

# Cooling winds start bringing Furzton bream back on feed

**BREAM on-the-lead catches were suddenly back in fashion in the latest MKAA summer league round on Furzton, Sunday.**

The brief dominance of hot-weather big roach nets ended as stiff breezes stirred things up and began to get the slabs back into feeding mode.

Maver MK Black's Dave Martin won with 29-4 on the tip, with Matchgroup Green team stablemate Paul Barnes on 25-11 and Team Caster's Gary Britton 22-14.

But the roach weren't entirely 'off' as GoneFishin's Phil Bardell made fifth with 20-2 of redfins.

MK Black were top on the day, 26 points, with 'Green second and Amphthill third. With one round left MK Green lead on 56 points, with 'Black on 55 and MK Angling Centre 51.

■ Fishing boilie on Tear Drops 4 brought Martin Kingston this 21lb common, pictured, at the weekend.

■ DATS' Lodge lake evening saw Lee Jones net seven bream for 30-1-8 as Roy Hefferon had 22lb and Phil Bardell 10-12.

■ Calvert's Hill Cottage farm sweep went to Jim Lewis with 58-8 of carp and rudd. Tony Richardson had 37-9 and Barry Witteridge 28-5.

■ When city lad Neil Riddy organised a two-day festival, he decided Rolf's lake, Wheatley, ticked all his boxes...and a good time was had by all.

Dave Whightman won overall with a perfect 2 point score and had the best weight of the weekend at 211-4. Andy Quarmbly and Paul Jay both finished on 3. Neil was 3rd on day two with 137-9.

■ MK vets found Brackley's park lake dour, midweek, and half of

them did not weigh. Ernie Sattler had 10-8 of roach, Ken Mott 7-14 of bream, and Paul Barnes 5-6.

■ Mick Hefferon topped Linford's Wilderness canal sweep with 5-13, followed by Ben Hough 4-9 and his granddad, John, 4-2.

■ Towcester demolished Flore & Brockhall on the latter's Brock'all bridge cut. Darren Pannell won with 4-15 and Les Goodridge was third for Tows with 1-12 as the visitors took five of the top six spots.

■ Anyone got a REALLY long memory? Back in the early 80s... Newport ran 'float-only' matches for the Don Wills trophy. Now Don would like it back to use for a charity series. Anyone who knows where it is can call him on 07531 966008.

■ The recent blisteringly-hot spell pushed dissolved oxygen content of water in the narrow neck of the non-fishing bird sanctuary Tear Drop lake down to just 1 per cent, two weeks back, killing an estimated 300 or so small fish.

Environment Agency staff re-oxygenated the water using chemicals, while MKAA head bailiff Bill Bradshaw and member Alf Farrow rescued a similar number, moving them into TD 2, after Barry Lamb had raised the alarm.

■ **FIXTURES:** Saturday, Tear Drops 1 & 2 closed noon to 6pm; Aug 13, Olney Ouse open 01234 240061.



● **Martin Kingston with 21lb Tear Drops common**

## FURZTON FESTIVAL DATES

- Aug 21: vets open, 01908 565446
- Aug 23: open for Disabled, 01908 608944
- Aug 24: 'float only' open

& ● Aug 26 bank holiday open, call 01908 506678 for both.

- Sept 4 youth open Bletchley boatyard canal,
- Sept 7 ladies open, Furzton and
- Sept 8 mixed pairs open, Tear Drops – call 01908 320007 for all three.

Matches, catches, even rough patches? If there's a tale to tell call Trevor Johnson on 01908 270000 (office) or 07801 183381 or email [angling@intermediauk.com](mailto:angling@intermediauk.com) (click link to email)