



ANGLER NEWS

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Inland Fisheries Service

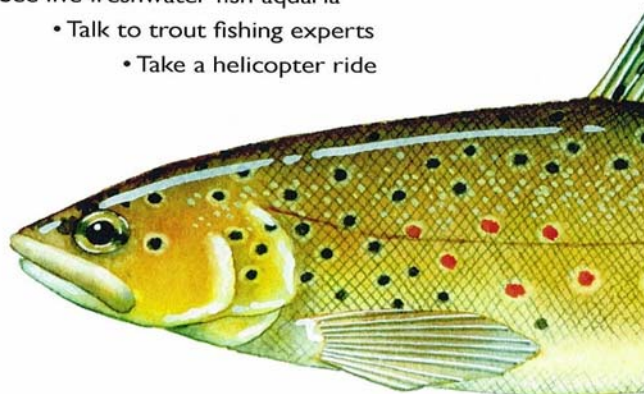
Trout Weekend

Liawenee, Great Lake
Sat 23 & Sun 24 May 2009
10am-3pm daily

ADMISSION IS FREE

Come and see hundreds of brown trout on their annual spawning migration in the Central Highlands of Tasmania

- Watch wild trout being stripped of eggs for culture
 - Catch a trout for dinner from the kid's fishout pond
- Visit trade exhibits including boats and fishing equipment
- Enjoy refreshments, competitions and give-aways
- View displays about fisheries management
- See live freshwater fish aquaria
 - Talk to trout fishing experts
 - Take a helicopter ride



It is on again, the IFS Trout Weekend at Liawenee, Great Lake! This year the IFS base will open its gates on Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 May from 10 am till 3 pm.

Come and see hundreds of brown trout on their annual spawning migration. Plenty of activities for the kids including the fishout pond. Trade exhibits, freshwater aquaria, fisheries management displays, demonstrations and helicopter rides. Come and see what the IFS and trout fishing is all about and enjoy what is a fun weekend for all.

Free entry to Salmon Ponds for full season licence holders for 2008/09

Angler Access Project update

Infrastructure (stiles and signage) as installed on the Huon, Lake and Macquarie rivers and Brumbys Creek during March 2009 as part of the AAT and IFS River Access projects at the following locations:

Woolmers Bridge downstream on the Eastern side and upstream and downstream on the Western side

Macquarie Rd. Cressy upstream from the pumphouse to No. 3 Weir on Brumbys Creek.

Lees Bridge Brumbys Creek downstream on the Cressy side.

Lake River (Macquarie Rd. Bridge) up and downstream on both sides.

Stuarton and Morningside bridges on the Macquarie River.

Huon River at Judbury and various locations between Huonville and Tahune.

A total of 50 stiles have now been installed at part of the project. Much of the project was achieved with the support and cooperation of private landowners.

It is imperative that anglers respect that access is a privilege not a right and observe the directives on the access signage.

Algal bloom concerns at Penstock Lagoon

Concerns about a potential algal bloom at Penstock Lagoon are being investigated after Inland Fisheries Service was alerted to thick brown filamentous algae being observed at the lagoon. Samples of the algae have been analysed by Analytical Services Tasmania and preliminary results indicate the presence of Anabaena, a blue-green algae. To confirm the nature and extent of the bloom, Hydro Tasmania has initiated a monitoring program.

The public will be informed of the status of the bloom as soon as the results are known. Anglers and other users should avoid contact with the water until further notice. Queries should be directed to Helen Brain at Hydro Tasmania on 6230 5746.

Lake Meadowbank draw down postponed

Hydro Tasmania wishes to advise that the proposed draw down of Lake Meadowbank for May 2009 has been postponed.

Stocking since February 2009

Water	Number	Species	Weight
Curries River Dam	10 000	brown trout	6
Lake Selina	2 000	brook trout	20
Lake Dudley	500	rainbow trout#	5
Little Blue Lake	1 000	rainbow trout#	5
Penstock Lagoon	10 000	rainbow trout#	5
Big Waterhouse	2 500	rainbow trout#	20
Bradys Lake	16 500	brook trout	30
Bronte Lagoon	8 500	brook trout	30
Lake Barrington	25 000	rainbow trout#	20
Curries River Dam	12 500	rainbow trout#	20
Great Lake	34 500	rainbow trout	12
Brushy Lagoon	3 700	brook trout	50
Leven River	5 000	rainbow trout#	15

= triploid trout

Waters that receive triploid trout are in accordance with the **Tasmanian Inland Fishery Recreational Management Plan 2008—2018**

Risdon Brook Dam closure

Due to the very low water level at Risdon Brook Dam it is currently not feasible to fish from the platforms set up for anglers with a disability. As this is a public domestic water supply anglers should note that the platforms are the only place angling is permitted. As a consequence of the low water levels no fishing is permitted at Risdon Brook Dam until further notice.

Southern Tasmania now has four other venues where anglers with a disability can safely fish. These are the Plenty River at the Salmon Ponds, the River Derwent at Windsor Corner north of New Norfolk, the River Derwent at the Esplanade at New Norfolk and the River Derwent at Bridgewater at Riverside Drive just off the Boyer Road.

Lake Catagunya boat ramp upgrade

The new boat ramp and carpark facilities at Lake Catagunya have been completed. Jointly funded by MAST and Hydro Tasmania the work has been undertaken whilst the lake has been drawn down for power station maintenance. The access road, carpark and boatramp have been significantly upgraded at a combined cost of approximately \$30,000.

This revamp is a result of a MAST, IFS and Hydro strategy to improve facilities at waters with reliable water levels.

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