

Coach Nuala in with chance of a big Fish O'mania prize!

POPULAR MKAA youth coach Nuala Gray has proved over and over that she does more than just teach – she is a top rod in her own right!

And next month she will become a small-screen 'star'...featuring in the Sky televised ladies' Fish O'mania national final.

Nuala (pictured right with one she caught earlier on the Stony Ouse) won her big-money final place by making the top six of the latest Angling Trust ladies' national.

Her big chance at the Fish-O pot be on a commercial near Stoke-on-Trent, with a central island-mounted TV camera zooming in on competitors' action. Good luck, Nu.

■ JUST into angling Dominic Corkett aged 8 is pictured below with his first carp – 10lb or so – and an even bigger smile! Learning from his mum, Bekka, he had it on oily floater from Wolverton Mill and, with the wind and the power of the fish, had to be 'restrained' by his dad to prevent him going headfirst in.

■ OSPREY had a ball at Rolfe's lake near Oxford – with 10 of them topping the 'ton' as Mick Lane won with 271-8 of carp ahead of Neil Riddy 169-4 and Chris Lovelock 165-8.

■ ALDERS' Pine lake produced a new match record as Martin Green won with 254lb followed by Gary Thorpe 224lb and Andrew Quarmby 179lb.

■ DATS' Mark Haynes must have set some kind of record when he won the club's 3 hour Cosgrove cut evening match with 25-12-8 of bream to 4lb. The section really came alive as John Hough followed with 14-7, Jack Jones 13-13-8 and Dave McClennen 10-4-8.

■ PUBLICAN Adam Short got good measure on Saturday when he marked the start of the river season with 13 bream to 7-1 – for around 70lb – from Olney's flooded Ouse.

But it was a different story next day in the club annual cup as Nigel Porter included a tench of 5-14 in his 11-7 top weight... with Paul Caton and Mick Stanley tied on just 2-8.



■ MKAA BAILIFF Robin Jolley reports that Saturday's Lodge lake opening saw 11 carp to 18lb and 23 bream to around 5lb landed.

■ A FOUR-way Claydon lake interclub saw DATS' Mark Haynes on 21-2 with home-side Calvert's 'Dobin' Rutland and Robin Hillier on 10-7 and 8-5.

■ TOWCESTER's Bairstows do went to Les Goodridge 11-7 ahead of Gerald Green 6-7 and Matt Brafield 3-10.

■ MK Vets first Black Horse cut outing was payday for Steve Chilton as he won with 15-8 on pellet round by the overshot. Mick Hefferon

had 5-12-8 and John Hewison 5-7-12.

■ PLACES (£40) available in Des Butcher's 30 rod Haversham Mill Ouse syndicate, 07917 186462.

■ FIXTURES: Saturday, MKAA individual league 2nd round Fuzton A and B sections, noon start, 07703 556788.



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