

Castle Ashby winter league gets ever tighter...

As RAF are bang on the button!

ROARING back into vertical take-off mode, RAF blitzed Sunday's AT winter league round on Castle Ashby – clawing their way back from fourth to joint second overall.

Black Horse were runners-up on the day, maintaining a clear series lead over current joint runners-up RAF and Royal Mail, and taking top individual spot with Kevin Green's runaway win on Brickyard with 63-12.

'Ashby Youth's Mark Davis had 28-3 ahead of 'Mail's Mark Tofts on 23lb, RAF's Mike Dalzeil 21-14-8 and Kevin Woodhouse, also RAF, 20-12.

Teams on the day: RAF 46, 'Horse 42, 'Mail 38, Browning 37, 'Youth 34, Milton Keynes 32, 'Ashby A Team 22.

League (three rounds to go): 'Horse 5, 'Mail and RAF both 8, A Team 13, MK 15, Browning 17, 'Youth 18.

● NO list of Europe's finest feeder-anglers would be complete without the Ringers...which is why Steve, Phil and Geoff were among 60 legends invited to a three day fest on Barston.

With every man well capable of winning from the right peg, the draw was always going to dictate the outcome – and Phil picked up £400+ for 10th with 79-11.

Just in the money with £350 for 12th (last paying place) and two section wins was Pete Patton, in the match because his name came out – from among hundreds of wannabes – in a draw for the final 10 entrants. Well done Pete.

● DEADBAITING Nene's canal for zander, Steve Morrison was amazed to land a



■ STEVE Morrison's rare canal catch – a 3-8-8 junior catfish

3-8-8 'kitten' from an area with no catfish capture history.

● OLNEY's Ouse saw Pete Lima land three chub from 3-12 to a whopping 6-6!

● STANWICK's fish-of-the-week was Shaun McKinney's 32-14 Elsons common.

● WHEN a Romanian group (16 pairs) fished Drayton, Prudeanu and lord Laurentiu took top spot with 25 fish for more than 350lb. Chra Vlad and Conache Tiberiu 161-9, Victor Mihai and Oscar Heidel 157-4.

● WHITE Hart Flore oldies midweek, Tofts: Trevor Griffiths 193-11, Ted Adams 136-10,

Rob Wickham 122lb. WHF, Tofts: Dave Griffiths 135lb, Gary Muddiman 110lb, Dave Walker 109lb.

● GLEBE, Dog Lane: Dave Haddon

30-15, Vince Battams 29-12, Paul Latter 25-8.

● TOWCESTER Vets, Dog Lane, silverfish: Chris Howard 30-8, Dave Podger 17-7, Tony Hirst 15-2.

NENE/Towcester, Furzton Lake: Mick Goodridge 7-13, Les Ramsden 5-2, Matt Webb 3-12.

● CASTLE autumn league, Canons: Paul Brand 11lb, 'The Stick' 7-8, Chris Rose 6-9.

● FLORE & Brockhall, club canal: Rob Rawlins 2lb (roach), Steve Smith 1-10, Jim Tanser and Phil Humphries both 1-6.

● FIXTURES: November 10: Olney Ouse charity open (40 peg limit) 01234 240061 ■



■ RAF's Mike Dalzeil – 4th in 'Ashby league Pic by Mick Wheeler