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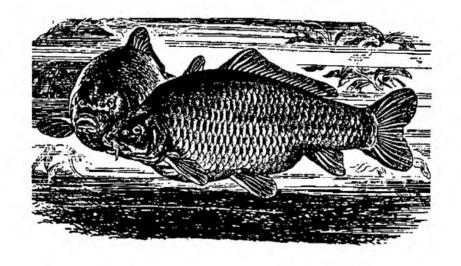
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1. Introduction

This is the fourth review of the activities of the fisheries section. As expected there are a number of national initiatives: licences, methods of stock assessment, a more coordinated programme of research and development, an overall strategy for fisheries, work on all these has been started, together with a number of lesser matters all intended to ensure that fisheries provides both a value for money service and a consistent outlook on policy and operations throughout England and Wales. These national initiatives have yet to mature, so within the Region there have been no major changes in our operations since the previous year. However, it is likely that in future it will be possible to include a section on achievements against nationally determined targets and levels of service.

The fish farm at Fobney has continued to develop but output was disappointing. Young barbel, dace and chub were all badly affected by low oxygen levels in the hot weather and production at Fobney was only 64% of target, but better results in the cage farm enabled us to record a small overall increase in coarse fish production.

Twelve fishery surveys were completed to the report stage covering 344km of EEC designated fishery compared with coverage of 283km in 1989/90. Reporting of non designated fishery fell from 244km to 169km. The target biomasses were exceeded in 48% of the river length. The failures were due to poor water quality or poor habitat. The section of the Review on surveys shows a complex picture with many surveys extending over more than a year. Next year there will be a drive to speed up the reporting phase, even if this means dividing some of the larger tributaries into sections and reporting them separately.

The numbers of fish available for stocking out from sources other than our own rearing dropped from more than 19 tonnes in the previous year to 11.7 tonnes reflecting a lower yield from rescues carried out. Some of these fish, together with others from the fish farm were used to restock the Rivers Bourne and Roding, following recovery from their pollution problems.

Advisory visits increased again, the bulk of them were to fishery management problems. Another growth area for staff consultation has been planning applications. Fisheries made an input to 756 applications compared with 215 in the previous year. This level of activity is likely to continue and is seen as an important way of avoiding problems rather than having to cure them afterwards. The increase partly underpinned a successful bid for additional staff resources which will be implemented in 1991/2.

The salmon scheme continues to make progress. New fish passes were opened at Sunbury and Chertsey and others are progressing well. The run of salmon was slightly greater than in the previous year, although well short of the best. A start has now been made on the programme for breeding from 'Thames returnee' salmon, and some 135,000 eggs were laid down in our contractors hatchery.

After the fall in bailiffing recorded in the previous year the number of checks on anglers has been increased again. As a result prosecutions have gone up. The great majority of cases are still concerned with licence evasion.

2. The Regional Fisheries Advisory Committee

The Committee met four times during the year with no changes in membership.

At the September meeting increases in Rod Licence duties proposed for April 1991 were submitted. It was noted that the new financial arrangements would mean that unless there was a substantial increase it was unlikely that Treasury funding through grant in aid would be available to fill any remaining shortfall. The consequence would have to be cut in the fisheries service. The proposed increases were eventually approved by a majority decision.

The NRA's Corporate Planning processes and fishery priorities were discussed. The major national priorities, Section 28 orders and licence restructuring, were noted, but not yet ready for general debate. Integrated fisheries enforcement, harmonised close seasons and declining sea trout stocks were primarily issues for the migratory salmonid Regions. The intention to produce a policy on harmonised stock assessment was noted, but the main priority for the Thames Region was considered to be the thorough completion of the rolling five year survey programme. The suggested three year cycle should only be considered if additional staff resources were made available. The Committee also advised that work on planning liaison and the fisheries implications of development were a serious issue for the Region which should also be included in the list of priorities.

The Committee reconsidered the question of the sea fisheries powers in the estuary and supported a new initiative to find an accommodation with the views of the Kent and Essex Sea Fisheries Committee on how the powers presently held by the PLA should be reallocated. The Committee eventually agreed to a proposal that a new line should be drawn from Lower Hope Point to Mucking Creek, and that the NRA should seek only to exercise sea fisheries powers above this. This was agreed by Kent and Essex Sea Fisheries Committee, and a joint approach was being made to the Ministry of Agriculture Fisheries and Food to give effect to the proposal.

The Committee considered a number of national issues, including the research and development programme. This created some concern at a lack of research on the relationship between water quality and fishery quality.

The Committee received at each meeting the quarterly reports on the quality of water and effluents which were also considered by the Rivers Advisory Committee, but supplemented with an appraisal of the fisheries implications. They also received reports on the use of biological monitoring and the use of various chemical criteria to assess chemical quality. Concern was expressed over the current quality objectives particularly for the River Mole. The Committee were assured that they would be consulted when the new statutory Water Quality Objectives were introduced. These reports on water quality and related matters were welcomed as a means of keeping in touch with one of the main influences of the Region's fisheries.

The Committee received regular reports on the progress of salmon rehabilitation work and expressed satisfaction at the eventual total of 154 salmon recorded for the year.

A number of local issues were discussed. The Committee approved the proposed changes in the detailed management of flows in the River Wey. It was hoped that these would satisfactorily resolve more than twenty years of difficulties for fisheries. The proposal to encourage otters to repopulate the Wey system gave rise to some concern, but members wished to await developments. The effects of the late summer drought and low flows were

reported and the Committee supported steps to ensure that as far as possible water was wisely used.

The policy of the NRA towards environmental impact assessment and conservation issues in development were explained, and at each meeting the Committee was informed of the major new development proposals affecting fisheries.

3. Financial Performance

Overall there was a deficit of £ 376,000. This was broadly in line with the expectations of the third year in which licence prices had been held at £ 7.50. There were two main deviations from the original budget; increased income and greater capital expenditure, which largely counter-balanced each other.

Rod licence sales were apparently not affected by the transfer of the Darent and Cray to Southern Region. Second licences showed a further increase in popularity to nearly a 40% take-up by adult anglers.

Capital expenditure was substantially increased because of changes in the accounting system which allowed for the direct identification of internal charges to capital schemes.

The original and final budget are given in Table 1 below.

Table 1. Fisheries - Final Out Turn Compared With Budget 1990-91

| | Budget (£000) | Actual (£000) |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Income: | | |
| Rod licence sales | 960 | 1070 |
| Other | 25 | 16 |
| Total Income | 985 | 1086 |
| | | |
| Expenditure: | | |
| Operating costs | 1044 | 1021 |
| Head Office costs | 63 | 55 |
| Capital expenditure | 217 | 386 |
| Total expenditure | 1324 | 1462 |
| | | |
| Surplus (deficit) | (339) | (376) |

4 Review of Operational Fisheries Work

The operational fisheries work carried out by the NRA can be broadly grouped under four headings:-

Fishery Management Fishery Surveys Advisory Work Response To Emergencies

4.1 Fishery Management

This section details the practical management work undertaken by the NRA Fisheries Department in the Thames Region. These activities come under the heading of Fisheries Management and includes stocking, coarse fish removal and obtaining fish samples for health assessment, disease investigations or the presence of toxins.

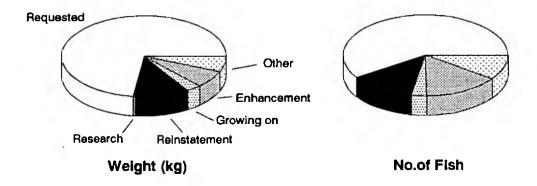
4.1.1 Stocking

All fish stocked out by the Fisheries Department in 1990/91 are summarised in Table 2 and are compared with the previous year's introductions. Each record is categorised into 'reasons for stocking' which fall into five groups as listed below. This excludes all introductions for the Salmon Rehabilitation Scheme which is covered in Section 6 of the Report. A full breakdown of all the Authority's fish stocking activities is provided in Appendix 3.

Table 2. Reasons for Stocking

| Reason for | Weigh | t (kg) | | No. of | Fish | |
|---------------|-------|--------|------|--------|--------|------|
| Stocking | 89-90 | 90-91 | % | 89-90 | 90-91 | % |
| Request | 13755 | 8546 | 72.5 | 145443 | 120535 | 61.0 |
| Research | 114 | 46 | 0.5 | 2200 | 250 | 0.5 |
| Reinstatement | 3301 | 1260 | 11.0 | 58916 | 26499 | 13.5 |
| Growing on | 1143 | 340 | 3.0 | 8928 | 6037 | 3.0 |
| Enhancement | 1031 | 806 | 7.0 | 18144 | 24355 | 12.0 |
| Other | 0 | 739 | 6.0 | 0 | 20063 | 10.0 |
| Total | 19344 | 11737 | | 233631 | 197739 | |

Figure 1 - Reasons for Stocking



Requests: Applications from angling clubs and riparian owners, for stock. The

applications are judged on merit, and if justified, free stock is provided if

available.

Research: Stocking undertaken as part of a specific investigation, e.g. fish move-

ments.

Reinstatement: Stocking undertaken after a fishery has suffered a mortality.

Growing On: Fish stocked to ponds in which the Authority has an interest. The fish

can be retrieved and used at a later date.

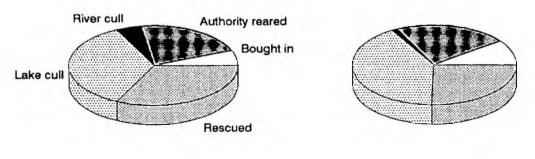
Enhancement: Stocking undertaken to improve an existing fishery.

Details concerning the source of the stocked fish are provided in Table 3.

Table 3. Source of Stocked Fish

| Source of | Weigh | Weight (kg) | | No. of Fish | | |
|------------------|-------|-------------|------|-------------|--------|------|
| Stocked Fish | 89-90 | 90-91 | % | 89-90 | 90-91 | % |
| Fish Rescue | 9524 | 3779 | 32.0 | 89391 | 50349 | 26.0 |
| Lake Cull | 6436 | 4166 | 36.0 | 82676 | 81397 | 41.0 |
| Authority reared | 1538 | 2507 | 21.0 | 42620 | 43828 | 22.0 |
| River Cull | 1263 | 575 | 5.0 | 12291 | 2205 | 1.0 |
| Bought | 309 | 710 | 6.0 | 4348 | 19960 | 10.0 |
| Other | 274 | 0 | 0 | 2305 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 19344 | 11737 | - | 233631 | 197739 | - |

Figure 2 - Source of Stocked Fish



Weight (kg)

No.of Fish

This year has seen a considerable reduction in the weight and number of fish stocked by the Authority. Despite the slight increase in the number of fish rescues undertaken fewer fish were available for restocking with 3.7 tonnes relocated compared with 9.5 tonnes the previous year. Numbers of fish obtained from culling operations were also reduced, reflecting the Authority's lower priority for this type of work. The 4.7 tonnes of fish removed and restocked from lakes and rivers for fishery management purposes was 63% down on last year's figures. However the 2.5 tonnes of fish reared by the Authority made up 21% of the total weight stocked out, which is a 66% increase on last year's production.

As in previous years the main reason for stocking was requests by angling clubs with 8.5 tonnes (120535 fish). This represented 72% by weight and 61% by number of all fish introductions.

The reinstatement of rivers following major pollution incidents has always been a priority. Restocking sections of the River Bourne badly hit by a spillage of wood preservative in 1989 have now started, 4000 dace, 3300 chub and 420 brown trout, all reared by the Authority, were introduced into various sections of the river. In June the River Roding received 16000 chub and dace from Severn Trent Region's Calverton Fish Farm. These fish will help to replace those lost during a major pollution in 1989.

Of the culling operations undertaken one of the largest was again at Coate Water near Swindon. In a two day operation the nature reserve was netted, with good quality carp and pike transferred to the main lake. Approximately 20000 bream (over 1 tonne) were stocked to various other waters. The River Thame received 750kg of bream at Wheatley, Thame and Nether Winchendon. The Aylesbury arm of the Grand Union Canal received a further 130 kg of these Coate Water bream.

