

# Rising star Buchwalder cruises to Drennan final - with 452lb carp net

**EVER-rising city star Michael Buchwalder is on a real roll – making it though to the Drennan KO Cup final AND framing in a world championship!**

He did the former in style... bagging 452lb to win a four-man, five hour, semi on a Worcestershire carp lake.

Now the national title – plus £5,000 – is his for the taking... if he beats Lee Kerry in a two-day, two-man head-to-head at Leominster in a week's time.

With £1,000 for the runner-up, even the loser of that clash gets a decent payout. Good luck Mike.

And he finished fifth individual, last week, in the 130 peg five-matches-in-five-days on five venues World Pairs Angling champs in Ireland (don't you just love the Irish, unable to get a recognised world champs, they create their own?).

With it being mostly a small fish series former MK youth and Matchgroup member Michael (pictured below with one of his bigger fish) totalled 93 kilo (200lb plus) as Phil Bardel accumulated 55 kilo to make them 12th pair overall.



● Michael Buchwalder enjoying a share of the Irish action

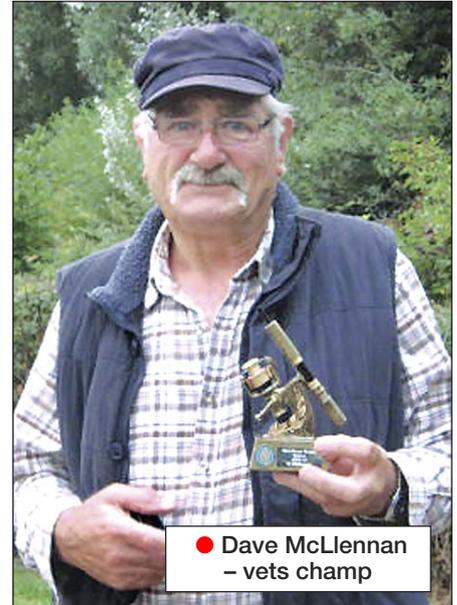
■ Further up the age scale, GoneFishin's Gary Underwood has won national gold – as top individual (with 119-12 of carp) in the Civil Service national champs on a Notts lake. He'd qualified to represent the Eastern Region, a team which finished 6th from 11.

■ And – a tad older still – Dave McLennan (pictured top right) picked up this year's Ted Brown trophy for gathering the most points in the past year's MK vets matches.

This week's vets', on Stony Main, saw Ernie Sattler with 8-6 – mainly punch river-roach – ahead of Bob Gale 6-10 and Tony Richardson 5-15.

■ Maver MKAA travelled into East Anglia's 'flatlands' to fish the Eastern Region Shield on the Tydd St Giles North Level, and came home 11th from 19.

■ MKAA's Furzton club get-together ended with DATS' Paul Hamilton netting



● Dave McLennan – vets champ

28-10 of shoal bream on worm, followed by club-mate Mick Harnett 15-7-8 and Kingfisher's Keith Harrison with a mostly roach 14-8.

■ Towcester's Mick Goodridge made 4th in Sunday's Nene canal open at Grafton willows, with 5-4.

■ OLNEY'S Tuesday Ouse open: Pete Hawley 9-9, Graham Prince 8-15, Don 'golden oldie' Wills 7-5 including a 5lb tench.

■ CALVERT (15-6) v Buckingham (11-8), Woodfield lake: Dave Lewis (B) 7-14, Barry Witteridge (C) 7-7, John Weatherall (C) 7-3.

■ LINFORD, Bolbeck Park cut: Mick Hefferon 4lb, John Hough 3-15-8, Dave Tysoe 2-8.

■ FIXTURES: Sunday, Citizen cup, Olney's Ouse, guaranteed £500 top prize, only four tickets left, 07795 124165; Sat Sept 28, MKAA individual league round, Furzton, 07703 556788; October 6, Towcester open, Navvi cut, 07915 613862.

## OBITUARY

■ Sadly, Jeff Palmer, who helped get the original Black Horse (then Linford pub-based) matchgroup into being in the early 70s, has passed away aged 68 following a lengthy illness. Though having wide-ranging skills, he was at his best as a canal matchman, fishing with Stony Stratford and the Galleon as well as the 'orse. He leaves a wife and family.

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