

FISHING RECORDS

YEAR	KIRKAIG	UPPER INVER	UPPER OYKEL
1978	112		
1979	200		
1980	87		
1981	97	35	
1982	76	67	
1983	126	58	
1984	69	35	68
1985	114	39	137
1986	79	26	101
1987	128	27	75
1988	151	48	158
1989	235	57	116
1990	192	50	121
1991	155	24	83
1992	259	64	301
1993	169	35	99
1994	171	28	64
1995	122	30	203
1996	89 + 40 Sea Trout	19	59
1997	134 + 53 Sea Trout	19	106 + 11 Sea Trout

161 per year

INVER LODGE HOTEL
FISHING CHARGES FOR 1998
 Including VAT

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Lochs

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River Inver (upper)

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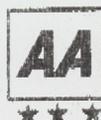
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INVER LODGE HOTEL

Tariff 1998

Period	Type of Bedroom	Bed & Breakfast	Dinner, Bed & Breakfast 2-4 nights	Dinner, Bed & Breakfast 5 nights or more
10th April to 27th June AND 6th Sept. to 1st Nov.	Cantop or Sullivan Room Single Occupancy	£100.00 £110.00	£100.00 £125.00	£95.00 £120.00
	Superior Room Single Occupancy	£75.00 £90.00	£90.00 £110.00	£85.00 £100.00
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28th June to 5th Sept.	Cantop or Sullivan Room Single Occupancy	£100.00 £120.00	£110.00 £130.00	£100.00 £125.00
	Superior Room Single Occupancy	£80.00 £100.00	£100.00 £120.00	£90.00 £110.00
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There is a 10% reduction on accommodation for seven nights or more when staying on the bed & breakfast rate.

General Information

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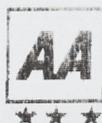
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River Shin

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31st May to 30th September

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River Cassley

All season

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River Carron

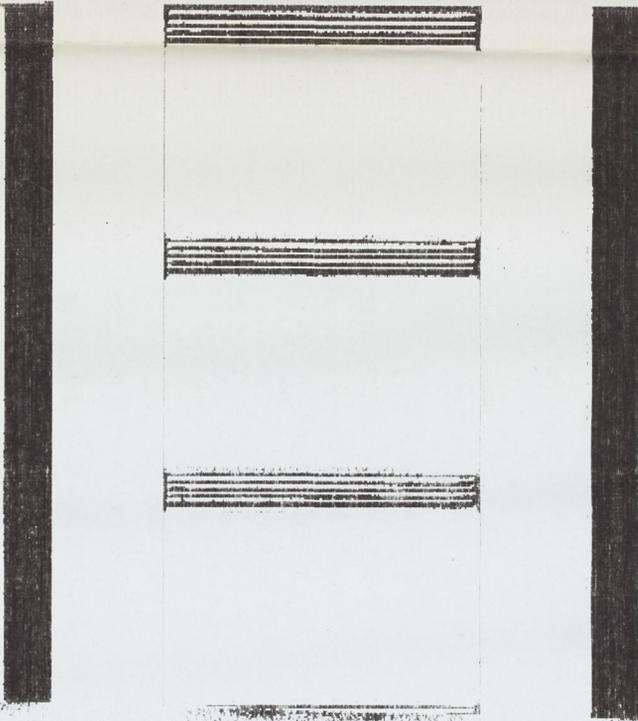
All season

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1st August to 30th September

All hen fish to be returned.

Kyle - Sutherland



BENMORE - UPPER OYKEL TOP BEAT

General

This beat is the most productive on the whole of the Upper River Oykell, mainly because the pools are small, easy to fish, closely grouped together, and within easy distance of the road.

The further reason for this productivity is that during long spells of high water, fish cannot get over the Oykell falls, and towards the end of the season, fish tend to concentrate in this Upper beat.

Flies used on this beat tend to be small and dark, particularly in the months when the water is fairly warm. However, in heavy or high water, large flies are used and again dark patterned flies, such as; Black Doctor, Stoats Tail, Collie Dog, Brown Turkey etc. tend to be preferred rather than the silver bodied flies.

In low conditions a trout rod with a 5 lb. breaking strain cast will easily cover the river and will take fish when those using heavy tackle will not.

1. Dam Pool

The dam pool itself is not a holding pool, but during spates, fish can be caught, sometimes in good numbers, in the outflow from the loch, when there is sufficient current to work a fly. It can be fished from the boat or from the bank but is only good in very high water.

Between the dam pool and the next pool down; the Bend Pool, are two good runs, which can yield fish in medium to high water.

2. The Bend Pool

This is a good holding pool and fishes in any height of water, but is particularly good in high water, when perhaps it is best fished from the right bank.

At other times it can be fished from either bank and fish take right down to the tail. The throat is good in medium to low water and is best fished from the left hand bank.

3. Bridge Pool

This pool is coming back into its own again and is easily fished from the left hand bank. It is certainly worth fishing in medium to high water and quite frequently yields a fish. The bit of the pool below the bridge is also worth fishing in high water and this will tax the skills of even the most experienced fisher.

4. Black Bank

This is an excellent pool and holds fish in all heights of water. Undoubtedly it fishes best in medium to high water when it can be fished from either bank right from the neck to the very tail. In low water fish lie in the stream in the neck and this is easier fished from the right hand bank.

5. Lazy Pool

This is one of the best holding pools in the whole of the Upper Oykel. There is also a little lie above it, where the burn comes in on the right hand bank, and this is very good in medium heights of water. To fish this lie one should stand just in the mouth of the burn and cast down to where the water breaks into the Lazy Pool. This is an almost certain taking place in the right conditions.

The whole of the Lazy Pool can be very good in different heights of water, and may be fished from either side although the right bank offers cover to the angler. Fish may take almost anywhere especially in the run and the upper half of the pool. When fishing the body of the pool from the right hand bank a short square cast across the pool is more effective than one of the more conventional casts angled down stream.

There are two runs between the Lazy Pool and the Stone Pool which is the next listed pool, and the first of these runs starts almost at the tail of the Lazy Pool. Fish can be caught here in high water but the best run is the little rocky run above the Stone Pool. Fish lie here in medium to high waters and can even be taken here in low water. There are several rocks behind which the fish lie, and it is quite easily fished from the right bank.

6. Stone Pool

This can be quite a good pool in low water. The stream at the top of the pool is split in two by a boulder and fish take only in the far stream close to the large granite rock on the left bank. It is best to fish this stream with a short line. The rest of the pool rarely yields a fish in low water. In high water, fish are taken further down the pool near the tail, where they tend to lie in the slack water.

7. Bath Pool

This is a narrow rocky cleft which is really part of the Falls. It is only fishable in very low water when it occasionally yields a fish, often under conditions when the rest of the river is unfishably low.

8. The Upper Fall

This looks a good pool, particularly in the tail in high water, but rarely yields a fish. It is certainly worth fishing in low water and this is the time you are most likely to get a fish.

9. Stake Pool

This pool lies approximately 100 yards below the Upper Falls and is divided into two parts by one or two big rocks. Fish may take anywhere in it in medium to high water, although the lower part is the best as a rule. In high water the stream above this pool is worth fishing as fish lie there behind the boulders, where they will take a fly. In low to medium water the stream at the neck is often the best taking place.

Below the Stake Pool is the Major's run. This is a run ending in a small deep water pool under the right hand bank. This holds fish in medium to high water, and fish can be taken anywhere, from the neck

right down to the tail, where fish lie behind most boulders. This run ends at a rocky bluff jutting out of the right hand bank. Below this is a series of runs dropping down to the Still Pool. Most of these runs are deep and boulder strewn and are excellent fishing in medium to high water. The last run just above the Still Pool holds fish in medium and low water, and the stealthy angler can sometimes take one out in these conditions.

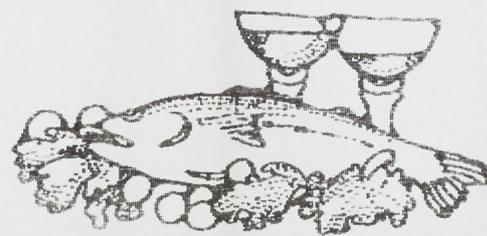
10. Still Pool

This is an excellent little holding pool and is fishable in all heights of water. In low water the stream at the top of the pool is the best and fish lie high up into the shallow water. In medium to high water it should be fished right to the very tail which is often a very good taking place.

11. The Sheeting

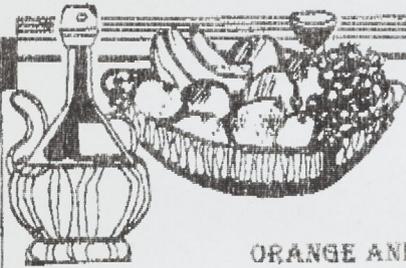
A most attractive pool to look at and one of the best holding and taking pools on this beat. It is best in medium or high water when fish take freely all the way down the pool right to the very end of the tail.

In low water the fish take in the stream at the neck of the pool and this should be fished with great care and stealth as fish lie right into the shallow water. This pool marks the end of the top beat.





