

## Dave's Scottish trip ends in 'heavenly' experience as...

# 'Wild' salmon smashes reel!

**SCOTLAND** is God's own country to some...and Dave Miles will agree - having ended up 'in heaven' after banking a brace of tackle-busting Perthshire salmon!

Fishing with old school-pal Mike Green probably got him off to a flying start, as big fish seem to gravitate to wherever globe-trotting Mike wets a line!

Having never salmon-fished before, Dave put in a spell with Mike and Rod Barley - grassing a 6lb hen and then a 10lb cock-fish, both on fly, on the last day.

The latter wild fish lived up to its label, giving an incredible fight on a trout-outfit...and smashing his reel to pulp.

"Dave didn't care in the least about the reel - he was in heaven," said Mike. "We shared seven fish, four of them returned."

● **TOWCESTER, Boddington:** James Harris 123lb, Les Goodridge 110lb, Kevin Nightingale 100lb.

● **SPORTS & Social, Meadowlands:** Mel Baxter 90-8, Steve Potter 76-12, Jim Broadbent 75-4.

● **CASTLE Ashby opens:** Wed., Brickyard, Courtney Hewlett 55-6, Bob Reed 46-8, Lloyd Harris 35-12; Sat., Brickyard, Chris Garrett 88-4, Mick Hewlett 64-2, C Hewlett 54-8; Sun., Grendon, Garrett 88-4, Charlie Edwards 32-14, Geoff Jones 26-12.

● **WHITE Hart Flore, Barby Banks:** Mark Tottingham 86-8, Geoff Wiggins 65, Gary Muddiman 57lb.

● **COUNTY Vets, Canons bottom pond:** Bob Spencer 87-2, John Balhatchett 27lb. Dave Cantrell 24-5.

● **MATRIX commercial champs final round, Barston:** Wayne Sharman 73-14, John Arthur 62-14, John Jenkins 62-8. Series winner Adam Waklin 5 points,

Arthur and Sharman both on 7.

● **FLORE & Brockhall, Tofts:** Jim Tanser 71lb, Dave Ayres 55lb, Ray Ayres 48lb...and club super-vet Ken Cadd fell in!

● **WHITE Heart Flore midweek, Barby Mill:** Tom Griffiths 54lb, Terry Griffiths 42lb, Ron Collins 38lb.

● **MILL Lane, Tunnel Barn:** Alan Byrnes 46-12, Kevin Louw 37-10, Steve Johnson 36-14.

● **CROCKETT & Jones, Waterloo:** Gerry Wilmot 45-10, Mark Romain 40lb, John Underwood 26lb.

● **PHIL Wintle** made second in Monday's Furzton charity fest open with 52-3. Geoff Ringer was third in the midweek vets' open with 28-6.

● **STANWICK's** flush of 20s continues with the best-of-week Josh's 24lb common, his second PB in two weeks.

● **FIXTURES:**

Sun (4th) Bedford Hospital Cup Ouse open, 01234 741942.

● **Sep 18, Olney's Citizen Ouse Cup** - up to £1,000 (£500 guaranteed) in prizes and only 60 tickets so when they're gone they're gone! - 01234 240061.

● **Furzton Fest: Sep 10, Ladies (Tear Drop 2)** 01908 320007; Sep 23-25 carp open, 01908 313158.

● **Sep 24 British canal pairs champs heat Peartree Bridge,** 01159 061301 or [www.anglingtrust.net](http://www.anglingtrust.net)

● **Oct 16, Towcester open, Castlethorpe cut,** 01908 563617.

● **CARP date, Sep 21: Drayton's 'new boards' swims** (normally restricted to over-nighters) open for the day, 7am onwards, to pensioners, disabled anglers and their carers ■



■ **THIS 10lb 'wild' salmon** lived up to its label - smashing Dave Miles' trout-sized flyreel to pulp!