

Alders' new owners plan to put the 'Great' back into Brickhill fishery

ALDERS – the Great Brickhill 'baggin commercial' – has started the new year under new owners determined to make it 'more angler friendly'.

Local farming families the Jones and the Monks have taken over, are living on the site, increasing security, and are keeping Trevor Price (pictured right) on as advisor and organiser of his popular match series.

He said: "We are making big changes and getting involved with the Get Hooked on Fishing charity and Cottesloe School to start a junior academy."

Cheaper day tickets on certain days, bankside toilets, a 4x4 carrying anglers' kit up and down steep slopes, and booked-in-advance night fishing are among planned moves.

"All involved have anglers' interests in mind, and are looking to really move the venue forward."

■ **WHAT must be the local canal catch of all time came from the Nene's Yardley Gobion length last week when – in just five hours – one man landed 70lb of perch and bream...yes, you read it right...70lb! Full story next week.**

■ **GONEFISHIN** regular 'Jim' has netted a 6-12 chub from the Stony Ouse – topping a succession of 5s caught in the run-up to Christmas.

■ **ENVIRONMENT** Agency fisheries staff have stocked another 6,000 junior barbel into the Upper Ouse – between Adams Mill and Radwell – as part of a long-term restoration and improvement plan in which Around 30,000 fish (together with thousands of roach, dace and chub, all reared at the EA's rod licence-funded Calverton fish farm) have been added so far. Thanks lads.

■ **LOW** Furzton doubles are being reported through Tackle Hub despite the freeze. A 21lb carp from the nearby dayticket lake has been reported through the Great Linford Lakes tackle shop.

■ **TOWCESTER's** Wappenam Water silverfish match saw Phil

Gimbert win with 16-2 of skimmers as Dave Martin included a 3-8 chub in his 11lb with Gerald Green and George Cooke tied on 7-4.



● Alders' match organiser Trevor Price with another winning catch



● EA man Kye Jerrom 'sampling' some of the mini-barbel stocked into Adams

■ A FIVE-pound Brushmill Ouse bream helped Keith Harrison to 11-2 in Kingfisher's do. Steve Chilton had 7-9 and Jeff Duguid.

■ **FLOODWATER** from Buckingham pushed MKAA's get-together off the Ouse onto the Galleon cut where Paul Hamilton had 6-12, Kevin Osborne 3-2 and Ernie Sattler 2-8.

■ **DATS**, Navvi canal: Chris Maylia 4-4-8, Kevin Osborne 3-10, Colin Chart 2-13-12.

■ **CALVERT**, Claydon Lake: Just when the lads thought it couldn't get any worse...it did – and they finished without a bite between them. Roll on 2015!

■ **FIXTURES:** MKAA winter league starts Jan 11, call 07703 556788.

■ **Happy New year**

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