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up in the trout towns on why the fishing has gone to hell. All the usual stuff: full moons, fluctuating flows, sunny days, too hot, too much rubber, etc. . . But the long and short of it is that if you want to fish for trout right now on the Middle Yough, you'll want to do it early or late in the day. The morning dry-fly fishing to caddis emergences has still been good with some very nice fish up on this reliable breakfast item. This makes for some fun fishing as the fish have been eating these guys for a while now so they're not easy: they know what the bugs look like and how they behave, so you'll have to know the same. Just be sure to get out there before 11:30, as that's when the action seems to fall off.

Evening fishing has been productive as well with fish eating the daily bwos and smattering of caddis that come back to the river each night. For one reason or another, the Isos aren't particularly heavy this summer, and we haven't had any strong emergences of them lately. Be that as it may, a blind casted Iso pattern is great for searching right now with a small stone of bwo emerger fished below.

On the northern front, the warmwater fishing has been very solid of late with bass eating just about anything offered to them. There seem to be a ton of small, two to three year old bass around this year along with plenty of larger 12 to 15" fish to chase around. Look for warmwater fishing to stay strong and get stronger as the summer continues.

Best of luck out there,

The boys at LHGS