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Help town lads up for Drennan cup!

THREE town lads are up for this year's Drennan Cup – and a share of the £3,750 prize money!

And one of them, Jamie Cartwright who could seemingly catch monsters in a water butt, is in TWICE – for a 4-9 Ouse perch in February AND a 15-15 River Nene record barbel in October.

Also in with a chance are Raphael Kyte with his 7-11 December Ouse chub, and good old boy Mike Green with a 30-4 Chew Valley pike on fly last July.

Now it is all down to how many people vote for them (and a raft of other finalists) by emailing stephen.stones@bauermedia.co.uk or calling 01733 395099 in the *Angling Times*-run com-petition.

Personally, I wouldn't vote for anyone refusing to declare WHICH water they'd had their fish from...which would leave the town lads in and a great many others out.

Good luck Jamie, Raphael and Mike.

Mine's a Murphys if you win!

● Courtney Hewlett had Castle Ashby's Brickyard bream queuing up in Saturday's match, netting 34, despite the chill weather, for 76lb. Mick Hewlett had 26-2 and Mick Waddham 19-2.

Wednesday had seen grandpa Mick top with 28-12 from the 'yard as Ian Hutton had 25-6 and Frank Pizmenti 18-12. Dick Rogers won, Sunday, on Grendon with 15-12 followed by Josh Line 14-14 and Andy Jones 12-12.

● An ad hoc bank holiday Monday Meadowlands do saw Tim Bull with 65-4 as Ian Lillystone had 38-14 and Mick Bull 36-8. The brothers Bull were runaway top pair.

● Good weights rewarded White Hart Flore's their ice-breaking at Barby Banks as Tom Griffiths caught 65lb, beating Drew Adams 49-14 into second with Gary Muddiman on 39-13.

● Despite 7 degrees of frost overnight, Bishops Bowl came good with a stream of double-figure nets led by Andy Pell 61-6. Mick Wheeler had 36lb and Joe Roberts

34-10. The venue's Mitre pool is producing a stream of doubles for specci types.

● TOWCESTER, Peatling Pools: Mick Goodridge 18lb, Darren Pannell 12lb, 'Ferret' Keele 10lb.

● CASTLE, silverfish, Canons: Stuart Cheetham 9-10, John Lewis, 6-14, Bob Spencer 4-12.

● TOWCESTER vets, Stockton: Gerald Greene 5-5, John Balhatchett 1-8, Mick Read 1-1.

● COTTON Club, Flore canal: Russ Lay (1 bite, 1 perch), Marcus Annable 0-13, John Kirton 0-8.

● FIXTURES: this weekend Carpin Capers re-starts opening Sunday mornings;

Monday, Nene AGM, 7.30, Yeomen of England, Wootton; April 11, 8pm, Abington Park AC AGM at Old Northamptonians;

April 12, Olney AGM, 8pm, Two Brewers, Olney.

April 14, MK teams of 4 canal league start 07703 556788.

April 17, Castle AGM, 8pm, Far Cotton WMC ■



■ FLASHBACK: Jamie Cartwright's 15-15 Nene barbel puts him in the running for this year's Drennan Cup



■ IT was SO cold when Richie Evans banked this double that his electronic scales burst before he could weigh it

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