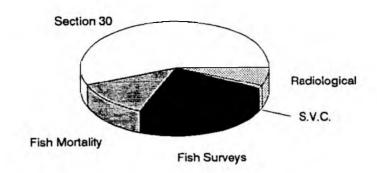
4.1.2 Health Assessment

A summary of NRA Thames Region's reasons for taking health samples is provided in Table 4.

Table 4. Reasons for Taking Health Samples

| Reasons for | No. of | |
|----------------|---------|-----------|
| Health Samples | Samples | <u>%_</u> |
| Section 30 | 52 | 56 |
| Fish Mortality | 12 | 13 |
| Fish Survey | 22 | 24 |
| S.V.C. | 1 | 1 |
| Radiological | 6 | 6 |
| Total | 93 | |

Figure 3 - Reasons for Taking Health Samples



Section 30 Angling clubs or individuals intending to stock fish into waters in the

NRA Thames Region, need to satisfy the Authority that the fish are not carrying any serious disease before consent is given, under Section 30 of

the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act.

Fish Mortality Samples taken where there has been a serious fish mortality.

Fish Survey Samples taken in association with the Authority's programme of Riverine

and Stillwater surveys.

S.V.C. Samples taken on behalf of MAFF to test for the incidence of Spring

Viraemia of Carp (this year the effort was directed towards re-testing

previously notified S.V.C. waters).

Radiological Samples taken for the MAFF radiological testing programme.

Other Two samples taken in connection with the solvent contamination of a

stillwater and a bacterial/viral sample sent to MAFF for their assessment.

A total of 93 fish samples were taken, a reduction of 19% on the previous year. Routine health checks prior to relocating stock, together with samples taken during survey, work made up 74% of the total. A reduction in the number of post-mortem following fish mortalities (13%) and only one sample taken for S.V.C. screening. The main reasons for the overall reduction in the number of fish samples collected were a reduction in post-mortem examinations and only one sample for SVC screening compared with 11 in the previous year.

4.2 Fishery Surveys

Riverine fishery surveys can be divided into the programmed riverine surveys (part of the five year programme), and additional riverine surveys undertaken because of specific or potential problems. Examples of the latter would include post pollution surveys, relaxation of consents at sewage treatment works, or a baseline examination prior to a major river engineering scheme. A number of stillwater surveys are also carried out each year.

4.2.1 Programmed and Additional River Surveys

Data collected from riverine surveys is depicted in Table 5. The EEC Directive 78/659, instructed all member states to designate water courses capable of supporting salmonid (game) and cyprinid (coarse) fisheries. In the Thames region there are 1526 km of EEC designated river (1039.6 km cyprinid, and 486.4 km salmonid). These watercourses are required to comply with stipulated water quality parameters in order to protect fish life. The NRA Thames Region still uses the informal standards of service set by Thames Water for EEC designated fisheries. These are 20gm⁻² for cyprinid waters and 15gm⁻² for salmonid waters. An additional target is for 80% of EEC designated watercourses to comply with the relevant biomass figures. The importance of surveying non-designated waters is also recognised, many of these waters provide excellent fisheries, although these are not within the original formal survey programme.

The river survey programme provides biological monitoring to identify depressed fish populations which may result from factors such as poor water quality, land drainage operations, low flows, pollution incidents or impoverished habitats. The surveys also provide important baseline data which enables both short and long term changes to be assessed.

Following completion of survey reports, issues highlighted in the recommendations can be used to prioritise resources to effect improvements. Poor habitat associated with past over zealous land drainage practices and unstable substrate are problems frequently identified when depressed fish populations are found. Habitat enhancement schemes are planned for several rivers in the Thames Region.

The details of the programmed and additional riverine surveys undertaken are presented in Table 5 and a summary of the results is provided in Table 6.

Table 5. Programmed River Surveys 1990/91

| | Survey | EC | Non | | No. of | |
|------------------|--------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|-----------------------|
| Watercourse | Length | Design- | EC | No. of | EC | Status |
| | (km) | ated (km) | (km) | Sites | Sites | |
| River Coln | 27.6 | 20.3 | 7.3 | 8 | 6 | Fieldwork Incomplete |
| River Thame | 76.8 | 46. | 30.8 | 20 | 13 | Fieldwork Incomplete |
| River Loddon | 45.2 | 39.8 | 5.4 | 12 | 10 | Fieldwork Incomplete |
| River Blackwater | 35.6 | 7.1 | 28.5 | 12 | 4 | Report being Compiled |
| River Lyde | 8.7 | 5.8 | 2.9 | 4 | 3 | Fieldwork Incomplete |
| River Stort | 39.4 | 28.0 | 11.4 | 20 | 8 | Report being Compiled |
| River Rom, Beam | 38.6 | 0.0 | 38.6 | 7 | 0 | Report being compiled |
| &Ingrebourne | | | | | | |
| River Hart | 19.5 | 11.8 | 7.7 | 4 | 3 | Fieldwork Incomplete |
| TOTAL | 261.4 | 158.8 | 132.6 | 87 | 47 | |

Surveys Carried Over From Previous Years and Complete

| | Survey | EC | Non | | No. of | Compliance with |
|------------------|--------|-----------|-------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| Watercourse | Length | Design- | EC | No. of | EC | Target Biomass (%) |
| | (km) | ated (km) | (km) | Sites | Sites | |
| River Kennet | 163.0 | 135.0 | 28.0 | 50 | 36 | 78 |
| system | | | | | | |
| River Wandle | 16.9 | 7.4 | 9.5 | 7 | 4 | 0 |
| River Cherwell | 93.9 | 52.1 | 41.8 | 15 | 7 | 57 |
| River Coln | 57.6 | 38.7 | 12.9 | 5 | 4 | 100 |
| Cripsey Brook | 16.7 | 6.8 | _ 9.9 | 5 | 4 | 50 |
| River Ray(Wilts) | 12.0 | 7.8 | 13.1 | 4 | 2 | 50 |
| Shill Brook | 12.4 | 0.0 | 12.4 | 3 | 0 | N/A |
| River Windrush - | 18.0 | 59.2 | 14.1 | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| derogated STWs | | | | | | |
| Oxford Canal | 10.0 | 37.4 | 0.0 | 2 | 2 | 50 |
| River Ray(Oxon) | 27.9 | 0.0 | 27.9 | 8 | 0 | N/A |
| TOTAL | 428.4 | 344.4 | 169.6 | 103 | 63 | 48 |

Uncompleted Surveys Carried Over From The Previous Year

| Watercourse | Survey Length (km) | EC Design- ated (km) | Non EC (km) | No. of Sites | No. of EC Sites | Status |
|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| River Wye | 15.7 | 0.0 | 15.7 | 4 | 0 | Report Being Compiled |
| Lower Wey & Navigation | 15.0 | 15.0 | 0.0 | 10 | 10 | Report Being Compiled |
| River Bourne | 43.0 | 6.5 | 14.5 | 12 | 2 | Report Being Compiled |
| River Mole | 48.5 | 22.3 | 26.2 | 7 | 3 | Report Under Review |
| TOTAL | 122.2 | 43.8 | 56.4 | 29 | 15 | |

Additional Surveys 1990/91

Cotswold Monitoring (Low Flows Key Sites)

| Watercourse | Survey Length (km) | EC Designated (km) | Non EC (km) | No. of Sites | No. of EC Sites | Status |
|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| River Coln_ | 10.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 3 | 3 | Report Being Compiled |
| R Chum | 10.0 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 4 | 4 | Report Being Compiled |
| Ampney Brook | 12.6 | 0.0 | 12.6 | 6 | 0 | Report Being Compiled |
| TOTAL | 32.6 | 20.0 | 32.6 | 13 | 7 | |

Special Survey Catchment Plan

| Marsh Dykes (inc | 17.8 | 0.0 | 17.8 | 7 | 0 | Report complete |
|------------------|------|-----|------|---|---|-----------------|
| 6 stillwaters | | | | | | |

Proposed Culverting

| Ock Stream | 1.0 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 | Report complete |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|---|---|-----------------|

During 1990/91 11 programmed and additional surveys were undertaken. Of these, 6 still have fieldwork to complete, 3 are under review or being compiled and 2 have been reported. Of the 14 surveys carried over from previous years, 10 have been reported and 4 are under review or still being compiled.

The reported surveys cover 344.4km of EEC designated river. Fieldwork is complete and reports are being compiled/reviewed on a further 98.9km of EC designated fisheries and 108.9km of non-designated river.

The completed surveys showed that 48% of designated fisheries achieved their target biomass. This is an improvement on the previous year's 26% but still falls short of the NRA Thames Region target of 80%.

The reasons for the failures are detailed below:-

River Kennet Poor habitat/low flows
River Wandle Urban run-off/poor habitat

River Ray(Wilts) Poor water quality
River Windrush Poor habitat/turbidity

Oxford Canal Poor water quality/previous mortalities

River Cherwell Poor water quality/abstraction

Table 6. Summary of Programmed Surveys 1990/1991

| Stage of Survey | EC Designated Fisheries | Non-Designated Fisheries | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Length Sur | veyed (Km) | | | | | |
| Reported Surveys | | | | | | | |
| 1990/91 | 0.0 | 0.0 | | | | | |
| 1989/90 (Carried Over) | 111.2 | 92.2 | | | | | |
| 1988/89 (Carried Over) | 233.2 | 77.4 | | | | | |
| Total | 344.4 | 169.6 | | | | | |
| Surveys Being Compiled/Re | eceived I | ı | | | | | |
| 1990/91 | 35.1 | 39.9 | | | | | |
| 1989/90 (Carried Over) | 43.8 | 56.4 | | | | | |
| Total | 78.9 | 96.3 | | | | | |
| Surveys With Fieldwork Incomplete | | | | | | | |
| 1990/91 | 123.7 | 54.1 | | | | | |
| TOTAL 1990/91 | 547.0 | 320.0 | | | | | |

4.2.2 Stillwater Surveys

In addition to the riverine survey work on a number of stillwater surveys are usually carried out each year. These surveys are often at the request of angling clubs to assess the population structure and health status of their stocks and to provide them with baseline data. Fishery management recommendations are usually included to help formulate a future management policy. As these surveys are considered to be of a low priority they can only be scheduled around the programmed riverine work, therefore only a limited number can be tackled each year.

Stillwater surveys carried out in 1990/91 included Moor Lane Lake, Burgess Park Lake, Gatton Park Lake, Buckhurst Park Lake, and Silvermere Lake.

4.3 Advisory Work

The various types of advisory work undertaken by the Fisheries Department form a major part of its role in maintaining, improving and developing fisheries. Any member of the public can freely seek advice and many queries or potential problems can be answered by a simple telephone call. If the Fisheries Officer decides that a site meeting or visit is required then any riparian owner or tenant can receive one visit free of charge. Angling clubs can also receive a free advisory visit. This Region has an internal standard of service of a 28 day response time to such requests.

Apart from the external advisory work the Fisheries staff uses its expertise to help other departments to fulfil their duties to protect or enhance the fishery. Typically this could involve a site meeting with the Flood Defence and Conservation Departments before a dredging operation is contemplated, thus ensuring that important features such as useful spawning habitats are preserved, and in many cases new ones created.

Another very important advisory role is that of planning liaison. It is only in the last two years that the Fisheries Department has been fully included in the planning process and has the opportunity to comment on any proposed development in the area that could adversely affect fisheries.

4.3.1 External Advisory Work

A full breakdown of the various topics covered in the 282 visits and meetings carried out is listed in Table 7, and the areas of advice are presented in Figure 4. All of these visits were carried out within the 28 day response time which is the internally set standard of service.

