

HUGE PERCH IN A MATCH

5lb 4oz stripey shocks captor



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One of the biggest perch ever caught in a match has been landed at 5lb 4oz.

The new venue record was banked by Staffordshire's David Prior when he and fellow members of the Central Trains Angling Club visited Woodside Fishery at Kidderminster, Worcs.

After priming peg 12 on the Island Pool with chopped worm and caster, the 52-year-old started taking advantage of the predators that moved into his swim.

But he certainly got more than he bargained for after the huge perch, which he thought was one of the resident carp, made off with his dendrabaena worm.

And in a further twist, David lost a bigger specimen in a haul that included another eight fish to 3lb.

"I've always known there were some big perch in the venue, but I couldn't believe there were so many. I was catching them one after the other!" David told AT.



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**This 5lb 4oz
perch raised
eyebrows.**

David ended up finishing second in the match with 51lb 8oz, a catch that also included carp and tench.

The four-lake complex is no stranger to big stripeys. Both Island and Woodside Pool have a population of

specimen perch.

"These fish are growing rapidly and on the same day David caught the venue record another angler on Woodside netted a fish believed to weigh 4lb," said owner Jane Hughes.