

Just returned from the defining trip to Georgia. A year ago a group of people flew me out there to seek advice and guidance on creating the first functional, managed fishery and fish farm in the country. I spent a few days walking the bare land, discussing options and stating my usual approach.

One year on, i was so proud and honoured that they had achieved so much based on my reports and consultancy. The fish have already produced enough offspring for the future, they have taken the development seriously and it is always nice for me when clients understand and share my passion. Of course these investments are costly, however with a sound plan and good advice, i can show clients how to achieve whatever they want.

It was a pleasure and to see more pictures and video go to the AE fisheries facebook page. Other than international duties, I have been working all over the UK helping to develop and manage clients waters, whilst getting ready to supply my own stock fish. Once again i will sell out of fish, which is all i can ask for.

I have once again been lucky to be involved with new ventures and opportunities. A new lake in Cambridge that i have surveyed and myself and Kev Green fished, will be open in the new year. It truly offers what people are missing, a stunning water, untouched by meddling "gimmick" fish or methods, simply utilising and feeding the existing stocks and using my old school approach to solid practical fishery management, with the full support of the owner, this will be one to watch.

The capability brown designed stunning Compton Verney estate is close to my home and to my heart. I have fished the venue as a guest in the past, and now have the chance to be involved in the future development and management of the fishery. It is a classic and beautiful estate lake, and with some simple stock management can help make the lake something very special indeed.

I continue to feel proud of my achievements in the industry i have devoted my working life to. Anyone who knows me understands that i have a life outside of work! and enjoy time away from the business, but rather than a negative effect, it actually makes me more focused and passionate when i am working for clients.

With the winter looming and the weather ever unpredictable, all fishery owners and managers need to respect their stocks and learn not to take them for granted. Simple things overlooked can lead to mortality at this time of year. We all see the pictures of people smashing the ice on commercials to "save" the fish! Or using water heaters to keep the ice away! Commercial match waters are always on a knife edge, and a true understanding of your current stocks is crucial to avoid potential problems.

Call now for remaining stock fish or to book a survey or AE consultancy.

Wishing clients old and new a happy Christmas and new year.

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