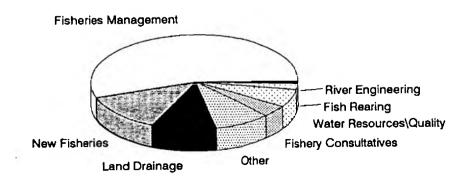


Figure 4 - External Advisory Work, Areas of Advice

Table 7. External Advisory Work

| General Headings | Areas of Advice | No. of Visits | % |
|------------------------------|---|---------------|-----|
| Fisheries Management | Stocking/Culling Fishery Surveys Fish Health Weed Control Habitat Enhancement | 159 | 55 |
| Land Drainage | Fishery Protection Measures Remedial Works Habitat Enhancement | 28 | 10 |
| Creation of New Fisheries | Fishery Design Legal Requirements Stocking Water Quality | 34 | 13 |
| Other | Angling Club Meetings/Talks Equipment Demos, Exhibitions, Etc | 25 | 9 |
| Fishery Consultatives | Meetings To Discuss Fishery Matters In Consultative Region | 12 | 4 |
| Water Resource | Abstraction Low Levels Low Flows | 11 | 4 |
| Water Quality | Effects Of Poor Water Quality Pollution Algal Blooms | 7 | 2 |
| River Engineering | Re-Routing Rivers Pipeline Laying etc | 2 | 1 |
| Fish Rearing | Setting Up Fish Farms Growing-On Ponds | 4 | 2 |
| TOTAL | | 282 | 100 |

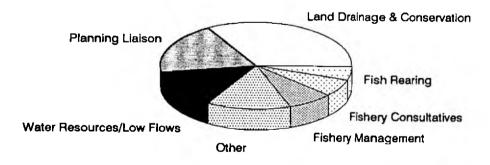
4.3.2 Internal Advisory Work

During 1990/91 172 visits/meetings were attended by the Department to advise other functions on fishery related matters. A breakdown of the various categories and numbers of visits/meetings undertaken is shown in Table 8 and Figure 5.

Table 8. Internal Advisory Work

| Areas of Advice | No. of Visits/ Meetings | % |
|--|----------------------------|----|
| Land Drainage and Conservation | 48 | 29 |
| Planning Liaison | 26 | 15 |
| Water Resources/Low flows | 19 | 11 |
| Other (computing/ hydroacoustics etc.) | 19 | 11 |
| Fishery Management | 10 | 6 |
| Fishery Consultatives | 9 | 5 |
| Fish Rearing | 7 | 4 |
| TOTAL | 172 | |

Figure 5 - Internal Advisory Work, Areas of Advice



One instance of the Fishery Department's liaison with other functions has resulted in a radical change to a 1200m section of the River Blackwater. A chance to experiment with new techniques came when dredging was planned for the Eversley Reach. After consulting with Fishery staff, NRA Engineers set about transforming the river which had suffered from old style land drainage practices. The wide featureless channel, which during the summer months was heavily choked with weed, was reprofiled to form a sinuous central channel, recreating the original shape of the river. Deeper pools and riffles were created improving water quality and providing spawning habitats. It is now three years since the project began and a recent survey of the section revealed an excellent fish population of eight different species.

4.3.3 Planning Liaison

In the 1990/91 reporting year the Fisheries Department received 756 planning applications. The NRA has a duty to maintain, improve and develop fisheries. One of the ways in which it exercises this duty is by providing advice to our Planning Liaison Department, Councils and Developers about the impact of proposed development on fisheries, under the Town and Country Planning Act (1971).

Fisheries staff take part in discussions of all kinds on planning matters. For example, Fisheries staff had considerable input during planning of the Maidenhead Flood Relief Channel, assessing its impact on fish populations in the Thames as well as the potential for creating a balanced natural environment, including a substantial fishery in the new channel.

Major new roads like the Blackwater Valley Route and the newly completed M40 require considerable input. The opening of the M40 marked the end of a 3 year construction period which provided many problems. The construction included five major crossings. Three crossings over the River Cherwell were completed during 1988 and 1989 with very little environmental input into design to limit damage and identify enhancement opportunities. The problems were due partly to the speed at which the scheme was implemented. The two later crossings had significant environmental input by the Fisheries Department resulting in partial success. Design recommendations were produced including the retention of part of the old channels as backwaters, shelving for aquatic vegetation, transplantation of macrophytes and tree and shrub planting. Some of these have been incorporated into the scheme on both crossings and some further tree planting is understood to be planned in the near future.

4.4 Emergency Works

This section broadly covers the Authority's response to reported fish mortalities and rescue operations. Thames Region has an internally set target of performance which requires an incident to be investigated within the following times:-

0900 - 1300 2 hours 1700 - 0900 2.5 hours

Following reports of dead or dying fish if a water quality problem is suspected as a possible cause then Environmental Quality staff are deployed to investigate. The Fisheries Department's role is to assist them in trying to alleviate the problem and to obtain an estimate of the extent of the mortality. Fish samples are usually obtained for autopsy and angling clubs and riparian owners informed.

Not all emergencies warrant the wholesale removal of fish. Low dissolved oxygen problems associated with pollutions or algal blooms can now be tackled with new equipment available at each of the four operational headquarters. The diesel powered Aire-O2 floating aerators are designed to breath new life into rivers or lakes and can be quickly deployed to any location with vehicular access.

It is expected that these new units will enable Fisheries staff to save many thousands of fish following major pollution incidents where oxygen levels are severely depleted.

As was the previous year 1990/91 was drought year with the long hot summer bringing the usual problems of low water levels/flows, algal blooms and extreme water temperatures.

During such conditions the "first flush" effect caused by sporadic thunder storms can also reduce dissolved oxygen to dangerously low levels, particularly in urban watercourses.

Many hours were also spent monitoring waters that were considered to be in imminent danger of drying up. When the Fisheries Officer decided that there was no alternative but to remove the stocks then a rescue operation was mounted. Often rapid loss of water required immediate action taking priority over planned work. When a pound of a canal is drained for maintenance or a gravel pit dewatered for development or landfill purposes the operation would be classified as a "programmed rescue" and scheduled to fit in with the existing operational timetable.

For practical and safety reasons rescues will only be carried out during the hours of daylight. Furthermore, if the Fisheries Officer in charge decides that the site is too dangerous, the rescue will be abandoned.

4.4.1 Fish Rescues

During the last reporting year 56 rescue operations were mounted, an increase of 5.6% on the previous year. 34 of these rescues were planned and 23 were classified as emergencies which was exactly the same number as the previous year. All emergency operations were attended within the target time.

As was the case last year most of the rescues were as a result of low flows/water levels. The prevailing drought conditions assured that many hours were spent monitoring waters at risk and installing emergency aeration equipment and, as a last resort, removing the stock.

A typical rescue last summer was carried out on two ponds in the grounds of the Royal Horticultural Gardens at Wisley. Extremely low water levels left no option but to remove the 750kg of small carp and safely transfer them to a large gravel pit at nearby Send.

Another type of rescue was carried out at Radley in the Upper Thames area where a gravel pit was being reworked for mineral extraction and water levels were being pumped down for access. Due to the topography of the bed various pockets of water became isolated as water levels dropped. As a result several visits were required to remove fish by electrofishing techniques. Approximately 450kg of fish were rescued and stocked in various other waters. These were mainly tench in the 1-2kg size range with some good quality roach and a number of large pike, including three over 10kg. One further example of rescue work occurred in London's docklands where Canary Wharf was being drained for construction works. Metropolitan Fisheries staff rescued in all approximately 400kg of roach, bream, perch,eels, flounder, sprat, smelt and bass. What set this aside from other rescues was the fact that the team and equipment had to be lowered down more than 50ft by crane to the bottom of the wharf and then avoid thick silt beds to effect the rescue operation.

4.4.2 Mortalities

The number of incidents involving fish mortality recorded by the Authority was down by 33% to 98 compared with the previous year. However, the number of dead fish and total weights were remarkably similar with 102000 fish weighing 7644kg compared to 101000 weighing 7791kg in 1989/90. A breakdown of the cause of mortalities is provided in Table 9 and full details are shown in Appendix 3.

Table 9. Cause of Mortalities

| | No. of | | | |
|------------------------|----------------|---------|----------------|------|
| Cause of Mortality | Incidents | % | Weight (kg) | % |
| Unknown | 17 | 17.4 | 219.8 | 2.9 |
| Low D.O. | 16 | 16.4 | 322.0 | 4.2 |
| Algal Bloom | 15 | 15.4 | 1356.5 | 17.7 |
| Low Water/Flows | 10 | 10.3 | 151.3 | 2.0 |
| Toxic Chemical | 8 | 8.4 | 3478.0 | 45.5 |
| Sewage Treatment Works | 8 | 8.4 | 159.5 | 2.1 |
| Disease | 5 | 5.2 | 1496.6 | 19.6 |
| Angling Damage | 5 | 5.2 | 23.0 | 0.3 |
| Broken Sewer | 4 | 4.2 | 17.0 | 0.2 |
| Overstocking | 2 | 2.1 | 15.0 | 0.2 |
| Dewatering | 1 | 1.0 | 295.0 | 3.9 |
| Low pH | 1 | 1.0 | 5 0.0 | 0.6 |
| Agricultural Discharge | 1 | 1.0 | 30.0 | 0.4 |
| High Temperatures | 1 | 1.0 | 15.0 | 0.2 |
| Netting Damage | 1 | 1.0 | 10.0 | 0.1 |
| Post Stocking Stress | 1 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 0.05 |
| High Suspended Solids | 1 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 0.05 |
| Total | 98 | - | 7 644.7 | - |
| The total numb | er of fish kil | led was | 102,169 | |

As was the case in the last three reporting years, the largest single category of reported mortalities are of an unknown cause. Unlike previous years however, these mystery fish mortalities only accounted for 3% of the total weight of lost fish compared with 22% the previous year. The prolonged hot, dry weather brought the usual spate of fish kills associated with low dissolved oxygen levels caused by high water temperature, algae and low flows. These categories accounted for approximately 25% of the total weight. One positive aspect of the prevailing dry conditions has been the low number of mortalities associated with agricultural discharge. Last year saw only one reported incident resulting in just 30kg of dead fish. Comparing this figure with the 1445kg of fish lost in 1988/9 is testament to responsible attitudes being adopted by farmers and the vigilance of our Pollution Control colleagues.

Analysis of weight of fish killed shows that 45% died as a result of exposure to a toxic chemical. In April 3 tonnes of mainly bream and roach were lost at Folley's Pit near Sonning. Autopsies indicated liver damage, probably as a result of organophosphate poisoning. In February a burst pipeline carrying aviation fuel resulted in the death of approximately 330kg of roach in the River Stort. A rescue operation was mounted by Thames East fishery staff saving approximately 700 good quality roach which have now been returned to the river.

Carp mortalities have also generated a great deal of interest during this last reporting year. Gravel pits near Farnborough and Denham have lost considerable numbers of large carp following introductions of smaller specimens. Although S.V.C. has been ruled out, an infectious agent appears to have been responsible.

5 Operational Investigations

5.1 Salmon

The investigation of potential means of diverting smolts and other fish from reservoir intake channels, which has been ongoing since 1988, has continued during 1990. The small window of time available for the investigation - during the smolt migration period of April and May - together with the operational difficulties associated with water supply during two drought periods have created difficulties in obtaining sufficient data, of a good enough quality, to make reliable conclusions. For this reason the work will be extended at least into 1991 when it is hoped that some meaningful conclusions can be drawn. Results from trials conducted in 1990 continues to suggest that the bubble and strobe light screens constructed at the Walton intake do reduce entrainment of salmon smolts. The overall efficiency of the technique is still however far from clear. During the periods of these trials, data has also been collated on entrainment of coarse fish - which is generally 0+ and 1+ age groups - and it is intended to analyse this data during 1991.

This work will contribute usefully to a national R&D project, led by Thames Region, which is currently reviewing entrapment of fish into water intakes throughout England and Wales.

5.2 Biosonics

Trials with the dual-beam sonar system, acquired to improve our capabilities of sampling larger waterbodies, have been progressing with successful trials at a variety of different locations. This research has now developed into a national R & D project which is being undertaken through Royal Holloway & Bedford New College by Dr Kubecka, supervised by Dr Duncan.

6 Salmon Scheme

The hot summer and low freshwater flows in 1990 were a repeat of the drought conditions which prevailed in 1989 and once again the run of salmon was much less than would have been expected in more usual conditions. Despite the low flows through the tideway, with drought regulation required early in the year to protect London's water supplies, water quality in the tideway was maintained at a high standard, largely through the extra efforts made by Thames Water Utilities, and the reason for low returns was simply lack of flow to stimulate fish to enter the river. Apart from a run of the earliest salmon yet to have entered the Thames and passed Molesey, many of the fish which did enter the tideway were constrained by impassable conditions at Teddington weir.

