

Ringers all set to take on the world's best...

And Serbia's stomach bugs!

LOOK out Serbia! Northampton's Team Ringer are coming – headed for next weekend's world feeder fishing championships.

Brothers Steve and Phil are both have in England's six-man squad while patriarch Geoff will, as he puts it: "Be going along to carry their gear, as usual."

The competition will obviously be world class, but nothing they can't handle...with the trio's REAL fear being another bout of the food-poisoning which laid Steve low during a recent Serbian practice trip.

Their last match before setting out must have been a good omen.

Fishing the 'Steel City' Ferry Meadows two-day classic, Steve troused over a grand, winning with a total of 132lb. Phil made third (126lb) and Geoff got £330 for second-day top weight.

Good luck in Serbia, lads: England expects, and all that.

● BEWARE! Tackle theft is a big and growing 'business' with the vermin currently targeting garden sheds in villages, and small towns the like of Towcester.

● CARPER Matt Goodwin clocked a new Stanwick PB with a 33-4 mirror from Elsons. Milo Barber had two 24s.

Adam Jackson also set a new venue PB when he took a 28 off the top at Drayton, while Dave Burns netted 65 carp during a 24-hour stay and John West had two 20s among 24 fish landed during a daylight session.

● ROLL on NEXT Thursday – June 16 – and the start of a new river season. Local rivers are looking good...but a lot can happen in a week!

● SPORTS & Social were on a high at Decoy Lakes. Stuart Cheetham won with 132lb followed by Tony Glanfield 121lb and Mick Wootton 109lb.



■ A NEW PB for Matt Goodwin with this 33-4 Stanwick mirror

● CASTLE's Canons do saw Jeff Rice top with 125-4. Nick Antonacci had 98-14, Dave Cantrell 59-5.

● NENE, Tofts: Kevin Nightingale 93lb, Andy Jones 74lb, Paul Ramsden 54-12.

● ROYAL Oak, Packington: Grant Merrick 65-7, John Jenkins 57-12, Wayne Sharman 54-12.

● CASTLE Ashby: Wed., Brickyard, Frank Pizamenti 56-2, Shaun Weed 44-8, Chris Garrett 33-6; Sat., Brickyard, Pizamenti 54lb, C Garrett 44lb, Keith Garrett 28-6; Sun., Grendon, Bob Reed 31lb, K Garrett 22lb, Mick Hewlett 20lb.

● MILL Lane, Peatling Parva: Steve Barron 52-12, Andy Sibley 46-5, Mac Johnson 40-11.

● WHITE Hart Flore, Barby Banks: Dave Griffiths 41-10, Gary Muddiman 41-2, Tom Newberry 40-15.

● GLEBE, Canons: Russ Lay 15-4, Jack Potter 7-8, Dave Jones 7lb.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Silver Lake: Steve Smith 11-8, Paul Humphries 9-8, Rob Rawlins 4lb.

● BROOK Lake, silverfish: Pete Laughton 10-12, Pete Hawley 9-12, Bill Underwood 9-4.

● TOWCESTER tickets are in at Carpin Capers.

The club has done a lot of close-season work on Astwell, taken on Seven Acres, dumped Bairstows, and reduced the charge for members to £1 per Silver Lake trip ■



■ A NICE 4-8 Ringstead 'spotty' for Simon Fielding