

Pete's been there and done that - and got the medal too!

FORGET footie – the only world cup that matters to Pete Hawley is the one he's just fished for England in!

A regular winner in matches on his local Olney Ouse, Pete was in a different league – up against some of the best oldies on the planet – in the world vets champs in Croatia.

And he and the other self-funded squad members did old England proud, finishing joint silver on points but going bronze behind the Italians on a count-back as Hungary took gold.

The two-day match was on a lake stuffed with carrasio averaging four to the kilo.

Taking a quick-break in Holland on the 1,000 mile return journey, Pete said: "Most of us had never seen one before, let-alone caught one.

"But it was a very good venue. And now I can say I've been there and done that...and I've got the medal to prove it."

■ **OLNEY's Ouse made opening day news with a string of river carp. Two 20s fell to Nathan Lovell while Charlie Mynard had a 16-5 and Lewis Clark a lump of his own.**

Other Olney catches included Darren Bruce's 5-5 PB chub while out with Fishing Republic's Jack Moroney who had a 4-pounder. Paul Hodgson netted a 3-8 and Paul Daniels' three perch to 2-5.



● **DAVE Adams and Kevin Osborne talking Ouse river levels with the EA**



● **OPENING day 2-5 Ouse perch for Paul Daniels**

over time) Ellis Selway, trying to get to bottom of why local levels appear, to so many, to keep falling.

■ **ON the stillwaters Brandon Sunter had Furzton carp of 23-14 and 19-15 while, on the Big Pit, Ade Watson netted commons of 22-8 and 21-4.**

■ **MK Vets, Furzton: Austin Maddock 29-8, Phil Wintle 24lb. Gary Underwood 19-2.**

■ **CALVERT, Potash Farm: James Lewis 16-3, Ken Mott 9-4, John Weatherall 8-2.**

■ **HUSBORNE Crawley: Steve Chilton 9-5, Steve Davies 8-14, Nigel Bass 8-8.**

■ **LINFORD canal, Giffard Park: Mick Hefferon 3-12, Ron Dorrill and Steve Funnell both 3-9.**

■ **NEWPORT, Abbey Pits: Bruce Harvey 1-10, Steve Chilton 0-13, Kevin Osborne 0-10.**

■ **FIXTURES: Saturday, MK Individual league third round Tear Drops 1 & 2, 01234 713144, and junior teach-in on Lodge, 01908 320007; Sunday, Newport Ouse open 07795 068428.**

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