

ST MICHAEL FLY FISHERS

NEWSLETTER

MEON SPRINGS

Sat 16th October 2015



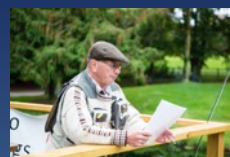
OK GUYS YOU HAVE HAD YOUR TEA & COFFEE

ARE YOU READY TO CATCH SOME FISH?

OK LETS GO THEN

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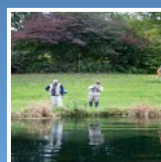
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SECRETARYS REPORT

.Due to personal problems I can only apologise for the delay in producing these newsletters for last months outing to Meon Springs, and our recent trip to Dever Springs. The day captain's reports give all the news. I will only add that Meon Springs was truly a great day out with superb facilities, amazing help from the fishery staff, and everyone bagging up. Was it too easy? In a word **yes**, but it gave those, who often find it very challenging to go home extremely happy. Dever proved somewhat more difficult, despite a magnificent turnout of 23 anglers, the wind and rain made it hard, but as the saying goes "*There is no such thing as a bad day's fishing*" It was a great shame we had to cancel the pairs outing to Farnmoor due to lack of support, however we have decided to have the pairs competition next season at John O Gaunt, details in due course. So we look forward to our last outing of 2015 at Lechlade followed by our AGM that afternoon

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DAY

1. TEA AND PERCOLATED COFFEE BEFORE THE START
2. THE BIGGEST FISH OF THE SEASON SO FAR 11lb 13ozs
3. YUMMY BACON AND EGG BAPS
4. AMAZING WEATHER
5. WELL-SUPPORTED RAFFLE. THANKS GUYS
6. EVERYONE BAGGED UP
7. TREMENDOUS SUPPORT FROM THE FISHERY TEAM
8. THE HON SEC WINNING THE DAY 21lbs 4ozs
9. MIKE STEPHENS WITH NEXT BEST FISH OF 5lb 7oz
10. LAST BUT NOT LEAST A GREAT DAY HAD BY ALL



Mr Treasurer

*With the prettiest
fish from the
morning session*

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UGLY BUT BIG



11lb 13ozs

SMALL BUT HANDSOME



Bez of course



Day captains report By George Wilding Esq

Now before I (Hon Sec) insert his report, this was my highlight of the season. George having spotted a big fish was unable to get it to take his fly, probably, or should I say more likely, it was one of his hideous ones. He was however kind enough to point out this fish, so I followed it along the bank casting my very small PTN towards it. Second cast it grabbed it. Who had to net it, GW. He slowly turned a whiter shade of pale as it came to the net. Need I say more!!

Day Captains Report Meon Springs October 17th 2015

The response to this new fishery was extremely favourable. The overall organisation of the day with the care the fishery gave to managing all of our requests was excellent. We started the day with coffee tea and biscuits which was available from eight till nine. For the first period split the fishery into two sections, spend 45 minutes on each section. Time for the fishery to produce two bacon and egg rolls for each angler.

At breakfast we got the fishery manager to choose the best-looking fish. This was won by Kevin, with a fin perfect 4lb Rainbow (he also pays the bills?) It's worth mentioning that the fishery holds not only brown and rainbow trout but blue and gold trout too. This difference in species was particularly interesting as the water in the fishery is Gin clear and to get the most from the fishery it is important to select the fish and try to catch it "great fun". The winner of the day was Michael Littlestone, Not only has the largest fish of the day 11 lb 13 oz but also made up part of the heaviest bag at 21lbs 4ozs. Mike Stephens caught the second heaviest fish of 5lb 7ozs This was a very enjoyable day and a special thanks Michael, and the committee for their hard work in pulling it together. I would also like to express on behalf of the club, and myself our sympathy to Michael on the passing of his mother last week. Our thoughts are with him.



GW still looking sad having not caught that big one



*Mike receiving his prize for 2nd biggest fish
Bez his prize for the smallest fish 1lb 11ozs*



Next Event Lechlade Sat 12th December & Our AGM



*Fancy catching one like this Lechlade
Brown Trout*

No need to tell you about this fishery.

At this time of the year there are plenty of big doubles for you to catch both Rainbows and Browns

BREAKFAST AT 10.30

In the Lodge

Meet at the fishery by 8am. Tackle up and make your way to the lodge, and grab a tea, coffee and biscuit. We will aim to start around 9am with maybe 2 sessions before breakfast at 10.30. After breakfast it will be free roaming, and the boats will be available. This is a non-competition day, however we might find a prize for the biggest fish. If it turns cold Michael's Soup Kitchen will operate. Then around 4pm we will hold our AGM, details to follow via e mail. Tea cakes etc will be served at this time, and **THE SECRET SANTA RAFFLE will take place.** We ask each of you to bring along a seasonal, or fishing related gift with a minimum value of between £10 and £15. No more, and no less please. Each of the gifts will have a raffle ticket attached, and you will each be given an envelope with the other part of the raffle ticket, which will determine your gift.