

Cwm Hedd Lakes - Fishing Reports 2007

Report to 31st December 2007

The top flies last week were cats whiskers and fritz, fished on floating and intermediate lines, with a slow figure of eight retrieve. Harder fishing due to changeable weather, but some good returns never the less.

Ken Pascoe two fish to 7lb plus a further eight released on a woolly bugger. Dave Clarke one taken and seven released on orange fritz and minky. Darren McNaughton one taken and fifteen released on orange fritz.

Rumour has it that Mike Dummer hooked Moby Dick but lost it!

May I wish you all a Happy New Year and look forward to some memorable fishing in 2008.

Closed Monday 31st December and Tuesday 1st January.

Open as usual Wednesday 2nd January.

Report to 23rd December 2007

Trout have been caught all around the lake, although the east bank and the inlet have proved most productive. Lures are working best, with fish also being taken on buzzers and nymphs.

Ken Pascoe a total of seventeen on a woolly bugger; Darren McNaughtan fifteen including a double on orange lures. Junior Ed Richards six on cats whiskers. Mike Milburn five to 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb on daddies and cats whiskers.

A Merry Christmas to all our friends!

Report to 16th December 2007

There has been some excellent fishing at Cwm Hedd this week - cold, dry conditions have really brought the fish on.

Lures have worked best, although nymphs and buzzers have also seen action.

Malcolm Reed: one taken and ten released on damsel and black nymph.

Darren Groves: one taken and eight released on cats whisker and minky.

Ken Pasco: three to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb plus a further ten released on wooly bugger.

Jason Williams: one taken and ten released, including a 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb on cats whisker and gold sparkler.

Trout are in excellent condition, hard fighting and returning well to the water.

Cwm Hedd will be closed Monday 24th December, Tuesday 25th December and open until 2pm 26th December.

Closed Monday 31st December and Tuesday 1st January.

Open as usual Wednesday 2nd January.

May I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Fishing Report to 9th December 2007

Atrocious weather kept many anglers away this week but those who did venture out reported some pleasing returns.

Malcolm Reed a nice trout to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb and a further seven, taken on diawl bach and damsel-sink tip and slow figure of eight retrieve.

Ken Pasco one taken and five released on damsel and nymphs.

Nick Hall one taken and four released on cats whisker.

Darren Groves six on damsel, fritz and buzzers.

Fishing Report to 2nd December 2007

Good weather midweek provided some pleasant fishing conditions - black and green montanas and nymphs working well. The weekend was, to say the least, challenging! But those who ventured out were rewarded with some excellent sport and hard fighting fish.

Malcolm Reed five on black nymphs, John Evans six on montanas (the best to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb), Grant Carlson one taken and six returned on cats whisker and orange fritz.

Fishing Report to 25th November 2007

In the early part of the week cold, easterly winds kept trout deep-intermediate or fast sinking lines and lures worked best. A change in wind direction and warmer afternoons brought fish up, especially along the ledge off the east bank.

Malcolm Reed a nice 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb taken and a further six returned on Diawl Bach, damsel and black spider.

Dave Cox two to 6lb on black daddies.

Neil Probert four to 10lb taken on black buzzer.

Wayne Tadman four to 10lb on cats whisker.

Ian Humphries eight on damsel and black and green fritz.

Fishing Report to 18th November 2007

Last week saw wide variations in temperature, windspeed and direction, and light levels. In spite of these changeable conditions, catch rate remained good with lures working best.

Grant Carlsson eight including a 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb on a black and green cat. Lee Williams a 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb taken and a further five released including a 5lber. Craig Evans a 3lb bagged and a further four on montana. Finally Ken Pascoe a 21/2lb taken and four released on a woolly bugger. Rain forecast for this week should help to liven trout up even more.

Fishing Report to 11th November 2007

Another good week at the fishery. Medium to strong westerlies saw most fish caught on the east bank and off the island. However some good sport was also had off the inlet bay and west bank, mainly on lures.

Ken Pascoe two taken and six returned on Diawl Bach and black buzzers, Len Smith one taken and six returned on Viva, Ian Field one taken and six returned also on Vivas.

Novice Robert Carey landed six fish on cats whiskers the best to 4 1/2 lb - well done young Robert!

Montanas, damsels and fritz, fished on intermediate lines, again saw consistent action.

Fishing Report to 4th November 2007

Another good week at Cwm Hedd with most anglers taking fish home. Changeable weather conditions ranging from bright, still days to gusty and overcast, have seen a variety of patterns and lines working.

