

The Flydressers Guild Sussex Branch



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The Chairmans Event

12 members participated in the Chairmans Event at Coltsford Mill, Oxted on Saturday 16th March. The previous day the weather had been very wet, but we had a lot of sunshine, and a light breeze.

We had sole access to the lakes – the Mill Pond, Willow, and the Upper and Lower Cascades.

The day started with Bacon Rolls and tea/coffee for all, before we started fishing.

Once we started fishing, it did not take long before the fish started to be caught. By lunch time several of the members had caught their 4 fish. Following lunch those members who still had to catch carried on fishing, as others went home.



The fish caught weighed in excess of 94lbs. The majority of fish caught were Rainbow Trout, plus three Brown Trout and a Spartic Trout.



The heaviest bag was caught by Wayne Duerden 11lbs 9oz. Keith Verrall caught the Spartic, and Peter Winder, Bill Black and Andy Wood also caught Browns.

It was interesting to note that the majority of participants caught on flies coloured Black and Green. Black Daddies along with Blue and Red Flash Damsels, and a Rubber Damsel also caught.

Our thanks goes to Peter Winder for the organising of this event, and arranging for the good weather.

Dever Springs

Dever Springs has announced that it will be closed until further notice. Any further updates will be made on FaceBook.

A few hours a Brick Farm

On Thursday 28th March, I agreed to take my wife to Eastbourne for a WI conference. Also part of the deal I said I would collect her in the afternoon. So after dropping her off in the morning I then drove upto Brick Farm Trout Fishery.

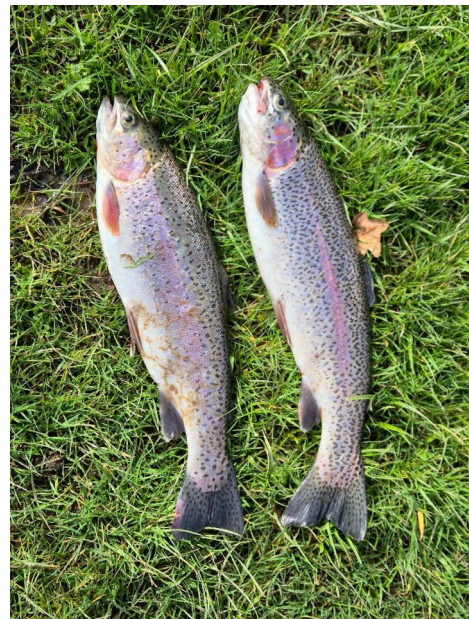
The weather, to say the least was terrible. The weather forecast was wind to be gusting 50mph, and rain. Not ideal weather for fly fishing.

Using floating lines and Red Flash Damsels I spent the morning fishing all four lakes to no avail.

I decided to retire to the Lodge for coffee and something to eat. Over lunch I looked through my fly box and discovered I had a couple of Cats Whiskers and decided to change to these. On going out after lunch, it had stopped

raining, I went to the far right hand corner peg of Brick Lake and within 30 mins I had my two rainbow trout. No great size but enjoyable to catch.

For your information I was the only Fly Fisherman at Brick farm on this day, and had all 56 pegs to myself



John Cooper

After being a member of the Club for some 22 years, John has made the decision to retire from Fly Tying. He has been on the committee for a number of years, taking part in numerous competitions plus involved in the Ifish events at the South of England Showground. We would like to thank John for his support over his years with the club and wish him a happy "retirement" from fly tying.

Recipe of the month by Peter Winder.

Tasty Trout

Ingredients

! fillet of trout per person

A bottle of Port (other beverages have been tried, but Port appears to be the best)

Cooking

Fillet your trout, ensuring all bones are removed. (Pliers can be useful for this process.)

Remove flesh from skin.

Cut into quarter inch strips.

Place 50gms Butter in a pan and melt.

Once Butter has melted, add your Port ensuring there is enough to cover the trout.

When boiling add the trout strips.

Cooking takes under a minute.

When the flesh changes colour, its cooked.

Serve in a warm bowl using all the liquid.

Serve with Crusty bread to soak up the liquid.

Enjoy.