Despite the adverse conditions the run was the third highest recorded since substantial returns first began in 1982. 154 fish were recorded including 55 two sea-winter fish and our first 2 three sea-winter fish. One of the latter, at 22lb, was the biggest salmon known to have returned to the Thames. The poor grilse run was reflected in many rivers throughout the British Isles in 1990, attributed not only to low flows but also increased marine exploitation (illegal fishing in international waters) and other environmental changes.

The poor economic conditions which also prevailed during 1990 dampened the enthusiasm of potential sponsors of the Thames Salmon Trust. Nevertheless, major sponsors were found for fish passes at Teddington Weir (Shell UK Ltd) and Boveney Weir (Eton College and Sir James Goldsmith). Many smaller contributions were also made to boost the Trust Fund. In May 1990, the fish passes at Sunbury (Howden Group) and Chertsey (Joseph Johnston & Sons Ltd) were opened at a grand ceremony. Although there were then some delays to the construction programme, passes at Bell weir (Kuwait Oil) and Mapledurham weir (Chevron UK and Gulf GB) were virtually completed by the end of the review year. Bray pass is making good progress.

During the year, an important move was made towards using the Thames returnee salmon for breeding thus beginning the process of generating a 'Thames' genetic strain of salmon. It is expected that using stock fish derived from wild parents will result in higher survival rates of juveniles and a larger return rate of adults. We have now established a contract for the early rearing of salmon from our own returnees' eggs and some 135000 eggs were moved to the contractor's hatchery. Fingerlings derived from this work will form a significant part of the stock to be on- grown at our own reservoir cage rearing facility next winter and stocked out in spring 1992. In the early years of this programme it is intended to widen the gene pool returning to the river by obtaining eggs from other wild-source parents and for example our colleagues in South-West region provided fertilised eggs from River Fowey salmon.

Stocking of parr in 1990 was slightly less than planned because of problems at the cagerearing facility caused by the very mild winter. However, 92000 parr were stocked into nursery streams throughout the area and once again we were indebted to Joseph Johnston & Sons Ltd for the donation of fingerlings and BP Nutrition for the food to grow them on. Some 25000 smolts were also stocked into the Lower Thames and Tideway as a result of our rearing programme. These were supplemented by an estimated additional 13000 escapement from smolts introduced at Sunbury during trials of the smolt diversion screen which is under test at Walton water intake.

On a sad note, Peter Gough and Karen Miller, who have been with us 10 years and 5 years respectively, have both left Thames region to take up new posts in Welsh and Northumbrian Regions of the National Rivers Authority. They have both contributed an enormous

amount to the success of the Thames Salmon Rehabilitation Scheme and will be greatly missed. However, we wish them both well in their new jobs and no doubt we will remain in touch, not least through their honorary membership of the Friends of the Thames Salmon Trust.

Figure 6 - Catch of Thames Salmon 1970-1990

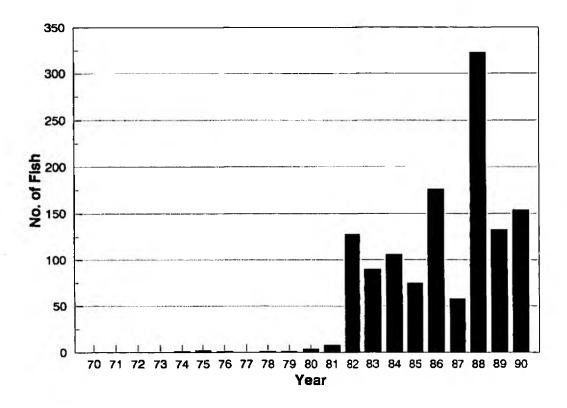
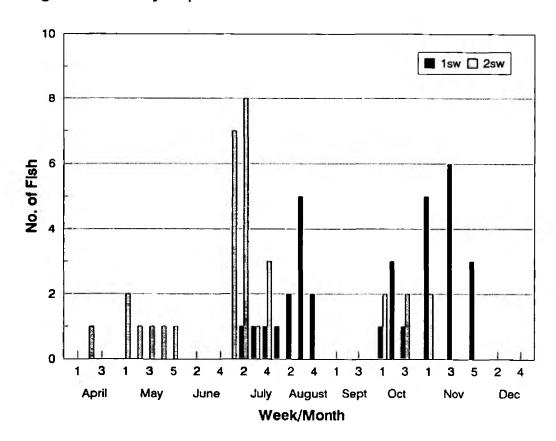


Figure 7 - Molesey Trap Salmon Catch 1990



7 Fish Rearing

Fish rearing operations have been through a difficult period during the last year. As a result of the building of a major new NRA laboratory facility, considerable disruption of the site at Fobney has had to be accommodated. At the same time, developments of the fish farm itself have continued. Completed or ongoing projects have included repairs and improvements to the infrastructure, completion of a Swedish tank holding facility, provision of automatic feeding facilities, and three new 7m circular tanks. At the end of the financial year five new cages were purchased for deployment in time for the next winter rearing cycle at QEII Reservoir thus raising the complement from 20 to 25 cages.

Output of coarse fish from Fobney during 1990 was in some respects disappointing. The hot spring and summer caused unexpected problems with pond stratification and reduced oxygen levels in the ponds, a condition not previously encountered despite equally hot weather the previous year. Resultant mortalities seriously compromised output of the riverine fish species, including barbel, dace and chub, so that the 23000 stocked out was only 64% of target and many fish were also smaller than anticipated. This was made all the worse by the fact that it had been expected to exceed target and have substantial numbers of these fish left over to grow to a larger size in 1991.

On the other hand, conditions in the ponds were not serious enough to affect production of lacustrine species like crucian carp, rudd and tench. Output of these species, totalling some 19000, met the target. The new spawning ponds, constructed the previous year, were put into use for the first time and more than 25000 crucian carp, carp, rudd and tench fry were produced for ongrowing. Some 5000 crucians were swapped for tench fry from the Severn-Trent region. Output was also increased by 4000 tench and rudd cropped from additional growing on ponds near Reading.

At the reservoir cage rearing facility production of fish was generally good. Some 92000 juvenile salmon were produced for stocking in spring 1991. This was less than the 130000 target due to logistics problems with the initial supply of fish rather than rearing problems. The smolt rate was exceptionally high, over 70%, resulting in an output of nearly 67000 S1 smolts into the Thames with the remaining 28000 parr stocked into nursery streams. Holding of adult salmon was successful and 135000 Thames-returnee eggs were obtained from these broodstock to form the basis of the first substantial move towards using this source of fish for future stocking.

The warm summer aided production of carp from the cages and nearly 3000 weighing more than a tonne were stocked out to fisheries around the area. Over 2000 chub were successfully reared to their third year and these larger fish helped make up the shortfall of this species from Fobney. Production of rainbow trout met its target in terms of numbers (2000) and size (1kg) and these were sold to Thames Water Utilities for their put-and-take trout fisheries at Farmoor, Barn Elms and Walthamstow. Some 4000 small brown trout were also produced and stocked out to rivers around the catchment.

Overall output of coarse fish for restocking was 42336 weighing 2013kg representing a small increase on the 39533 (2063kg) output the previous year. Details concerning the species reared during 1990/91 are provided in Figure 8 and Table 10 while Table 11 gives details of coarse fish output since 1985/86.

Most of the riverine species output were used for restocking fisheries which had suffered from pollutions. Dace and chub were stocked in rivers including the Thames, Cole, Loddon, Darent, Wandle, Roding, Cripsey Brook, Leigh Brook and Salfords Stream. Chub

were stocked to enhance populations in the River Blackwater and barbel to enhance populations in the River Thames, Mole and Lee.

Table 10. Fish Output from Reservoir Cages and Fobney Ponds

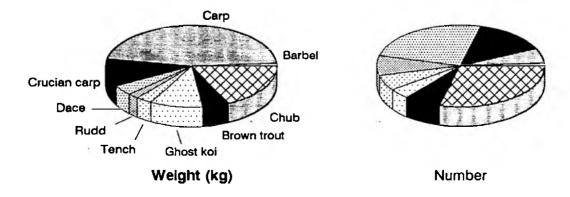
| | Cage Rearing | | Pond | Rearing |
|------------------|--------------|------------|---------|------------|
| Species | Number | Tot Wt(kg) | Number_ | Tot Wt(kg) |
| Salmon eggs | 135,000 | - | - | - |
| Salmon parr | 27,622 | 179 | - | - |
| Salmon S1 smolts | 64,778 | 1483 | - | - |
| Rainbow trout | 2,000 | 2093 | - | - |
| Brown trout | 3,850 | 119 | - | - |
| Barbel | - | - | 497 | 33 |
| Carp | 2,877 | 978 | 22* | 72 |
| Chub | 2,200 | 278 | 11,334 | 170 |
| Crucians | - | - | 6,542 | 272 |
| Dace | - | - | 11,500 | 94 |
| Rudd | - | - | 4,121* | 41 |
| Tench | - | - | 3,243* | 75 |
| Ghost carp (Koi) | 1,700 | 255 | | - |
| Total | 105,027 | 5,387 | 37,259 | 757 |

Table 11. Coarse Fish Output for Restoration from Rearing Facilities 1985-1991

| | QE | II | Fobi | ney | Tot | al |
|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| Year | Numbers | Weight | Numbers | Weight | Numbers | Weight |
| 1985-86 | 34 | 171 | - | - | 34 | 171 |
| 1986-87 | 10,336 | 495 | 1,825 | 51 | 12,161 | 546 |
| 1987-88 | 4,910 | 1,215 | 4,812 | 605 | 10,722 | 1,820 |
| 1988-89 | 7,720 | 777 | 15,505 | 531 | 23,225 | 1,308 |
| 1989-90 | 8,100 | 1,219 | 31,433 | 772 | 39,533 | 2,063 |
| 1990-91 | 5,077 | 1,256 | *37,259 | 757 | 42,336 | 2,013 |

^{*1990-91} included output from additional stock ponds near Reading.

Figure 8 - Species Reared 1990/91



8 Enforcement of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1975, and Thames Region Fishery Byelaws

A. REGULATION

Any person wishing to carry out certain fishery related activities requires the prior written consent of the NRA under The Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act 1975 or the NRA Thames Region Fishery Byelaws 1978.

The following consents are issued by the Senior Fisheries Officers for the Eastern and Western Areas:-

- * Use of electrofishing equipment.(SFFA, Section 5)
- * Introduction of fish into inland waters.(SFFA, Section 3)
- * Use of prohibited modes of fishing during the annual close season.(Byelaw 5(i))
- * Use of instruments other than rod and line.(Byelaw 6)
- * Taking undersized fish.(Byelaw 8)
- * Removal of crayfish.(Byelaw 14)
- * Use of fixed engines.(Byelaw 17)

Applications for consent are summarised in Tables 12 & 13.

Table 12. Applications for Consent Under the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1975

| | Use of Elect | rical Devices | Introduction of Fish | | |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------|---------|--|
| | (Sect | ion 5) | (Secti | on 30 | |
| | 1989/90 | 1990/91 | 1989/90 | 1990/91 | |
| Fisheries East | 17 | 22 | 230 | 213 | |
| Fisheries West | 49 | 44 | 184 | 263 | |
| Total | 66 | _66 | 414 | 476 | |

Table 13. Application for Consents Under NRA Thames Region Fishery Byelaws 1978

| Byelaw | 5(| (i) | 68 | k 8 | 1 | 4 | 170 | (D) | 9 |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | 89/90 | 90/91 | 89/90 | 90/91 | 89/90 | 90/91 | 89/90 | 90/91 | 90/91 |
| East | 6 | 13 | 70 | 60 | 3 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| West | 7 | 16 | 41 | 48 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 13 | 29 | 111 | 108 | 6 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

The number of consents issued for electrofishing was the same as in 1989/90, although one application was refused. Numbers of netting consents were also virtually unchanged. There was an increase in applications for introductions, probably reflecting the backlog of work held over by clubs from the previous year when the outbreak of SVC prevented many fish movements. The growing popularity of any-method trout fisheries opening during the close season for freshwater fish is reflected in the large increase in consents issued under Byelaw 5(i).

B. ENFORCEMENT

i. Rod Licences

The bulk of the bailiffing work is carried out by Part-Time Licence Checkers. Each area office employs four, of whom two work throughout the season and two who operate only for the 16 weeks from the start of the freshwater fish season when angling pressure is greatest. Bailiffing is concentrated on free waters, public day ticket fisheries and the more popular club venues.

