

Northey Park Fishery does not hit the headlines that often with big match weights or huge catches, but what it does do is provide top quality big carp fishing with specimen fish often being taken. However there is much more to this fishery than the specimen water, there are several other small pools that many city pleasure anglers enjoy. The Holly Howe Pool is well worth a visit, just ask regular to the water Damion Betts, it's not an easy water to come to terms with but he fed carefully in the margins with pellet and once the fish moved over his bait the action started. He caught well on sweetcorn and worm, two top baits at this time of the year. Damion caught several carp including fish to double figures, he is already planning his next visit to the fishery this weekend, join him you will not be disappointed.

The River Ouse at St Ives was the venue for this seasons HAJAC Teams of Four which also included the HAJAC Individual Championship. Conditions were far from ideal on a clear and very busy river as the sun brought out the anglers but also hundreds of boats out to enjoy the fine weekend weather. Match winner Rob Hewison caught the brunt of the boating action fishing in the bay at the Dolphin Meadow Hotel end of the match length. He caught well on maggot over groundbait, bread punch and also had a few better samples on hemp seed to finish top with 12lb 11oz. Andy Mead came in second with 10lb 5oz followed by Dave Rowell on 9lb 9oz.

On the team front it was a convincing victory for the strong Stanjay Tackle Gold side, they had just six penalty points,

then came Sensas Mark One on nine points and Stanjay Silver with 14.

Just a couple of years ago Andy Bull would never have given a second thought to fishing on commercial waters, but after a lot of hard work and recently a couple of match wins it would seem he has quickly got the hang of it. Fishing the Two Island pool on the Float Fish Farm complex he won the latest Whittlesey AA match with 84lb 5oz, taking carp on the Method feeder and close in on the pole line.

Second place went to Jeff Tuttleby with 67lb 13oz using the shallow maggot waggler approach close to the island. In third place was John Hudson again using the Method feeder and pole to finish with 58lb 2oz.

Webb's AC fished the Horseshoe Pool at the same fishery but it was not as good as expected with Alan Coulson winning a low weight affair catching a mixed bag on pellet and maggot for 28lb 10oz. Runner up on 18lb 2oz was Dave Pearson, followed by Gordon Harmer with 11lb 11oz.

Steel City fished the Monument and Thomas Cook Banks of Gunwade and Overton on the Ferry Meadows complex on Sunday, Rob Scott fishing the in form Overton pegs in the 120's topped the field with 50lb 10oz. Mick Smith came second on 38lb 8oz followed by John Webcore with 28lb. Oakham AC fished the Roman Point Bank on Overton which saw Chris Parsons net five bream on the feeder to

take first place with 28lb 8oz. Runner up with 24lb 7oz of skimmers was Bob Burton, followed by Dale Stones who took a net of roach and skimmers on the pole for 23lb 3oz. This coming weekend Saturday and Sunday the 13th/14th Sept 2014 is the "Ferry Meadows Two day Fishing Festival". The pegs used will be Gunwade 70 -110 (Monument Bank) Overton 117 - 129 (Thomas Cook Bank) Overton 6 -16 (Roman Point Bank) Pegs for pleasure anglers are 1-4,18-25 Roman Point, 26-45 High Bank, 58-68 Monument Bank and the spaces on the channel

Kingsland large lake was the venue for Deeping St James AC'S Kevin Burkett Memorial Trophy match which saw Andy Wilson take the honours for a second year running. Fishing on corner peg 1, Wilson fished sweetcorn over hemp and pellet with fine meat particles in the margins, taking fish to double figures to finish on 86lb 13oz. In second place from peg 11 was Mike Atherton fishing his favoured pellet waggler to weigh 81lb 13oz with Mark Footitt coming third on peg 10 with 68lb 12oz.

The Rookery Farm Fishery at Pidley has come in for quite a bit of attention over the past couple of weeks and unfortunately it has started to show in the results as it has done to other waters. Too much pressure and the fish turn off the feed.

It all started so well when Ramsey AS anglers bagged up putting some huge weights to the scales, one angler weighing in close to 300lb fishing red maggot in the margins. Top rod in the Friday open with a more modest 139lb 5oz was the in form Lee Kendal. With most pegs on

the lake taken, the pellet or meat approach failed to produce as expected letting in Lee whose worm and caster attack worked well seeing him bag carp to 8lb from the margins. Mick King came in second on 132lb 8oz followed by Roger Gowler with 115lb 14oz.

On Sunday Fenland Rods were on the Magpie Pool, scene of the huge weights taken recently. Out in front with 120lb 8oz was Tim Bates, he caught really well in the margins with red maggot. Runner up with 88lb 4oz was Dick Warrener, followed by Kev Lee on 86lb and Dave Garner with 85lb. Very respectable weights despite the run of matches on the same lake.

Over the past week Decoy Lakes was heavily fished with the Army lads encamped on the site for a weeks fishing. Great for them but it would seem some of the local clubs found it tough going after all the heavy pressure.

In the Hotpoint AC match Horseshoe Lake was definitely off colour, Dave Langridge topping the field with a modest 51lb 11oz from peg 10 fishing shallow with a chopped worm and caster approach. Runner up was Colin Buckingham on peg 18, he caught late in the match on red maggot for 49lb 4oz, then came Pete Sanderson with 48lb 14oz.

In the teams of three it turned out to be a very comfortable victory for Dave Langridge, Pete Sanderson and Brian Faulkner with a combined weight of 112lb 8oz.

JVAC fished on the Oak Pool on Sunday and again quite a few found it tough going. There was no problem for match winner Chris Saunders though, he weighed in a level 100lb of carp and barbel all taken on a chopped worm and caster approach from peg three. Mick King kept up his good run of form taking the runner up spot with 75lb 5oz, he fished shallow with pellet and took a few better samples late on

with worm. Caster shallow saw Chris Baldwin third on 73lb 3oz.

The Cock Inn AC were on the Six Island Pool at Decoy Lakes for the second week running, with this match producing some consistent sport. Gary Sell topped the field from peg 3 netting carp and barbel on meat and corn, weighing in 114lb 14oz. Runner up was Mick Sidney he put 107lb 8oz to the scales again fishing meat, followed by Bob Mills on 99lb 8oz.

Tydd Gote AC are running the Tydd Gote Centenary Charity Match on September 28th and it looks like being a very well attended event as its also the week before the Winter League gets under way fished on the same venue. The match is in the memory of John Plitch who was a former secretary & honorary member. Also it is about a 100 years since Tydd Gote Angling Club was started. The club are raising funds for the Norfolk Hospice who looked after John until he died. There will be a raffle taking place to raise money and any donations for the raffle would be much appreciated. It's a teams of four and individual event for more details contact John Bates on 07709 282965 or 01945 467144.

On the same day Peterborough DAA will be running an open on the in form Ferry Meadows Lakes. The club are hoping for a good turn out and indeed a good set of results to showcase this tremendous bream water. The lakes have

been in cracking form throughout the year for both pleasure anglers and those that have fished the regular Steel City Opens. There will be an added bonus as AP Landscaping will sponsor the match. Tickets and details from Jason Wilmer on 07717 379182