 1,111 trout for 2,223lb: the average catch per rod being 3.70. Graham Pearson caught the best fish 5lb 5oz

# RWFF Winter programme 2005/2006

**The committee has decided that, from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2006, club meetings will be held on Thursday nights – not Mondays as previously.**

John W & your Chairman are unfortunately no longer available on Mondays. So blame them for this change! We are sorry if some of you will be disappointed by this and are unable to attend. However we will keep you updated with newsletters reports on events.

All meetings will continue to be held at the Empingham Cricket Club, Exton Rd, Empingham by kind arrangement with Nigel Millner & Gary Cooper. The AGM will still be on Monday as stated in your membership book. We will have what we hope will be an interesting programme to suit most tastes

The dates for your diary are:-

Monday Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 2005 - AGM  
Monday December 5<sup>th</sup> 2005  
Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> 2006  
Thursday January 26<sup>th</sup> 2006  
Thursday February 9<sup>th</sup> - 2006 Fly Tying evening  
Thursday February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2006 Tackle Auction – Victoria Hall  
Sunday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2006 Litter Pick up  
Wednesday 15th March Pre-season Dinner

## Mitigation works for habitat creation at Rutland Water

Much effort and time have been given up by your Chairman and John Wadham to ensure that our fishing interests are taken into account in respect of this proposal. Our observations have been included in the planning document drawn up by Rutland District Council for consideration.

If you wish to view the proposals they are available on line at [rutland.gov.uk/rutlandwater](http://rutland.gov.uk/rutlandwater). This is a 168-page document. The paragraphs most relevant to us are 2, 5, & 9 and include our comments Or you can contact Rutland District Council direct on 01572 722577

## Level 2 Certificate in Angling Coaching

This is sponsored by Anglian Water & the Environment Agency  
The club has been asked to nominate a suitable candidate. No doubt there is someone out there who would like to have the opportunity to pass on their skills in a professional manner  
All sessions will be held at the Grafham Water Fishing Lodge  
The induction day will be 13<sup>th</sup> November

### The content will be:-

Angling Coaching & Principles  
Child Protection Awareness  
First Aid  
Developing & promoting angling  
Planning angling & coaching sessions  
Conducting coaching sessions

**Please note that casting skills are not taught on this course**

The feeling is, that with more qualified coaches, we could encourage more people into the sport.

There is no course fee. However you would be expected to help AW out on e.g. National Fishing week or open days

This is an important qualification which will enable them to coach anywhere in the UK

***If you are interested please contact John Wadham a.s.a.p. on 01572 771092 or Mobile 07762 607630 for further details***

**Boat Hire** 20 Boats will be available through November. In view of the present quality of the boat fishing –most of the fish being in the middle of the lake – then you might want to book in advance to be sure. The boats come off the water at the end of November

The volunteers all managing to smile at the same time!