

League winners find...

Foxton roach in feeding frenzy

GOOD quality canal roach were on the feed for a league match at Foxton – while elsewhere most others were struggling to buy a frost-bitten bite!

Three pegs in a row produced all top three weights – with roach to 12 ounces – in Wellingborough's Barker league teams-of-four 47 entrant forth round.

Black Horse man Lee Newson won with an incredible 19-6-11 as Browning Grey's Norman Bradshaw netted 14-7-11 and Browning Central's Carl Smith 9-2.

Browning Grey topped on the day (45 points) followed Browning Central 9-2 and Wellingborough 34. Browning Central Xitan and 'Borough lead the league leaders with five points apiece.

● THE Nene at Islip gave Ian Smith two 7lb bream, while stalking the Ouse saw Den Reid land three chub to 5-4.

A similar approach brought Neil Richardson eight to 4-5 in three red-hot hours, and Olney man Kevin Osborne won a sweep on the Ouzel with 14-4 of roach!

● COUNTY man Sam Corteze topped Olney's Ouse midweek open with 8-0-4 which included a 6-3 chub on double PINKIE. Andy Webster had two 2lb+ perch and 10 roach for 7-6 with Alan Carr third on 6-4 of chublets. Les Wallace fifth with just one fish...a 3-0-8 perch!

● STANWICK produced a 19lb common for Josh Geoghan and a 17 for Jamie Flowers this week.

● MEADOWLANDS, teams-of-three third round: Ian Lillystone (Tornados) 85-10, Phil Bardell (MK) 49-9, Simon Fry (Garbolino) 49-6. Tornados top on the day and lead the league.

● CASTLE Ashby Sunday opens: Brickyard, Mick Bodilly 54-2, Mark Moody 14-10, Frank Pizamenti 11-8; Scotland, Mark Totttingham 22-10, Richard Lattimer 14-14, Pete Patton 12-10; Grendon, Chris Garratt 21-8, Pete Lovell 15-10, Richard Dunkley 11-12.

● COUNTY Vets, midweek, Canons: John Lewis 10-1, Dave Cantrell 8-4, John Richardson 6-3.

● FLORE & Brockhall, Barby Marshes, silverfish, teams-of-three third-round: Steve Barratt (Biltons) 6-14, Terry Smith (Regulars) 4-10, Fred Johnson (George) 4lb. Bilton lead league at halfway stage.

● TOWCESTER Vets, Bugbrooke canal: Tosh Saunders 5-12 (inc a 3lb perch), Grenville Read 4-11, Brian Ayliff 4-9.

● NENE-Towcester, Grafton canal: Andy Kimpton 1-1, Bas Eaton 0-14, Dave Gibbon 0-10 (all one perch each).

● TROUT: almost 50 rods turned out for Elinor's opening...and despite the weather achieved a 10.9 rod average with fish to 6-2.

● CRT's Stoke Bruerne open weekend saw over A THOUSAND people viewing a tank holding samples of local

fish species. A fantastic profile-raiser for fish and fishing among the general public! Nene coaches provided 'come and try' sessions for youngsters ■



■ IAN Smith with a brace of 7lb bream from the Nene at Islip. Picture by Chris Morehen



■ DEFYING the weather brought Den Reid three Ouse chub to 5-4