

# New 'dads-and-lads' style dayticket fun-fishery opens

**A**SHLANDS – the new 'dads-and-lads' style dayticket-carp fishery between MK Stadium and Mount Farm industrial estate – opened yesterday (Wednesday).

A joint venture between MKAA and the Parks Trust, the fishery has initially seen two of the four 'community lakes' stocked with hundreds of 1lb-3lb carp.

Fishing is open to anyone buying a ticket and obeying strict behaviour rules. Under 12s are free but they must be accompanied by an adult, while all others can fish for £4 a day (MKAA members) and £7 for non-members.

Main fishing rules are simple: float only with one rod at a time, no surface baits, no keepnets or hooks larger than size 12, no using the bushes for anything other than bird-watching, fishing from permanent pegs only, and fishing only between 8am and 8pm.

Part of the stocking was paid for with an Environment Agency grant through the Angling Trust, and when the carp (the same fast growing strain used elsewhere by MKAA) have 'grown on' they will be moved to bigger city lakes, and replaced with new stock.

Parks Trust operations director Rob Riekie is pictured helping with the stocking, with MKAA's Phil Oxley, Mike Reveler, Gary Maton and supplier Lee.

■ GONEFISHIN co-proprietor Gary Underwood topped Sunday's first John Harvey memorial match, on the Black Horse Lake at Linford, at a gallop, with 36-8 of bream on feeder-fished worm and maggot.

Ian Pretty made runners-up spot, 13-4, while Dave Gisbourne was third on 10-12. Forty fished, raising £245 for the Air Ambulance. Well done you all.

■ ARRANS Lake was on fire for Osprey as Chris Lovelock

won with 280lb. Haydon Smith netted 160lb and Ed Blane 139lb.

■ AND John Balhatchett and Chris Howard had a good day with Towcester Vets at Flecknoe landing 98-8 and 91-8 respectively. George

Cooke had 34lb.

■ TOWCESTER, silverfish, Wappenham Water: Balhatchett 11-13, Bas Eaton 8-14, Bob Eales 8-10.

■ MK Vets, Black Horse: Roy Hefferon 10lb, Paul Chapman 8-2, Kevin Osborne 7-12.

■ ANDY Warren, Liam McMahon and Colin Harrison did a 24-hour stint on Furzton to share three good doubles, two 20s and a recently-stocked 'Supacarp'. Stuart Cowling had seven bream to 6-7 – his Furzton PB slab.

■ FIXTURES: Tues May 10, DATS' AGM 7.30 Stony

Football Club; May 15, Mill Farm open, 07854 649279; May 13-15 Carpin For Heroes at Linford Pits; May 29, first round Alders teams-of-three league, 07860 235655.



■ THE new Ashlands dayticket fishery opened yesterday (Wednesday) having been stocked with hundreds of chunky carp



■ DOES he EVER smile? Gary Underwood receiving the John Harvey memorial trophy from Sue Harvey.

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