

# Town Ringers fishing for world gold on rock hard Belgian lake

**As you read this, town's Ringer bothers will be sweating on winning gold for England in this weekend's World feeder fishing championships.**

## Good luck lads!

Steve and Phil have spent all week practising on a Belgian city-centre lake which has been hammered by cormorants for years – and some of the world's finest feeder anglers for the past seven days – so the fishing will be anything but easy!

But the brothers Ringer must be good each-way bets for top honours. Steve won individual gold in last year's Euro feeder champs on the same venue (the team also on gold) having taken individual silver in last year's world event in Italy.

● Away from the world stage it was 'rock on Tommy' time for some this week on local rivers... and just plain rock hard for others – like myself!

As barbel finally started showing Tommy Buck banked a 9-14 from MKAA's Ravenstone Ouse, and Adam Barwick landed an 11-1 at Olney.

A 7lb chub and a 14-2 barbel have both been reported from the Ouse in this week's Angling Times, while on the tiny Ouzel Roger Stratton landed a 6-10 to add to his recent 5-15.

● Back on Olney's Ouse, 14 year-old Charlie Mynard had a 6-6 tench – while Don Wills, 81, showed the

'young 'uns' how in Saturday's sweep with two tench and bits for 9-4.

● As others continued their quest for ever-larger match catches of stillwater carp Daventry's Mick Turner hit pole position with 45 fish for 114-10 in the Maggot Drowners' Tofts charity do. Kevin Follwell had 104-10 and Graham Cheney 98-8.

● Not too far up the road Gaz Wood topped Tuesday's Lanes Baits Meadowlands open with 85-12, ahead of Wayne Sharman 78-6 and Colin Southall 63-12.

● And at Castle Ashby

Keith Bishop won Sunday's Colin Dorkes charity memorial on Grendon with 62-6 – six ounces clear of Dick Rogers as Mick Wheeler had 39-12.

Saturday's Brickyard do had gone to Frank Pizmenti, 70-8, as Keith Garrett made 55-6 and Ian Hutton 23-4. The Grendon midweeker went to Steve Dorkes 57-4 with Grant Howie 52lb and Phil Wintle 46-4.

● Further up the A45 Stanwick's biggies have been feeding. Dave Bishop bagged a 32-12 common from Elsons, and on Mallard a week's stint saw Paddy Wheat net 31 carp to 21-9, 26 bream to 10-2 and three tench.

● Back in town Castle AA had a great result on their fish-thief plagued Duston ressi as police were persuaded to step in and nick two culprits who have been charged.

● CASTLE, Greene Farm: Pete Tapp 53lb, Alf Gillard 46-8, Paul Lafflin 43-4. WHITE Hart Flore, Bishops Bowl: Dave Chapman 52-12, Steve Bull 38, Gary Muddiman 36lb.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Dog Lane: Reece Clulow 37lb, Len Collins 26lb, Buster Matthews 23lb.

● FINEDON, Wold Farm, Poddington: Paul Brand 30-4, Simon Higgs 27-6, Roger Brain 26-3.

● NEWPORT open, Abbey pits: Paul Abbott 13-4, Roger Tebbutt 11-10, Steve Glidewell 11-1. TOWCESTER, Castlethorpe cut: Les Goodridge 6-9, Darren Pannell 6-8, Matt Brafield 4-5.

● FIXTURES: July 14 John Buxton charity match, Shearsby, 01327 351780. July 17, Olney Tuesday Ouse open 01234 240061.



■ UP for the cup. Keith Bishop (right) gets the Colin Dorkes memorial trophy from Colin's son, Steve, after winning at 'Ashby. Photo: Mick Wheeler



■ Town's Mike Green with his latest 30lb Chew Valley pike – one of four 30s, best 40lb, in his career so far.