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fter fishing Bentley Fishery near Brentwood in Essex and being at the netting last November, I was eager to see how the delightful fishery and the carp had moved on.

When I arrived, I could not believe how mature the lake had become since last summer. With more trees and reeds, the swims had become more comfortable to fish from, and each boasted its own private stretch of water.

The lake has many features to attract the carp. There are two islands, overhanging trees and beautiful lilies. Bentley keeps to sensible rules and only allows a maximum of five anglers at any one time. Bait boats are permitted to give anglers the scope of fishing under the trees and close to the islands.

There are more than 100 quality carp in the lake and I personally reintroduced a mixture of 104 commons and mirrors up to 24lb. Experience has shown these carp to be munching machines and they respond to heavy feeding. Last week

I had 11 fish during an overnight session, with one common topping the scales at over 20lb, while the others averaged 18lb.

One of the mirrors, which I recognised, had increased its weight by more than 5lb since the netting in November. This is some gain ordinarily, but even more surprising after spawning. A lot of these fish are predicted to be over 20lb by winter.

To fish the lake you need to book in advance by contacting the owner, John Clark, on 07939 074089. Also available at very competitive prices are the pellet and boilies that John regularly uses to bait up the lake and keep the fish active. Fishing is possible throughout the year with the introduction of an aerator, which prevents ice forming during the colder months.

If you would like to visit the water you can arrange a viewing with John, who will be happy to show you around. Alternatively, you can visit me in September when Viper will be holding special demonstration days where you will have the opportunity to see the Viper range in action and hopefully purchase your new boat. The demonstrations will take place on Saturday, September 5th and Sunday, September 6th, 2009. We look forward to seeing you.

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