

Pinkfoot staying close to the estuary during freezing conditions



With December having passed let's look back and ponder over what happened during severe weather.

After 7 days of freezing conditions throughout the country voluntary restraint was called for which started on the 14th Dec and was lifted after 3 consecutive days of thaw on the 21st. In between that time it was up to you as a Wildfowler to access the conditions in your particular area, also the birds feeding capability's all basically common sense and easy to deploy as no fowler wants to take an out of condition bird home with them.

One slightly annoying problem certainly for me has been the shortage of gamebore steel cartridges. When you've taken the time to pattern test your Wildfowling shells and witnessed their performance over a number of years it's been disappointing to discover that a shortage of material has led to none being produced in the sizes that a Wildfowler requires. Luckily for me I bumped into 2 friends who had moved from 3.5inch chamber to 3 and were left with excess shells this will thankfully allow me to continue for the rest of the season.

Good luck for the remaining days, stay safe and all the best for 2023

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