

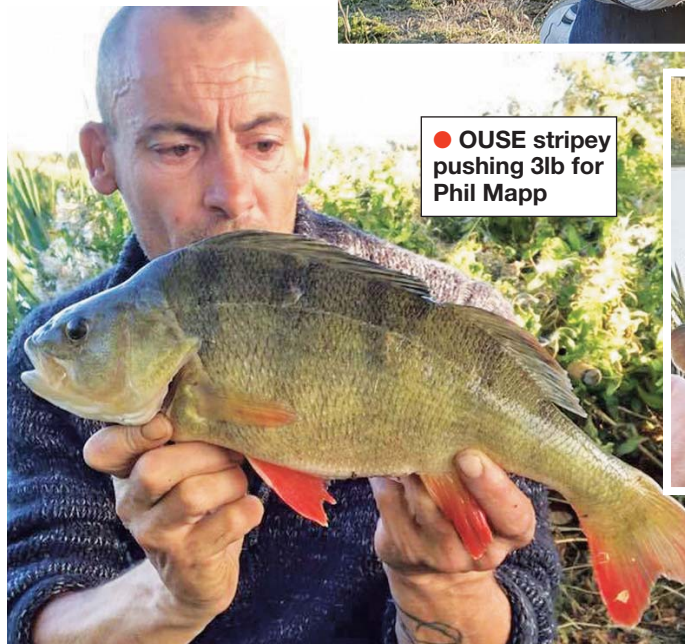
First frosts of the autumn fail to stop carp feeding

COLD nights and the first frosts of the season did not stop carpers filling their boots on local waters.

Linford pits coughed up two of the biggest of the week with Steve Chalmers getting a 33-1 from Rocla while Joe Brewer had a mint 31-6 common PB from the Black Horse and Leon Butcher a 25.

Geoff Carter was one of several catching on Furzton as he landed a 22-3. And a 20-2 came out of Willen South during the week.

■ THAT man Phil Mapp has again been proving his mastery of the Ouse, using tactics that wouldn't even enter the heads of many of those sitting static with (not so) scaled-down carp gear.



● OUSE stripey pushing 3lb for Phil Mapp

This time he had a perch knocking on the door of 3lb and, a few days later, a brace of chub with the largest close to 5lb.

■ WINTER league practice matches at Castle Ashby saw Ian Pretty win his lake with 123-4 and Phil Bardell his with 86lb.



● FINE-looking Lodge 'exotic' for Tony Lawrence



● A 31-6 PB from Black Horse for Joe Brewer

■ TOWCESTER Vets, Dog Lane: John Balhatchett 93lb, Gary Maynard 50-8, Chris Howard 43lb.

■ WATER'S Edge open, Black Horse: Shaun Smart 57lb, Cieran Green 33-6, Mark Smith 30-2.

■ VAUXHALL open, Kempston Ouse: Paul Reynolds 16-10 (roach), Neil Shearn 10-5, Graham Prince 9-11.

■ CALVERT, Claydon Lake: Austin Maddock 14-13, Andy Franklin 9-15, Ben Holdaway 6-11.

■ OLNEY, Ouse, Fiesta open: Paul Caton 12-9 (chub 4oz to 1-8 plus silvers), Paul Reynolds 8-11 of silvers, Nigel Bass 5-2. Ten rods totalled 49lb.

■ KINGFISHER, Bradwell Lake, where they found they'd pegged one end while the bream were up t'other. John White had 13lb with next weight 1-11-8.

■ MK Vets, Tear Drops: Paul Chapman 6-15, Kevin Osborne 6-8, Ernie Sattler 6-5.

■ TOWCESTER finished sixth in Sunday's Northants county cup on the

cut 'tween Heyford and Rothersthorpe.

■ GENEROUS customers helped Willards Tackle's charity coffee (and sausage roll) morning raise some £160 for Macmillan Nurses.

■ FIXTURES: Sat, Furzton, World Club Float Champs England qualifier, sections A, B & C closed until 5pm; Oct 16, Olney Ouse open 01234 240061; November, three Newport pike matches, see facebook.

Matches, catches, even rough patches? If there's a tale to tell call Trevor Johnson on 07801 183381 or 01908 270000 or email angling@intermediauk.com (click link to email)