INVER LODGE
HOTEL



VEGETARIAN MENU

ORANGE AND MIXED GREEN SALAD SERVED WITH A CHEESE DRESSING

ASPARAGUS PANCAKES

PASTA WITH A FRESH TOMATO AND BASIL SAUCE

HOME-MADE FISH PATTIES SERVED WITH A CHOICE OF SEAFOOD OR HERB SAUCE

CHOICE OF FIRST COURSE FROM THE TABLE D'HÔTE MENU

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BROCCOLI AND ORANGE SOUP

CHOICE OF SOUP FROM THE TABLE D'HÔTE MENU

(WHERE EVER POSSIBLE WE USE VEGETABLE STOCK FOR OUR SOUPS)

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WATER ICE

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GRILLED FRESH PINEAPPLE SERVED WITH CURRIED VEGETABLES

VEGETARIAN CHOP SUEY

LEEK, MUSHROOM AND STILTON BAKE

EGG NOODLES, GINGER, PRAWNS AND SPRING ONION CASSEROLE

MUSHROOM AND BUTTER BEAN STROGANOFF

VEGETABLE CARBONARA

INVER LODGE BAKE

CHOICE OF FISH FROM THE TABLE D'HÔTE MENU

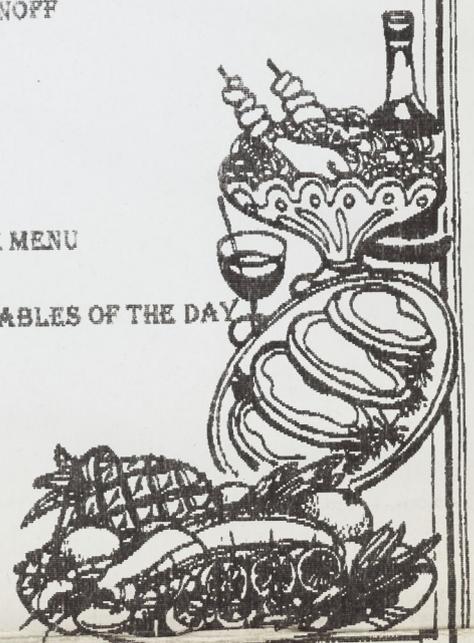
ALL MAIN COURSES ARE SERVED WITH CHEFS VEGETABLES OF THE DAY

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CHOICE OF SWEETS AND CHEESE

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IF AT ALL POSSIBLE PLEASE
ORDER BY 2PM



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A LA CARTE MENU

ACHILTIBUIE CURED GRAVADLAX, SERVED WITH MONIACK CASTLE DILL SAUCE £7.25 (£2.25)

SUMMER ISLES SMOKED SALMON, GARNISHED WITH LEMON & CAPERS £7.25 (£2.25)

EISG BRACHAIDH OYSTERS, SERVED NATURAL OR GRILLED WITH CHEESE
1/2 DOZEN £10 (£8.50), DOZEN £20 (£7)

EGG PASTA SERVED WITH A TOMATO, BASIL & CREAM SAUCE £5

HOME-MADE SOUP (SEE TABLE D'HÔTE MENU) £2.50

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100Z PRIME ABERDEEN ANGUS FILLET STEAK, COOKED TO YOUR CHOICE AND SERVED WITH AN
'AU POIRVE' SAUCE OR GARNISHED WITH MUSHROOMS & ONIONS £20 (£7)

'BARNSELY STYLE' HIGHLAND LAMB CUTLET, SERVED WITH A CALVADOS,
CREAM AND HERB SAUCE £12 (£2)

BREAST OF GRAMPIAN CHICKEN, FILLED WITH LEEKS, COATED IN BREADCRUMBS
AND SERVED WITH AN INVER LODGE WHISKY FLAVOURED SAUCE £12 (£2)

BREAST OF DUCK SERVED WITH GRILLED PINEAPPLE £12.75 (£2)

LOCHINVER LANDED PRAWN TAILS, COATED IN A BEER & ROSEMARY BATTER
AND SERVED WITH A HERB MAYONNAISE £14 (£4)

LOCALLY LANDED LOBSTER, COOKED AND SERVED AS FOLLOWS -
COLD WITH MAYONNAISE AND SALAD
THERMIDOR SAUCE
SPLIT AND GRILLED WITH GARLIC BUTTER
£24 (£14)

LOCHINVER LANDED FISH OF THE EVENING £14

THE ABOVE DISHES INCLUDE CHEFS SELECTION OF VEGETABLES & POTATO

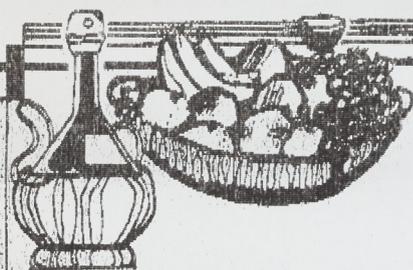
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CHOICE OF SWEETS OR SELECTION OF CHEESES £4

COFFEE AND AFTER DINNER CHOCOLATES ARE COMPLIMENTARY

ALL ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY
OUR KITCHEN PREPARES THE DISHES TO ORDER
PRICES INCLUDE V.A.T.

(£) ARE SUPPLEMENT TO THE TABLE D'HÔTE MENU



DINNER MENU
TUESDAY 7TH OCTOBER, 1997.

SELECTION OF FRESH FRUITS SERVED WITH WALLACE LIQUEUR

INVER LODGE CURED GRAVADLAX SERVED WITH MONIACK DILL SAUCE

CHICKEN LIVER AND GARLIC PATE SERVED WITH HIGHLAND OATCAKES

FRESH SALMON MOUSSE SERVED WITH AN AVOCADO DRESSING

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SCOTCH BROTH
CREAM OF WHITE ONION

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PINK GRAPEFRUIT WATER ICE

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MARINATED BREAST OF CHICKEN SERVED WITH A WHISKY
AND PEPPERCORN SAUCE

LOCHINVER LANDED HALIBUT SERVED WITH BANANA & MANGO CHUTNEY

WILD GAME CASSEROLE SERVED WITH HERB DUMPLINGS

CHEFS SELECTION OF VEGETABLES AND POTATO

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CHOICE OF SWEETS
(GLASS OF PUDDING WINE £2.25)

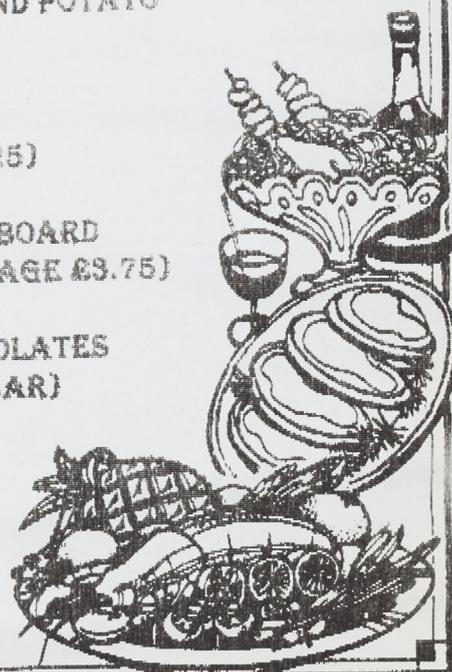
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SELECTION OF CHEESE FROM THE BOARD
(GLASS OF PORT: CRUSTED £2.50 VINTAGE £3.75)

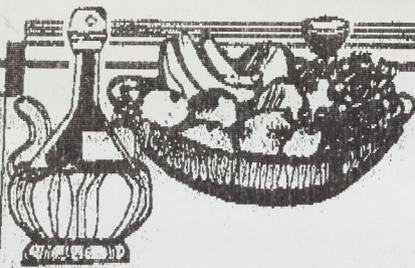
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COFFEE AND AFTER DINNER CHOCOLATES
(SERVED IN THE LOUNGES OR BAR)

£27.00 INCLUDING V.A.T.



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DINNER MENU
THURSDAY 2ND OCTOBER, 1997.

SELECTION OF FRESH FRUITS SERVED WITH A KIWI & COCONUT DRESSING

INVER BAY LOBSTER COCKTAIL

FILLETS OF LOCHINVER LANDED FISH, SERVED IN A BAKED POTATO
WITH A WHITE WINE AND CHEESE SAUCE

ACHILTIBUIE CURED GRAVADLAX SERVED WITH MONIACK DILL SAUCE

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GREEN PEA AND HAM SOUP
FRESH ASPARAGUS SOUP

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PINK GRAPEFRUIT WATER ICE

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ROAST LEG OF HIGHLAND LAMB SERVED WITH A GARLIC AND HERB GRAVY

POACHED FILLET OF MINCH PLAICE SERVED WITH A
VERMOUTH AND MUSHROOM SAUCE

BAKED ESCALOPE OF ARDVAR SALMON SERVED WITH A CHORRON SAUCE

CHEFS SELECTION OF VEGETABLES AND POTATO

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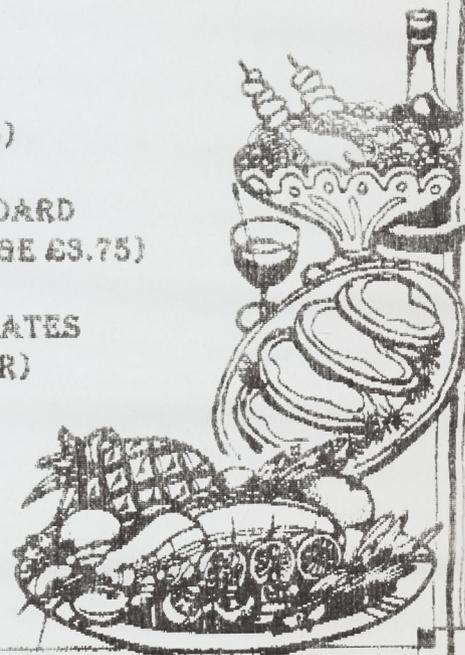
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SELECTION OF CHEESE FROM THE BOARD
(GLASS OF PORT: CRUSTED £2.30 VINTAGE £3.75)

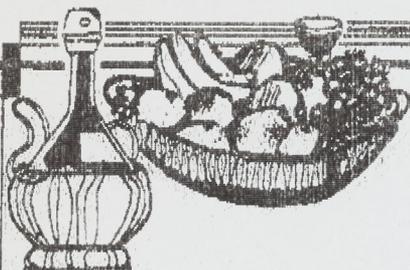
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DINNER MENU
FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER, 1997.

SELECTION OF FRESH FRUITS SERVED WITH DRAMBUIE

LOCAL SMOKED SALMON AND AVOCADO SALAD

MINCH PRAWN COCKTAIL

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YELLOW PEA SOUP

CREAM OF FENNEL SOUP

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PINK GRAPEFRUIT WATER ICE

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ESCALOPE OF MORAYSHIRE PORK SERVED WITH APPLES, CALVADOS & CREAM

BADNABAN LANDED INVER BAY LOBSTER AND PRAWN SERVED
WITH A THERMIDOR SAUCE AND A TIMBALE OF RICE

CHEFS SELECTION OF VEGETABLES AND POTATO

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CHOICE OF SWEETS

(GLASS OF PUDDING WINE £2.25)

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SELECTION OF CHEESE FROM THE BOARD

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All season

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KYLE or SUMERLAND

A.A.
★★★ 79%

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CROWN
H.C.



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R.A.C.
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Merit Award



Tariff 1996



PERIOD	TYPE OF BEDROOM	BED & BREAKFAST	DINNER, BED & BREAKFAST 2-6 nights	WEEKLY RATE, DINNER BED & BREAKFAST
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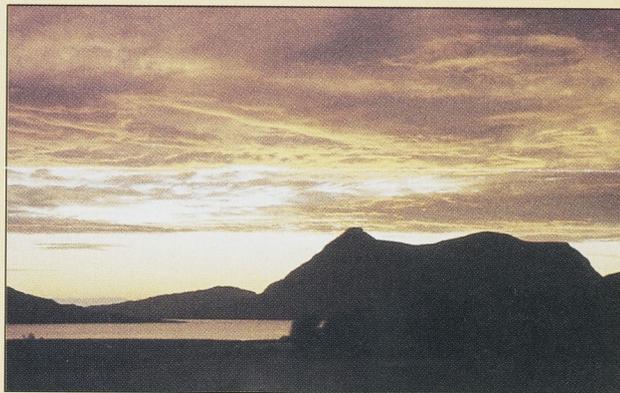
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An ideal base for Angling . . .

