

Fish more than doubles its weight in nine years...

To become Stanwick's first 50!

JUST how big will it grow? Stanwick's record has fallen to a 50-6 common – a fish putting on over a pound since being caught four weeks ago!

And, according to stocking records, it has more than doubled its weight since entering the syndicated Roman Lake nine years ago.

This time out it fell to Simon Humphries, catching the fish mid-morning as part of a mind-blowing double also featuring a 31-12.

Venue co-boss Phil Dunne said: "We don't know exactly how old it is, but this fish is unlikely to have reached its peak, and could yet show significant growth."

● WAPPENHAM, near Towcester, man Dennis Martin had a 9lb tench when he fished Grange Farm.

● EMERGENCY clean-up teams moved onto the Northampton Arm canal, Sunday, after would-be thieves breached a pipeline – probably dating from World War 11 and arching over the canal – releasing large quantities of light oil thought to be kerosene.

Environment Agency and Canal & River Trust workers used floating booms and suction gear to clean up around a mile of waterway, while police closed the towpath. There was no visible evidence of distressed fish at the time.

● RINGER brothers Phil and Steve are out for England in this weekend's European feeder-fishing championships on a 'massive' Dutch ship canal.

● KISLINGBURY syndicate lake saw Chris Coye net carp of 28-8 and 22-5 with Steve Bullock getting a 24-10 and Brian Hamilton a 22.

● DRAYTON's best was a 27 with the average not too experienced angler catching some 10 carp a visit.

● GILDERS' Dan had a double-figure ghostie from Crescent Lake.

● MEADOWLANDS Tuesday open: Neil Russell 93-4, Phil Croxford 88lb, Alan Walton 81-8.

● LITTLE Harrowden, Decoy Lakes: Gary Milner 74-12, Stuart Cheetham 73lb, Stan Atter 60-5.



■ A RARE sight indeed – a Northamptonshire 50! Simon Humphries is the happy captor

● WHITE Hart Flore, Barby Marshes: Trevor Griffiths 71lb Dave Walker 47, Dale 'the digger' Gibson 46.

● CASTLE, Canons top: Fred Prior 59-12, Bob Spencer 58-6, Alf Gillard 35-4.

● CASTLE Ashby opens: Sunday, Grendon, Bob Reed 76-4 (carp of the top), Darren Diver 53-12, Mick Hewlett 53-8; Saturday, Brickyard, Chris Garratt 34lb, Hewlett 17-12, Keith Garratt 13-14; Wednesday, Brickyard, Reed 44-4, Pete Gibson 35lb, Hewlett 33-12.

● BISHOPS Bowl: Callum Murray, 13, from Harpole, beat 14 other rods at least 20 years his senior to win with 40lb of carp and bream.

● COUNTY Vets midweek, Canons: Alf Gillard 37-12, Bob Spencer 24-4, Paul Lafflin 10-12.

● NENE, Bishops Bowl: Chris Howard 27-10 (bream), Dan Pannell 24-6, John Broughton 22-4.

● KINGS Arms, Cranford: Mark Clements 20-12, Dave Harvey 19-14, Jon Sumpter 19-12.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Oak Farm: Bert Isles had 40lb of carp in a midweek practice...but Kelvin McIlhinney won Sunday's match with 5-8 of bits. Bob Prowse 5lb, Steve Smith 2-8 ■



■ WAPPENHAM man Dennis Martin with 9lb tench

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