Local lads making catches to 200lb as...

Big bream come on the feed!

BREAM into double figures! Some see them as 'nuisance fish' grabbing baits intended for carp...others see them as cracking specimens well worth the catching.

If you are among the latter then figure out which local water Mike Green has been fishing because – in two successive trips – he's had catches topping 150lb and 200lb!

"I had fish from 8lb to just over 10lb – none quite making 11 – and a solitary 2lb roach, on groundbait feeder with maggott or worm on the hook," said Mike.

What puzzles him is that although the water is on an open ticket: "Each time I go I have it to myself. It is heaving with huge fish and I appear to be the only one bothering."

Conditions must be just right for superslabs as, on a local syndicate lake, *Gilders' staffer Pete Dixon has been netting them to 11lb* – plus an 8-4 tench. "I'd gone after carp but, with fish like these taking the baits,



third in Tove Valley's Lakeside open with 75-6 I really wasn't the least bit worried about not catching carp," he said.

And in an hour-long late-evening session in a torrential downpour, *Mike Sando had a big eight and a nine* on long-range feeder on another local reservoir. Must be just



Flore old geezers' rain-soaked midweek Dog Lane trip saw Tom Griffiths with 86-2 followed by Ted Adams 72-14 and

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• TOVE Valley, Lakeside: Kev Elliott 87-14, Graham Martin 84-12, Bryn Wignall 75-6.

• CASTLE Ashby: midweek, Brickyard, Courtney Hewlett 78-2, Bob Reed 4-4. Mick Hewlett 33-6

• MILL Lane, Wold Farm: Gary Abraham 56-11, Mark Wadhams 50-13, James McLory 46-10.

• TOWCESTER Vets, Barby Banks: George Cooke 52-4, Les Goodridge 48-8, George Mynard 30-8.

• CROCKETT & Jones, Dog Lane: Andy Kimpton 32-4, Kevin Stevens 22-12, Max Romaine 15-12.

• FLORE & Brockhall, Dog Lane: Terry Smith 27-8, Bert Isle 27lb, Bob Prowse 10-4.

• CASTLE spring league final, Canons: Geoff Rice 13-6, Steve Bettis 13-4, Ben Bell 11-7. Rice beat Bell to the title on weight

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right for the big'uns to be feeding?

• TWENTY pound-plus carp are feeding at Stanwick where Paul O'Toole had a 30-10, Nick Fiheldon a 27, Nathan Bartnic a 26 and Dan Salek a 24-6.

• SPORTS and Social found Pidley Magpie on the boil with Lee Cox top on 173lb ahead of Tony Granfield 119lb and Jim Broadbent 116lb. Nine anglers topped 100lb.