

Top spot in weekend's European feeder champs...

Brings Italian gold for Steve!

ANOTHER international match and another gold for Steve Ringer – top man in the weekend's Euro-feeder champs in Italy!

England fielded two four-man teams on the 90 metre wide Ostello canal (some pegs needed fishing right-up tight to the far bank!) and they finished one-two in the two-day event.

Hopefully that's a good omen for next month's 32-team world event, though there is always chance that other teams learned enough from England this time round to blunt their edge in the big one...

Steve won on the first day and topped his section on day-two with a mainly skimmers 24 kilo overall, while fellow Ringers Baits man Rob Wootton took the two-day bronze.

● **TOWN-lad** Dave Worthington's French trip saw him land mirrors pushing the 50 mark AND a superb 34-12 grass carp!



■ END of a long wait: Ade Watson's 20-3 Newport Pagnell Big Pit common

● STANWICK's fish-of-the-week was Matt Goodwin's 32lb Elsons common with Tom Orsagh getting two to 29-4 from the same lake. Robbie Lowe had eight to 21-8 on Mallard and Nick Baker seven to 21-8.

● SATURDAY is the start of the legal rivers season (and Astwell Mill) and, despite one of the wettest winters for a

while, the prospects really don't look all that good. Best of luck.

● HIS first outing since breaking his collar bone falling of a mountain bike (!) saw Gilders' Pete Dixon sharing a dozen carp to mid-doubles with Dan Todd in an after-work Castle Ashby session. Surface-fished dog biscuit did the business.

● ROYAL Oak, Tofts: John Jenkins 190-4, Grant Merritt 131-12, Ron Savage 113lb.



■ MUSCULAR torpedo: Dave Worthington with 34-12 French grass carp

● WHITE Hart Flore oldies, Tofts: Tom Grey 163-9, Ted Adams 137-1, Mick Howkins 102-4.

● SPORTS & Social (SAS), Decoy: Melvin Baxter 156lb, Dave Chamberlain 104lb, Steve Potter 103lb.

● WHITE Hart Flore, Barby Banks: David James 71lb, David Chapman 69-8, Mick Wheeler 54lb.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Barby Mill: Rob Rawlins (third win from four) 55lb, Bob Prowse 47lb, Mick Chambers 42lb.

● TOWCESTER Vets, Flecknoe: John Balhatchett 52-12, Dave Prodger 46-8, Ashley Jackson 32-2.

● CASTLE Ashby: Wed., Brickyard, Chris Camplin 19-12, Mick Hewlett 18-12, Ron Coles 14-8; Sat., Brickyard, Mark Moody 28-8, Hewlett 27-12, Ian Hutton 18-4; Sun., Grendon, Keith Garrett 45-12 (inc a 19lb carp), Chris Garrett 27-12, Camplin 25-10.

● CASTLE, Canons, silverfish: Paul Lafflin 19-1, Bob Spencer 10-4, John Lewis 9-8.

● NENE/Towcester, canal, Heyford: Paul Minney 10-2, Brian Ayliff 8-6, Bob Gill 7-12 ■