

Welbeck Lakes Fishery



Anglers have to come to fish at Welbeck for generations, drawn not only by the exceptional beauty of the estate, but also by the abundant number of fish and diverse range of species found in the lakes. The Fishery is centrally located on the Welbeck Estate, offering members the opportunity to fish in a natural setting surrounded by stunning Estate parkland with spectacular views of Welbeck Abbey across the Great Lake.

Lakes and Location

Three lakes are open for fishing at Welbeck, Great Lake, Carburton Forge Dam and Carburton Dam, offering members up to 77 acres of fishing. The lakes and areas surrounding them have been designated as Sites of Special Scientific Interest by Natural England, and provide a fantastic habitat for a diverse range of wildlife, particularly birds.

The lakes are located along the Carburton Road, which can be accessed from the A616 via Cuckney and the B6034 via Carburton. Fishing along the three Welbeck lakes is permitted in designated areas, with three seperate car parking areas for each lake. The Fishery's main car park is located on the Great Lake and can be accessed through Milnethorpe Gate, also know as Fisherman's Gate. There are smaller parking areas for Carburton Forge Dam and Carburton Dam located along the Carburton road.

Fish

The following species of fish can be found in the lakes at Welbeck:

Pike, Eel, Bream, Roah, Perch, Tench, Carp and Cyprinids. Pike up to 40lbs and Carp up to 30lbs have been caught in the lakes at Welbeck.

Season

The Welbeck Lakes Fishery season runs from the 16th June 2012 to the 14th March 2013. The Fishery is open for fishing Monday through Saturday during daylight hours or 7am to 9pm.

Membership fees 2012-13

Single rod permit: £80 Double rod permit: £100 Junior rod permit: £35

*Club members are required to hold a valid N.R.A. rod licence.

How to join

Contact Joy Allen at the Welbeck Estates Company for membership details.

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Welbeck Lakes Fishery Regulations

1. Only the persons who hold a current Welbeck Lakes Fishery Permit, and for the sole purpose of fishing, are allowed at the Lakes.

Permit Categories are:

- (a) Double Rod: the holder will be allowed to fish with two rods, both being in a bank coverage of not more than 3 yards.
- (b) Single Rod: the holder will be allowed to fish with one rod only.
- (c) Juvenile Rod: the holder (for this purpose anyone below the age of 16 on 1st June at the start of the current season) will be allowed to fish with one rod only. No juvenile will be allowed on the lakeside except accompanied by an adult (holding a permit) who will be responsible for the safety of such juvenile.
- 2. Anglers must carry their permit and their current N.R.A. Rod Licence with them for prodution on request to the Water Bailiff and/or other authorized Welbeck Estate personnel.
- **3.** Permit holders may fish from the banks of the Great Lake, Carburton Forge Dam and Carburton Dam except for the following:
 - (a) The north bank of the Great Lake, north of the Chestnuts.
 - (b) The monument side of the Great Lake, north of the fence 200 yards south of the Duck Decoy.

The perimeter of the Lakes must be kept to at all times.

The grass rides around the perimeter of the Lakes must not be obstructed at any time.

- 4. No anglers must enter Estate property before dawn or 7.00 α.m., whichever is the later and all fishing must cease by 9.00 p.m. or dusk, whichever comes first.
 - No fishing will be allowed on Sundays. Pike fishing IS allowed all season.
- 5. Permits will not be valid for the Great Lake on the day of the Annual Permit Holders Cup Match. The match will not affect permit holders' access to Carburton Dam and Carburton Forge Dam.



The Annual Permit Holders Cup Match will be held on Saturday 25th August 2012. Draws at 7.30 a.m. Fishing 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

There will also be a Charity Fishing match, the date of which is yet to be confirmed.

- 6. No vehicles, including motor cycles and bicycles, will be allowed on to Estate property beyond the authorized car parks. When using Milnthorpe Lake Head anglers are requested only to park in the designated hard surface car park.
- 7. On no account whatsoever shall dogs be brought on to the Estate.
- **8.** Lead shot greater than size 7 is not to be used and no fishing line or anything else that would endanger wildlife is to be left on the banks.
- 9. Wire traces must be used whilst fishing for pike and eel.
- 10. All pike must be landed with landing nets. Gaffs are not to be used.
- 11. No tackle is to be left unattended.
- 12. All fish (including pike) must be returned to the water. On no account must any fish be taken away from the lakes.
- 13. Digging for worms or for any other reason is prohibited.
- 14. Use of live bait is not allowed. Use of hemp seed is not allowed.
- 15. Litter, including unwanted terminal tackle, MUST be taken away. Do not burn or hide it under bushes or trees. PLEASE TAKE IT AWAY RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT.
- 16. In an effort to decrease fish damage and kills, anglers are encouraged to use barbless hooks. Although as yet not compulsory, the use of barbless hooks is under consideration by the Fishery and may be introduced in seasons to come.



- 17. Any fish diseased or suspected of being diseased should be reported to the bailiffs as soon as possible.
- 18. Please report any outstanding catches to the bailiffs.
- 19. Should you see anyone contravening any of the Welbeck Regulations please point out the error of their ways!
- 20. The Welbeck Estate reserves the right to close the lakes for shooting or other Estate purposes on certain days or at certain times throughout the season. Any queries should be directed to the bailiffs.
- 21. The Welbeck Estate reserves the right to cancel, without repayment, the permit of any angler breaking the regulations or whose actions are considered to be to the detriment of the Estate.
- 22. The Welbeck Estate reserves the right to close any part of the lakes at any time for maintenance, repair or improvement work.