

# Matchgroup's double win in weekend to remember!

**CHRISTMAS** came early for **Maver MK (Matchgroup)** as they won an **Angling Trust winter league round AND saw their Ben Bell become a two-day festival champ - in one weekend!**

Sunday's team win was in the Castle Ashby fourth round where, having previously languished in the bottom half, they came good - aided by Pete Patton's luck at the drawbag - to win on the day and go fourth overall.

Ian Smith claimed top solo spot with 39-12 of feeder-bream while squad-mate Ian Pretty was fourth in the 63 peg match with 31-4.

*The previous day had seen Ben walk off with the Decoy Lake fest title - winning his section on day-one and winning day-two outright with 76lb...following a six-week run of framing in the venue's mid-week opens.*

■ AFTER a long time trying, Tom Andrews has finally banked a 3lb perch from the local Ouse.

■ Young Lucas Belkon finished a Lodge Lake session with his dad by catching a slab-sized bream.

■ Dan Todd piked Towcester's Astwell Mill twice in a week to land seven to 15-3 on small deadbaits, while Dave Wood had a 4-8 brown trout from the Tove.

■ NEWPORT pike match, Abbey Pits: Simon Frankum caught two for 18-10, Siena Siena four for 15-3 and Jim Jakeman two for 15lb.

■ MK Vets, Canons Ashby: Richard Lattimer 10-7, Paul Chapman 8-8, Steve Chilton 7lb.

■ MKA golden peg, Stony Main, Ouse: Geoff Duguid 5-9, Nigel Bass on 5-8 and Paul Hack 4-7.

■ OLNEY predator match, Ouse: Ian Barnes 5-5-8, Stuart Powell 2-10, Barry Testro lost a good'un.

● AN Angling Trust roadshow for clubs and fishery operators is being held at the Holiday Inn, Newport, on Thursday November 15. For more go to <https://anglingtrust-news.net/3XSU-H9EZ-25MALN-BS2I5-1/c.aspx> or [www.anglingtrust.net](http://www.anglingtrust.net) and trawl the website.

■ LINFORD, Bolbeck Park, canal: Mick Hefferon 4-8, John Hough 3-12, Ron Dorrill 2-15.

■ An Oakwood canal league round at Fenny saw locals framing as Wayne Nixon won from the Boatyard with Richard Lattimer third just off Nagles' bay and Terry Lambert fifth.



● TICKLED pink: Lucas Belkon with his Lodge slab



Tom Andrews

**FIXTURES:** Saturday, Olney Ouse RBL open 01234 240061, also Tues Nov 13 Olney open; Nov 18, Newport/Beacon pike match Mount Farm Lake, 07896 782715.



Decoy star Ben Bell



● NEWPORT winner Simon Frankum

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