

Ring-a-ding-ding! Ireland, Bishops Bowl & Ferry Meadows: the...

Ringers rule home AND away!

YOU have to hand it to the Ringer clan – home or away they are a major force to be reckoned with on ANY match scene!

Brothers Steve and Phil have just won €7,000 in a big Irish festival – while dad Geoff stayed home to clean up in a Bishops Bowl open and a Makins' midweek...as follow-ons from taking the Steel City title two weeks earlier.

A 100-peg five-day feeder festival on Ireland's vast Lough Inniscarra saw Steve in the lead – or pretty much thereabouts – from the off and, with the water's skimmer shoals keeping their heads down, he won with an all-up 52.100 kilo (almost 115lb) mostly roach.

The final day had seen him net almost 300 redfins for 13.7 kilo in a little over three hours...a faster catch-rate on FEEDER gear than many could sustain on the whip!

Phil managed to claim the last paying place in the frame – eighth with 44 kilo.

Seven grand is a lot of prize money – but if you want chance to clean-up you have to put up...and entry fees, travel, accommodation and so on probably cost the pair around £1,500 between them. Risky old way to make a living, or what?

● BACK home Geoff topped Bishops Bowl's open with 110-8 followed by Jason Shirley 72lb and Dave Smart on 71-8.

● STALKING the Ouse with a worm brought Carpin Capers' Dougie a 2-6 perch, Sunday.

● WITH only two rounds left it is still tight at the top in the Castle Ashby AT winter league with at least four teams still in with a shout.

Black Horse won Sunday's leg – followed home by MK and the RAF squads – and lead on eight points

overall with RAF on 10, MK on 13 and Browning 14.

RAF's Danny Hurst won with 33-1 as MK's Ian pretty had 18-4 and Royal Mail's Frank Pizamenti 16-2.

● WHITE Hart Flore, Tofts: Dave Griffiths 95lb, Rupert Wickham 85lb, Trevor Griffiths 83lb. Club's A series champ Dave Griffiths 161 points, B series Tom Newberry 210.

● MEADOWLANDS individual league second round: Steve Daly 42-8, Pete Caton 34-6, Dave Orrel 29-5. Wayne Sharman leads.

● COUNTY Vets, Canons: Ian Hutton 19-12, Alan West 9-10, Paul Lafflin 9-1.

● GLEBE, Dog Lane: Marcus Annable 18-10, Dave Jones 18-2, Dave Haddon 14-4.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Barby Marshes: Jim Tanser 12-4, Ken Cadd 11-7, Steve Smith 9-8.

● ABINGTON, Becketts Park Nene: Rus Coleman 5-5 (60 fish), Andy Weatherley 4-12 (70), Vince Battams 3lb (50).

● NENE, Stoke long pound cut: Pete Laughton 4-8, Dave Gibbins 3-6, Andy Kimpton 3-4.

● TOWCESTER, Hesketh open, Tove (desperately low and clear) Les Goodridge 2-4 of small silvers, Mick Goodridge 1-3 ■



■ OLD guys rule! Geoff Ringer with part of his 110lb Bishops Bowl winning weight



■ MILO Barber with his latest Stanwick 25

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