The part-timers are supervised by full time staff. Honorary Water Bailiffs, who work on a voluntary basis, provide assistance by covering other club waters.

The year showed an overall increase of 20% in the numbers of licences checked. This was the result of a large increase in the West partly countered by a small decrease in the East. The Thames East area had been reduced by the transfer of the Darenth and Cray catchments to Southern Region and their performance was affected by the resignation of two of the Crossness licence checkers in mid season. The Crossness and Waltham Cross offices shared a checker with responsibility for the Lower Lee and Roding catchments. Details of licences checked in the different categories are shown in Table 14.

Table 14. Numbers of Licences Checked and Offence Reports Issued by Part-Time Licence Checkers

| | | | Licen | ce Types | | |
|----------------|-------|--------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| | Adult | Junior | OAP/Dis | 15 day | 2nd Lic | Off.Rep |
| Fisheries East | 8626 | 2505 | 383 | 244 | 3814 | 1479 |
| Fisheries West | 16924 | 5442 | 1159 | 567 | 5468 | 2005 |
| Total | 25550 | 7947 | 1542 | 811 | 9282 | 3484 |

The Thames Region policy of prosecuting all adult anglers without valid rod licences has continued. The number of prosecutions for offences arising from this general cause was 708, compared with 598 in 1989/90.

Section 27a - fishing without a licence;

Section 27b - possessing a fishing instrument with intent to use it, but without a licence;

Section 35(3) - failing to produce a licence to the Authority within 7 days.

The increase in prosecutions for licence offences reflects an increase in bailiffing rather than an increase in evasion. Numbers of all prosecutions are given in Table 15. Average values for fines and costs just for licence offences are given in Table 16.

Table 15. Successful Prosecution under the Salmon & Freshwater Fisheries Act and Fishery Byelaws.

| Offence | Number Pr | osecuted | Fines(£) | Costs(£) |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Fisheries East | | | | |
| SFFA | 1989/90 | 1990/91 | 1990 | 0/91 |
| Section:- 19(6) | 11 | 5 | 100 | 75 |
| 27(a) | 204 | 221 | 8685 | 7048 |
| 27(b) | 0 | 1 | 200 | 50 |
| 35(3) | 42 | 20 | 580 | 597 |
| NRA Byelaws | | | | |
| 10(1) | 13 | 6 | 260 | 190 |
| 10(2) | 6 | 2 | 30 | 25 |
| Total | 276 | 255 | 9855 | 7985 |
| Fisheries West | | | | |
| SFFA | 1989/90 | 1990/91 | 1990 | 0/91 |
| Section:- 19(6) | 1 | 12 | 274 | 170 |
| 27(a) | 326 | 453 | 14464 | 12642 |
| 27(b) | 1 | 2 | 25 | 105 |
| 35(3) | 25 | 14 | 315 | 279 |
| NRA Byelaws | | | | |
| 10(1) | 8 | 17 | 545 | 370 |
| 10(2) | 2 | 1 | 25 | - |
| Total | 363 | 499 | 15668 | 13566 |

Table 16. Average values for fines and costs for all licensing offences

| | Fines '90 | Fines '91 Costs '91 | | Costs '91 |
|----------------|-----------|---------------------|----|-----------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Fisheries East | 34 | 39 | 28 | 34 |
| Fisheries West | 28 | 32 | 25 | 32 |

ii Other Angling Offences

There were 43 prosecutions for other offences. Of these 23 were for fishing with more than two rods (Byelaw 10(1)), 3 for leaving baited tackle unattended in the water (Byelaw 10(2), and 17 for fishing during the annual close season for freshwater fish (SFFA 19(6)).

iii Eel Licences

Tideway eel fishing is still at a fairly low level and has not recovered from the slump in sales which followed the Dieldrin scare in 1988. Licence sales for fyke nets are 40% lower than for 1989/90.

During the season 14 enforcement patrols were made between Teddington and the Yantlet Line. Illegal fishing was perceived to be very low with 6 pairs of fyke nets being seized at Isleworth and 3 traps in Deptford Creek.

Details of licences and revenue are given in Table 17 and a summary of reported catches since 1982 in Table 18 below.

Table 17. Eel Fishing Licences

| | Fykes | Traps | Trawls | Total |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Applications for licences | 4 | 3 | 1 | 8 |
| Number of Instruments | 131 | 6 | 1 | 138 |
| Value (£) | 1310 | 12 | 100 | 1422 |

Table 18. Eel Catch Returns - Thames Tideway 1982-1990

| Year | Licenced | Total Effort | Total Catch |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|-------------|
| | Instruments | (Instrument days) | (kg) |
| 1982 | 565 | 14004 | 10513 |
| 1983 | 646 | 26503 | 13094 |
| 1984 | 356 | 30965 | 10800 |
| 1985 | 360 | 28361 | 11340 |
| 1986 | 444 | 26289 | 14681 |
| 1987* | 458 | 16961 | 10121 |
| 1988* | 533 | 21610 | 5375 |
| 1989* | 209 | 8300 | 3943 |
| 1990 | 138 | 8394 | 3432 |

^{*} Catches were probably significantly affected by failure to make catch returns. Before 1988 consents were issued under byelaw and provision of a catch return was a condition of issue. Once the licencing system had been introduced this was no longer possible. Returns have therefore been made on a voluntary basis.

9. Staff

The year's complement of managerial and operational staff was 26, an increase of 2 on last year due to the appointment of Jonathan Sellars and Stuart Wallace as Fishery Assistants. Both are based at Fobney Fish Farm. Jonathan works mainly on fish rearing whilst Stuart is part of the Salmon Rehabilitation Scheme. Jonathan and Stuart both completed diplomas at Sparsholt College, and commenced employment with the NRA in October 1990.

Appendix 2 lists all full time, part-time and honorary staff in post up to March 1991.

Appendix 1 The Regional Fisheries Advisory Committee

Terms of reference - "the provision of advice to the Board on the discharge of the Region's duty under paragraph (a) of Section 28(1) of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act, 1975."

| Membership | Nominating body or in respect of |
|---|------------------------------------|
| H.P. Parry FCA (Chairman) | NRA |
| A.E. Hodges FIFM (Vice Chairman) | TFCC |
| J.S.Alabaster BSc DSc CBiol FIBiol FIFM | Science of Fisheries Management |
| M. Davies OBE | Regional Flood Defence Committee |
| Prof. J. George MSc FIBiol | Conservation |
| M.A. Gregory OBE LLB | Riparian Owners Association |
| Dr D.G.Jamieson | Water and Sewage Undertakers |
| D.W. Komrower BA(Hons) | Fish Farming |
| B. Knights MSc MIBiol MIFM | Commercial Fisheries |
| G.G. Lee | TFCC |
| E. J. Macer FIFM | TFCC |
| A.V. Meddle | Sea Fisheries Committees |
| D.Wales | TFCC |
| A.L. Williams MIFM | TFCC |
| Mrs J.K. Wykes BSc | Regional Rivers Advisory Committee |

Appendix 2 Fisheries Personnel

Members of the Full Time Fisheries Staff

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Regional Fisheries Manager

Central Staff

G S Armstrong

Senior Fisheries Officer

P Gough K Miller J M Moore Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer

D Readings J Sellars

Fish Rearing Assistant

S Wallace

Fish Rearing Assistant (Oct 1990) Fish Rearing Assistant (Oct 1990)

Fisheries East Area

J Reeves

Senior Fisheries Officer

Thames East

M Pilcher

Area Fisheries Officer

N Buck R Tyner N Sampson

Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer Fisheries Assistant

Metropolitan

S Colclough

Area Fisheries Officer

C Dutton N J Foulkes J Lyons

Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer Fisheries Assistant

Fisheries West Area

Dr A J Butterworth

Senior Fisheries Officer

Mid Thames

J Sutton

R Preston A Thomas S Sheridan

Area Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer Fisheries Assistant

Upper Thames

V Lewis

Area Fisheries Officer

A Killingbeck D Willis E Hopkins

Fisheries Officer Fisheries Officer Fisheries Assistant

Administrative Staff

D Miller L Blackwood Reading

Reading (Temp)

B Watson

Crossness

Part-Time Licence Checkers

Fisheries East

Thames East

Metropolitan

A Brightley L Blackwood G Haynes

L Cooper E Garrett M Gubby

D Tait (Thames East & Metropolitan)

Fisheries West

Mid Thames

Upper Thames

P Draper M Koulermou E Tysoe W Vigor S West P Willis

Honorary Water Bailiffs

Fisheries East

Thames East

Metropolitan

| T Agar | C Landells |
|-------------|-----------------|
| J Arnold | T Mansbridge |
| C Baldwin | R Mitschke |
| B Bolton | B Newton |
| D Buck | D Parkins |
| P Clapp | L Pember |
| T Cockfield | R Powell |
| S Davis | H Reid |
| P Dukes | J Richards |
| R Emery | P Richardson |
| J Farley | K Rulton |
| P Fullick | N Rusby |
| I Groom | K Stredder |
| P Hardy | D Turner |
| A Janaway | K Walker |
| W Johnson | D Wall |
| D Keys | A Wheeler |
| R Kirk | I Wilson |
| | |

| V Alonso | R Jenks |
|-------------|------------|
| T Amos | S Marshall |
| H Blake | P Newman |
| D Bonsels | F Norton |
| T Bovis | D Purton |
| L Budgen | P Ribbon |
| D Craddock | P Sene |
| P Dyer | A Sibley |
| E Etty | D Stephens |
| S Falconer | J Sullivan |
| D Gilbert | P Vecchi |
| T Gilbert | L Waite |
| D Goldsmith | T Whipps |
| C Halls | A Williams |
| A Hodges | J Whittey |
| | |

Fisheries West

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M Barrass D Mattison
M Beale D Metcalf
L Dolton M Purchase
J Fairbanks D Tatnall
M Gould C Watts
S Johnson L Webber

Upper Thames

M Gausman

APPENDIX 3

FISH STOCKED BY THE AUTHORITY

The following abbreviations are used:

Reason for Stocking: How Acquired . . REQ=Stocking requests B=Reared in-house RES=Research
REI=Reinstatement
GRO=Growing on
ENH=Enhancement
MO = Restitution

