

Hottest Sunday of year sees 5,000lb landed in Osprey do

TOO hot to fish – not for Osprey. Their Sunday outing saw 28 anglers land more than 5,200 lbs of carp...well over two tons!

The ever-roving crew went to Arran's lake, Essex, where 21 of them fished a league round won by Mark Gilbert on 421lb ahead of Kieran Chavda 401lb and Chris Lovelock 357lb.

But an associated seven peg mini-sweep, alongside the main match, saw Matt Smith with 501lb as Neil Riddy netted 426lb and Ian Warby 395lb! Lowest weight of the day was 44lb (bet he was sick) with only three nets of less than 100lb...

■ Maver MK's Roger Clutton (pictured) is storming the Evesham Avon, having now qualified for the Shakespeare AND Wychavon finals...and won another section at the weekend with 15lb of bream and hybrids.

■ Ultra-hot weather can really get big cats going, and on Tiddenfoot last week MK Angling Centre's Brian Haynes saw another man land seven cats for more than 450lb – having a 50 pounder on each of his two rods at one point.

The same night Bletchley's Nigel Laurie had five, including three 50s.

■ Bailiff Sean Wilson has been getting tench to 7-10 at Bradwell, while others have had bream to 9lb in the dark. Small silvers and perch have been feeding well in the mornings.

■ More than 60 people of all ages had a 'taste' of fishing when MKAA head coach Nuala Gray and colleagues staged 'come and try' sessions on Caldecotte Lake. That was part of the Parks Trust's Wicked Water Fun Day promoting safe enjoyment of various water-based sports.

■ TOWCESTER, Flecknoe: Phil Wintle 80lb (carp), Dave Martin 70lb, Mick Goodridge 55-10.

■ MK vets, Clattercote, midweek: Paul Barnes 38-15 (bream), Austin Maddock 20-11, Ted Brown 16-4.

■ FLORE & Brockhall, Wappenham Water: Rob Rawlins 28-6 (bream), Mark Phillips 15-12, Terry Smith 15-4.

■ CALVERT v Stowe, Stowe lake: Stowe's Paul Hayden and John Harris 15-14 and 3-12, Calvert's Jim Lewis 13-5.

■ MKAA individual league round, Lodge: Ernie Sattler 12-6, Alan Ford 5-4-8, Paul Hamilton 3-14-4.

■ DATS, Black Horse cut, 2.5 hour evening match: Chris Malia 11-3-8, Dave McClennan 9-3-12, Rus Nash 7-1.

■ NEWPORT, Abbeys pits: Dave Tebbutt 7-13, Barry Glidewell 3-8, Roger Tebbutt 3-4.

■ LINFORD, Bolbeck Park cut: Paul Neave 6-0-8, Mark Morgan 4-5, Mick Hefferon 3-13-8.

■ DATS, Stony Main, Ouse: Ernie Sattler 4-12-12, Paul Chapman 3-5, Alan Ford 2-7-12.

■ The unusual 'brown' colour of the Ouse from Stony sluice to Olney and

beyond is described, following Environment Agency tests, as a 'diatom bloom' – same league as an algal one – and will hopefully disperse without causing serious problems.

■ **FIXTURES:** Wednesday July 24, MKAA junior teach-in Mill Road cut, Wolverton, 01908 320007.



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(Willen Hospice benefit)

- Aug 21: vets open, 01908 565446
- Aug 23: open for Disabled, 01908 608944
- Aug 24: 'float only' open

& ● Aug 26 bank holiday open, call 01908 506678 for both.

- Sept 4 youth open Bletchley boatyard canal,
- Sept 7 ladies open, Furzton and
- Sept 8 mixed pairs open, Tear Drops – call 01908 320007 for all three.

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