

MK's Terry set to carry the flag for England in world veterans champs

FINGERS crossed for city lad Terry Lancaster – headed for sunny Italy, the world veterans' championships...and his sixth England cap in a row!

And it could be a real challenge, even by the globe-trotting 'super-vet's' standards, as the host river can vary overnight between wide, deep, channel and roaring mega torrent.

His target species, in just over a week's time, will be bleak, chub and small carp...though there is always chance of a pole-smashing, rig-wrecking big catfish blundering in on the action.

With only a couple of days scheduled practice to 'sus' it in, Terry (pictured right) said: "Apparently we're likely to need 20 gramme 'lollipop' floats on good days – and 50 gramme floats when it is in flood."

Imagine that: pole fishing for bleak with floats carrying almost TWO ounces of lead!

Furzton Festival regular Dave Roberts, from nearby Northampton, will also be in the England squad. Here's the best of British to them both.

■ TWO other city likely lads having a ball in foreign climes were Craig Carder (pictured) and Paul Housego who got among the 'big mesdames' carp on a trip to the South of France where they had fish to 40lb (Craig) and 38lb (Paul).

■ MUCH nearer home Osprey had a wild time of their own on Lakeside just outside Towcester, bagging almost a tonne of carp, chub and barbel between them – with eight weights over 100lb. Keith Stent won on 207-12 as Chris Lovelock netted 195-8 and Ian Millin 166lb.

■ GONEFISHIN's Steve Roe had his second MKAA summer league win on the trot when he topped Sunday's Furzton second round with 30-9 – followed by Maver MK Black's Dave

Martin 29-7 and Kingfisher's Keith Harrison 27-7.

GoneFishin were top on the day, 33 points, with Tackle Hub Gold on 28 and their Silver stablemates on 27. The same three teams lead the series in exactly the same order.

■ REPORTING through Willards, 'Mark' has been getting tench to 7-8 at Bradwell Lake while, reporting through GoneFishin, Julie and Mark Willis-Crompton had carp to 16lb on a Furzton trip.

■ TOWCESTER/Nene, Bishops Bowl: Darren Pannell 53-4, John Balhatchett 40lb, Simon Cordingley 38-4.

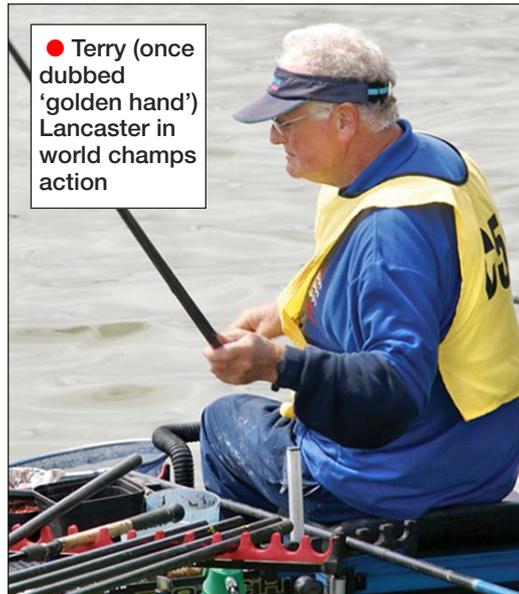
■ MK VETS, Linford Fisheries: Tony Richardson 27-6, John Harvey (next peg) 26-9, Bob Gale 15-4.

■ NEWPORT, Sherington bridge Ouse: Paul Abbott (with an otter in his swim for part of the match) 14-6 of silvers, Mick Burrell 11-15, Myles Phillips 9-2.

■ DATS evening league, flat calm Furzton: Richard Lattimer 5-13, Paul Chapman 2-15, Mark Morgan 2-15.

■ OLNEY, Ouse: Pete Hawley (4th club win in a row) 5-11, Dave Walsh 3-6, Graham Prince 3lb.

■ LINFORD, Bird's bridge canal: Tom Hefferon (3rd club win in a row) 8-2, his dad 'Didder' 6-6, Chris Smith 4lb.



● Terry (once dubbed 'golden hand') Lancaster in world champs action



● Craig Carder and 40lb French lump

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