

AIRE AND CALDER CANAL.



YDAA are one of a number of Yorkshire Angling clubs who have joined forces as the Botthfery, Aire and Calder Joint Angling Committee.

Open all year round.

The section controlled by this amalgamation runs from Great Heck (6 miles East of Pontefract,) to Goole.

There is a total length of approx. 11 miles of canal available to fish at various access points.

Day tickets can be purchased from Costcutter Stores in Rawcliffe village or they are also available on the bank at £3 per day

The canal - or navigation, to give it its correct title- is a commercial as well as a pleasure waterway. There are various locks along its length, which are large enough to take the commercial barges that transport sand and gravel to various locations.

The width varies but is usually approx. 30 metres wide with other areas that are slightly narrower. The average depth is 12 feet in the main boat channel (which can be close in) but shallows up to about 6 feet in other places. The water flows gently toward Goole but can stop or back up due to lock usage.

The main target species are roach, with bags of over 30lb recorded. Bream and skimmers are in abundance along with perch and some truly humungous gudgeon. Other species that are caught to a lesser extent are trout, eels, carp, chub, rudd and tench.

Most anglers use the pole as the main method of attack but stick float, waggler and feeder tactics all work. Main baits are maggot, pinkie, squat and caster but never forget to take some hemp as this usually sorts out the better quality roach. Most anglers tend to fish these baits over a bed of groundbait.

Matches are regularly fished on the canal and any club can book a length, availability permitting, by contacting the match secretary.

Over 100 new fishing stations are being constructed between Heck and New Bridge at the moment to compliment the ones already situated at Beavers Bridge. These are being organised and paid for by the amalgamation themselves. .

Map showing main access points.

BEEVERS AND NEW BRIDGE

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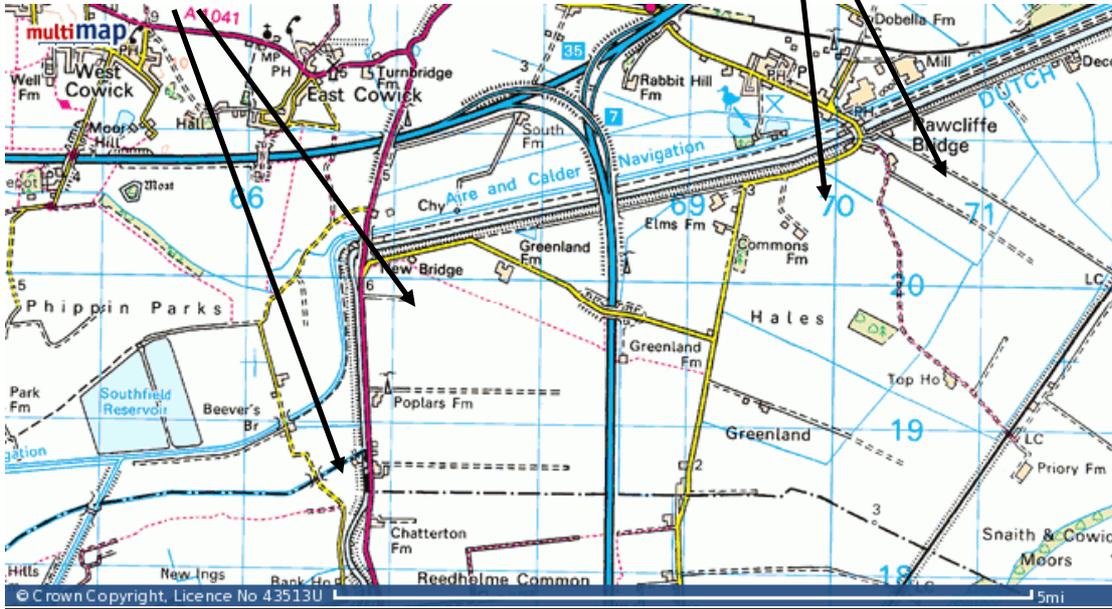
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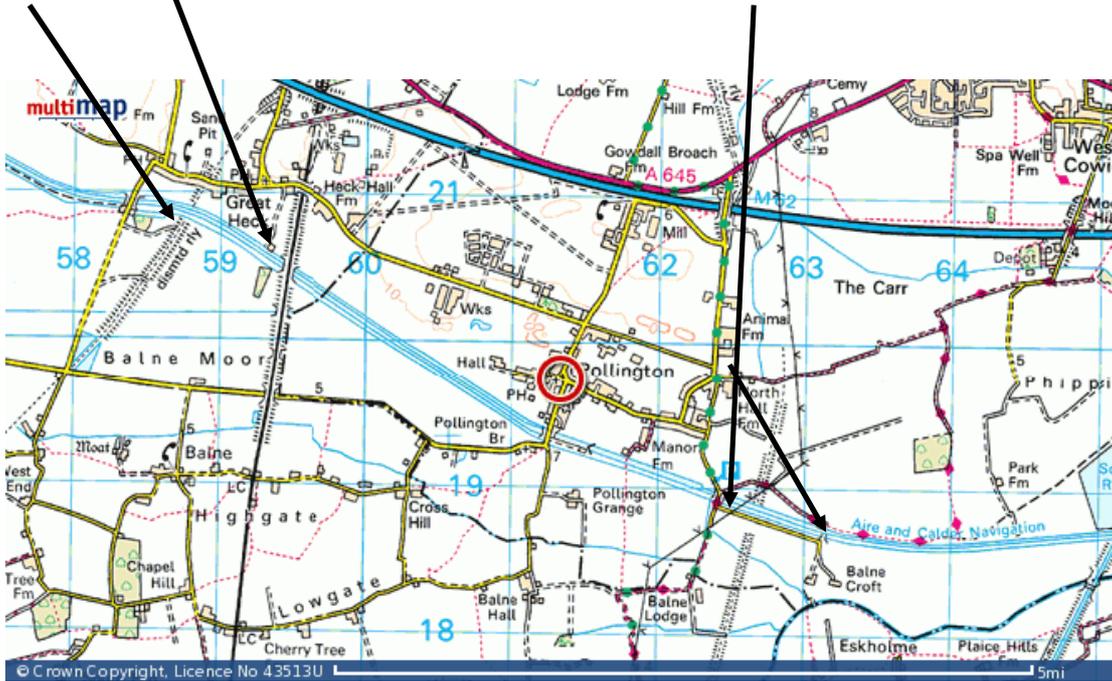
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For the canal follow the A 19 from York to Selby then the A 1041 to Snaith.

For the western end follow the A 645.

For the eastern end follow the 1041.

The maps above show the main 'match' areas but generally speaking any Bridge crossing the Canal affords access.

Please park with care taking care not to obstruct property or farm gates.



Looking down to Crowcroft Bridge