

## **ROADFORD WEEKLY FISHING REPORT** **WEEK ENDING 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

### **Roadford continues with superb sport!**

The great fishing has continued at Roadford. After catching 41 fish in three visits last week Dean Boucher followed that up with 15 more on his visit this week!

Here is Dean's report:

'After several days of bright sunshine and strong Easterly winds the forecast for today was for some better fishing weather with the promise of a bit cloud cover and the wind dropping a little. Started on pulled wets with a floating line, fishing along East Wortha. A bit slow to start with, the first hour or so producing just a succession of small perch. I stayed on the move and then started to catch a few, mainly small trout on Black Tadpole and White tailed Zulu. The tadpole on the point was weighted and as I had missed a few pulls after I let the flies sink a little, I decided to change tactics. I changed to a sink tip line kept the tadpole on the point but swapped the droppers to Claret PTN and Black Spider on 14`s. I let everything sink for about 15 seconds or so after casting, before retrieving with slow steady 4-inch pulls. This definitely improved things. I caught more fish now and generally a better stamp of fish too with several around 1lb 4ozs to 1lb 8ozs. The droppers catching nearly all the fish. I fished along to North Wortha Point but the shallower water around East and North Wortha was more productive than the deeper areas today. I sat and ate lunch at North Wortha Point watching loads of Swallows and Martins working out over the deep water. A lovely sight on a now warm Autumns day . Another really enjoyable day at Roadford'.

### **Perch fishing – return from the week ending 20<sup>th</sup> September**

The perch fishing last week (by boat only) was really good. Danny Ford and his friend (pic below) managed over 100 between them to 2lb 9oz. the fish have been holding in 10-20 feet of water usually in the bays around the edge of the lake.

Pete Hutton and son George have had some great sport catching over 100 perch each visit to over 2lbs in size.



Perch day tickets are £10 per person per day and boats are £15 per day. The perch fishing is by boat only and strictly not from the bank. To book a boat and permit follow the link below.

Boats are now available at Roadford – we have two boats bookable online through our website only here:

<https://trout.swlakesfishing.co.uk/waters/roadford-lake/#permits>

here are the boat fishing rules during Covid-19:

<https://trout.swlakesfishing.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Trout-Boat-rules-during-Covid-19-Kennick-Roadford-and-Siblyback.pdf>

Try the bays at Roadford and make sure you check out our fishery guide which is designed to give you some top tips for fishing the lake which will help you catch fish when you visit.

<https://trout.swlakesfishing.co.uk/2020/02/20/a-guide-to-fishing-roadford-lake/>

#### **BOAT FISHING UPDATE:**

We are hoping boats will be available later this week. more details to follow in next weeks report but please call our office for an update later this week.  
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#### **The permit room is now open for onsite permit sales.**

Permits are available to buy here (scroll down to purple box which says buy your permits online).

<https://trout.swlakesfishing.co.uk/>

We would love to see some pictures so please email them to me  
[bsmeeth@swlakestrust.org.uk](mailto:bsmeeth@swlakestrust.org.uk)