B=Bought in
S=Culled from river
C=Culled from lake
F=Fish rescue

| Date Source | Site | Species | No. | Wt.(Kg) Reason |
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| 04-Apr-90 Quainton Stock Pond | Wendover Lake | Mixed | 500 | 130 REI |
| 05-Apr-90 BBC Pond, Caversham | Ox.Canal, A34 bridge | Mixed | 1700 | 50 REI |
| 10-Apr-90 North Wey at Waverly | South Wey at Frensha | Mixed | 1000 | 150 REQ |
| 01-Jun-90 Johnsons Pond | Virginia Water | Mixed | 2000 | 300 REQ |
| 01-Jun-90 Johnsons Pond | Mill Pond | Mixed | 500 | 75 REQ |
| 05-Jun-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Watermead, Aylesbury | Carp | 4 | 20 REQ |
| 05-Jun-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Limes Fishery | Carp | 4 | 20 REQ |
| 06-Jun-90 Johnsons Pond | Virginia Water | Mixed | 600 | 60 REQ |
| 06-Jun-90 Johnsons Pond | Mill Pond | Carp | 17 | 60 REQ |
| 12-Jun-90 Clanfield/Freeth Pd | Kingsey Lake, Thame | Mixed | 530 | 115 REQ |
| 12-Jun-90 Freeth's Pd-M.Meysey | Gt Coxwell Lake | Carp | 30 | 5 REQ |
| 12-Jun-90 Freeth's Pd-M.Meysey | Spindler's Pd-Minety | Carp | 30 | 5 REQ |
| 21-Jun-90 Shirehall Pond | Clanfield | Rudd,tench | 154 | 2 GRO |
| 29-Jun-90 Curtis' pit,Radley | Bull pit,Radley | Mixed | 150 | 85 REQ |
| 03-Jul-90 R.Sul, Pangbourne | Thames, Pangbourne | Chub | 30 | 3 ENH |
| 06-Jul-90 Curtis' Pit, Radley | Dorchester Pit | Mixed | 400 | 180 REQ |
| 07-Jul-90 Sherbourne St. John | Widmead Lake(N.A.A.) | Carp | 40 | 60 REQ |
| 10-Jul-90 A.J.Bull pit Thorpe | Twynnersh Lake 2 | Mixed | 1000 | 90 REQ |
| 12-Jul-90 Gennet's Pit | Marcos pit 2 | Tench | 6 | 10 REQ |
| 12-Jul-90 A.J.Bull pit Thorpe | Twynnersh Lake 2 | Mixed | 300 | 40 REQ |
| 17-Jul-90 A.J.Bull pit Thorpe | Twynnersh Lake 2 | Mixed | 450 | 40 REQ |
| 20-Jul-90 River Thame, W'stock | River Thame, W'stock | Mixed. | 2000 | 20 REQ |
| 25-Jul-90 Moat at Chesham | Bradstone A.C. Pit | Rudd & gudgeo | 440 | 15 REQ |
| 25-Jul-90 Moat at Chesham | Bradstone A.C.Pit | Rudd & gudgeo | 440 | 15 REQ |
| 31-Jul-90 Whiphurst Lake, Cran. | West Cran.Nurseries | Carp | 90 | 50 REQ |
| 06-Aug-90 Bas.Canal d/s lock 22 | Bas.Canal d/s lock25 | Mixed | 900 | 50 ENH |
| 06-Aug-90 South Marston Pond | Swalcliffe Grange Pd | Tench | 25 | 5 REQ |
| 06-Aug-90 R.Windrush.Newbridge | R.Windrush,Newbridge | Mixed | 400 | 150 REQ |
| 06-Aug-90 South Marston Pond | Drayton Lodge Fm Pd | Tench | 50 | 5 REQ |
| 09-Aug-90 Witney Stock Pond | Wendover Pond | Crucian carp | 136 | 7 REI |
| 10-Aug-90 Wisley RHS | Cobbet's Lake, Send | Carp | 350 | 350 REQ |
| 10-Aug-90 R.Windrush, Burford | R.Windrush, Burford | Mixed | 200 | 25 REQ |
| 14-Aug-90 Lovedene Lake, Ascot | Sandhurst Bal.Pond | Carp | 70 | 50 REQ |
| 14-Aug-90 Castle Mill Stream | D/S at confluence | Mixed | 365 | 25 REQ |
| 15-Aug-90 pond,Gt.Rissington | Moreton A/C ponds | Carp | 2000 | 20 REQ |
| 17-Aug-90 Pirbright Vil. Pond | Wey Nav. Send | Rudd | 400 | 25 ENH |
| 06-Sep-90 R.Churn | R.Thames at Lechlade | Mixed | 2000 | 25 REI |
| 12-Sep-90 Wisley RHS | Cobbet's Lake, Send | Carp | 400 | 400 REQ |
| 17-Sep-90 Englemere Pond | Farleymoor Pond | Common carp | 800 | 150 REQ |
| 20-Sep-90 Curtis' Pit Radley | Clanfield small Pond | Roach,tench | 200 | 95 GRO |
| 20-Sep-90 Curtis' Pit Radley | Bull Water Radley | Pike | 60 | 40 REQ |
| 08-Oct-90 R.Coln-Williamstrip | R.Coln-Dudgove Br. | Grayling | 250 | 60 REQ |
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| Date Source 08-Oct-90 R.Coln-Williamstrip | Site Thames East Area | Species Grayling | Na: :W 200 | I.(Kg) Reason 90 REQ |
| 09-Oct-90 ProspectPark,Reading | Wey Nav., Pyrford | Mixed | 50 50 | 3 ENH |
| 09-Oct-90 Eastwater,Bramley | Surrey Univ.Res.Prk | Tench | 20 | 1 GRO |
| 11-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | South Bourne, RowTow | | 300 | 35 REI |
| 12-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | S.Bourne d/s Dunsfd | Brown trout | 130 | 6 ENH |
| 12-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | S.Bourne, Crockford | Brown trout | 70 | 3 REI |
| 12-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Grantsbourne,PennyPt | | 100 | 4 ENH |
| 12-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Bourne South, Crockfd | Chub | 300 | 35 REI |
| 12-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Halebourne, U/SChobm | | 600 | 25 ENH |
| 13-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Blackwater, EversleyX | Brown trout | 500 | 20 ENH |
| 15-Oct-90 Wheatley Park Moat | Farmhouse Pd Holton | Mixed | 2300 | 80 REQ |
| 17-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Watermead Lake | Carp | 120 | 30 REQ |
| 17-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Spade Oak Pit | Carp | 120 | 30 REQ |
| 17-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Clanfield,small pond | Carp | 211 | 52 GRO |
| 17-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Marsworth Moat | Carp | 60 | 15 REQ |
| 18-Oct-90 The Drive, Cranleigh | Stock Pond | Mixed | 2000 | 40 REQ |
| 18-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Thames, Castle Eaton | Chub | 200 | 22 REI |
| 18-Oct-90 Q.E. Il Fish Farm | R.Thames,Hanington | Chub | 200 | 22 REI |
| 18-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Shill Brook, Carteton | Chub | 100 | 11 REI |
| 19-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Wey Nav Triggs | Carp | 70 | 53 REQ |
| 19-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Pit 1 Hollybush Lane | Carp | 100 | 75 REQ |
| 19-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | S.Bourne VI-Row Town | Brown trout | 200 | 8 REI |
| 19-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Grantsbourne - W.End | Brown trout | 150 | 4 REI |
| 22-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | R.Windrush.Standlake | Carp | 21 | 5 REQ |
| 26-Oct-90 Odney Club Pond | Thames, Cookham | Mixed | 2000 | 150 ENH |
| 29-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Thorncombe Park | Carp | 60 | 15 REQ |
| 29-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Wey Arun Canal | Carp | 350 | 90 REQ |
| 29-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | R.Evenlode, Adlestrop | Brown trout | 250 | 8 REI |
| 29-Oct-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Shill Brook,Black-B | Brown trout | 250 | 8 REI |
| 29-Oct-90 R.Coln-Ernest Cook | R.Evenlode-Combe Mil | Grayling | 350 | 50 REQ |
| 02-Nov-90 Shire Hall | Clanfield | Tench | 584 | 10 GRO |
| 02-Nov-90 Shire Hall | Clanfield | Golden rudd | 1568 | 24 GRO |
| 02-Nov-90 Shire Hall | Marsworth moat | Tench | 131 | 7 REQ |
| 02-Nov-90 Shire Hall | Wendover | Tench | 1000 | 18 REQ |
| 06-Nov-90 Eastwater, Bramley | Wey Nav. Guildford | Roach | 150 | 5 REQ |
| 08-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Tarn, Cutt Mill | Carp | 15 | 35 REQ |
| 08-Nov-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Wey/Arun Canal | Carp | 50 | 10 REQ |
| 08-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Wey / Arun, Birtley | Rudd | 300 | 4 REQ |
| 08-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Bowlhead Green Pond | Rudd | 250 | 3 REQ |
| 08-Nov-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Bowlhead Green Pond | Carp | 50 | 10 REQ |
| 11-Nov-90 Busbridge Lake | R.Wey - Godalming | Roach | 11000 | 220 ENH |
| 14-Nov-90 Cheam School | Wey Arun - Bramley | Carp | 300 | 10 REQ |
| 14-Nov-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Wey Arun - Bramley | Carp | 100 | 25 REQ |
| 14-Nov-90 Prospect Park | Wey Arun - Bramley | Crucian carp | 90 | 27 REQ |
| 14-Nov-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | River Park Lake | Carp | 75 | 20 GRO |
| 15-Nov-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Surrey Univ.Res.Prk | Carp | 50 | 12 GRO |
| 29-Nov-90 Southrop Lake | Watermead, Aylesbury | Carp | 33 | 80 REQ |
| 04-Dec-90 C'field Stock(small) | Southrop Lake | Tench | 103 | 80 REQ |
| 04-Dec-90 Longcott Pond | Brick Kilns,S'holt | Carp | 130 | 25 REQ |
| 04-Dec-90 C'field stock(small) | Southrop Lake | Tench | 103 | 80 REQ |
| 04-Dec-90 Longcott Pond | Clanfield Stock(Big) | Carp | 300 | 35 GRO |
| 06-Dec-90 Brittens Pond | Wey/Arun Canal | Roach | 9000 | 450 REQ |
| 09-Dec-90 RMC Settling Pit | Manor Farm Lake, Send | | 30 4000 | 30 REQ |
| 11-Dec-90 Coate Water | R.Thame @ Thame | Bream | 4000 | 200 REQ |

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| 11-Dec-90 | Coate Water | R.Thame, N.Winchendo | Bream | 8000 | 400 REQ |
| 11-Dec-90 | Coate Water | Spade Oak Pit, Marlow | Bream | 3000 | 150 REQ |
| 11-Dec-90 | Coate Water | R.Thame,Wheatley | Bream | 3000 | 150 REQ |
| 12-Dec-90 | Q.E. II Fish Farm | Winchfield WolmerAS | Сагр | 75 | 18 REQ |
| 12-Dec-90 | Coate Water | Miswell Farm, Tring | Bream | 250 | 20 REQ |
| 12-Dec-90 | Coate Water | Aylesbury Arm,G.U.C | Bream | 1300 | 130 REQ |
| 12-Dec-90 | Coate water Nat Res | R.Thames-Sandford | Bream | 600 | 60 REI |
| 12-Dec-90 | Coate Nature Reserve | Coate Main Lake | Pike | 44 | 85 REQ |
| 12-Dec-90 | Coate Nature Reserve | Coate Main Lake | Carp | 4 | 35 REQ |
| 14-Dec-90 | Q.E. II Fish Farm | Ockham Mill Pond | Carp | 100 | 25 £££ |
| 18-Dec-90 | Wheatley School Moat | R.Thame,Weatley | Mixed | 4630 | 250 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 | Q.E. II Fish Farm | S.Bourne, Rowtwn-Croc | Chub | 3000 | 36 REI |
| 20-Dec-90 | Q.E. II Fish Farm | Chalvey Ditch | Chub | 1000 | 12 REI |
| 20-Dec-90 | Fobney Fish Farm | Bierton Pond | Crucians/tench | 230 | 10 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Watermead Lake | Crucians/tench | 435 | 19 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 | Fobney Fish Farm | Southrop Lake | Crucians/tench | 435 | 19 REQ |
| 03-Jan-91 | Fobney Fish Farm | Wey/Arun Canal | Crucian carp | 300 | 15 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | • | Crucian carp | 250 | 13 REQ |
| 04-Jan-91 | Fobney Fish Farm | Maiden Erlegh Lake | Crucian carp | 250 | 13 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Maiden Erlegh Lake | Tench | 250 | 10 REQ |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | Broomfield Pond | Carp | 30 | 8 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | R.Evenlode, L. Hanboug | Barbel | 195 | 7 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Shill Brook | Dace | 300 | 3 REI |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Clanfield (small) | Rudd,tench,cru | 2700 | 45 GRO |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | King Sutton Stream | Dace | 200 | 2 REI |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Chalvey Ditch | Dace | 1000 | 7 REI |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | South Bourne | Dace | 4000 | 28 REI |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | • | Crucian carp | 100 | 5 REQ |
| | Oxenford Pond | | Mixed | 300 | 15 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Cranleigh A.S.Lake | Crucian carp | 50 | 3 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | | Crucian carp | 30 | 2 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | · | Barbel | 80 | 3 ENH |
| 01-Feb-91 | _ | The Bull Water | Mixed | 200 | 20 REQ |
| 04-Feb-91 | • | Clanfield (small) | Tench | 30 | 30 GRO |
| | River Whitewater | Papercourt Lake | Pike | 7 | 15 REQ |
| | Wintershall | R.Wey Godalming | Perch | 4000 | 120 REQ |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | Radford Park Pond | Carp | 70 | 18 REQ |
| | Felix Farm, Binfield | • | Rudd | 600 | 80 REQ |
| | Fobney Fish Farm | Hollybush Lane Pit | Tench | 350 | 12 REQ |
| | Felix Trout Lake | Clanfield, large pond | Rudd | 145 | 15 GRO |
| | Pride Valley F.Farm | | Rudd | 3500 | 18 REQ |
| | Barnet Pond Shamley | Cranleigh Waters | Mixed | 6000 | 120 REQ |
| | The Limes,H.Wycombe | R.Thames.Bourne End | | 2500 | 60 REQ |
| 22-Mar-91 | Whipley Manor | Navvy's Hole | Mixed | 4000 | 120 REQ |