It would be difficult to find more majestic and inspiring scenery than that of the North West Highlands, dominated by Ben More Assynt, which is the largest mountain in Sutherland. The long established family-run hotel stands in the heart of the area at the head of beautiful Loch Assynt.

Well known to anglers, the hotel offers guests free fishing for salmon, grilse and brown trout. Although the proprietors exercise the right to the fish caught they endeavour as far as possible to comply with guests' wishes. Ten boats are available on various lochs by the roadside. There are salmon in 6 beats, and brown trout in all lochs including several hill lochs. Fishing tackle suitable for the area is for sale on the premises.

Guests will relax in the informal and friendly atmosphere of the hotel, and enjoy the generous portions of traditional Highland cuisine prepared to a very high standard using fresh local produce.



. . . exploring or just relaxing

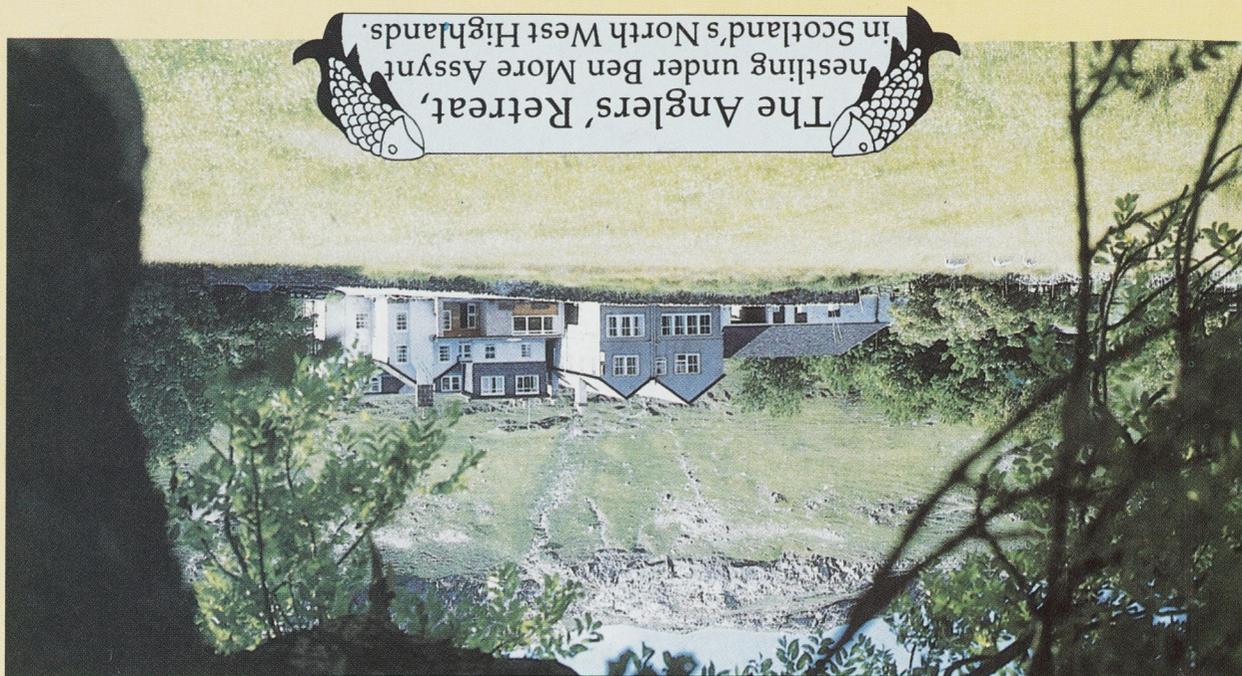
The Inchnadamph Hotel is an ideal base for exploring the area; the unspoilt countryside is wild and spectacular, abounding in streams, waterfalls, mountains and lochs, and a guided walk with a local naturalist can be arranged if desired. The area is of particular interest to geologists, with rock formations of very early origin, and was studied and mapped by the eminent geologists Peach and Horne some 80 years ago, when they stayed at the hotel.

Traces of early man, wolves and bears have been found in local caves, and a trip to the famous Smoo Cave - a huge limestone cavern with three compartments - at Durness is well worth a visit.

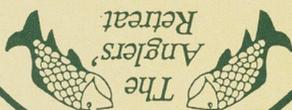
The tallest waterfall in Britain, Eas Coul Aulin, can be viewed by taking a boat trip on nearby Loch Glencoul, while a sea cruise allows the opportunity to view seal colonies and perhaps dolphins, porpoises and whales, as well as a wide range of bird life - the R.S.P.B. Bird Reserve on the island of Handa is well worth a visit. Nearer to home, herds of magnificent Red Deer roam the hills, and are often seen in the hotel grounds.

There are many beautiful beaches and coves within easy reach, and numerous interesting ruins such as Ardvreck Castle on the shores of Loch Assynt.

The Inchnadamph Hotel, which was originally a coaching inn over 200 years ago, has a variety of family, twin, double and single rooms. As an old-fashioned, family-run hotel, we pride ourselves on our hospitality, and extend a warm welcome to all our guests - pets included. We are open all year round.



INCHNADAMPH HOTEL



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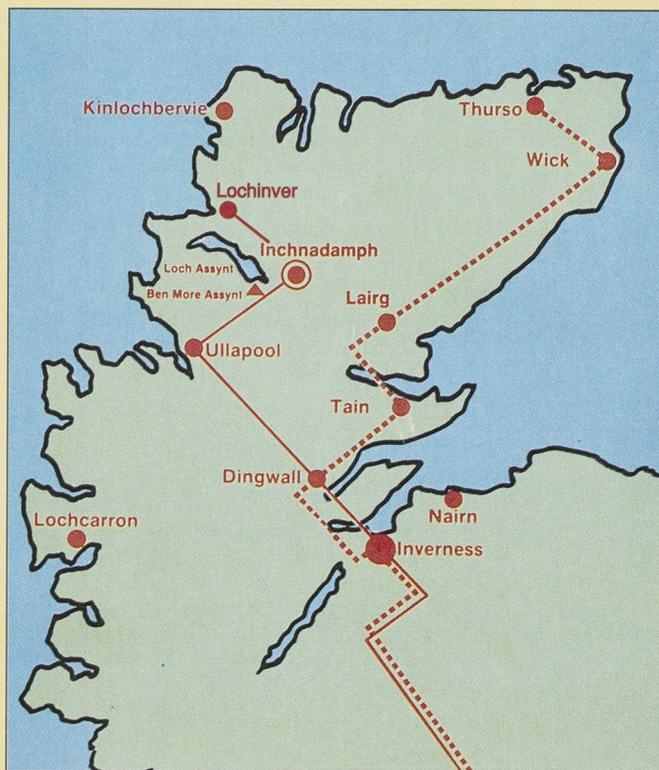
BY CAR: the vastly improved A9 means that we are within a comfortable afternoon's drive from Glasgow or Edinburgh.

BY TRAIN: take the sleeper to Inverness then on to the station at Lairg.

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BOOK NOW or write for further information to:

The Clint Family,
 Inchnadamph Hotel, Assynt, Sutherland IV27 4HL.
 Tel. Assynt (01571) 822202
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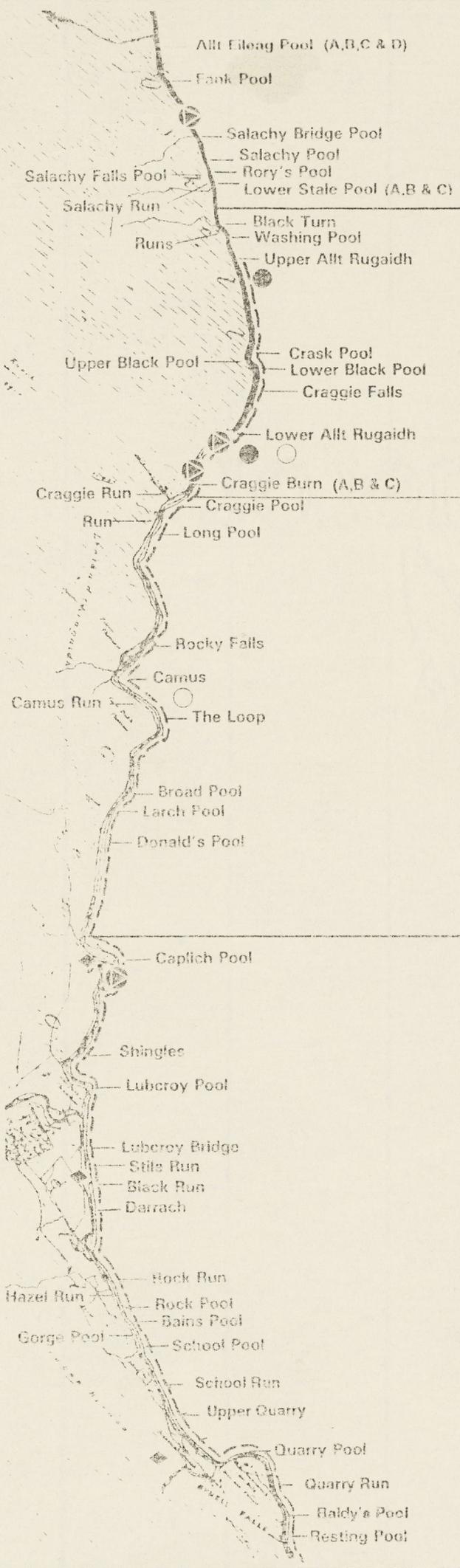
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UPPER OYKEL FISHINGS



Allt Eileag Pool (A,B,C & D)

Fank Pool

Salachy Bridge Pool

Salachy Pool

Rory's Pool

Lower Stale Pool (A,B & C)

Salachy Falls Pool

Salachy Run

Runs

Black Turn

Washing Pool

Upper Allt Rugaidh

Upper Black Pool

Crask Pool

Lower Black Pool

Craggie Falls

Lower Allt Rugaidh

Craggie Run

Craggie Burn (A,B & C)

Craggie Pool

Long Pool

Run

Rocky Falls

Camus

Camus Run

The Loop

Broad Pool

Larch Pool

Donald's Pool

Caplich Pool

Shingles

Lubcroy Pool

Lubcroy Bridge

Stile Run

Black Run

Darrach

Rock Run

Hazel Run

Rock Pool

Bains Pool

Gorge Pool

School Pool

School Run

Upper Quarry

Quarry Pool

Quarry Run

Baldy's Pool

Resting Pool

Oykel Bridge Hotel

Oykel Bridge Hotel is situated in the lovely Strathoykel Valley, is 56 miles from Inverness on the Bonar Bridge, Lochinver road. It is 32 miles from Ullapool and the beautiful Loch Broom, 31 miles from Lochinver and a 40 minute car journey to the north takes one to Dornoch and the championship golf course.

