

Matchman's mad dash for extra net as bream keep on feeding!

MILL Road canal came alive for matchman Bob Gale – so much so he left his peg and dashed off to buy an extra keepnet!

He had drawn a swim fair fizzing with feeding fish and, convinced he was in danger of disqualification for breaking the '40lb maximum per net' rule, shot off to his Tackle Hub sponsor for another.

He finished up with 29-8 – a big weight by any standards and more than enough for a runaway win in Saturday's MKAA individual league round, with runner-up Pete Patton on 8-1 and Ernie Sattler 6-13-8.

But it could have been oh-so different ...with his time away costing him the event. Moral: always carry a spare net – even on the cut...you never know what it might turn up!

■ The same can be said for river weirpools like the one at Olney, where the Hewer family targeted big fish. Uncle Tom lost a good barbel on pellet before nephew Callum switched to lob... and within seconds hooked the 5-9 pike (pictured) on 5lb line and size 14. The lad was well chuffed.

■ SO was Andy Bostic, pictured, with the early-morning 22lb Tear Drops common, pictured.

■ FRIENDS and former MK Angling Centre customers will be pleased to hear that Brian Haynes is getting back on the bank and had perch of 3-2 and 2-10 plus bream to 8lb and tench to 6lb in a recent lake stint.

■ OSPREY's Ed Blaine won two of the club's matches (different lakes at Pidley) in one weekend – both with exactly 110lb. The first raised £500 for Help the Heroes With Chris Lovelock on 91lb and Ian Millin 81lb. The other saw Neil Riddy on 48lb and Tony McGregor 41-8.

■ MK vets, Lodge Lake: Ernie Sattler 24-3, Alan Ford 11lb, Derek Bishop 10-15. Would all future entrants please 'book in' on 01869 277660 to enable better pegging.

■ NEWPORT open, Ouse: Paul Abbott 19-7 (silver fish), Tony Sinfield 14-14, Pete Hawley 10-9.



● Andy Bostic with Tear Drp 22



● Young Callum Hewer with Ouse weirpool surprise

■ POTTERSURY, local lake: (one carp each) Colin Meakins 21lb, Mick Goodridge 18-4, Graham Martin 17-4.

■ TOWCESTER, Wappenham Water: Paul Minney 14-10, Kevin Nightingale 14lb, Chris Howard 11-8 (all roach).

■ MK Festival ladies open, Tear Drops: (raised £60 for Willen Hospice) Leanne

Knott 9-15, Nuala Gray 8-14, Sandra Brennan 1-15.

■ LINFORD, Wharf canal: John Hough 3-7, Mick Hefferon 3-6, Ron Dorrell 2-12.

■ DATS, Stony Main, Ouse: Lee Jones 5-15-4, John Harvey 4-12, Alan Ford 4-4-8.

■ FIXTURES: Starting 6pm tomorrow (Friday) evening, 48-hour Mount Farm match in memory of Geraldine Haynes (MK Angling Centre) call 07446 935635; Sept 20, Newport Ouse open 07795 068428.

Sept 26, GoneFishin 36 hour Furzton Fest carp match – 01908 313158 – plus Nash Tackle roadshow (free entry) on 'the point' inc casting clinic, bait-making, tuition etc.

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