

# Furzton picked as England's world champs qualifier host

**FURZTON** is in the national lime-light – again – chosen as the venue for the first-ever qualifier to pick an England team for the World Club Float Championships.

*The Angling Trust match (fished to FIPS-ed rules) is set for October 6 and is open to teams of four looking to win through to the 2019 championship in Croatia.*

An eliminator for the world feeder championships is due to be held on the Gloucester canal later the same month, and an AT statement said a key factor in choosing both venues is the quality of their fishing – "likely to make for very competitive and diverse matches."

In previous years England's team has been picked on the basis of Division 1 national results, and one motive for switching to a qualifier has to be to open it up to a wider range of specialist talent.

Any group hoping to get on the world stage will need deep pockets...as a side's all-up bill for the trip is likely to be around £8,000!

Anyone interested should email [sandra.johnson@anglingtrust.net](mailto:sandra.johnson@anglingtrust.net)

● Furzton's last brush with world-level competition was as host venue for the world veterans' champs eight year's back.

■ **JUST** as this column was going to press Monday evening, Den Reid was having a 'happy moment' somewhere on the Ouse, landing a new PB chub of 6-11! Three days earlier he'd visited Eggington for a 26-12 common and two doubles all on method feeder.

■ HER first 20 was the result of MKAA youth coach Nuala Gray fishing Furzton alongside venue ace Mark Compton.

■ A TRIP down south to the Test saw Jamie Boomer netting some cracking grayling and brownies.

■ LOU Smith banked a remarkably silver big Lodge double to get his carp-year under way, while Drew Bostic also had a double there and, reporting through Willards, 'Brian' and a mate caught over 100 silvers, Sunday.



● A FURZTON session saw Nuala Gray bag her first 20

■ Mike Winning had a good mirror from Newport's Big Pit.  
■ OSPREY, Lakeside: Adam Griffiths 47lb, Ed Blane 42lb, Gary Prince 41lb.

■ TOWCESTER/Nene, canal, long pound: Baz Eaton 6-9, Mick Goodridge 5-4, Les Wallace 4-10.

■ MK Vets, canal, Giffard Park, midweek: Barry Witteridge 014, Paul Hamilton 0-4 and Mick Hefferon 0-1-8...

■ **FIXTURES:** Sunday; MKAA individual league 01234 713144, ALSO Lakeside open, book Tove Valley fb page, ALSO, Black Horse Pit open 01908 690969; Tuesday, Olney Ouse open 01234 240061.



● A beautiful silvery-Lodge common for Lou Smith

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