

## Black Horse win 'Ashby winter league, again...

# As RAF soar clear of the rest

**THE only REAL question hanging over this year's Castle Ashby AT league has been answered...RAF came second.**

Black Horse, with such a lead that they couldn't really lose had they tried, trotted home series winners – leaving the fly-boys final-round winners to cement their best-of-the-rest ranking.

Sunday's leg, delayed a week due to the venue icing over, saw 'Ashby A Team's Mark Moody top on the day with 23-8 from the Brickyard, while RAF's Mark Dalziel put together a superb 19-13 rudd net on Scotland pond.

'Ashby A's Mick Hewlett had 19-11 with Royal Mail's Frank Pizamenti on 19-4 and Browning's Grant Howie on 19lb.

Top teams on the day: RAF 48, Black Horse 46, Browning 44.

Final League: 'Horse 11, RAF 14, Milton Keynes 19, Browning 21, Royal Mail Northampton 29, 'Ashby A Team 22, 'Ashby Youth 41.

● SATURDAY's rain saw Olney's Ouse come into top silverfish form as 19 rods totalled 151lb! Paul Caton won with 14-8. Neil Shearn had 13-5-8, Pete Hawley 13-3-8 and Steve Bull 13-0-8. Chub anglers were doing well too, with numerous fish to 6-9 caught.

● POST frosts Stanwick has been on a roll with a clutch of 20s to 29-15 (Tom Taylor) while Chris Dodd had five bream to 8lb. CBS Baits' works outing to Drayton saw 27 rods net over 200 fish to 27lb.

● RINGERS Pairs, Boddington: Phil Ringer top individual 88lb and top pairing with bro Steve on a perfect 2 points, Chris Hill and Lee Jepson 3, Shaun and Carl Conny 4 points. Next week's is already sold out!

● WHITE Hart Flore: Sun, Flecknoe, Dave Griffiths 86-12, Ken Andrews 63-3, Steve Johnson 55-1; Wed, Lakeside, Tom Griffiths 48lb, Tony Perrin 15-9, John Tee 9-6.

● BISHOPS Bowl: Sun, Suzie White 39-10, Dave Smart 28-12, Pete Upton 11-14; midweek, John Balhatchett 16-4, 'Frank' 14-4, Pete Carper 13-8.



■ TOWN's Martin Wright with 15lb Ringstead trout fishery pike



■ BRADLEY Wegner with 24lb Stanwick mirror

● GLEBE fur & feather, Peatling Parva: Colin Sandle 13-2, Dave Jones 11-13, Paul Latter 8-2.

● TOWCESTER/Nene, DATS' Castlethorpe canal (mostly skimmers) John Balhatchett 11-9 Andy Kimpton 8-12 Paul Minney 8-3-8.

● FINEDON fur & Feather, Ringstead shallows, Nene (river rose 15 inches during match): Dave Edwards 8-9, Nigel Roberts 7-11, Paul Laflin 7-4.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Brockhall bridge canal (all roach) Terry Smith 2-13, Ray Ayres 2-3, Steve Smith 1-1 ■

### Obituary

SAD news: Ian McNeil, who some will have seen working the canal with his MEM Fisheries company, passed away last week as did national specimen-world figure Tony Miles who died while fishing. A former Adams Mill regular, he once banked its British record barbel known as 'the traveller'