

England or France, it is all the same to Nu

HOME or away Nuala Gray hasn't seemed able to put a foot – or a bait – wrong over the past week or so!

First angling coach Nuala spent a few days getting among the carp on the Lodge lakes (the ones in France, not Great Holme) and banked a new PB 39lb mirror, plus a near 20lb koi as a bonus.

Then, back home, she did a spot of grandstanding by heading down to Bradwell Lake for a short session...and landing a brace of bream going 9-15 and 8-15!

■ BAILIFF Paul Ridgeway matched Nu's performance with two new bream PBs on Bradwell.

The first scaled 8-2 – and then he elevated his benchmark by almost 2lb to a new high of 9-15. Also on Bradwell, Paul Andrews was getting among the spring tench.

■ AND just along the Newport road Ronnie Rushmere, reported through Waters Edge, had carp of 32-3 and 22-8 in a three-hour 'quickie' on Rocla while just a mile or three further east, Ian Snelson netted a 5-8 tench from the Big Pit.

■ **SATURDAY** saw Lakeside, near Towcester, getting its second stocking of the year with some 400lb of carp from 8 ounces to three pound being added.

That follows a larger shot-in-the-arm with fish up to double-figures, back in February – with a

further injection being planned for the autumn. The lake also contains a head of silvers and some small barbel.



● NUALA Gray and her French 39

■ MATCHGROUP's Ben Bell is on an ever-lengthening roll. This weekend saw him top a Decoy open with 288lb which included a 24-6 'grassie'...landed on pole and a size 16!

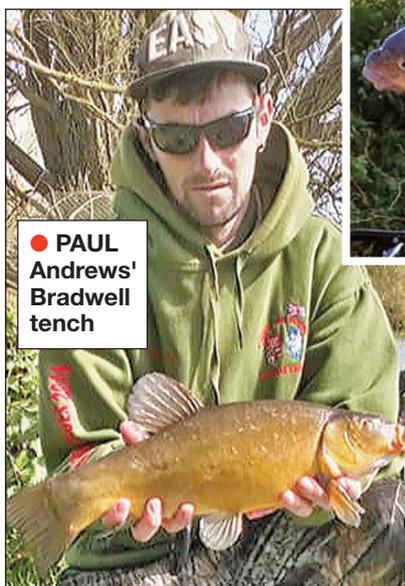
■ ELSEWHERE (Barston) Michael Buchwalder came back from a lay-off to win a Feedermasters qualifier with 28lb. Such is demand that he'd unloaded his then unwanted qualifier round tickets by bed-time the same day.



● PAUL Ridgeway: TWO new bream PBs in just three hours

■ MK Vests, Canons Ashby: Paul Chapman and Dave Cantrell both 17-4 (all silvers), Ernie Sattler 14-5, Kevin Osborne 12-13.

■ MILLPOND open: Paul Caton 10-10, Nigel Bass 10-1, Ernie Sattler 10lb.



● PAUL Andrews' Bradwell tench

■ NENE/ Towcester, canal, Heyford: Chris Howard 7-3, John Balhatchett 6lb, Dave Gibbins 5-13.

■ TRING, canal, Marsworth: Steve Joy 8-9, Simon Pavey 5lb, Tim Watts 3-8.

■ **FIXTURES:** matches booked on Furzton for Easter weekend cancelled, all sections now open for general fishing;

Saturday, MKAA canal spring league opener, Willowbridge/Stoke House; Sunday, Mill Pond open, 07854 649279.