The hotel caters mainly for anglers fishing the Upper and Lower Oykel River and for those seeking a peaceful holiday with comfort and good food. Each bedroom is furnished to a high standard each having its own bathroom and tea and coffee-making facilities.

The dining room serves up the finest Scottish 'fare' where guests carve and help themselves as in the old lodge style. There are two delightful bars with the keynote on fishing.

There is a small garden room where one can relax amongst the flowers.

There is a comfortable residents lounge and a small cosy TV room.

A rod room is adjacent to the hotel and has a tackle shop where anglers can buy their requirements and get advice from the fishing manager. Drying room and freezer facilities are available.

Other than salmon fishing on the Upper and Lower Oykel. Fishing from boats for brown and sea trout onvarious lochs is available to hotel guests.

Come once and
you'll come again.



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b) Re: Shrimp

When the particulars and mailshots were prepared, the Fishery Board were considering a possible ban on shrimping on the North Esk. Consultation is in progress and will have to be completed before any decision is taken. It is therefore reasonable to inform interested parties of the situation as in some weeks quite a high proportion of fish have been taken on shrimp.

Last season the Syndicate restricted its members to two fish caught on shrimp per rod per day and limited fishing with this method to two specific sections of two pools. As you will appreciate, a number of members prefer not to use this method at all and restrict themselves to fly or spinner which they consider more appropriate on this very prolific fishery.

If you are interested in purchasing rods on Morphie you may find it useful to speak to me on the telephone to get an update on the availability of units.

I shall look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

Raddy d'Anyers Willis
RF d'Anyers Willis

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Dear Sir/Madam

THE MORPHIE FISHINGS SYNDICATE
SALE OF SPRING WEEKS 10 -15 - UPDATE 18 September 1996

I refer to your possible interest in joining the Morphie Fishings Syndicate. I am encouraging applicants to apply for a choice of weeks in view of the limited number of rods available. Offers are being treated on a first come first served basis as far as is practically possible.

680p. per week at 17,000
SCHEDULE OF WEEKS
600p. per week at 15,000

Week No.	1997 Dates			Price/rod (ExVAT)	Rod I	Rod II	Rod III	Rod IV	Rod V	Rod VI
10	21/04/97	to	26/04/97	* £17,000	Sold	Sold	Sold	Sold	Sold	Sold
11	28/04/97	to	03/05/97	£17,000	Noted	Interest	(3 rods)			
12	05/05/97	to	10/05/97	£15,000	Sold	Sold	Sold			
13	12/05/97	to	17/05/97	£15,000	Sold	Sold	Sold			
14	19/05/97	to	24/05/97	£15,000						
15	26/05/97	to	31/05/97	£15,000	Sold	Sold	Sold	Sold	Sold	Sold

* Offers in excess of.

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General Information on Sales Particulars

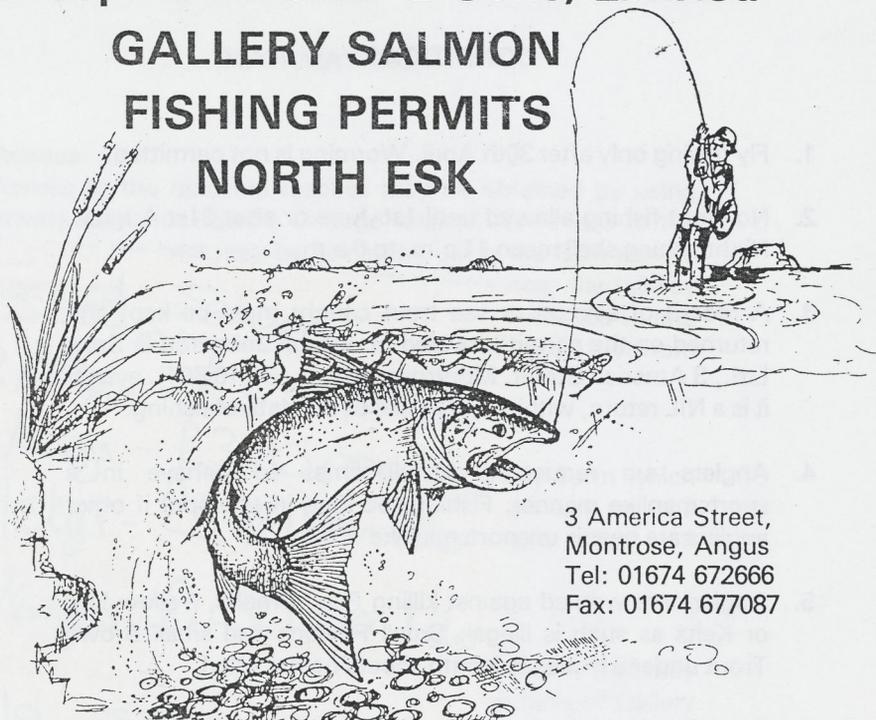
At the last Morphie AGM some members suggested that the wording in the sales brochure under "methods of fishing" needed clarification.

a) **Re: Spinning**

The particulars refer to "good fly fishing although some spinning is allowed in high water conditions." In practise, spinning is unrestricted although as a method it tends to be used more often than not in high water conditions.

Joseph Johnston & Sons, Limited

GALLERY SALMON FISHING PERMITS NORTH ESK



3 America Street,
Montrose, Angus
Tel: 01674 672666
Fax: 01674 677087

Daily permits are available from 16th February to 31st October each year to fish for salmon and trout on the Gallery Beat of the North Esk.

Up to four permits per day may be issued for this beat which extends from the Stobb Pool downstream to Marykirk Road Bridge on the South Bank and from Hatton Pool down to Marykirk Road Bridge on the North Bank.

The Boundaries and access to the beat are shown on the plan at the back of this leaflet and permit holders are respectfully asked to use the signed access to the river only and not to cross agricultural land. Spinning is allowed only up to 30th April. Night fishing is not permitted until 1st June or after 31st August. Further conditions are detailed inside this leaflet.

DAY PERMIT COSTS

February—April	£ 17.00 + V.A.T.
May	£ 14.00 + V.A.T.
June—July	£ 10.00 + V.A.T.
August	£ 14.00 + V.A.T.
September—October	£ 60.00 + V.A.T.

CONDITIONS

1. Fly fishing only after 30th April. Worming is not permitted.
2. No night fishing allowed until 1st June or after 31st August. Night fishing shall mean 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.
3. A record of salmon or sea trout caught must be kept and returned on the permit provided to Joseph Johnston & Sons Ltd., 3 America Street, Montrose, Angus, DD10 8DR, even if it is a NIL return, within two weeks of the date of fishing.
4. Anglers are requested at all times to behave in a sportsmanlike manner. Fishing too long in one spot if other anglers are near is unsportsmanlike
5. Anglers are warned against killing Parr, Smolts, Yellow Lug or Kelts as such is illegal. Small Finnock and small Brown Trout under 8 inches in length should not be killed
6. Parr, Smolts and other fish, which require to be returned to the water alive, should be very carefully handled when the hook is being removed.
7. Fish hooked other than by the head **must** be returned to the water alive at all times. Failure to return foul hooked fish to the water alive may result in prosecution.
8. Dogs must be kept on leads. Gates if found closed must be immediately closed on going through them.
9. Permit holders will be liable to make good any crop damage or injury to livestock which may be caused by themselves.
10. These permit are not transferable and no refund of the cost of permit is available on account of river conditions. Permits must be carried at all times when fishing.

INFORMATION

1. Access

Access to the upstream reaches may be obtained by using private road from Stobb Cottage marked A. Access to the ... of the beat may be gained by using the farm service ... near the railway ... marked C. and ... on foot from

Farmed Salmon

2/3kgs - £3.35 per kilo

3/4kgs - £3.20 per kilo

4/5kgs - £3.80 per kilo

5/6kgs - £4.30 per kilo

Wild salmon

2/3kgs - £5.00 per kilo

3/4kgs - £6.40 per kilo

4/5kgs - £8.40 per kilo

5/6kgs - £8.40 per kilo

6/7kgs - £8.00 per kilo

7+kgs - £8.00 per kilo

Any further enquiries should be made to Joseph Johnston & Sons, Limited, 3 America Street, Montrose—telephone Montrose 672666.

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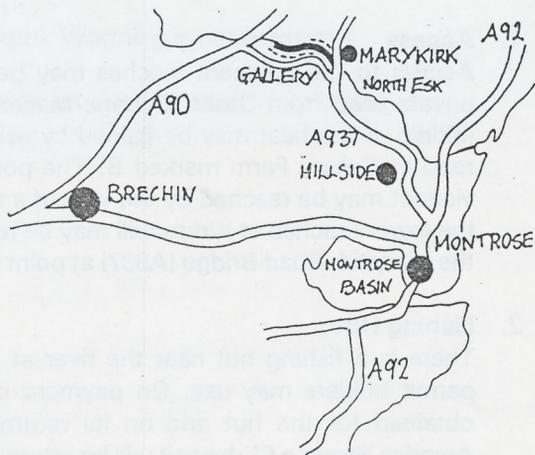
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2. **Fishing Hut**
There is a fishing hut near the river at Gallery Farm which permit holders may use. On payment of £2 a key may be obtained for the hut and on its return to the office at 3 America Street a £1 deposit will be returned.
3. **Vehicle Parking**
Please be careful not to park vehicles in a manner that may obstruct agricultural operations either at the farm of Gallery or on the access roads to fields.
4. **Kelts**
Anglers are reminded that up until the end of May it is possible to catch kelts especially in such pools as the Hatton. It is illegal to kill kelts and they must be returned to the water alive. Kelts are salmon which have spawned during the winter. They are completely silver, but extremely thin and usually have white maggots in the gills.
5. **Bailiffs**
Bailiffs of the Esk District Salmon Fishery Board may check permits from time to time. Any irregularities should be reported to them and the Superintendent is Bill Edward (telephone 01674 810707).
6. **Enquiries**
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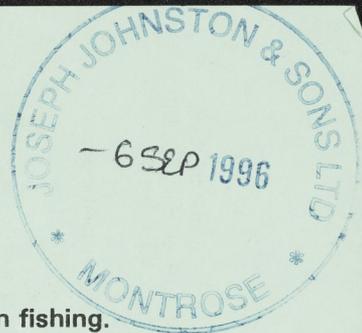
GALLERY SALMON FISHERIES NORTH ESK

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NO SPINNING PERMITTED AFTER 30th APRIL

**North Esk
CANTERLAND FISHING PERMIT**



This Permit is NOT TRANSFERABLE and must be available for inspection when fishing.

