

Fishing – Harlaw water level forces price cut



Harlaw Reservoir earlier this season. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

Bosses at Harlaw and Threipmuir reservoirs have cut the price of permits until the end of the season.

The move by Mallyen Angling Association comes after a drastic fall in the water level.

Alan Holbrook, the association's secretary, said the committee have decided that the day permit will now be trimmed by £5 to £20 for the remainder of the season.

He added that the available bank space to fish Harlaw is down by about 50 per cent due to the water level.

Threipmuir, he added, is almost un-fishable.

Mr Holbrook hopes the price cut will encourage regular day permit anglers to continue fishing in the water above Balerno.

He added: "The committee are hoping for more favourable weather conditions for next season so all those who fish Harlaw and Threipmuir can return to their normal fishing pattern for the 2019 season."

Senior bailiff Jim McComb said that catch returns will still be a maximum of four fish then catch and return.

He also stressed the dangers of fishing from steep banking.

The advice comes after one angler slid down the bank and struggled to get back.