Husband and wife Mike and Frances James picked up 14 between them on damsels black fritz and cormorant, Ken Pascoe 4 taken home and half a dozen returned on diawl bach and black buzzers, David Arlot 3 taken home on mini cats. Junior Tom Gittoes 3 on a damsel.

Fishing Report to 28th October 2007

Some good results this week at Cwm Hedd. Trout continue to fry-bash so lures have been working very well. Cats Whiskers, Orange Fritz and Sparklers have seen the best returns, with orange and black Montanas and Goldhead Damsels also productive.

John Pugh one taken and seven returned on lures off the east bank,

David Clarke three to eight pounds on Damsels and Cats,

David John a nice three pounder taken and a further six released on Fritz and Cats off the south bank and island.

Fishing Report to 21st October 2007

Fishing has been harder this week at Cwm Hedd in spite of high fish stock levels. This week has seen calm, bright days - generally cold, misty mornings followed by warmer afternoons.

There have, however, been some good returns including:

Top rod Tony Huxley - 17 fish returned on diawl bach and a home tied mini cat,

David Smith four to 10lb on a bloodworm,

Cwm Hedd guru Ken Pascoe four to 10lb and six returned on hares ear, damsel and his own "black widow".

Trout are staying deep but powering up to shallower water when shown well-presented flies.

End of 2006/2007 Season

Fishing Report to 10th June 2007

Fishing was again hard last week-plenty of surface activity,although trout were very selective.Diawl Bachs,black hoppers and PTN worked best although fish were taken on lures,fished deep and slow.

Don't forget,Sunday June 17th is the final day of the season-I'll see you all in September.

Fishing Report to 4th June 2007

Fishing has been very challenging - water temperatures are rising and, apart from a few wet and windy days, it is safe to say that summer has arrived!

Catch rate has been patchy. Once again, very early mornings and late evenings have proved best with trout taking buzzers, hoppers and sedges. Cats whiskers and fritzes have also worked, fished deep on a slow retrieve.

Gates open at 7am, season ends on June 17th.

Fishing Report to 21st May 2007

Changeable weather conditions last week called for a variety of patterns and tactics. Buzzers and dryflies were most productive late evenings when there was only a whisper of a breeze. The usual damsels and montanas, fished both on the bottom and midwater, took some cracking trout. Cats whiskers, fritz and sparklers also worked well, no doubt attracting fish that were chasing fry.

Sean Hawkes two taken,two lost and many missed on a damsel. Ian Humphreys a nice 3lb on a damsel nymph. Richard Watts three taken, best to 4lb on black and green buzzers. Junior Kyle Williams 4 from Lodge Pond on fritz.

We are open until 5 pm Bank Holiday Monday.

Fishing Report to 14th May 2007

High winds and heavy rain made fishing difficult last week. However, those who persevered were rewarded with some terrific sport. Fritz, montanas and damsels took most trout, whilst PTN, hares ears and buzzers, fished shallow during the evening rises, also proved productive.

Mike Dummer took two to 7lb on black fritz and montana. Keith Moon, eight on PTN and buzzers. Roy Marshall, six on ghd damsel and Diawl Bach. Junior Sam Parkinson four from the lodge pond on fritz -well done Sam.

Mayflies have been seen on lake so more evening action is promised whilst trout feed on these juicy insects.

Fishing Report to 6th May 2007

Trout are continuing their selective feeding patterns. Good buzzer hatches and terrestrials blown onto the water mean some great surface action, particularly on the east bank. Various nymphs- damsel, hares ear and pheasant tail - have also proved productive. Some close-in bank action on lures, especially along the west bank and off the island, shows that trout continue to fry bash.

Roy Davies one taken and six returned on damsels and cats, Phil Cooper three taken on buzzers and PTN, Nathan and Connor Bull seven on lures and finally Gordon Newman a nice four pounder and a further six returned on hares ear and mayfly.

Don't forget that Wednesdays are senior discount days and evening tickets are available after five o'clock on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Fishing Report to 28th April 2007

High temperatures and bright sunshine last week once again challenged anglers' abilities. However, good watercraft and observational skills brought

rewards. Evenings saw tremendous top of the water activity, with buzzers and dries proving best. Strong easterlies towards the end of the week allowed good fishing both on the east bank and inlet bay. Island Point was also productive, casting to trout cruising along the drop-off ledge around it. Some returns for last week include; Mike Milburn, rainbows and a 3 1/2 lb brownie on damsels and cats. Junior Alex Jaundrell has come on in leaps and bounds since taking up the sport at Christmas- he bagged a rainbow and released a brownie on cats. Brian Parker took home a fully finned rainbow and released another 6 on buzzers, black gnats and damsels. Finally, the husband and wife team of Ann and Tony Hemmings took home 5 rainbows on buzzers and bloodworms.

