

Northants specialist group man...

Gets massive river perch!

FOLLOWING years of producing big perch – up to high 4s – the upper Ouse has finally done a credibly reported 5!

And the 5-2 monster – front-paged by the *Angling Times* – fell to Northants Specialist Group member Jamie Cartwright, a man with a long history of big fish captures.

He caught it on a lure after returning to a spot where he'd previously failed to do the business while bait-fishing...and also had a 3 and a 4.

Not surprisingly he is keeping quiet about where he caught it, but my guess is that a good starting area might well be the stretch controlled by Northampton Nene through to MKAA's Harrold section...but that is **ONLY** a guess.

● **DESPITE** the recent bitter weather Drayton came up trumps for Mainline Baits' Wayne Snodding and Peter Bean who shared more than 40 carp to high doubles while fishing wafers on the bottom.

Deadbaiting the same venue, Adam Moss had pike to 16lb.

● **STANWICK's** best of week was Adam Jenkins' 28-11



■ **DRAYTON** 16-pounder for Adam Moss

common, with Lee Baverstock getting a 21lb mirror.

● **WELLINGBOROUGH** (WDNAC) are celebrating their 150th anniversary starting with a roving pike and perch match on Mill Cotton, February 10, call 07971 389428 to book.



■ **ANGLING Times** showcase for Jamie Cartwright's mega Ouse perch

● **MIKE Green DID** catch his eighth Nene 20lb pike, as reported last week, but due to a misunderstanding the fish pictured was actually a smaller one.

● **RINGER Pairs, Boddington:** Phil Ringer top weight, 112lb, and with bro Steve won on 3 points. Jake Howarth and Darol Newman had four as did Vince Battams and Paul Scrivener who went third on weight.

● **WELLINGBOROUGH canal winter league opener, Theddingworth:** Carl Smith, Browning Central, 9-6-5, Dave Warby, Welly A, 8-10, W. Nixon, MK, 6-11. Top team, Browning Black.

● **WHITE Hart Flore:** midweek Dog Lane, Dave Walker 28lb,

Gary Muddiman 17-5, Trevor Griffiths 6-6; Sun., Flecknoe, Muddiman 85-7, Steve Johnson 48-15, Griffiths 45-15.

● **CASTLE Ashby, Brickyard,** Chris Garratt 18-8, Keith Garratt 13-12, Frank Pizamenti/ Pete Gibson both 11lb; Grendon, Alan West 29-12, Mark Davis 24-10, Richard Dunkley 17-12.

● **FLORE & Brockhall, silverfish, Barby Banks:** Mick Chambers 18-13, Rob Rawlins 6-10, Tony Ward 6lb.

● **OLNEY Ouse:** open, Tuesday, Pete Laughton (over 100 silvers) 8lb, Dave Partridge 5-7, Graham Prince 4-4; club's Knight Shield, Paul Caton 8-15, Gary Underwood 7-4, Kevin Osborne 6-3.

● **TOWCESTER Vets, canal, Heyford:** Graham Prince (120 roach) 6lb, Graham Martin 4-8, John Balhatchett 0-5.

● **NENE/Towcester, canal, Blisworth tunnel:** Dave Gibbins 3-10, Rob Pottinger 3-4, Baz Eaton 2-14 ■

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