

Steve makes the dream come true, by catching...

# The biggest fish in the lake!

**C**ATCHING the biggest fish in the lake? That is a dream for most – but not for Steve Crawson...who has just banked the largest known carp in Stanwick's Elsons!

And what a fish – a magnificent common turning the scales all the way to 40-4.

Steve was part of a bait-company party on the lake for 'trials'...so what they had on their hooks is anybody's guess.

Elsons also yielded a 24 to regular Paul Couch and a 22lb to Brad Wegner. On Mallard Adam Seaton netted a 28 and Steve Wood a 24-8.

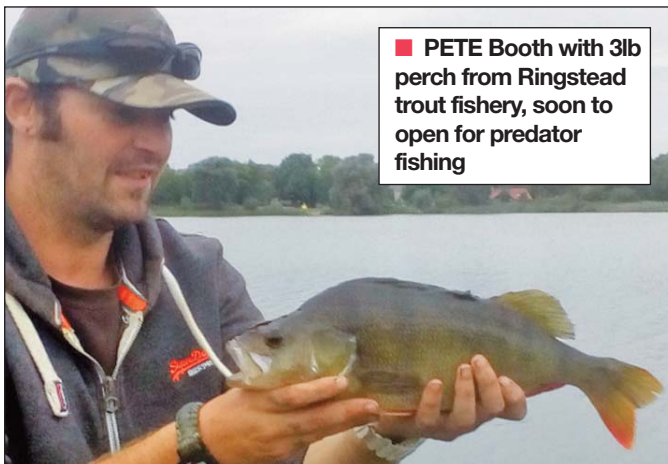
● **GOOD news for those yearning for the return of canal roach. The cut from Stoke bottom lock south past the overshots looks to be coming alive with them!**

Saturday's Nene-hosted CRT-AT pairs eliminator saw Steve Lathwell top with 7-8-8 –105 fish...95 of which were small roach. Redfins dominated the backing-weights, too, on a length twice electro-fished for zander by CRT in as many years.

Two visiting pairs qualified along with Towcester's Wayne Robinson and Paul Keale.

● **WHITE Hart Flore's Tofts do saw all top four with a ton-plus as Trevor Griffiths had 172-8, Terry Adams 155lb, Dave Chapman 129lb and Tom Griffiths 114-8. That was a double for Trevor as he'd topped the midweek old geezers' Barby Banks do with 106-14. Ron Collins had 70-15 and Ted Adams 58-15.**

● **CASTLE Ashby opens, Sunday:** Grendon, Chris Garratt 31-8, Dave Martin 22-4, Chris Camplin 20-5; Scotland, Paul Abbott 54-9, Grant Howie 37-15, Andy Beasley 34-7; Brickyard, M



■ **PETE Booth with 3lb perch from Ringstead trout fishery, soon to open for predator fishing**

Shephard 124-14, Gary Young 77-4, Lee Brackenberry 67-8.  
● **FLORE & Brockhall, Barby Mill:** Bill Prowse 54lb, Jim Tanser 40-9, Tony Smith 40lb.



■ **STEVE Crawson's 40-4 common – biggest in the lake!**

● **GLEBE, Stockton:** Marcus Annable 47-15, Dave Haddon 16-10, Geoff Green 2-10 (eight blanks).  
● **MILL Lane, Lakeside:** Mark Whadhams 44-3, Jim McLorey 40-12, Alan Byrnes 32-13.  
● **FINEDON, Shearsby:** John York 40lb, Pat Neil 33-2, Jason Binder 14-2.  
● **WELLINGBOROUGH, Canons (silverfish):** Andy Webster 21-12, Paul Lafflin 17-10, Dave Cantrell 13lb.  
● **COUNTY Vets, Canons (silverfish):** Jeff Rice 20-5, John Lewis 18-3, Bob Spencer 16-10.

● **TOWCESTER Vets, Mill Cotton:** Les Wallace 20lb, Rob Rawlins 19-10, Grenville Read 12-4.

● **TOWCESTER/Nene, Astwell Mill (mostly small roach and rudd):** Bob Eales 10-9-12, John Broughton 9-3-8, Chris Howard 7-1.

● **OLNEY Ouse open, mostly silvers:** Neil Shearn 8-5 (largely bleak), Pete Hawley 7-8-8, Bob Gill 6-8-8.

● **OUNDLE, Cheramy Bridge Nene:** Alan Smith 7-10, Mark Cunnington 7-3-8 (gudgeon!!), Malcolm Samsone 5-3.

● **FIXTURES: Sunday, Newport Ouse open 07795 068428; Oct 15 Towcester open (Castlethorpe cut) 01908 563617; Tues Oct 17 Olney Ouse open 01234 240061** ■

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