BEWL WATER FLY FISHING REPORT.

Week ending Friday 28th January 2022.

Ray French.

Hi all,

....just come off the water for my last trip of the season after a pleasant day in the sunshine with Club colleague John Turner. It was one of those 'alternate' days for us Fly boys today, you know them, the ones where there was plenty caught yesterday and probably will be tomorrow but today...not so good. But then isn't that often the way!

Ok, so it was difficult today, but then what a good Winters fishing it has been with pretty much all rods catching regularly and when the weather has complied it has been 'Bonanza' time as it has been the last two week ends, with the Any Method lads dominating the catches. And probably will over this weekend as well, with the weather reasonably settled other than an increase of wind which, if you prefer to anchor, shouldn't make much difference given you can fish at any depth. And certainly the depth has been the key of late with the fish spending a lot of their time hugging the bottom but prepared to rise with the cloud, but then not all together nor at the same time.

TODAY

Frustrating start in the boats, in the that it was flat calm with no wind and bright sun. Frustrating because the boats were going through the motions whilst a couple of bank Anglers that I had advised yesterday on facebook, to try along the Playground bank, caught steadily.

Anyway, we spent our time mooching around the usual circuit of the main basin a couple of times, from the Playground to the Dam, the Dam, Chingley corner and Point, on to Ferry Point, out in open water and back to the lodge. We fished up and down in the water trying most combinations of lines and flies, nymphs and lures, fast, slow and dead slow. And when it eventually did cloud over and the wind blew up, fished high in the wave.

And yes I did did catch, two Rainbows. One a nice plump fish on a team of two Tequila Blobs, from close to the bottom on a fast sinking Di7 in about 6ft of water out from off the lodge. The other can only be described as a specimen, again caught on the bottom in 20 ft of water off Chingley Point. This fish was genuinely hooked but gravely undernourished and gave little fight coming readily to the net.

See picture below.

END OF SEASON OUTLOOK

Boat Season -

Ends Monday 31st January.

Bank - February 20th.

For the weekend, given that it is the last weekend and a lot of boats out, there should be some good catches, bending rods and grouped boats will show where, so keep a look out. From the banks in the next couple of weeks low and slow from... Lodge to Aqua Park, the Dam at times permitted and Chingley corner of the dam.

Most important and l forgot to mention, the lads l mentioned who caught today l advised not to wade at all... they didn't and that l am sure contributed to their success.

NEXT SEASON OPEN DAY

16 March – boats available to book online now.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Bewl Bridge Flyfishers Club are holding their AGM and Tackle auction on Saturday 5th Feb at Bewl Water in the Boathouse Bistro, NOT the Waterfront Cafe as previously advertised. Starts at 11am. Auction @ 1 pm.

See you next season hope fully back to normal, whatever that isRay French