Name of Permit Holder: Mr Nemes

Address: Kellor House, Aberdeen

has permission to angle on the North Esk from Marykirk Road Bridge, on the North Bank only downstream to Denmouth of Morpie, all as shown on the plan on the brochure which can be obtained on request. Spinning is permitted until 30th April, thereafter Fly only except under spate conditions, no worming, shrimp or prawn fishing is permitted. Night fishing is only permitted between 1st June and 31st August. This permit is valid for fishing during the 24 hours dated Friday 13 September 1996

JOSEPH JOHNSTON & SON, LIMITED

*Good credit for
Balance*

G. N. J. SMART Director

PLEASE COMPLETE THE RECORD OF THE FISH CAUGHT overleaf, even if it is a nil catch, and return it to Joseph Johnston & Sons. All other conditions must be observed.

CONDITIONS OF USE

1. A record of salmon or sea trout caught must be kept and returned on this permit to Joseph Johnston & Sons Limited, 3 America Street, Montrose, Angus, DD10 8DR, even if it is a NIL return, within two weeks of the date of fishing.
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4. Parr, Smolts and other fish which require to be returned to the water alive should be very carefully handled when the hook is being removed.
5. Fish hooked other than by the mouth **MUST** be returned to the water **ALIVE** at all times. Foul hooked fish may not be kept. Failure to return foul hooked fish to the water alive may result in prosecution.
6. This permit is not transferable and there should only be four rods on this beat.
7. The water bailiffs telephone number is 01674 810707 and you are asked to report anything suspicious immediately to them or Joseph Johnston & Sons (01674 672666)
8. Dogs must be kept on leads and gates, if found closed, must be immediately closed on going through them.
9. Other conditions are printed on the leaflet, which should be carefully studied.

RECORD OF FISH CAUGHT

Salmon or Sea Trout caught	Weight	Pool

Permit Holder's Signature

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Letting all the fish
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Let the Rod River owners
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for everyone that
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189. Dealer Licensing

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199 - The Trap on the
River Polly.

S. Nemes Esq.

Ghilles Tel no: Peter Winder

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25/11/96

WITH COMPLIMENTS

Further to our telephone conversation, I enclose details on Morphie.

I shall be back in the office on Friday if you need me to answer

any queries.

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Mr Sylvester Nemes
House East
Kinellar
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10th August 1996

Dear Sylvester

Thank you for your telephone call and I hope that I may have been of some assistance in regard to your new book. Trout fishing in Scotland is a vast subject, however, the two locations I mentioned, Lochinver and Cape Wrath, are amongst the finest trout fishing areas in Scotland so they will give, at least, a comfortable "overview" of what is on offer.

I should have mentioned that you will also require OS Map No 9, Cape Wrath, for the Cape Wrath Hotel waters, along with OS Map No 15, Loch Assynt, for the Lochinver fishing. There is first-class salmon fishing available at both locations: the River Inver and the River Kirkaig in Assynt, the River Dionard at Cape Wrath.

By all means mention my name. Nicholas Gorton is the manager of the Inver Lodge Hotel and he will take good care of all your needs. I suggest that you spend a day on Loch Awe and thereafter visit some of the hill lochs. Jack Watson is the owner of the Cape Wrath Hotel and he is also an expert angler who will make sure that your visit is enjoyable. Fish Loch Caladail and Loch Lanlish.

Please let me know if you feel that there is any other way in which I can be of help.

With all good wishes.

Yours sincerely

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Cape Wrath Hotel

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Dear Contract Tyers:

These are the initial factory samples of your new '97 fly patterns. These samples are from THAI A. FLY.

Please review and contact us with your comments immediately. We would like to start production on these as soon as possible. If these samples meet with your approval please call Jim Watson or myself with this acknowledgment. In the event that the samples are not acceptable to you, please type or print your corrections in a letter that we can fax to the factory and advise them that another set of flies must be tied for your inspection that include these modifications.

We will not take corrections over the phone.

Thank you and we hope to hear from you soon.

My Best,

[Handwritten signature of Dave Hall]

Dave Hall
 Quality Control

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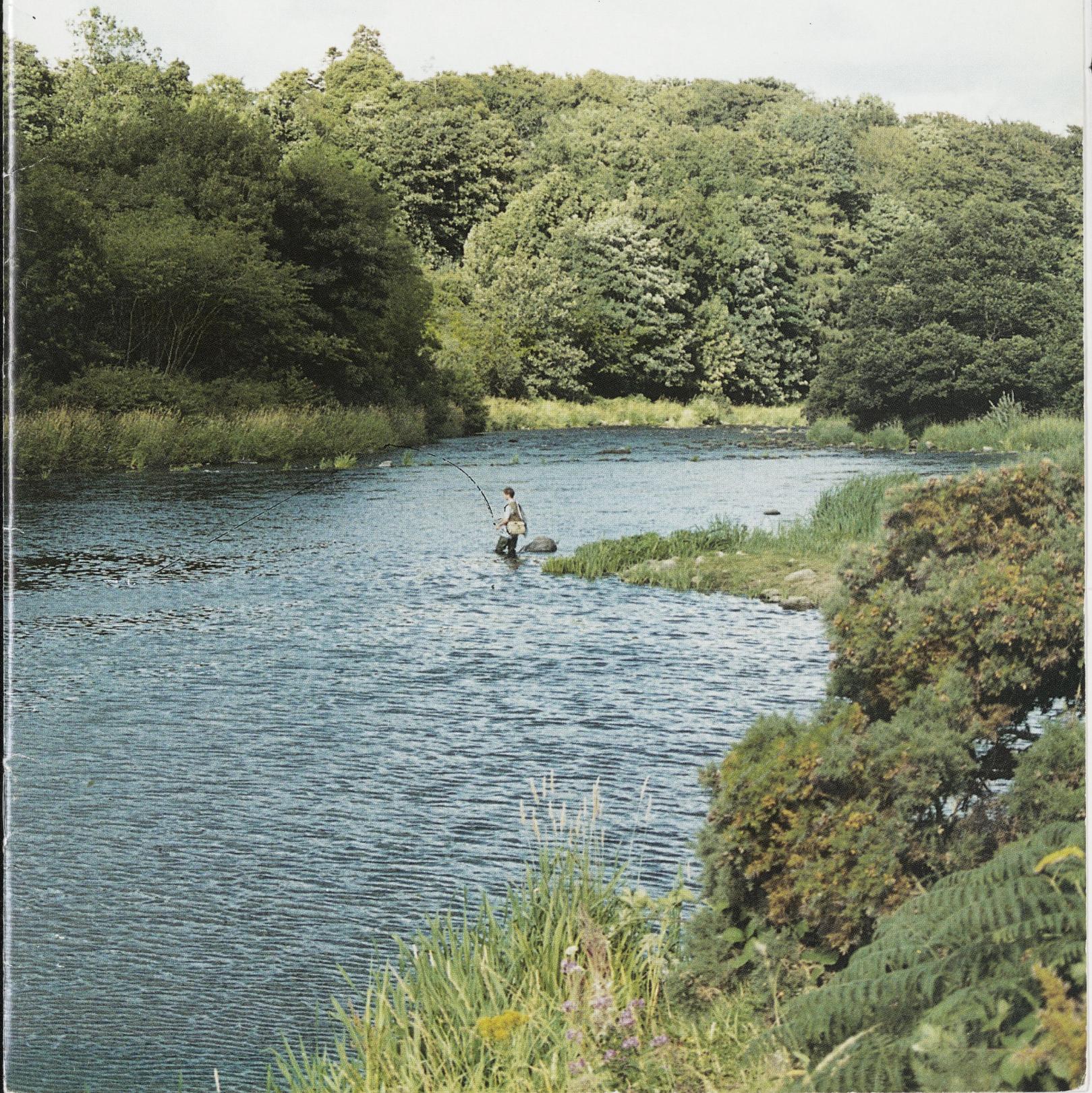
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by many days of hospital
and business.

Mr. Petrie delivering
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~~she~~ she was going by some St. George
tunnies and a wets and she
was going to call them Clutie
& Drumpling. To the Scots —
if you want it, just say it!

**Aberdeen and District
Angling Association**

FISHINGS

**Rules and Conditions - as per Constitution
and Rule Book**



FISHING



at
CAIRNTON

THE FISHING

Cairnton offers 1½ miles of fishing from the North (left) bank of the Dee, comprising over 20 pools. It is located some 2 miles West of Banchory and 20 miles upstream from the estuary.

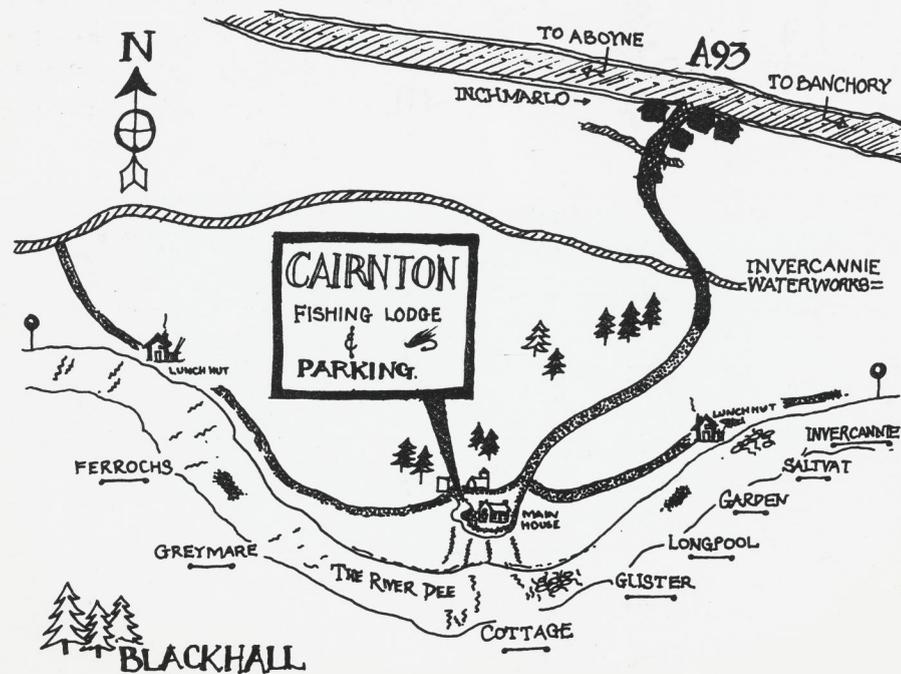
The fishing is available to let throughout the season as follows:-

Opening to mid May	4 Rods
mid May to mid July	3 Rods
mid July to end of August	2 Rods
September	3 Rods

Generally the whole beat will be let by the week, but parties may arrange to split a week by taking three days each; or by taking two rods in a four rod week.