Cwm Hedd will be open on bank holiday Monday, 7am until 5pm. Evening tickets will be available from Friday the 4th of May.

Fishing Report to 22nd April 2007

Some excellent returns this week. Early mornings and late evenings have proved the most productive times to fish-strong sunlight from late morning to late afternoon driving trout into deeper water.

Good buzzer hatches and an abundance of fry have meant that both natural patterns and lures have worked well,with the east bank once again showing the best returns.

Lewis Shepherd landed 8 on buzzers,the best to 4lb. Robert Gwilym 3 taken totalling 8lb on diawl bachs and damsels.

David Pugh took home a nice 3lb blue and returned a further 6 on cats whiskers and humungus.

Altogether a very pleasing week with most anglers landing fish despite the hot weather.

Fishing Report to 16th April 2007

The hot, bright weather has seen fishing become tougher-very early mornings and late evenings proving best. Recommended patterns are buzzers, damsels and black gnats.

Keith Moon returned five on dries, John Wilde six with the best to four pounds on damsels. Rob Davies took home three to eight pounds on buzzers and humungus.

Gates open at seven am and don't forget that Wednesdays are senior discount days-tight lines!

Fishing Report to 9th April 2007

Bright sunlight this past week has seen fish being caught in deeper water - intermittent cloud cover has brought trout to the surface where they are taking dries. Lures have also been working well especially at inlet bay.

Mike and Francis James took 18 fish between them on Tadpoles, Montanas and Damsels.

Gwyn Meredith had a total of 10 fish on Lures. Ron Southward and Dave Bond had a total of 15 fish on Damsels and Buzzers. Phil Stobbard had 5 on a Damsel and finally junior angler Alex Jaundrell had a lovely 4¼ lb on a Damsel.

Fishing Report to 1st April 2007

Some excellent fishing once again this week. Surface action on Hare's Ears and Pheasant Tail Nymphs, Buzzers, Blood Worms and Daddies also proving productive. Strong easterly winds during the latter part of the week has seen some great sport on the west bank and inlet bay.

Bill Haigue caught 3 fish to 8lb on PTN, Ken Pascoe caught 8 fish on HE, Ian Humphries caught 8 this week on Damsels and Buzzers. Junior novices Nathan and Connor Bull caught 5 fish on a Lure

Fishing Report to 25th March 2007

Plenty of action seen this week- especially on the top of the water. Abundant hatches of buzzers have seen some great surface sport with anglers casting to moving fish. Higher easterly winds at the end of the week saw the west bank and inlet bay being most productive.

Kevin Jones , 8 taken on buzzers and dries. Terry Coles 6 on a yellow spider. Ken Pascoe 14 on a greased-up hares ear and finally Mark Adams 12 on buzzers and ptn.

Fishing Report to 18th March 2007

Fishing proved to be more challenging last week - bright sunshine drove the trout down but surface action was excellent during intermittent cloud cover.

Best patterns - diawl bach, bloodworm, damsels and various lures.

Graham Bickerton and Stewart Schofield crossed the bridge to Gods' country and landed 13 between them on buzzers, diawl bachs and lures. Ian Humphreys took 5 on bloodworm, nymphs and flexifloss bug. Ken Pascoe kept 4 and returned 8 on damsel and diawl bach.

Trout are in excellent condition and fighting very well.

Fishing Report to 12th March 2007

West and Southwesterly windshave meant some excellent sport on both the South and East banks. Fish have also been active around the rest of the lake, still cruising the margins and drop-off ledges.

Mike Rogers eight on montanas and bloodworms, Terry Coles a nice 4lb rainbow taken plus a further seven returned on bloodworm and lures. Ken Pasco two to 6lb plus six released on a goldhead damsel.

Don't forget that Wednesday is senior discount day.

Fishing Report to 5th March 2007

Goldhead damsels, buzzers and fritz have been working well, especially when fished into the wind. Although the weather this week has been atrocious, those who braved the conditions were rewarded with some excellent sport.

Hugh Basset, 7 on green buzzers and orange fritz. James Pugh, 8 on goldhead damsels , orange fritz and zonker. Rob Jones 6, including an 8 lb rainbow on black buzzers and damsels. Finally junior Alex Jaundrell 3 rainbows including a 5 lb on goldhead damsels.

