

Big chub nets light up a week which saw so many struggling

RIGHT place, right result, WRONG time! That was John Cramer on Whittings, midweek, practising for an Abbey Lads match.

Poling maggot on a size 14 he jumped the gun with no less than 15 chub for 42lb – all from the same swim – but come Sunday's sweep he could only manage one (4-10) and some perch for 10-4...

But that was still enough for a win. Dave Willock was second, two chub in the last 10 minutes for 5-6, with Dave Smith on 4-9.

■ OVER on Towcester's Tove Graham Martin (pictured right) also had a midweek ball, Thursday, with 10 chub to 4-4 for 33-8. Half a pint of leftover caster did the trick.

■ BREAM came on feed with a bang despite low water temperatures when Alders Farm regulars fished a trial match on the complex's barely completed new Oaks lake.

Gary 'Picasso' Thorpe came out top with 54-9 on poled pellet with fish to 6lb as Martin Greene maggot feedered 46lb ahead of Bill Beeson's 40lb of carp and rudd.

■ THREE pegs in a row on the Ouse at Stony dominated MKAA's winter league second round with Steve Schubert, MK Angling Centre Black out front with 19-9 of chub to 4lb for 18-9. GoneFishin's Paul Abott had a 2-13 perch and enough punch-roach for 13-15 at the next peg with Don King, Amphill Blue, on 8-7 one peg above him.

'Angling Centre were top team with two section firsts and

two seconds for 26 points, as 'Fishin (ahead on weight) tied with Olney on 19.

MKAC lead at the halfway stage, 43 points, ahead of 'Fishin 39 and Team Raiders 35. Lots of tackle was damaged by the high winds.

■ FOURTEEN-pounds of Tove dace gave John Broughton the money in Towcester's match as Tosh Saunders made second with a 2-3 chub and Andy Jones had 1-3.

E m l y n Hughes had an 8lb carp from 15 inches of water on the club's Bairstows lake, where 400 less-than-a-pound carp have just been stocked.

■ NIGEL Steele (left) topped MK Vets' midweek Riverside, Newport, sweep with 10-10 on stickfloat as Mick Hefferon landed 7-3 and John Harvey 4-12.

■ CALVERT'S Stony Main match saw Roy Ash and Dave Lewis tie on 7-1 with John Weatherall on 1-14.

■ DOWNSTREAM, on Stony Island, Brian Cooke peaked in Beacon's do with 3-1 followed by Austin Maddock 1-13 and John Harvey 1-7.

■ AND finally... it had to happen to SOMEONE. All 10 rods finished top – or bottom – in Towcester Vets' do on Olney's Ouse...as not one of them had a bite!

■ FIXTURES: Sunday: Newport's Riverside and Castle Meadow, MKAA's Ouse around Stony closed for matches. May 5, Terrie Tapp memorial open, Tofts, organised by Bucko 01327 351780.



● Golden oldie Graham Martin, watched by Ronnie and Rebecca Goodridge whose dad, Mick, took the picture, shows off 10 caster chub to 4-4 for 33-8 from Towcester's Tove.



● MK Vets' winner Nigel Steele. Pic John Hewison