

Bankberg Troutfishers Club



PROCEDURE AND RULES FOR FISHING THE BANKBERG TROUTFISHER'S CLUB WATERS

FISHING: PERMISSION TO FISH / ACCESS

- You must contact the Riparian owner before your arrival. If you cannot get hold of them, you cannot access their property/waters. Sending them an SMS is not an option as some of the farmers are out of cellphone signal.
- You must phone / SMS a committee member of your intention to fish and where you'll be fishing before you go fishing. Do this at a reasonable hour, i.e. 07h00 – 19h00.
- Catch returns must be completed within 24 hours of fishing (note specific water's requirements).

RULES

- Fly fishing only
- No pets allowed whatsoever
- No fires permitted
- No firearms allowed
- Release limit of all waters must be strictly adhered to
- Catch and release encouraged, your membership / permit entitles you to keep 2 fish per rod per day only, for all waters fished, not each dam.
- Security at Bestershoek will not let you in should you not have a valid visitors day ticket or membership card
- Must SMS/e-mail/phone your catch return to Alan Hobson, 082 44 22 884 within 24 hours of fishing
- No littering (not even cigarette stompies / tippet material), leave the environment as you found it, respect it
- If a gate is open, leave it open, if it is closed, close it
- Do not interfere with any livestock / animals on any property
- Trespassers will be prosecuted
- Members only dams are not allowed to be fished by day visitors
- Members only dams have specific catch / release regulations (sign to remind you at the water)
- Any committee member / riparian owner has the right to request to see your valid day ticket / membership card. Failure to present this will result in your being requested to leave without discussion
- Visitors, friends or family who would like to fish must obtain a day ticket before fishing. Day tickets are available from Glen Avon if you are fishing / staying there, Avon Heights if you are fishing / staying there, otherwise they must be obtained from the Club Secretary, Alan Hobson, at the Angler and Antelope in Somerset East
- There is a fully stocked fly shop at the Angler and Antelope
- If you require a key to access a water, a R 100 refundable deposit is payable. Keys available from Riparian owners and Alan Hobson
- Only members or visitors escorted by members may fish the Naude's river
- Membership fees are payable within 30 days of the AGM. It is your responsibility to make sure your club membership fees are up to date, without being chased by the Treasurer. Late payment of fees may result in your membership being revoked
- Failure to follow these procedures will result in a fine of R 100. Continued disregard for the club rules, regulations and procedures will result in your membership being revoked.

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Bestershoek / Mountain dam: Contact Alan Hobson 082 44 22 884 or 042 243 3440

- Keys must be obtained from Alan Hobson or Riparian owners with a refundable key deposit of R 100
- Catch / release limit 12 fish
- Catch return must be submitted to Alan Hobson

Glen Avon: Contact Bill & Alison Brown 042 243 3628 or Greg & Fiona Brown 042 243 3629

Gate fee of R 20 applicable to all members.

Vlei dam (Trophy dam) – Members only, no visitors

- Barbless / crush barb of hook
- Catch / release limit 2 fish over 2kg first or total of 5 fish under 2kg, then move to other waters
- Strictly catch & release only
- No fuel operated motors
- No open fires or pets allowed
- Catch return book @ Glen Avon must be completed even if you have caught nothing

Grandfathers / Mill dam

- Catch / release limit 6 fish per rod per day
- No fuel operated motors
- No open fires or pets allowed
- Catch return book @ Glen Avon must be completed even if you have caught nothing

Naude's river & waterfall – Contact Reg & Vivian Playden 042 243 3555

- Visitors must be escorted by a club member to fish
- Must visit Reg / Vivian Playden, pay R 20 for adults and R 10 for children and obtain key to access waterfall
- No open fires or pets allowed
- Barbless / crush barb of hook
- Catch & release only
- Maximum 2 fish per pool, then move on. Waterfall pool – 6 fish catch limit.
- Catch returns must be completed @ Avon Heights, even if you catch nothing

Buffelshoek dam (Trophy dam) / Little Fish river pools – Contact Johan & Annabé Schoeman 042 243 3592

- Members only, no visitors
- Barbless / crush barb of hook
- Catch / release limits
 - Dam – 2 fish over 2kg first or a total of 5 fish under 2kg, then move to other waters
 - Pools – 2 fish per pool
- Strictly catch & release only
- No fuel operated motors
- No open fires or pets allowed
- Catch returns sms/e-mail/phone Alan Hobson 082 44 22 884