

Water~Lines

News from the Haddon Estate Fisheries

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Useful information:

Day Ticket trout fishing, 7½ miles of the Derbyshire Wye - **April 1st - October 7th**
High Season (Mayfly).....£65/day
Before and After Mayfly...£35/day
Season Ticket trout & grayling fishing
£700 plus VAT - **April 1st - January 7th**
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Newest fishing club in the world?



Over the last 20 years many of you have enquired over the possibility of a season rod on the day ticket stretch of the Wye. I have been reluctant to offer such a thing in the past for a number of reasons, the main reason being it would be difficult to limit the pressure on the fishery at busy times. The day ticket system presented us a simple way to restrict rod numbers to 12 per day.

Lord Edward has agreed to a new system for the coming season. In recognition of your interest for an increased commitment to the fishery, we propose to allow season rods *and* day tickets whilst maintaining limited low pressure. I am writing to let you know about this but to also to assure you that there still will be six day ticket rods available every day.



Our club emblem - the **Blue Winged Olive** - has been carefully chosen. The Blue Winged Olive is our bread and butter fly. It represents clean, clear, cool, fast water and is the life blood of summer fishing on the Estate. Constant trickles of duns provide fishing throughout the day with the spinners returning later on to lay their eggs and die. Most of you will have fished the Mayfly high season and indeed who cannot be amazed and entertained by this annual spectacle, feasted upon by fish and bird but those who really know the Wye will say that the very best and most consistent sport occurs throughout the summer, thanks to *Ephemerella ignita*; the Blue Winged Olive (BWO).

One of only a small group of flies with three tails it is easily identifiable in its hatching and egg laying stages. The dun can be spotted by a keen eye because of their slightly kicked back wings. The fish have got to be quick. Hatching and flitting from the water may only take a few seconds and this often brings about a rushed, splashy take from below.

During the late afternoon and evening swarms of BWO spinner (The "Sherry Spinner") fly upstream to deposit their egg parcels on fast water. This upstream movement counteracts the downstream drift of egg, nymph and dun.

Once the eggs are dipped onto the water, the fly begins to die. The little moribund bodies get channelled into food lanes and this brings about the evening rise, characterised by gentle rolling sips or calm 'ticks' from the trout, often rising 10 or more times per minute.

So in the hatching and egg laying stages the BWO brings about superb sport but when you aren't fishing, the flies still hatch, lay and die, providing nutrition for our wild brown, wild rainbow and grayling.

Wild trout fishing promotes healthy rivers with more fish and larger specimens

The Peacock Fly Fishing Club

Established 2008 - The newest fishing club in the world!



Trout Fishing

You will be able to have trout fishing, on a particular day in the week, every week of the season (including Mayfly time). Your named day is predetermined by you with places limited to six per day. Day ticket fishing will continue to take up any of the remaining rods up to, but not exceeding, 12 rods per day.

Grayling Fishing

Over the last few years we have enjoyed a successful grayling fishing syndicate. This will close and grayling fishing will be available to the Peacock Fly Fishing Club members throughout the early winter until the new year. A few winter days are reserved for worthy conservation charities. From October 8th you may use nymphs and wetflies to pursue the bottom feeding grayling. During this period named days are waived, so come and fish whenever you like.

Guests

Day tickets are available to anglers wishing to bring a guest under the current system; there will be a 10% discount to Peacock Fly Fishing Club members. Each member will receive two guest tickets for grayling fishing at no charge.

Get together

We intend to invite members of our new club along with those on the two Lathkill and Bradford syndicates, to fishing related events held either at the Peacock or Haddon Hall itself. These will include talks and slide shows from top anglers and professionals within the industry, with a story to tell.

Cost

£700 plus VAT per year with places available on a 'first come - first served' basis. For any further information about the club, or day ticket fishing, or perhaps to arrange a winter river walk, please contact me on 07801 457 225. To enrol immediately, simply write to Peacock Fly Fishing Club c/o The Peacock at Rowsley, Bakewell, DE4 2EB, reserving the day of your choice.

We all look forward to seeing you again next season.



Warren Slaney
Head River Keeper, Haddon Estate