Fishing Report to 25th February 2007

Westerly winds have pushed food into the east and south banks and anglers have found trout patrolling along the drop-off ledges between 15 and 20 yards offshore. Buzzers allowed to drift around with the breeze have worked well ,as have bloodworms and ghd damsels. Cats' whiskers, fritz and sparklers have proved productive when fished midwater off the west and north banks.

Some of this weeks' returns include; Kevin Jones 7 trout ,including a double ,on green buzzers, Hugh Basset 6 on green buzzers and bloodworm. Graham Bickerton landed 9 on black buzzers and sedges and finally Ken Pasco took home 4 fish to 11lb on ghd damsel.

Fishing Report to 18th February 2007

The weeks fishing up to Saturday 17 February proved very productive with buzzers, bloodworms and various lures working well.

Sunday was tougher-trout were selective, gently plucking at the tails of larger flies. However, overall catch-rates and sport remained very good.

Midweek, Carlo Berterelli used bloodworms releasing 13 rainbows. On Saturday he went on to win the Trout Masters fish-off at Cwm Hedd, landing 3 to 8lb and later releasing a further 18- this time on black and silver tadpoles.

Our old friend Dai Price had a good day taking home a nice 3 lb rainbow and returning a further 10.

John Southall caught a total of 6 on black buzzers and bloodworms.

Dry-flies, including black hoppers and daddies also worked allowing some great top of the water sport including Robert Davies' 12 , the best to 4lb.

Fishing Report to 5th February 2007

This past week has seen sharp overnight frosts and bright sunshine during the day. Prolific buzzer hatches have seen some great sport particularly on the south bank. Trout continue to fry bash with cats' whiskers and white fritz proving particularly productive. Good returns for this week include:

John Davies, 8 fish taken on black buzzers.

Ken Cross, 6 fish on blood worm and Montana.

Rad Novacovich, a 4lb plus 3 returned on ghd damsel.

Ken Pascoe, 4 fish to 10lb plus seven returned on black widow.

Finally junior angler Alex Jaundrel, his first time on the main lake landing 3 fish on cats' whisker.

Water clarity continues to improve and low temperatures are maintaining fish fitness.

Fishing Report to 30th January 2007

Conditions have been far more pleasant for fishing this week, trout have again been fry bashing and also taking emerging buzzers. Some notable catches this week include, Ken Pascoe 8 fish on a Black Widow, Greg Hall 7 on Black Buzzers, Lance Jeanes 10 fish, various patterns, Ken Cross and Jonathan Pitman both took home 5lb trout on Blood Worms.

Fishing Report to January 21st 2007

Last weeks' atrocious weather, including very high winds and driving rain tested the skills of even the most enthusiastic anglers. There were however some pleasing returns reported at the lodge.

These included Ken Pascoe who caught three fish to 8½ lb and a further seven released on Diawl Bachs and a Silver Tadpole. Ken Jones had a lovely 4¾ lb rainbow on a Blood Worm.

Paul Murphy had three fish to 8lb (two of which were snatched and consumed by Bill the dog) and Rene Carlsson took home a nice 3lb trout, releasing a further four, including a 6lb rainbow on Lures.

Finally regular Malcolm Reed bagged two fish to 5½ lb and released a further twelve - Malcolm used a floating line with a sink tip and figure of eight retrieve again on Lures.

Colder weather is forecast and if the strong winds die down we can look forward to plenty of sport over the next week.

Fishing Report to January 15th 2007

There have been some excellent returns this week, with fish being taken on different patterns at varying depths.

West and north westerly winds have meant that the south and east banks, including the wading area, have proved most productive. Regular Ken Pascoe took home a nice 3 lb rainbow and released a further 15 using diawl bachs and white tadpoles; Terry Coles landed 8 on a goldhead orange daddy, Steve Rees bagged 5 rainbows to 13lb on montanas, buzzers and bloodworms.

Junior angler Alex Jaundrell had a great time on the lodge pond with 7 taken on a sparkler.

All in all a very pleasing week.

Fishing Report to January 8th 2007

Fishing remains good inspite of the inclement weather. Fish are being taken at various depths on damsals, diawl bachs and lures.

Hugh Basset 4 fish to 10lb, blood worm and tadpole. Terry Stockton and Malcolm Reed each took home a 2½ lb rainboe and released a further 3 on pink nomads, orange tadpoles and olive damsals, whilst regular Ken Pascoe bagged 4, the best to 3½ lb and released a further 12 on diawl bachs.

Please remember that Wednesdays are senior discount days on catch and kill.