

# Verlorenkloof Estate

## Fly Fishing Report

8 July, 2016

### July Fishing

We stocked the dams on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June and again on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July. Were able to get some really decently sized fish between 400-800g on average with a few 1kg+ beauties scattered amongst the dams for some really exciting trophy fishing.

With the two recent stockings the dams have very good population densities of fish so competition is tough amongst the fish. At the moment fishing is very easy but chances are that blind casting will only land you a relatively small recently stocked fish. The larger fish that have more experience are now exceptionally careful and a very clever approach is needed to nab a trophy.

### Some tips for catching the larger fish:

Look at the dam topography, the larger fish have the best hiding spots. The best places to look for larger fish are at the inlets to the dams, along the reed beds and around any submerged structures. The large fish usually choose a territory then patrol it so if you find a promising area take a moment to watch the water and you should see a large fish doing the rounds.

Please keep in mind that Verlorenkloof has a strict catch and release policy and we support sustainable environmental approach so when fishing please keep in mind that you are likely to encounter a 1-1.5kg fish so you should plan accordingly by using tippetts with a breaking strength of at least 3-3.5kg.

### What the fish are eating:

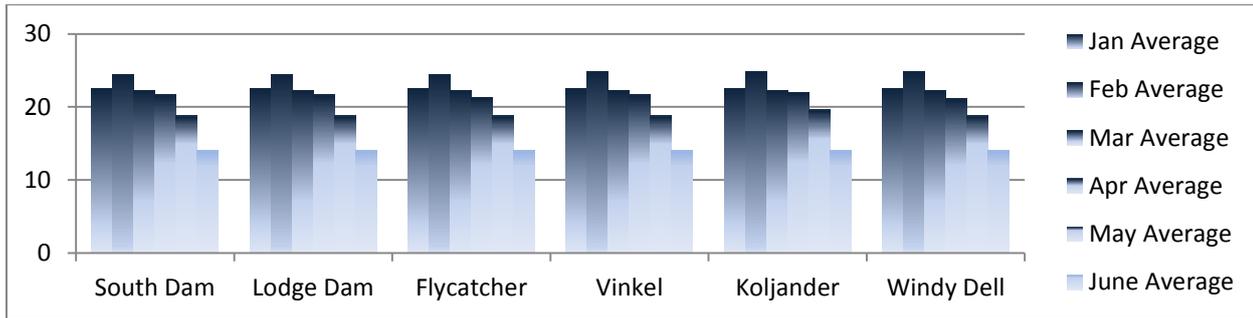
Currently the fish are looking for a good meal as pressure in the dams are up so a good bet is a Dragonfly nymph imatation such as Dons Dragon, Hamils killer ect. The Wooly buggers are also a god bet here as they are also a good substitute for the Dragon Fly Nymphs. Other nymph patterns such as the GRHE, PTN and prince nymph are doing well at the moment and is you observe spawning behaviour you can do really well with a trout egg or egg sucking leech pattern. With the current windy afternoons many people have had luck with the larger DDD patterns or RAB.

### Suggested Fly's for the Dams

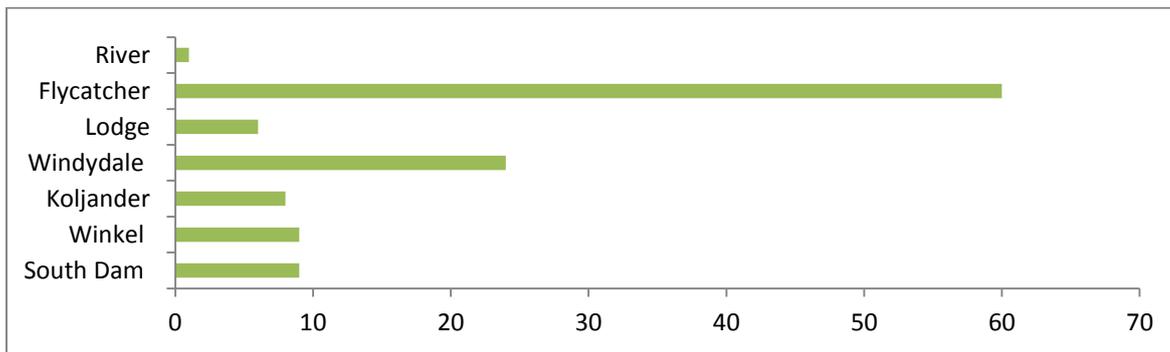
Wet	Dry
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Black/Olive/White Wooly Bugger</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>May Fly</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Trout egg</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>RAB</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>PTN</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>DDD</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>GRHE</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Elk Hair caddis</li></ul>

# Records

## Dam water temperatures:

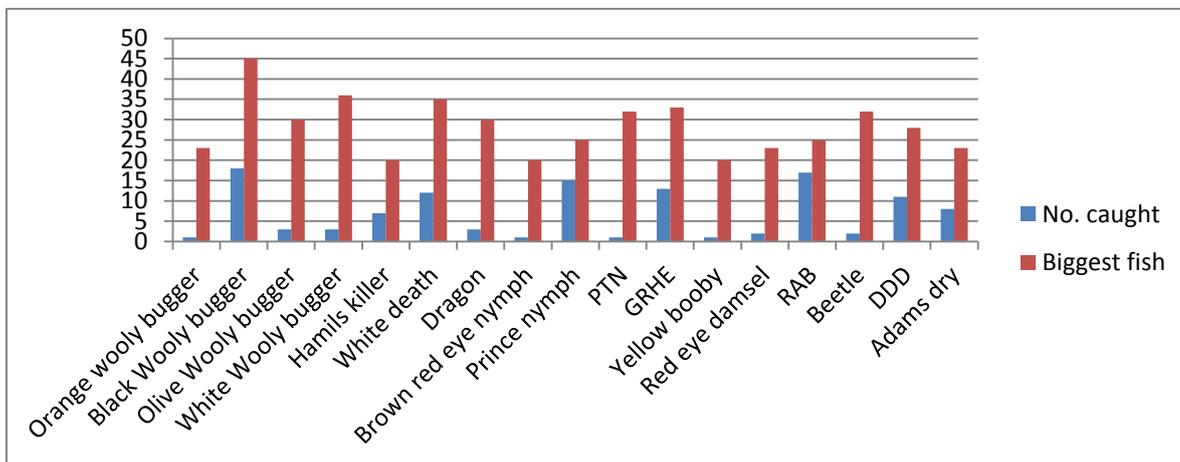


## Dam catch records



\* Thank you for the accuracy of your fishing logs, it helps greatly to improve fishing for everyone.

## Fly statistics



\*\* Please try to record the exact fly and size of the fish so that we can give a more accurate report.

## Tight Lines,

Buffel , Karel, Joseph & Daniel