

December 2009

Congratulations to Craig Hawes for catching the last fish of the year on 30 December – a 17 lbs Common Carp.

For those wishing to try their hand at catching catfish and carp that exceed the present UK records may wish to explore further afield. This month my two sons (Clive and Iain), joined me for three days on the River Ebro in Spain.

We were guests of www.catfishcapers.co.uk who took excellent care of us and together with their experienced guides plus tackle and bait ensured some bragging rights were achieved.

1 in 3 catfish caught was 100 lbs plus but of course this does not include the inevitable “ones that got away”!!!

Thursday 10 Dec'09	Clive	Catfish (lbs)	60, 39, 49
	Iain	Catfish (lbs)	65, 49, 128, 100
	Mike	Catfish (lbs)	63, 69
Friday 11 Dec'09	Clive	Catfish (lbs)	152, 142
	Iain	Catfish (lbs)	Blank
	Mike	Catfish (lbs)	88, 112
Saturday 12 Dec'09	Clive	Catfish (lbs)	126, 35, 55
	Iain	Catfish (lbs)	45, 30
	Mike	Catfish (lbs)	134, 55
	Mike	Carp (lbs)	30



During this same period a more experienced UK trio caught catfish where 2 in 3 exceeded 100 lbs.

Thursday 10 Dec'09	Trio	Catfish (lbs)	144, 148, 30
Friday 11 Dec'09	Trio	Catfish (lbs)	60
	Trio	Carp (lbs)	44, 36
Saturday 12 Dec'09	Trio	Catfish (lbs)	174, 125, 135, 44, 141