

'Town's world vet needs to do what the Romans do - only BETTER - so...

Good luck Joe - and go boy go!

WITH star-dust still settling on the gold-winning brothers Ringer (last week's world feeder championships) – another 'town angler could soon be bringing home MORE global golds!

Super-vet Joe Roberts (right) has been picked for England, the third year in a row, for next weekend's world vets champs in Rome.

The Tiber is a mighty, mucky, river which the Romans were using for sewage disposal more than 2,000 years ago and, often in spate, can mean polefishing with 'lollipop' floats carrying TWO ounces of lead...

Target species include barbel, cats, carp and bream. "It is going to be a bit alien to us, and beating the Italians in Italy is a tall order; it depends on how 'peggy' it is on the day," said Joe.

Newport man Terry Lancaster will also be in the squad.

With '20 or 30' international medals from the days when he managed England's vets – and a silver in Portugal last week as England youth side boss – Joe won world individual vets' gold at his first attempt, with our lads top team, in 2012.

Now he has it all to do again. So let's hear it from 'town's legion of angling grumbly crumbles: Good luck Joe – and go boy go!

● THERE's no stopping Steve Ringer: fresh from winning double gold on Ireland's Inniscarra he was paralysing a Blythe Water British stillwaters' champs qualifier – winning with a venue record-busting 191-6 of 'dobbed' carp (72-10 was 2nd).

● AMAZING what is in the cut. Two weeks back Pete Davis caught a 4lb golden orfe. This week Chris Siddall (right) had a 14-4 'cat', having had them from the MK canal to 30-2 in the past.

● STANWICK produced a clutch of 20s again this week, headed by Tom Robbins' 32-8.

● THREE hours 'on the stick' on Newport's in-form Ouse saw Paul Abbott net 20lb+ of silvers. Happy days.

● COUNTY vets, Browns Farm: Geoff Rice 124lb, Pat Neil 89-8, Dave Smart 81-4.

● WHITE Hart Flore, Spring Pools: Saturday, Paul Washbrook 94lb and Mark Tottingham 70lb won the pairs and top individual spots; Sunday, Gary Muddiman 101lb, Tottingham 84lb, Mick Wheeler 76lb.

● DAVENTRY, Barby Banks: Paul Knapman 92-12; Kevin Folwell 90-2, Jake King 84-14.

● CASTLE Ashby, Grendon, Sunday: Gary Millward 84-2, Charlie Bee 78-4, Keith Garrett 44-6.

● TOWCESTER vets, Dog Lane: Gerald Green 84-14, George Cooke 73-4, John Balhatchett 69-11.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Barby Banks: Brian Johnson 21lb, Rob Rawlins 17-10, Paul Humphries 13lb.

● TOWCESTER, Castlethorpe canal: Les Goodridge 9lb, Mick Goodridge 8-2, Darren Pannell 5lb.

● OLNEY juniors, Ouse, 3 hours: Charlie Mynard 7-10, brother Jamie 3-10, brother Joe 2-12.

● FIXTURE: Sunday August 10, Newport river open, 07795 068428 ■



■ GOLDEN oldie Joe Roberts – looking to bring MORE world golds back to town!



■ CANAL cat ace Chris Siddall with his latest conquest, a 14-4