At normal Spring levels all but one pool can be fished from the bank and jetties; but as levels drop, wading becomes necessary (a wading stick is strongly recommended as the river bed is full of rocks and boulders). The banks have been well maintained and are largely unobstructed, so that there is really only one pool where Spey casting is advisable.

Except when the river is low (or spinning is permitted) there is little interference with the opposite bank.



AMENITIES

Being on the sunny side of the river and amid lovely scenery, the fishing at Cairnton is both secluded and attractive. The considerable gradient from the top of the beat to the bottom offers a wide variety of pools with great character at both high and low water.

Four shelters and two delightful lunch huts are strategically placed along the banks; a well appointed rod room is at the centre of the beat, within reasonable walking distance of all pools. A bank side track gives direct access to all pools except for a few hundred yards at the top and bottom of the beat and is passable by most vehicles except in snow or very wet conditions.

There is a resident ghillie, David Cowie, who has a lot of experience in helping both experts and beginners and, having been at Cairnton for over 15 years, knows all aspects of the water. His services will not, however, be available from mid July to the end of August.

HISTORY

For most of this century Cairnton fishing has been in only two pairs of hands. The legendary A. H. E. Wood was tenant for over 30 years and it was at Cairnton that he developed his greased line theory. After a short interlude he was succeeded by W. N. Mitchell who owned the estate for almost 50 years until his death in 1996. During his ownership the fishing was largely reserved for his guests.

10 YEAR CATCH RECORD

March	19
April	23
May	25
June	7
July	4
August	4
September	5

AVERAGE CATCH

}	Grilse	12
	Sea-trout	45

THE DEE

The Spring salmon run enters the Dee from December onwards, peaking in May. Following international trends this Spring run is well down on historical records. Sea trout and grilse start running in May to provide added sport and variety through to August.

The Autumn run of salmon, although rather ignored at Cairnton in the past, is becoming increasingly significant for the lower reaches of the Dee.

The Dee Salmon Fishing Improvement Association (DSFIA) has formulated an action plan to restore Spring runs. This includes habitat development, a hatchery, bank protection and vermin control as well as a conservation code to limit numbers of fish taken out. Cairnton is committed to the DSFIA measures: As well as contributing pro-rata to DSFIA expenditure, an additional £10 per rod per week will be donated out of rents received. The fishing is let on the basis that the conservation code will be strictly observed; its main provisions are:-

Fly Fishing only at all times

No Fishing before 1st March

Catch and release (except for sea trout and one salmon/grilse of under 33" (about 14lbs) per rod per week prior to 1st July; and any silver fish thereafter).

To minimise damage to fish on release, fishers are encouraged to snip a fly that is deeply embedded (if requested the estate will contribute to the cost of flies abandoned) and to use barbless hooks when not expecting to keep fish caught.

Fishers are requested to comply with any guidance by the ghillie concerning implementation of the conservation code and other aspects of the fishing.

MANAGEMENT

A list of current rentals for fishing, a copy of the full conservation code and a booking form (if not enclosed) are all obtainable from the fishing manager:-

R. A. HUNT, Durris House, Banchory, Kincardineshire AB31 3BD (Tel. 01330 811544)

The resident ghillie is D. C. COWIE, East Wing, Cairnton House, Banchory, Kincardineshire AB31 4AS (Tel. 01330 823632)

CAIRNTON FISHINGS 1997

TENANCY TERMS.

Tenancies are offered by the week through the season at the fees scale attached.

In the 4 rod weeks to mid-May, 2 rod bookings will be accepted if tenants will accept sharing some facilities.

In the 3 rod weeks it is preferable that a single tenant takes the full booking. It is appreciated that some potential tenants may prefer a 3 day let; Such bookings will be accepted if the lead tenant finds the second 3 day tenant. Though outside the Conservation Code, it is conceded that each 3 rod let kill 2 salmon: Each 4 rod let kill 3, in a 3 day tenancy.

TENANCY FEES 1997.

Weeks	3rd March to 13 April	4 Rods	£1540
Weeks	14th April to 18th May	4 Rods	£1740
Weeks	19th May to 15th June	3 Rods	£1230
Weeks	16th June to 13th July	3 Rods	£780
Weeks	14th July to 24th August	2 Rods	£400
Weeks	25th August to 28th September	3 Rods	£780
Day	1st March	4 Rods	£800
2 Days	29/30th September	3 Rods	£300

VAT is not chargeable.

Fees include £10 per rod due to DSF&A

ACCESS

By road:- Take A93 West out of Banchory (towards Aboyne). Half a mile after Inchmarlo (and before Bridge of Cannie) turn left at a group of cottages and continue over bridge and along private road to Cairnton. The rod room is past the back of Cairnton House.

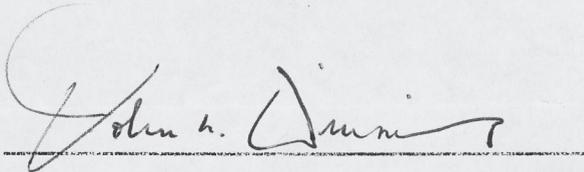
By Train:- To either Stonehaven or Aberdeen.

By Air:- To Aberdeen (Dyce) airport.

KINELLAR, TORRYBURN AND BALBITHAN FISHING

Mr SILVESTER NEMES
of KINELLAR HOUSE EAST, KINELLAR

is permitted to fish the above fishings during the 1996 season.



for Sir Neil Westbrook, Proprietor

Administered by John Dinnie
Lesmore
School Road
Kentore
Tel 01467-632207

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KINELLAR, TORRYBURN AND BALBITHAN FISHING

MEMO TO ALL TICKET HOLDERS

To comply with the requirements of the Scottish Office Fisheries Department to whom a return is made at the end of each season it is now necessary to maintain a separate record of Salmon and Sea Trout caught and returned to the river. (This does not include Kelts returned to the river).

It is also necessary where possible to distinguish between wild fish and fish of farmed origin. A leaflet is enclosed as an aid to identification.

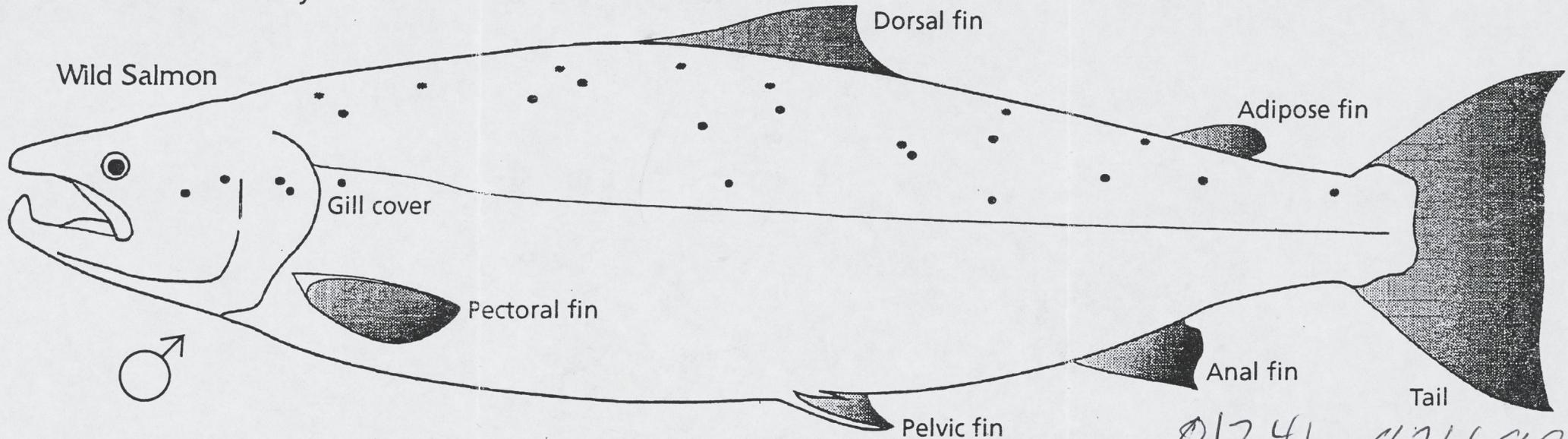
Kinellar, Torryburn and Balbithan Fishings.

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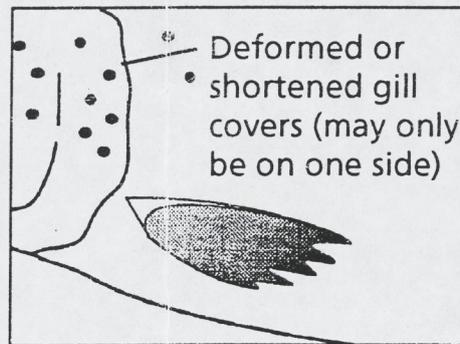
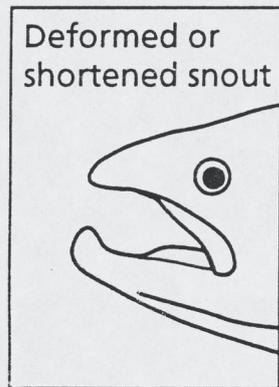
1. All fish under 10" in length must be returned to the River.
2. All kelts caught must be handled with care and returned to the River. Gaffs must not be used on kelts.
3. Fishing Tickets must be carried on all occasions and are not transferable.
4. Guests may accompany ticket holders but they are not allowed to fish.
On special occasions it will be possible to obtain a daily ticket for a guest, without charge, by prior arrangement with Mr. Dinnie.
- * 5. Any ticket holder will have the right to call for anyone fishing to produce his Fishing Ticket. *the first or second time at*
6. It will be necessary to record all Salmon and Sea Trout caught, in the Returns Book in the Fishing Hut.
7. Dogs must not be taken to the river.
8. The Fishing Season is as follows:
Salmon and Sea Trout 11th. February to 31st. October.
Brown Trout. 1st. April to 30th September.

