

REUBEN HEATON SPONSOR CARP TEAM ENGLAND



The England Squad

Team

Steve Spurgen
Chris Rose
Peter Holehouse
Ian Huntingdon
Mitch Smith
John Dean

Runners

Jason Woods
Lee Bell

Inset

Mitch Smith and John
Dean with their individual
gold medal



Reuben Heaton are once again proud to be one of the main sponsors for the National Federation of Anglers (NFA) Carp Team England in 2006.

2005 saw the team's first entry into the official 7th F.I.P.S.e.d World Carp Fishing Championships. The event held in Belgium at Les Lacs de L'Eau d'Heure, and Reuben Heaton was among the official sponsors for the team's inaugural event.

The event ran from the 29th of September to 2nd October, and proved to be a spectacular affair with teams marching to the opening ceremony in an Olympic games style opening ceremony with their respective country's flags and team names.

As with all England teams, the expectancy of success was great especially as British teams have a strong track record in European and world fishing events. Those expectations were realised when the squad gained second place overall and a silver medal in the team event, and a gold medal for the individual event.

2005 Team Positions

- 1st – Croatia
- 2nd – England
- 3rd – Romania

2005 Individual Positions

- 1st – England – Mitch Smith and John Dean
- 2nd – South Africa – J Goodwin and G Ford
- 3rd – Romania – C Rosioru and B Guguianu

For 2006 the teams will be battling it out in Portugal at the World Angling Games, which is staged every four years in similar fashion to the Olympics. The event covers all the major disciplines in angling, and holds events in men's, ladies, junior and disabled categories.

Over 50 countries will be attending the event, which will hold its opening ceremony at the impressive Portuguese Peoples Stadium in Lisbon.

Preparation for this 2006 Angling Games will start with a preliminary event in Russia to which the squad were invited during the 2005 World event. At the Russian event other squad members hoping to be selected for the England team, will be given a chance to show their potential. This event will provide a good indication of potential team members as it will be fished in a similar format to the games themselves.

