



## **Paper Mill Trout Fishery and Cafe**

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**The information below is taken directly from the Environment Agency's recent newsletter. More info on their website**

### **New rod licence prices and structure**

We last changed our rod licence prices and structure in 2010. Since then, we've listened to anglers about the improvements to fishing licences that they'd like to see, and we've acted on their feedback. Following confirmation from George Eustice, the Minister of State for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the changes to rod licence prices and structure will come into effect from 1 April 2017 and the new licences will go on sale in March 2017.

We will introduce:

- a rod licence that lasts for 365 days from the date you buy it
  - a 3-rod licence, especially for specimen hunters
- a free licence for junior anglers, the cost of this will be funded by other licences.

Sarah Chare, Head of Fisheries for the Environment Agency, said:

"Having listened to the Angling Trust and anglers' views in our rod licence survey last year we have a number of proposals that we will be advertising this spring. These include a 365 day licence, a 3-rod licence and a free junior licence which we think could play an important part of getting more young people fishing and securing the future of the sport."

You can find out more about the new rod licence prices and structure at GOV.UK.

# This weeks report

January 9<sup>th</sup> 2017

**T**his week at the fishery the weather has been very mixed with very foggy days and hard frosts and also very heavy drizzle, those anglers that have persevered with the weather have been rewarded with their bag limits and some have caught double figure fish. Matthew Dowling caught a superb 12lb rainbow on a black rubber legged daddy, Gerwyn Mathias also caught a 12lb 12oz rainbow on a teal blue nymph, Steve Phillips caught a cracking 5lb rainbow on a squiggly wiggly and Carl Shackley caught two double figure rainbows weighing approximately 10lb and 12lb in weight which were safely returned.

**We are pleased to announce that we are now a Trout Masters Water for 2017 and any angler catching big fish can be entered in to the fish of the month to win a badge.**

● FLY:

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| ● Wayne Smith  | 4 fish | 12lb 6oz | caught on a black and green Montana. |
| ● Mike Charles | 3 fish | 8lb 12oz | caught on a hothead damsel.          |
| ● Mark Carter  | 3 fish | 8lb 9oz  | caught on a shammy leather.          |



**Gerwyn Mathias caught this cracking 12lb 12oz rainbow on a teal blue nymph**

**Matthew Dowling caught this superb 12lb rainbow on a rubber legged daddy**