How to differentiate between wild and farmed salmon

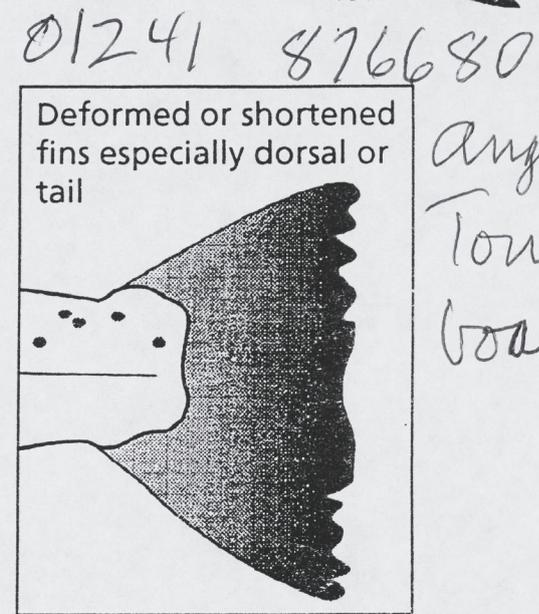
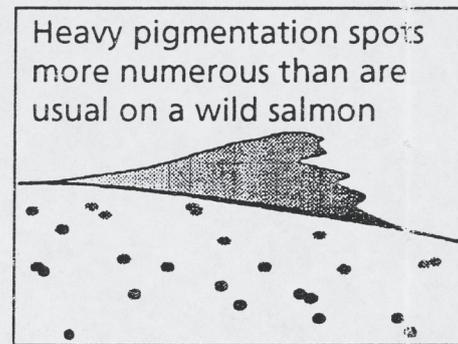
The fins of a wild salmon show no deformities. The snout and gill covers are in proportion and very few black spots are visible on the body of the fish.



Salmon of farmed origin may exhibit the following physical characteristics. For the purpose of The Scottish Office catch returns, if a salmon is to be classified as being of farmed origin, it should exhibit **two or more** of these features.



Harbor master



For further information, contact SOAFD, Freshwater Fisheries Station, 16 River Street, Montrose, DD10 8DL. Telephone (0674) 77070

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Information About Your Citibank Account

- **Annual Fee Charge:** Refer to the front of your statement in the month in which the fee is billed.
- **Renewing Your Account:** You may have your annual membership fee credited to your account if you close your account within 30 days from the mailing or delivery of the statement containing the fee, even if you use your card during that period. You may call the Customer Service number or write to the Customer Service address on the front of your statement during this 30 day period and your account will be terminated; we will credit your account for the amount of the annual fee.
- **Annual Percentage Rate:** Refer to the front of your statement.
- **Balance Subject to Finance Charge For Purchases—Average Daily Balance (Including New Purchases)**

We figure a portion of the finance charge on your account by applying the monthly periodic rate to the average daily balance of your account (including current transactions). To get the "average daily balance" we take the beginning balance of your account each day and add any new purchases, other adjustments, and any unpaid finance charges, and subtract any payments or credits. This gives us the daily balance. Then, we add up all the daily balances for the billing cycle (except the balances on the Statement/Closing Date) and divide the total by the number of days in the billing cycle. This gives us the "average daily balance".

For Advances:

We figure a portion of the finance charge on your account by multiplying the daily periodic rate by the number of days in the billing period and then applying the result to the "average daily balance" of your account (including current transactions). To get the "average daily balance" we take the beginning balance of your account each day, add any new advances, other adjustments and any unpaid finance charges, and subtract any payments or credits. This gives us the daily balance. Then, we add up all the daily balances for the billing cycle (except the balances on the Statement/Closing Date) and divide the total by the number of days in the billing cycle. This gives us the "average daily balance".

- **Statement Closing Date:** In calculating your finance charges, no charges are assessed for the Statement/Closing Date of this billing period. At our discretion, this statement may include charges, fees and payments on the Statement/Closing Date.
- **Grace Period for Repayment of Balances:**
For Purchases:
You have until the payment due date shown on the front of your statement, which is not less than 20 days, to pay your new balance to avoid imposition of additional finance charges on purchases.

For Advances:

You have no grace period in which to repay your balance for cash advances before a finance charge will be imposed.

- **Minimum Finance Charge:** There will be a minimum finance charge of \$.50 for each billing period in which a finance charge, based upon a periodic rate, is payable.

Billing Rights Summary

- **In Case of Errors or Questions About Your Bill**—If you think your bill is wrong, or if you need more information about a transaction on your bill, write us at the Customer Service address specified on the front of this statement as soon as possible (you may use, but are not required to use, the "Notification of Disputed Item" form provided below or a copy of it). We must hear from you no later than 60 days after we sent you the first bill on which the error or problem appeared. You can telephone us, but doing so will not preserve your rights.

If you choose to use the form below please call Customer Service for assistance. If you send us a letter please include the following information:

- Your name and account number.
- The dollar amount of the suspected error.
- Describe the error and explain, if you can, why you believe there is an error. If you need more information, describe the item you are unsure about.
- Please be sure all correspondence is signed by the **primary** cardholder.

You do not have to pay any amount in question while we are investigating, but you are still obligated to pay the parts of your bill that are not in question. While we investigate your question, we cannot report you as delinquent on the disputed item or take any action to collect the amount you question.

- **Special Rule for Credit Card Purchases**—If you have a problem with the quality of goods or services that you purchased with a credit card, and you have tried in good faith to correct the problem with the merchant, you may not have to pay the remaining amount due on the goods or services. You have this protection only when the purchase price was more than \$50 and the purchase was made in your home state or within 100 miles of your mailing address. (If we own or operate the merchant, or if we mailed you the advertisement for the property or services, all purchases are covered regardless of amount or location of purchase.)

Notification Of Disputed Item—Please call Customer Service prior to completing this form (1-800-950-5114).

Please sign this form and return it to the Customer Service address on the front of your statement. Do not mail this form with your payment.

If your card has been lost, stolen or you have not received it, call Customer Service immediately. Do not use this form.

Please print in blue or black ink

NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

ACCOUNT # _____

REFERENCE # _____ AMOUNT OF DISPUTE \$ _____

MERCHANT _____

I have examined the charges made to my account and am disputing an item for the following reason:

1. Neither I nor any person authorized by me to use my card made the charge listed above. In addition, neither I nor anyone authorized by me received the goods and services represented by this transaction. (If you do not recognize a sale, choose this option and call Customer Service immediately).
2. Although I did participate in a transaction with the merchant, I was billed for _____ transaction(s) totalling \$ _____ that I did not engage in, nor did anyone else authorized to use my card. I do have all my cards in my possession. Enclosed is a copy of the Authorized Sales slip.

3. I have not received the merchandise which was to have been shipped to me. Expected date of delivery _____ (mm-dd-yy). I contacted the merchant on _____ (mm-dd-yy) and the merchant's response was _____

(In order to assist you, the merchant must be contacted)

4. I have (circle one) returned/cancelled merchandise on _____ (mm-dd-yy) because _____

_____ Please provide a copy of the returned receipt, postal receipt or proof of refund.

5. The attached credit slip was listed as a charge on my statement.

6. I was issued a credit slip for \$ _____ on _____ (mm-dd-yy) which was not shown on my statement. **A copy of my credit slip is enclosed.**

7. Merchandise which was shipped to me arrived damaged and/or defective on _____ (mm-dd-yy). I returned it on _____ (mm-dd-yy). Merchant response was _____ Please provide postal receipt and/or credit slip.

8. The sales receipt amount was increased from \$ _____ to \$ _____. My sales slip was added incorrectly. **Enclosed is my copy of the sales receipt which shows the correct amount.**

9. Other — attach a letter describing the dispute.

Note: You may write us or use this form (or a copy). However, if you use this form you may want to record the information on the reverse side for your records.



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Coffee and a box
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The Plain Spoon Apples
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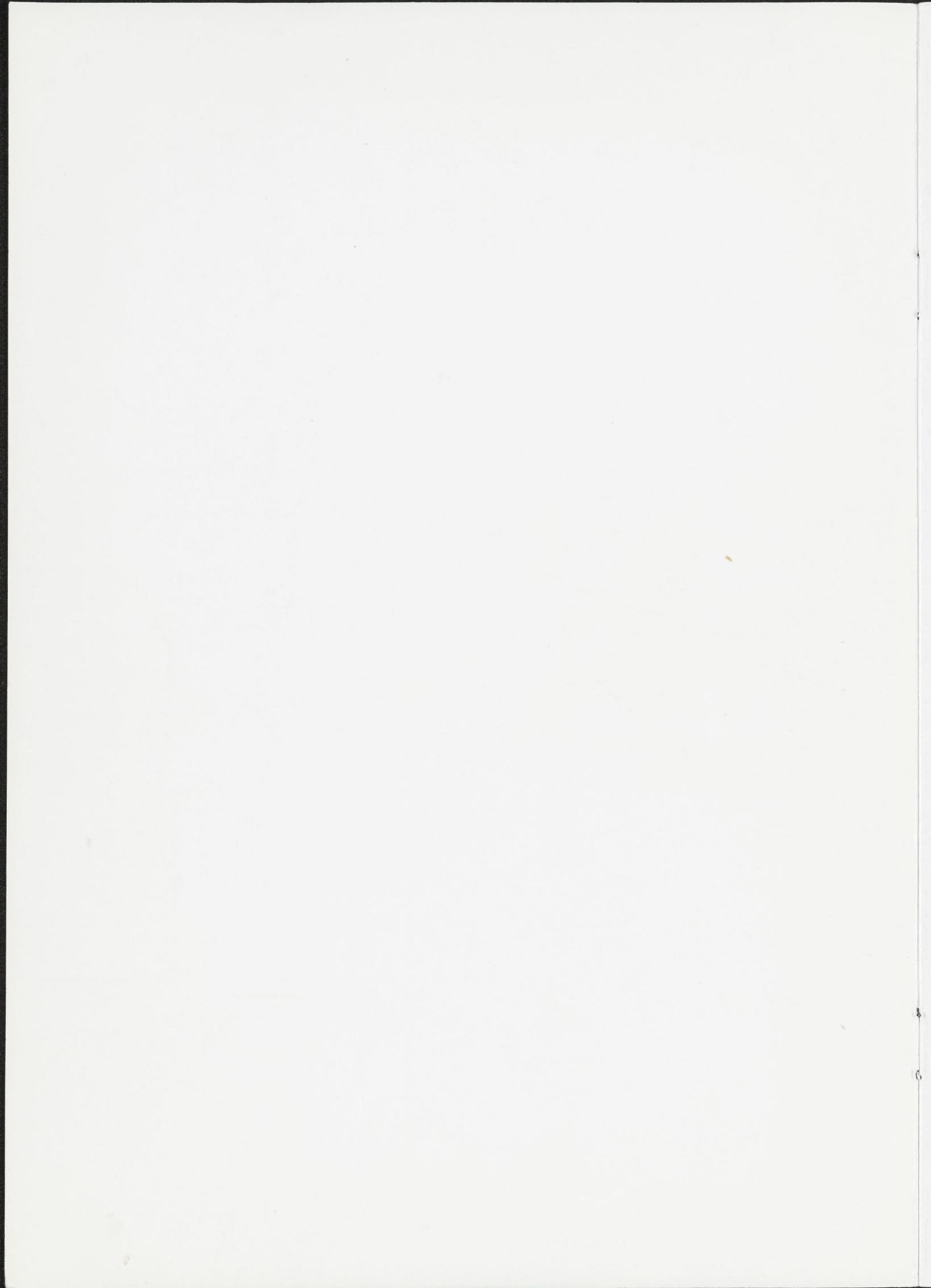
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Dear Member

In 1946 a group of like minded anglers got together and formed an "Association of Anglers" which ultimately became "The Aberdeen and District Angling Association".

