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Gone Fishing Day is perfect for wetting a line in Tasmania

Tasmanian anglers are encouraged to grab a rod and throw out a line to take full advantage of Gone Fishing Day on Sunday, October 10.

The Tasmanian Government wants to encourage people of all ages to take up fishing so no angling licence will be required on Gone Fishing Day for anyone wanting to fish inland waters.

This initiative is to encourage those who want to sample the sport to go out with friends and family and try their luck and join in events at places like Ulverstone, Latrobe, Bushy Park and Longford with a focus on encouraging juniors.

There is no such thing as a bad day's fishing when you're surrounded by family and friends in the great outdoors at Tasmania's great fishing spots.

Anglers should also remember that 45 of our 50 \$2000 tagged brown trout are still swimming around in 15 Tasmanian waters, so even more reason to head to one of these waters - Arthurs Lake, yingina/Great Lake, Lake Mackintosh, Lake Pedder, Lake Burbury, Lake Rosemary, Derby's Briseis Mine Hole, Bronte Lagoon, Curries River Reservoir, Huntsman Lake, Lake Parangana, Lake Rowallan, River Derwent, Lake Leake and Craighourne Dam.

Gone Fishing Day is organised by Anglers Alliance Tasmania and the Inland Fisheries Service with the co-operation of local angling clubs.

National Gone Fishing Day is an initiative of the Australian Recreational Fishing Foundation, the peak national body and key voice for Australia's recreational fishing community.

More details about Gone Fishing day, including the venues for the junior angling events, can be found on the Tasmanian Inland Fisheries Service (IFS) website: www.ifs.tas.gov.au/news/2021/oct/04/gone-fishing-day