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| Total V | Veight (kg) | Number |
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| REQ | 6323 | 80972 |
| RES | 0 | 0 |
| REI | 515 | 16456 |
| GRO | 340 | 6037 |
| ENH | 509 | 15790 |
| Other | 25 | 100 |
| TOTAL | 7712 | 119355 |

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| 02-Apr-90 | Trent Park Enfield | Rowley Lake | Tench | 24 | 45 REI |
| 03-Apr-90 | Trent Park Enfield | R.Lee, Enfield Lock | Roach | 7000 | 70 REQ |
| 03-Apr-90 | Trent Park Enfield | R.Lee, Hardmead Lock | Roach | 7000 | 70 REQ |
| 03-Apr-90 | Trent Park Enfield | R.Stort Nav. Roydon | Roach | 7000 | 70 REQ |
| 04-Apr-90 | Boxmoor Trout Lake | R.Beane @ Hertford | Roach | 8 | 10 REQ |
| 04-Apr-90 | Boxmoor Trout Lake | Sandersons Lake | Perch | 70 | 50 REQ |
| 04-Apr-90 | Trent Park Enfield | R.Beane @ Hertford | Roach | 150 | 15 REQ |
| 04-Apr-90 | Trent Park Lake | Sandersons Lake | Roach | 250 | 25 REQ |
| 09-Apr-90 | Boxmoor Trout Lake | Wandsworth Common | Perch | 78 | 17 REQ |
| 11-Apr-90 | New River @ Ware | Lee Navigation | Pike | 100 | 100 REQ |
| 12-Apr-90 | Q.E. II Fish Farm | R.Beane Woodhall Pk. | Rainbow trout | 100 | 55 REI |
| 23-Apr-90 | Just Fish | R.Roding Passingford | Chub | 75 | 29 MO2 |
| 23-Apr-90 | Just Fish | R.Roding Passingford | Dace | 310 | 85 MO2 |
| 23-Apr-90 | Just Fish | R.Roding Passingford | Roach | 575 | 180 MO2 |
| 21-May-90 | Paynes Lane Rescue | Paynes Lane Lake | Pike | 52 | 120 REQ |
| | Paynes Lane Rescue | Paynes Lane Lake | Tench | 66 | 120 REQ |
| 21-May-90 | Paynes Lane Rescue | Paynes Lane Lake | Roach | 66 | 14 REQ |
| • | Paynes Lane Rescue | Paynes Lane Lake | Carp | 5 | 40 REQ |
| | Paynes Lane Rescue | Paynes Lane Lake | Bream | 76 | 275 REQ |
| - | Fobney Fish Farm | Manor Pond, Cobham | Carp | 5 | 22 REQ |
| | Calverton F.F. | Roding, Abridge area | Chub & dace | 16000 | 96 MO2 |
| 22-Jun-90 | Morleys,B.Stortford | Potten End Common | Rudd | 100 | 3 REQ |
| | NRA Southern Reg. | Lee FRC, Edmonsey SI | Barbel | 9 | 25 REI |
| | Rye Meads Lagoons | Tideway @ South Bank | | 3 | 5 AMN |
| | Foxboro' Lake | WX Holding Tanks | Crucian carp | 200 | 24 RES |
| | Foxboro' Lake | Cstle HI Frm Bletchi | Rudd | 300 | 4 REQ |
| | Grn Lne Frm, Newdgate | Reigate Pond | Rudd | 1100 | 16 REQ |
| | Castle Fm, Bletchley | Eastwich ponds,(top) | Perch | 100 | 11 REQ |
| _ | Old Rectory, L. Roding | Eastwich Ponds (top) | Rudd | 800 | 11 REQ |
| | Old Rectory L.Roding | Pond @ Bookham | Rudd | 800 | 11 REQ |
| _ | Gerrards Cross | Orchard Fm.B.Pelham | Tench | 15 | 10 REQ |
| • | Castle Hill Farm | Bedfords Park Lake | Perch | 100 | 11 REQ |
| _ | Stamford Green, Esher | Farm Lake, Ashstead | Carp & rudd | 52 | 12 REQ |
| • | Stamford Grn, Esher | R.Wandle @ Horley Wr | • | 120 | 32 REQ |
| | Feltham Gravel Pit | Staines Aquaduct | Perch | 50 | 10 REQ |
| • | R.Coln (Oxford) | R.Mimram | Grayling | 120 | 27 REQ |
| | R.Coln (Oxford) | R.Chess | Grayling | 100 | 20 REI |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | | Brown trout | 250 | 25 REI |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | , · | Brown trout | 250 | 25 REI |
| | Q.E. Il Fish Farm | R.Ver, Smug Oak | Brown trout | 250 | 25 REI |
| | Q.E. Il Fish Farm | • | Brown trout | 250 | 25 REI |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | | Carp | 100 | 20 REQ |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | • | Carp | 700 | 140 REQ |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | | Carp | 60 | 12 REQ |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | | Brown trout | 300 | 9 ENH |
| = | Q.E. II Fish Farm | • | Carp | 50 | 22 RES |
| | Q.E. II Fish Farm | • | Carp | 30 | 12 REQ |
| | | - | Chub | 250 | 30 REI |
| | | • | Chub | 250 250 | 30 REI |
| | | | Chub | 300 | 60 REI |
| | | | Chub | 300 | 60 ENH |
| | | | Pike | 50 | 25 ENH |
| | | | Dace | 550 | 6 ENH |
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| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Tanners Brook | Chub | 200 | 5 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Leigh Brook | Dace | 550 | 6 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Mole, Sidlow | Chub | 200 | 5 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Salfords Stream | Chub | 300 | 7 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Mole, Gatwick-Horley | Chub | 660 | 16 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Gatwick Stm. Horley | Chub | 330 | 8 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Mole @ Horley | Dace | 700 | 7 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Mole,Cobham-Pixha | Barbel | 225 | 45 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Tanners Brook | Dace | 200 | 2 ENH |
| 16-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Leigh Brook | Chub | 300 | 7 ENH |
| 19-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Crane Cranfd-Meadwa | Chub | 125 | 3 REI |
| 19-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Wandle @ Hackbridge | Chub | 150 | 4 ENH |
| 19-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Crane Cranfd-Meadwa | Dace | 1050 | 16 REI |
| 19-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Wandle @ Hackbridge | Dace | 1050 | 16 ENH |
| 19-Nov-90 Q.E. II Fish Farm | Raphaels Park Lake | Carp | 100 | 70 REI |
| 23-Nov-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Gerards Cross Pond | Tench | 200 | 10 REI |
| 03-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Dagenham Park Lake | Crucian carp | 200 | 20 REQ |
| 03-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Sacombe Park Lake | Crucian carp | 200 | 20 REQ |
| 06-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | London Colney Pit | Crucian carp | 400 | 100 REQ |
| 06-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort @ Twyford | Chub | 1000 | 50 REI |
| 06-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort @ Spellbrook | Chub | 1000 | 50 REI |
| 13-Dec-90 Hall Fm. N.Ockendon | Raphaels Pk. Romford | | 1271 | 41 REQ |
| 13-Dec-90 Hall Fm. N.Ockendon | Raphaels Pk. Romford | | 101 | 1 REQ |
| 13-Dec-90 Hall Fm. N.Ockendon | Raphaels Pk, Romford | Roach | 1776 | 37 REQ |
| 17-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort @ u/s Harlow | Chub | 750 | 30 ENH |
| 17-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort @ Sawbrwth | Chub | 750 750 | 30 ENH |
| 18-Dec-90 Camley St. Nat.Res. | Green Lane Farm | Perch | 13 | 1 REQ |
| - | Eastwick Drive Ponds | Rudd | 425 | 9 REQ |
| 18-Dec-90 St.Margarets Pd. Epp | | Rudd | | 9 REQ |
| 18-Dec-90 Camley St. Nat.Res. | Green Lane Farm | | 438 43 | |
| 18-Dec-90 St.Margarets Pd. Epp | Eastwick Drive Ponds | Tench | | 5 REQ |
| 18-Dec-90 St.Margarets Pd. Epp | Castle Fm. Lake | Tench | 40 | 5 REQ |
| 18-Dec-90 Weston Green Pond | Earlswood Lake | Carp | 181 | 41 REQ |
| 19-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Cheshunt Nth. Res. | Crucian carp | 150 | 30 REI |
| 19-Dec-90 Grove Pond, Stanmore | Sacombe Park Lake | Perch | 100 | 5 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Eastwick Drive Ponds | Tench | 300 | 6 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Reigate M.A.S.Pond | Crucian carp | 300 | 11 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Manor Pond | Crucian carp | 700 | 25 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Green Lane Farm | Crucian carp | 1000 | 35 REQ |
| 20-Dec-90 Fobney Fish Farm | Castle Farm Lake | Tench | 200 | 4 REQ |
| 21-Dec-90 Grove Pond, Stanmore | Boxers Lake, Enfield | Carp | 25 | 40 REI |
| 09-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Woolmer Green Pond | Tench | 200 | 10 REI |
| 09-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Sacombe Park Lake | Tench | 200 | 20 REQ |
| 10-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Roding @ Passingford | Chub | 250 | 3 ENH |
| 10-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Roding @ Abridge | Chub | 250 | 3 ENH |
| 10-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Roding, Luxboro'Lane | Chub | 250 | 3 ENH |
| 10-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Roding @ Shonks Mill | Chub | 250 | 3 ENH |
| 11-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Lee Nav @ Broxbne | Dace | 1000 | 10 REQ |
| 11-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort, Tedn'y Mill | Chub | 200 | 4 REI |
| 11-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stor, Tedn'y Mill | Dace | 200 | 2 REI |
| 14-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Colne @ Uxbridge | Dace | 150 | 6 REI |
| 14-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Colne @ Uxbridge | Chub | 150 | 8 REI |
| 14-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Colne @ Uxbridge | Barbel | 60 | 3 REI |
| 18-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort,Spellbrook | Dace | 1000 | 10 REI |
| 25-Jan-91 Fobney Fish Farm | Parndon Mill Carrier | Chub | 200 | 8 REI |
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| 25-Jan-91 | Fobney Fish Farm | Old Stort Loop A414 | Chub | 500 | 20 RE1 |
| 25-Jan-91 | Fobney Fish Farm | R.Stort,Pardon Mill | Chub | 300 | 12 REI |
| 05-Feb-91 | Midland Coarse Fish | R.Roding @ Abridge | Chub & dace | 1000 | 100 MO1 |
| 05-Feb-91 | Midland Coarse Fish | R.Roding @ Loughton | Roach & perch | 500 | 60 MO1 |
| 05-Feb-91 | Midland Coarse Fish | R.Roding @ Abridge | Roach & perch | 500 | 60 MO1 |
| 05-Feb-91 | Midland Coarse Fish | R.Roding @ Loughton | Chub & dace | 1000 | 100 MO1 |
| 04-Mar-91 | Woolwich Garrison | Becmain AS Ponds | Crucian carp | 400 | 27 REQ |
| 08-Mar-91 | RTZ, Aveley | Raphaels Pk.Lake | Carp | 22 | 130 REQ |
| 08-Mar-91 | RTZ, Aveley | Raphaels Pk Lake | Tench | 62 | 106 REQ |
| 08-Mar-91 | RTZ, Aveley | Raphaels Pk Lake | Bream,roach,ca | 180 | 15 REQ |
| 08-Mar-91 | RTZ, Aveley | Woolwich Garrison | Tench | 15 | 25 REQ |
| 12-Mar-91 | Boxmoor Bourne End | Limehouse Cut | Rudd | 400 | 8 REI |
| 12-Mar-91 | Boxmoor Bourne End | Limehouse Cut | Roach | 1000 | 20 REI |
| 18-Mar-91 | R.Beane @ Woodhall | Walthamstow Res. | Pike | 23 | 26 REQ |
| 25-Mar-91 | Beggars Hall Lake | Denham Pit | Rudd | 800 | 40 REQ |
| 25-Mar-91 | Boxmoor Trout Lake | Fergusons Lake | Perch | 200 | 10 REQ |
| 28-Mar-91 | Stansted Hall Lake | Lee Nav @ Mile End | Roach | 1000 | 50 REQ |
| 28-Mar-91 | Stansted Hall Lake | Lee Nav @ Mile End | Perch | 1000 | 20 REQ |
| 28-Mar-91 | Stansted Hall Lake | Lee Nav @ Mile End | Rudd | 500 | 10 REQ |

