

County's Angling Trust-backed group wins a...

£5,000 boost for local angling!

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE's angling is getting a £5,000 shot in the arm - to boost the number of people going fishing - from Sport England.

Won by the Angling Trust's county angling action group the cash is to help train at least 15 new local coaches.

And AT regional development manager James Roche is confident they will be up and running by next spring.

Unlike most initiatives aimed solely at youngsters, this one will be targeting all age groups.

That makes a huge amount of sense, especially where the over 50s are concerned (the so-called 'grey pound') many of whom have time and money on their hands and are looking for new interests.

Grab their interest and many will soon bring their grandchildren, too. That would be great for everyone: existing anglers, clubs, fishery owners and the tackle trade.

Interested? Call James on 07791 786251.

● A 48 hour stint on a 'county water' saw Richie Watts make a catch newcomers could aspire to: 32 carp - 10 of them 20s headed by the 29-8 pictured - and a "six foot cat" unweighed because, presumably, it was too big for his scales...

● LANES midweek, Meadowlands: Paul Garner 94-12, Wayne Sharman 89-2, Karl Mullen 72-4.

● WHITE Hart Flore, Barby: Mark Griffiths 93lb, Alan Barnes 86lb, Tom Griffiths 41lb.

● COUNTY vets, Canons: Paul Lafflin 83-8, Alf Gillard 72-4, Bob Spencer (3rd frame in a row) 51-14.

● BUCKO's, Lubbenham, Glenn Ribbons 96-13, Alan Rose 68-15.

● CASTLE Ashby: midweek Brickyard, Roger Tebbutt 28-8, John Kent 19-4, Courtney Hewlett 18-6; Saturday Brickyard, Hewlett 58-6, Kevin Follwell 45-8, Gary

Millward 41lb; Sunday, Grendon, Chris Garrett 70-4, Dick Rogers 57-8, Keith Garrett 44-4.

● NENE, Waterloo: Vic Shellhard 60-14, Ron Collins 38-4, Gerald Green 34-2.

● COTTON Club, Tofts: Kevin MacIllhinney 59-2, Dave Hadden 58-3, Martin Shoal 57-8.

■ **WHAT a catch: Richie Salive with 29-8 carp, see column 2nd item**



● TOWCESTER vets, Silver Lake: Graham Martin 35-2, John Balhatchett 26-6, Gerald Green 20-12.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Barby Mill: Rob Rawlins 24lb, Steve Smith 20lb, Ken Cadd 18lb. Cadd was hampered by two labradors' taking a prolonged swim

in his peg and refusing to get out. Yes, their lady owner DID get upset when he 'verbally abused' her mutts... which should have been on leads anyway.

● FINEDON, Rysons: Steve Amos 14-3, Dave Roberts 12-14, John Sumpter 8-2 (6-8 tench).

● TOWCESTER, Astwell Mill: John Broughton 12-2, Walt Ashby 6-8, Graham Martin 5-12.

● LITTLE Harrowden, Willow Creek Nene backwater: Mick Dudely 9lb (a 7lb bream), Dave Chamberlain 5-6, Jim Broadbent 4-2.

● THIS week's *Angling Times* carries a reprint of its 1953 first issue - worth the dosh on its own!

● FIXTURES: Saturday, Bucko charity open, Shearsby Valley, & July 17 disabled plus over 60s pairs, Stockton reservoir, 07761 133169; Tuesday, Olney Tuesday Ouse open 01234 240061 ■



■ **'Ashby winner Chris Garrett with part of his 70-4.**

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