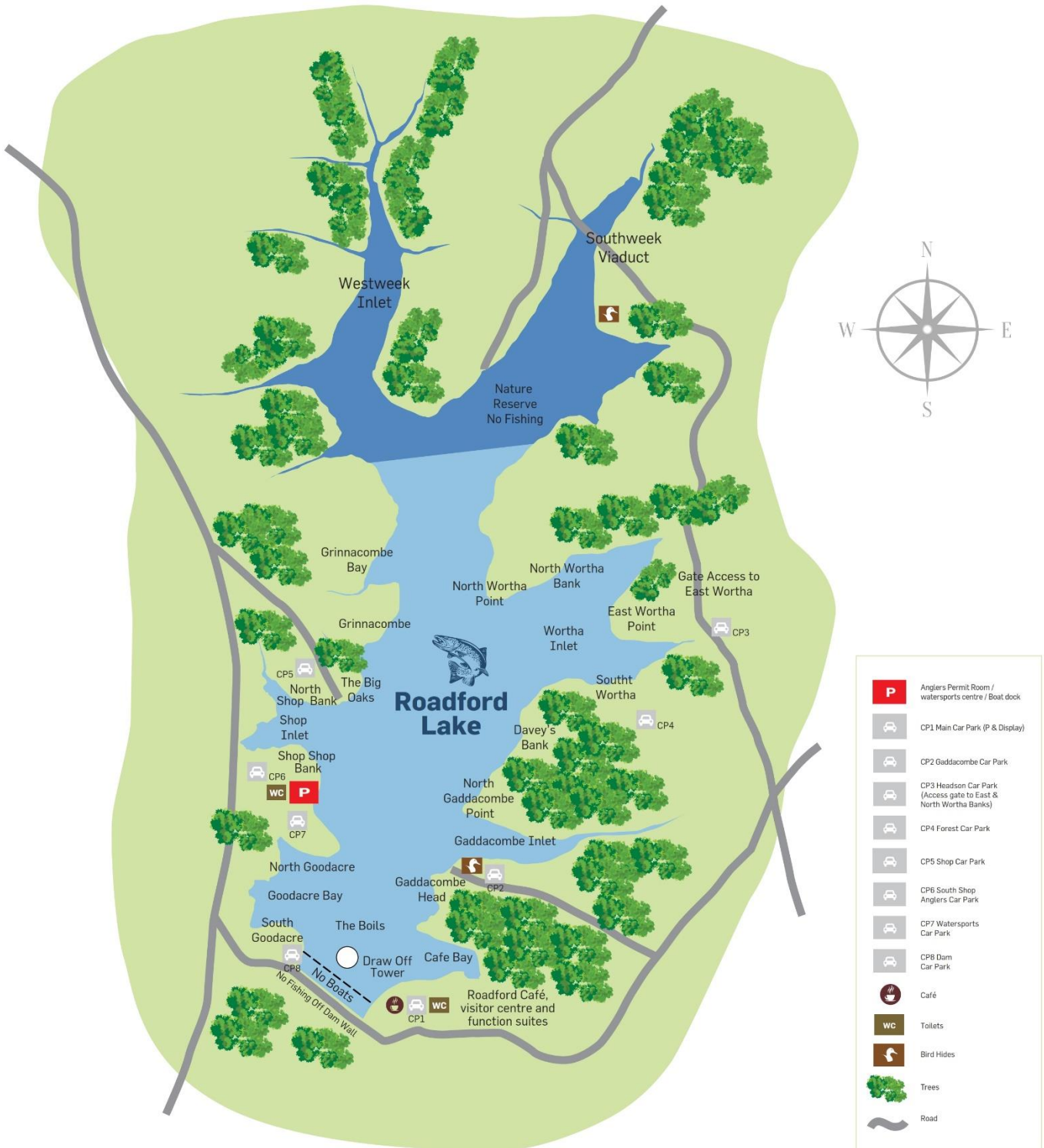
Our online catch return facility is located here:

<http://trout.swlakesfishing.co.uk/catch-return/>

We have stocked just under 2000 browns ranging from 7inch to just over 2lbs courtesy of Torre trout Farms. They were in superb condition.

Have a great week.

Ben Smeeth - Head of Angling



# CATCH REPORT

## SOUTH WEST LAKES LTD - FISHERIES WEEKLY REPORT

**FISHERY: ROADFORD**

**WEEK ENDING: 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2020**

Number of Trout Returns Made

**4**

Number of Full Bags

**1**

Perch caught	<b>100+</b>	Brown Trout Caught	<b>16</b>
		Total Trout Caught	16

**Catch comments:**

Dean Boucher 15 fish to 1lb 8oz

**EXPRESS POPULARTY USING SCALE**

	A/B or C	Notes / Comments
Bank	<b>A</b>	East Wortha, North Wortha point, North Shop
Boat	<b>B</b>	
At Anchor	<b>C</b>	
Drifting	<b>c</b>	
Dry Fly	<b>A</b>	White tailed zulu, Klinkhammer
Wet Fly or Nymph	<b>A</b>	Claret PTN, black spider
Lure	<b>A</b>	Tadpole
Team of Flies	<b>A</b>	
Single Fly	<b>C</b>	
Fly Line choice	<b>Floating or Di 3</b>	
Best Time of Day	<b>When cloud cover</b>	

Notable Hatches of Flies

**Nothing noted**

Surface Feeding Fish

Nothing noted

Rod Average

4 Trout per person

Weather Conditions

**overcast, sunny spells, showers**

Notes & Wildlife observed

**SEASON TO DATE**

Total Trout Caught to Previous Week:	<b>264</b>
Total Trout Caught This Week:	<b>16</b>
Total Trout Caught To Date:	<b>290</b>
Catch & Release This Week: ( <b>Season to date</b> )	<b>15 (263)</b>
Trout Taken From Reservoir This Week:	<b>1</b>
Trout Taken From Reservoir To Date:	<b>17</b>
Perch caught this week:	<b>200+</b>
Trout Stocked to Date:	<b>1800</b>
Best fish of season:	<i>Duncan Kier 3lb 8oz July 2020</i>

