



Weekly Fishing Report for 20-27 October, 2002

Guests: Nicolas Rogerson, Nicholas Worthington and Franco Sirtori

The weather has remained warm. The water conditions have remained very stable. We have a lot of fish in the river now and the fishing has been great! Nico, an experience British angler and his cousin Nicholas, who now resides in Calgary, AB are visiting us for the first time. Our other angler this week is Franco, a very experienced steelheader from Italy who is also joined by his lovely wife Elisa.

Although the water temperature has decreased and become quite stable at 2C, we are still able to hook fish with floating lines and weighted flies. Both Franco and Nico started the week of right with a multiple fish day on the first day of fishing. Nicholas had just recently took up the sport of fly fishing and was concentrating on perfecting his cast. We offer spey casting lessons as part of our guiding service. Although many of our clients arrive with single handed rods, they are converted to the benefits of spey casting by week's end. Most clients will find that they are able to cover more water with less fatigue than with conventional single handed gear. Logic states that the more water you cover...the more steelhead you will catch. Franco proved this theory right. He fished hard and was rewarded again on the last day with another 3 fish day. Nicholas finished off his week landing a 35" buck on his last day of fishing. Quite an introduction to the sport of flyfishing!!! We hooked 40 steelhead this week for 3 rods. Many of these clients expressed an interest to sample our heli-fishing program for the 2003 season. We will look forward to their return to Bell II Lodge next fall. Thanks for the great week.