



# St. Michael Fly Fishers

Duncton Mill

Match Report, March 2020





## End of day results

**Steve Argent:** Won the Trophy for top weight of 8lb 5oz. Also a box of flies for the best Brown Trout of 5lb 3oz

**Michael Littlestone:** Won a box of flies for the best Rainbow of the day at 3lb 2oz

**Geoff Brooks:** Won £10 for being closest to the secret weight of 5lbs 5ozs

### Lucky Draw Raffle

**Joe Tufo:** A day ticket for Duncton,

**Geoff Brooks:** £30 towards travel costs.

**Ian Smith:** 31st SMFF Anniversary hat.

**Bill Berloth: & Michael Littlestone:** A bottle of wine each.

**Total No of anglers 15 Total number of fish caught 42**

## DUNCTON MILL DAY CAPTAINS REPORT

Having had Lechlade cancelled due to the recent storms it was good to at last have our first outing of the season. In view of the early signs of the Corona Virus we asked everyone attending to follow the advice of hand washing, not shaking hands etc. I must thank all 15 who attended for their

cooperation with this, and to Martin, and Caroline for my request to remove the cloth hand towels, and providing paper ones, and plenty of hand wash soap.

Following a welcoming cup of coffee, and a biscuit it was time to start fishing. With just 15 of us, and plenty of room over the 3 lakes I decided to make it a relaxing a day as possible.

Simple rules, start on any lake catch one fish, then move at least 50 yards, and catch another one. After that move to another lake, and those were the rules for the rest of the day. The weather was reasonably kind to us, a little bit of drizzle every now, and again, interspersed with a few sunny periods, and a slight breeze.

Breaking for the usual excellent breakfast at 10.30, having washed our hands yet again, it soon became clear fish were being caught on both Birch, and Rosies, coming to a wide variety of flies, Blue Flash Damsels, Cats Whisker, Black Buzzers, and many others. It certainly wasn't easy, lots of follows, lots of misses, and quite a number of fish barely weighing a pound. Quite a few of these carefully returned to grow on.

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## JUST A THOUGHT

If there is no fishing on stillwaters or reservoir's until after the end of June, lots of the fish will be over 4lbs. It also means that those fish that have overwintered would continue to grow and be considerably bigger that is something to look forward to.

Time for stronger tippets !!

## DUNCTON MILL DAY CAPTAINS REPORT Continued

As the day went on Birch became more difficult, with just the odd fish coming to the net, whilst Rosies continued to produce for a while, tailing off by around 2ish. However, as happens every time we go to Duncton the odd decent Brownie is caught, one fell this time to Steve Argent with one of 5lb 3ozs, and another to Brian Bloom at 3lbs.

We decided to weigh in at 3.15, (The full results sheet can be viewed in the members section of our Website). Following the weigh in we enjoyed a delicious afternoon tea with home made cakes, followed by the presentation of the day's prizes and the raffle.

*Michael Littlestone* Day Captain & Secretary

*Ps. New people are taking over the fishery at the end of June. We will in due course be in contact with them to arrange something for next year. We again thanked Martin, and Caroline for their kindness, and support over the last few years, and wished them well for the future.*





To see all the great photo's that Joe took on the day in more detail  
visit the SMFF web site.