

Red hot session on Stanwick's Elsons sees Reis come...

Oh so close to a 30 - three times!

THREE times in a session Reis Kelly came oh so close to breaking the 30lb mark on Stanwick.

But each time fate cheated him out if that success – even though he twice landed fish most people would be proud of, all from Elsons.

The first whacked the scales round to 29-7, the second to 29-12...and then an equally large lump managed to throw the hook!

Dave Margerison did get a 30+ Elsons common, going 31-14. On Mallard Lewis Richards netted 13 fish to 24lb and Rob Murphy a 24-7.

● GILDERS' staffers Pete Dan and Danny shared 18 carp to 18lb during an evening session on Canons.

● BIGGIN Lake's carp were on feed for Matt Grant as he won Sport's & Social's sweep with 205lb ahead of Stuart Cheetham 71lb and Jim Broadbent 66lb.

● *WHO said canal matches are dead? For the second year in a row, MKAA's canal spring league – featuring a number of county teams – has got off to a flier with 56 entrants (14 teams).*

Sunday's opener saw some decent weights despite the post-Easter boat traffic and prowling zander...

Drennan Oxford's Ian Young had top weight at 9-6, Black Horse Red's Ade Stokes 9-5, Browning Central's Mick Hodgetts 7-13 and Hotrods' Richard Durrance 7-12.

Top teams: 'Horse Black 15, Browning Northants Black 22, Browning Central and Lakes Lane Lads both 25.

● TOVEVALLEY, Lakeside: Paul Barnes 91lb, Dave Gibbins 49lb, Terry Davis 43lb.

● WHITE Hart Flore's 'oldies' Dog Lane midweeker went to Trevor Griffiths on 62-8 with Tom Griffiths on 38-10 and Glen Tilson 29lb, while Sunday's club do at Bishops Bowl fell to Dave

Griffiths on 36lb with Mick Wheeler on 29lb and Andy Sibley 26-8.

● FLORE & Brockhall's Rob 'I'm a star' Rawlins has topped his second club match in a row, this time with 61lb from Barby Banks. Jim Tanser had 43lb and Terry Smith 42lb.

● TOWCESTER Vets, Flecknoe: J o h n Balhatchett 42-12, Grenville Reid 32-10, Brian Aycliffe 29-12.

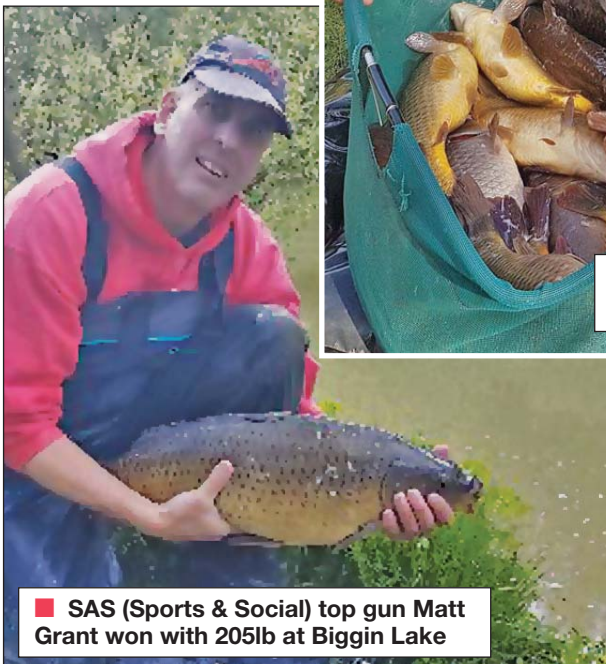
● CASTLE Ashby: Monday, Brickyard, Courtney Hewlett 49-10, Mick Boddily 19-6, Steve Smith 12-4; Sat., Brickyard, Chris Garratt 33-10, C Hewlett 33lb, Keith Garratt 17-8; Sun., Grendon, Richard Dunkley 28-6, Kevin Follwell (145 silverfish) 27-12, Kevin Taylor 19-6.

● COUNTY Vets, Canons, midweek: Alan West 18lb, Jeff Rice 13-11, Bob Spencer 11-14.

● **IF YOU haven't bought a new rod licence yet...probably best not go out until you have. Having already toured MK – five 'collars' from 50 anglers checked – Environment Agency 'enforcers' are sure to be in the county any day now...if they're not already here!** ■



■ LAKESIDE winner with 91lb: Paul Barnes



■ SAS (Sports & Social) top gun Matt Grant won with 205lb at Biggin Lake