

What goes around comes around in 'Ashby league as...

Stumbling 'Horse throw a shoe!

BLACK Horse - runaway favourites following the Castle Ashby AT winter league's opening rounds - really threw a shoe on Sunday!

Riding high with a two-point perfect score from the first two legs, they stumbled badly...and now the title race is wide open with at least three joint-favourites.

Garbolino RAF looped the loop into top spot on the day, 14 points clear of joint runners-up Maver MK and Royal Mail Northampton, with 'Ashby A four points back from them and 'Horse and Browning wallowing in equal fifth six points further back still.

And that means just one point now spans the league's top three with RAF and 'Mail sharing top spot on seven with 'Horse on eight.

MK's Phil Wintle won on the day with 36-5 from Grendon, with 'Mail's Mick Wheeler on 33-4 from Scotland pond followed by RAF's Steve Reid, 30-10, from Brickyard.

● A BIG one graced the banks of Stanwick's Elsons this week as Harry Boulton bagged the 35-2 pictured, plus a 20-10. Karl Strettan had five to 19 from Swan.

● FEEDBACK reaching Gilders is that lots of silverfish are being caught from the Newton Blossomville Ouse, while Steve Wells had a 3-10 perch while drop-shotting a 'pink wriggly thing' near Wolverton.

● WHITE Hart Flore, Tofts: Dave Chapman 93-8, Paul Jackson 69lb, Dave Griffiths 59lb.

● MEADOWLANDS winter league opener: Terry Fowkes 75-12, Dave Lightowellers 64-2, Dave Pritchard 59-10.

● GLEBE, Peatling Parva: Dave Haddon 58lb, Ron Sandle 53-8, Dave Jones 23-4.

● FINEDON, Cambourne Lawn: Barry Lawrence 49-13, Alan Eade 45lb, Dave Roberts 33lb.

● DAVENTRY, Bishops Bowl: Jim Print 36-9, Kevin Ross 31-12, Steve Martin 24-9.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Dog Lane: Jim Tanser 29lb, Kelvin MacIlhinney 21-8, Terry Smith 18lb.

● COUNTY Vets, Canons: Fred Prior 16-4, Bob Spencer 12-12, Dave Cantrell 6-12.

● MOBBS Miller, Waverly Drain (Fens): Jim Broadbent 13-14, Jeff Beeby 12-14, Chris Jones 11-9.



■ **HAPPY lad:**
Harry Boulton
with Stanwick
35-2

● ABINGTON, Becketts Park Nene: Malc Bunyard 12-14, Vince Battams 7-1, Russ Coleman 4-6.

● CASTLE silverfish league, Canons: Graham West 10-14, Alan West 0-12, Pat Neil 9-12.

● TOWCESTER Vets, Black Horse, Linford: Graham Martin 5lb, Chris Howard 2-5, Tosh Saunders 1-4.

● TOWCESTER, Hesketh Trophy, Tove: Graham Martin 4-9, Pat Jaquest 4lb, Les Goodridge 3-15.

● NENE, canal, Heyford: Pete Lawton 4-3, John Balhatchett 3-13, Bob Eales 3-3.

● **WANT to know what the Angling Trust and EA are doing - or to tell them what YOU think they should do? Then get along to the Regional Forum (free entry) at Manor Fields Irish Club, Milton Keynes, 7pm, November 25.**

You don't have to be an AT member or in a club - just an interested angler. Email kelvinallen@btinternet.com for more.

● FIXTURES: Sat, Olney Ouse open, 01234 240061; Nov 14 free fly-fishing taster, Pitsford reservoir - gear and tuition supplied, 07794 465607. Nov 22, British Pike Champs qualifier, Bradwell Lake, MK, 07952 812527 ■

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