

Town's Phil and Steve star yet again as...

England bring home the gold!

GOLDEN boys Phil and Steve Ringer have helped Team England to world feeder-fishing championships top spot – for the second year in a row!

And Phil helped seal that victory with a last-gasp bream which saw England beat the French to the gold by just half a point...

Both brothers were also among eight rods tying for individual gold on three points (first in section one day, second the other) but finished fourth and sixth overall on weight.

The two-day match was staged on a vast Dutch ship canal – so far removed from the Grand Union that it carries ocean-going vessels generating an eight-foot wash, with mullet, flounders and crabs among the residents of its brackish depths.

France had been three points clear in the closing minutes of the second day when Phil bagged a decent bream, and team-mate Adam Wakelin had another in the dying seconds. It was that close!

Well done lads. Many more golds and you will have to rent a safety deposit box...if you haven't got one already.

- OSPREY, Lakeside, Towcester: Ed Blaine 219lb, Chris Lovelock 158lb, Gareth Price 146lb.
- ROYAL Mail Northampton, Peatling Parva: Jim Wilmott 122-4, Dave Gibbs 93-12, Joe Roberts 91-8.
- WHITE Hart Flore, Flecknoe: Pete Scott 120lb, Mark Tottingham 65lb, Dave Walker 56lb.
- MEADOWLANDS, Tuesday open: Chris Harrison 98-12, Wayne Sharman 83-8, Mick Bull 78-12.

- TOWCESTER Vets, midweek, Barby Marshes: Tom Griffiths 56lb, Ron Collins 42lb, Gerald Green 23-12.

- CASTLE Ashby: Brickyard, Wednesday, Frank Pizamenti 45-2, Chris Garrett 44lb, Mick Hewlett 28lb; Saturday, Brickyard, Mark Moody 43-8, Pizamenti 34lb, Hewlett 28lb; Grendon, Sunday, Garrett 52lb, Richard Garrett 26-12, Gary Millward 18-12.

- FLORE & Brockhall, Dennetts: Bert Isle 43lb (winning £50 on the golden peg), Kelly Humpries 32-2, Rob Rawlins, for once a victim of his own 'super accurate' scales...32lb.

- TOWCESTER, Silverlake: Gerald Green 38-4, John Balhatchett 37-8, Bob Eales 37lb. Darren Pannell, on a flyer', hooked 11 carp but landed none!

- FINEDON, Rushton Lake: John Sumpter 40-14, Chris Evans 40-6, Roger Brain 33-10.

- MOBBS Miller, Stretton Lakes: Jim Broadbent 33-12, Tony Granfield 32-11, Stan Atter 31-14.

- MILL Lane AC, Shearsby Valley Lakes: Jim McClorey 29-15, 'Mac' 26lb, Scott Treacher 24-12.

- DATS' evening do, Black Horse canal, MK: Mark Haynes 27-13, tench and bream, Nigel Steele 21-9, Paul Chapman 8-10.

- ABINGTON AC, park lake: Vince Battams 17lb, Richard Hawkes 4-12, Malc Bunyard 3-12.

- CASTLE, Crescent Lake: John Lewis 9-7, Fred Prior 9-4, Bob Spencer 8-4.

- OLNEY junior cup, Ouse: Joe and Jamie Mynard 4-4 and 4-3, Dylan Bull 2-6.

- FIXTURE: Olney Ouse open, Sunday, 01234 240061 ■



■ **INSET pictures:** Some canal! This monster swim-wrecker comes within 25 metres of a peg, note fishing gear bottom right; and Phil goes canal crabbing, Dutch style

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