Summary:

| : Total | Weight (kg) | : Number |
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| REQ | 2223 | 39563 |
| RES | 46 | 250 |
| REI | 745 | 10043 |
| GRO | 0 | C |
| ENH | 297 | 8565 |
| Other | 714 | 19963 |
| TOTAL | 4025 | 78384 |

FISH MORTALITIES

1. Thames West

| Date | Location | Species | Number | Wt. (kg) | Cause * : |
|---|----------------------------|----------------|--------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| T1000 NOSCO100000000000000000000000000000000000 | Enton Lake (Johnsons) | Mixed coarse | 12 | 036/000300970-27-28 | Ectoparasites |
| - | Folly's Gravel Pit | Mixed coarse | 11000 | | Unknown toxic pollutant |
| - | R.Wey at Alton | Brown trout | 1000 | | Failure of Alton STW |
| _ | Stubbs Fm. Upper Lk. | Brown trout | 20 | | Unknown |
| • | R.Thames, Sandford | Mixed | 500 | | Ammonia toxicity from Oxford STW |
| • | Upton House Pond, Edgehill | Mixed | 250 | | Low D.O. from algal bloom |
| • | Whiphurst Lake | Carp | 30 | | Malnutrition |
| • | Pyrton Manor, Large Lake | Roach | 200 | | Low D.O. from algal bloom |
| _ | Upper Dornford Farm Lake | Rainbow trout | 30 | | Low D.O. from algal bloom |
| = | East Horsley - Mrs Austin | Rudd | 25 | | Low D.O. |
| • | Northfield Brook, Sandford | Mixed | 200 | | Low D.O Oxford STW effluent |
| • | Manor, Moreton Pinkney | _ | 10 | | |
| | • | Carp | 20 | | Decaying algal bloom |
| | Lakeside, Brimpton Common | - | | | Argulus sp. |
| | R.Leach, Northleach | Bullhead | 35 | | Petrol spillage |
| | Lakeside, Brimpton Common | • | 1000 | | Argulus sp. |
| | Hanwell Brook, Banbury | Mixed | 300 | | Unknown. Toxic agent suspected |
| _, | Marcham Brook, Frilford | Bullhead | 200 | | Probable discharge Appleton STW |
| | Oxford Canal, Banbury | Mixed | 500 | | Organic polln., causing low d.o. |
| | G.U.C.Marsworth | Roach | 12 | 1 | Angling/boat physical damage |
| | Wolverton Hse. Lake | Carp | 100 | | Unknown |
| | Kingfield Pond, Woking | Carp & a tench | 10 | | Low D.O. due to low water level |
| | Alderbrook Pond, Cranleigh | Carp | 150 | | Low D.O. due to algal bloom |
| | Hankley Common Stream | Brown trout | 100 | | Stream drying up |
| | Pond 2, Tubney Woods | Rainbow trout | 16 | | Low d.o. from algal bloom dying off |
| _ | R.Wey Bordon | Bullhead | 7500 | | High ammonia |
| - | R.Wey Bordon | Brown trout | 150 | | High ammonia |
| _ | Weston Turville Reservoir | Mixed | 300 | | Algal bloom dying off |
| - | Barne's Lake, Standlake | Rainbow trout | 300 | 600 | Argulus infestation |
| 06-Aug-90 | Tubney Pond No.1 | Rainbow trout | 25 | 15 | Low D.O. from algal bloom |
| 06-Aug-90 | Pond at Folley Farm. | Rainbow trout | 6 | 10 | Low D.O. |
| 06-Aug-90 | Rainbow lake, S.Cerney | Rainbow trout | 25 | 15 | Extreme temperature |
| 06-Aug-90 | Pond @ Wallace Fm, Dinton | Mixed | 100 | 5 | Low D.O. |
| 14-Aug-90 | Holy Brook, Reading | Mixed | 300 | 40 | Drop in Level due to building work |
| 17-Aug-90 | West Clandon Stream | Mixed | 400 | 2 | Stream drying up. |
| 19-Aug-90 | R.Hart U/S Elvethan | Mixed | 200 | 8 | Unknown |
| 23-Aug-90 | R.Thame | Chub | 4 | 1 | Low flows, low D.O. |
| 23-Aug-90 | R.Stert, Abingdon | Minnow | 150 | 0.3 | Drought and stagnation |
| 25-Aug-90 | Shill Brook, Carterton | Bullhead | 200 | 2 | Dried up |
| 28-Aug-90 | Tench pool, Wolvercote | Mixed | 100 | 20 | Low D.O., low water level |
| 29-Aug-90 | Winkworth Arboretum | Rainbow trout | 6 | 3 | High S.S. |
| 03-Sep-90 | Dudgrove Stream | Mixed | 150 | 4 | Unknown |
| 22-Sep-90 | Ox. Canal, d/s Kidlington | Mixed | 200 | 10 | Low D.O., Kidlington STW |
| 02-Oct-90 | R.Slea at Sleaford | Mixed | 500 | 7 | Sewage main overflow |
| 09-Oct-90 | R.Wey & Farnham Prk.Trib. | Mixed | 5000 | 50 | Unknown pollution |
| 11-Nov-90 | Provenda Lake, Didcot | Mixed | 10 | 5 | Sewage contamination, low D.O. |
| | Bannister's, Warden Hill | Rainbow trout | 200 | | Unknown |
| | Lloyds Lake, Kennington | Mixed | 100 | | Low D.O. |
| | Hollybush Lane pit 4&5 | Carp | 20 | | Unknown. |
| | Knaphill Gdn Centre Ponds | Carp | 4 | | Unknown |
| | Upper Wasing Lake | Сагр | 15 | | Unknown |
| | Emma's Dyke, Witney | Minnow | 2000 | | Unknown toxin |
| | Claridge's Pond, Swindon | Tench | 100 | | Probably deoxygenation beneath ice |
| | R.Wey, Alton | S3, MI, SL, BH | 3000 | | Caustic soda |
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2. Thames East

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| 02-Apr-90 | Turkey Brook | Roach | 30 | | Resin leakage to road drain |
| 02-Apr-90 | Turkey Brook | Minor SL BH GU | 2000 | | Resin leakage to road drain. |
| 02-Apr-90 | Turkey Brook | Dace | 30 | | Resin leakage to road drain. |
| • | Turkey Brook | Chub | 25 | | Resin leakage to road drain. |
| - | R.Crane, Cranford Park | Roach & Stick'b | 1000 | | Detergent Spillage |
| 30-Apr-90 | Legion Lk, Finchley Bridge | Roach | 500 | 50 | Low DO during hot weather |
| 08-May-90 | Rye Meads Lagoons | Carp | 5 0 | | Possible de-watering accident. |
| 15-May-90 | GUC Paddington Arm | Roach | 40 | 2 | Probable unknown discharge. |
| 15-May-90 | Burgess Park Lake | Roach & tench | 1 5 0 | | High algal bloom & low DO's. |
| 16-May-90 | Brent/GUC Confluence | Roach | 20 | 2 | Low DO slug - cause unknown. |
| 23-May-90 | South Norwood Lake | Roach & carp | 30 | 15 | Algal bloom crash & low DO's. |
| 01-Jun-90 | Nutfield Priory Lake | Carp | 30 | 5 | Poor water quality & overstocking. |
| 01-Jun-90 | R.Wandle, Wandsworth | Roach, dace & S3 | 50 | 2 | Cause unknown. |
| 02-Jun-90 | R.Brent | Roach & bream | 1000 | 15 | Low DO's following storm runoff. |
| 03-Jun - 90 | Dukes River, Isleworth | Roach, dace, gud | 1000 | 50 | Pollution from Watneys Brewery |
| 05-Jun-90 | Lower Lee Flood Channel | Roach | 75 | 10 | Storm run-off after heavy rain |
| 05-Jun-90 | Lower Lee Flood Channel | Roach | 75 | 10 | Storm run-off after heavy rain |
| 05-Jun-90 | Lower Lee Flood Channel | Perch | 75 | 10 | Storm run-off after heavy rain |
| | Lower Lee Flood Channel | Perch | 75 | 10 | Storm run-off after heavy rain |
| | R.Brent & GUC | Roach & bream | 100 | 2 | Low DO's following storm runoff. |
| | Bennets Fm. Lake, S. Weald | Roach | 30 | | Low DO's. |
| | GUC @ Dudswell | Roach | 20 | 2 | Secondary fungal infection |
| _ | R.Colne @ Watford | Roach | 10 | | Sewage pollution from culvert. |
| | Sth Norwood Lake | Bream | 30 | | Low DO's & Algal Bloom |
| | Turkey Brook @ Enfield | Roach | 5 | 1 | |
| | R.Lee Wheathampstead | Roach | 200 | - | East Hyde STW renovation works. |
| | R.Roding @ Gang Bridge | Roach & perch | 150 | | Poss.pesticides. Investigation Con' |
| | Wandsworth Common Ponds | = | 6 | | Angling damage |
| | R.Gade @ Croxley Grn. | Roach | 4 | 1 | |
| | Turkey Brook @ Albany Pk. | | 200 | • | Blocked sewer. |
| | GUC Maypole Dock | Roach & bream | 200 | _ | Low DO's & hot weather |
| | | Chub & dace | 400 | | False storm discharge from sewer. |
| | Cripsey Brook, Shelly Bourne Hall Pond, Ewell | Carp & tench | 64 | | Urban runoff into very low pond. |
| | Wandsworth Common Pond | Pike | 5 | | Angling damage suspected. |
| | | Perch | 100 | | Stocking mortalities |
| _ | R.Stort Navigation | | 100 | | Unknown |
| - | D.O.N.Isleworth | Sea trout | | | |
| | R.Crane @ Crane Park | Chub,dace,roach | 500 | | Urban runoff after long dry spell. |
| _ | Lower R.Lee | Mixed coarse | 250 | | Low DO's after heavy rainfall. |
| _ | Battersea Park Lake | Roach & bream | 2000 | | DO crash after algal bloom die off. |
| _ | Walton on the Hill Pond | Roach | 300 | | Algal crash causing very low DO's. |
| 07-Sep-90 | | Roach | 50 | | Probable NH3 problems @ STW |
| - | Southmere, Thamesmead | Tench & pike | 6 | | Probable angling damage |
| - | Wandsworth Cmn. Stock Pond | - | 150 | | Very low DO after algal bloom crash |
| • | Shadwell Basin | Roach, carp, pike | 1000 | | Very low DO after algal bloom crash |
| | Thamesmere Lake | Roach | 20 | | Unknown |
| 30-Oct-90 | Crossness Holding Tanks | Brown trout | 200 | 4 | Overnight chlorine problem. |
| 22-Nov-90 | Chase Fishery Dagenham | Roach | 200 | 10 | 0 0 1 |
| 23-Nov-90 | Dartford Creek (Tidal) | Ro, flounder, eel | 200 | 10 | Illegal Discharge from Burroughs W. |
| 05-Jan-91 | Black Pond, Esher | Roach | 10 | 0.2 | Low DO's - cause unknown |
| 10-Jan-91 | Chelsea Creek | Dace & roach | 50 | 0.1 | Suspect discharge from surface W.S. |
| 24-Feb-91 | R.Stort d/s Stortford | Roach | 50000 | 80 | Kerosene pollution from pipeline |
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| 24-Feb-91 | R.Stort d/s Stortford | Roach | 1000 | 112 | Kerosene pollution from pipeline |
| 25-Feb-91 | R.Stort d/s Stortford | Roach | 130 | 56 | Kerosene pollution from pipeline |
| 24-Feb-91 | R.Stort d/s Stortford | Mixed | 500 | 25 | Kerosene pollution from pipeline |
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