Mr Pat McGee was duly elected as the first president and in his opening address stated "Sportsmen can build more football pitches, tennis courts, bowling greens but they cannot make new rivers".

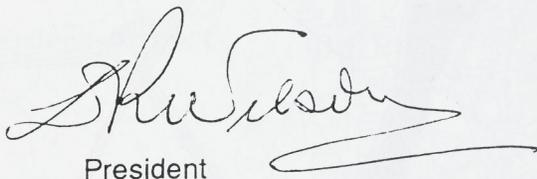
Those far sighted instigators of the association realised that all of us are only custodians of our waters and have a duty to maintain and improve them for future generations of anglers. This belief is enshrined within your Association's constitution whose objectives, among other things, contains the following:

- to encourage the sport of angling
- to increase stocks of fish by hatching and rearing or by purchase
- to take any necessary steps to prevent pollution to any water in which the Association have any interest.

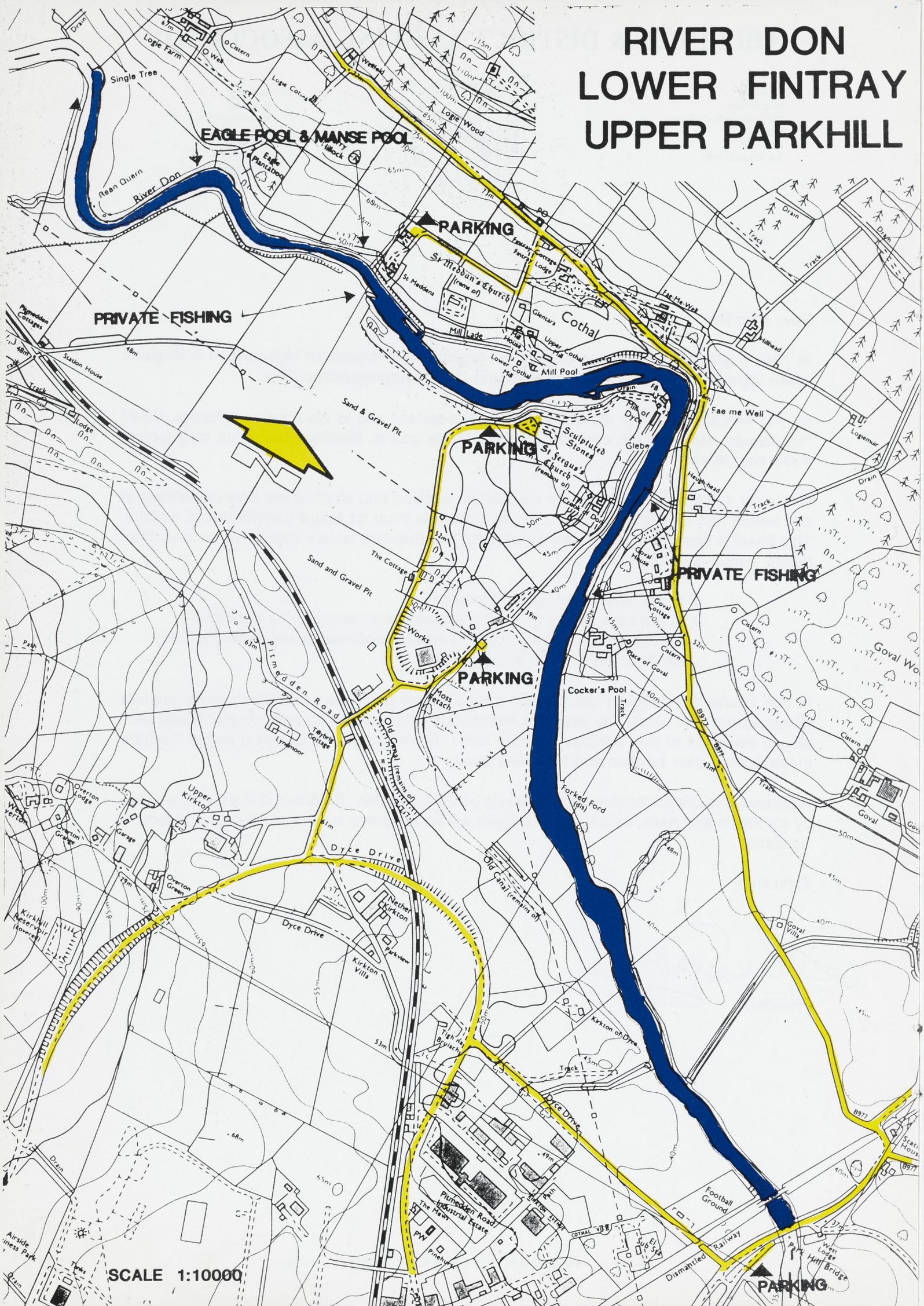
In due course the fledgling club raised monies for the purchase of Parkhill and by prudent management over nearly fifty years the Association now controls, by ownership or lease, over eleven stretches of river fishings and one loch. The maps on the following pages illustrate these waters, their location and the major pools.

Aberdeen and District Angling Association is your Association. It's future is in your hands, fish by it's ideals and rules, help it grow and you will be rewarded by some of the best fishing in Scotland.

Tight lines


President

RIVER DON LOWER FINTRAY UPPER PARKHILL

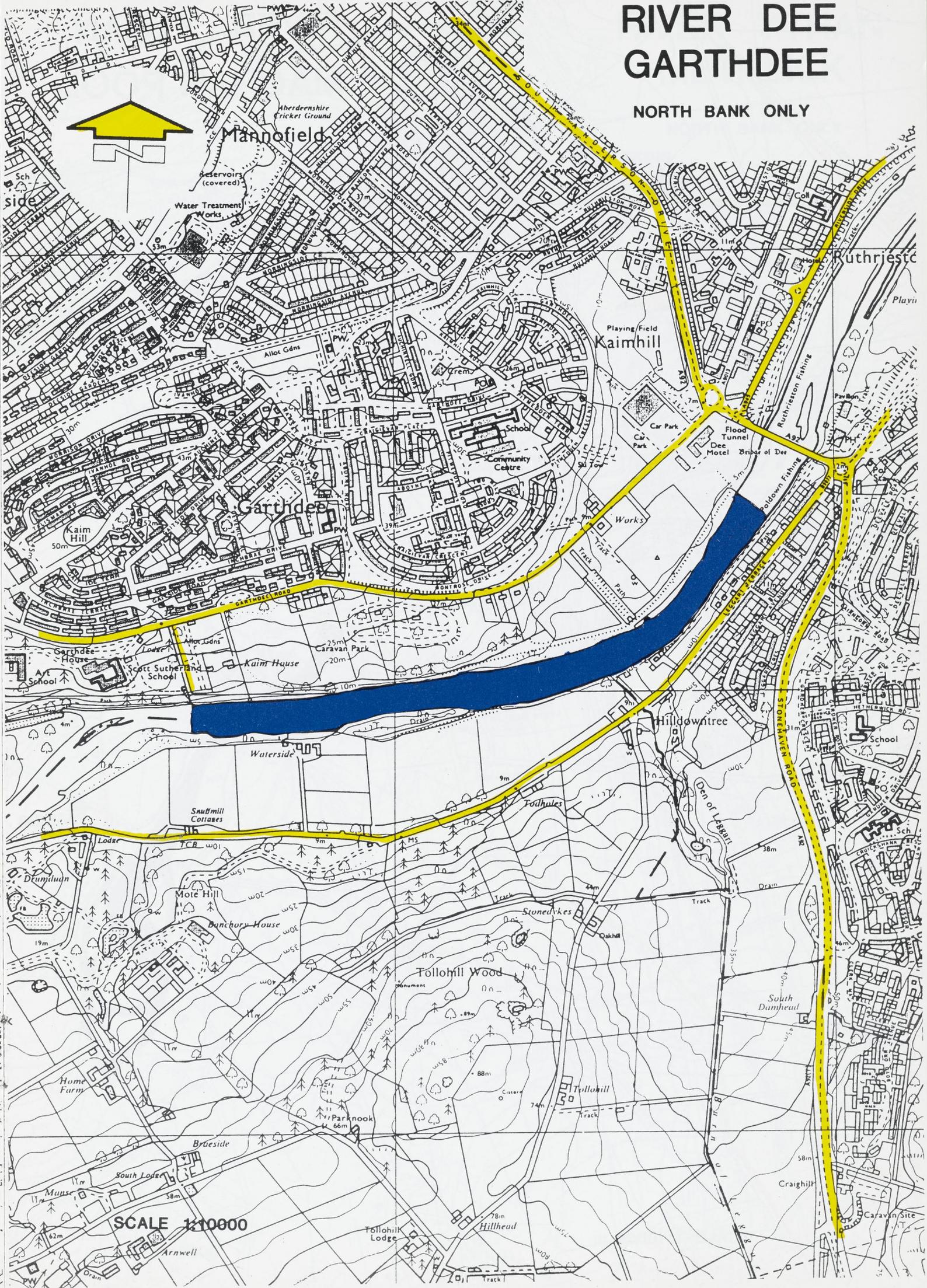


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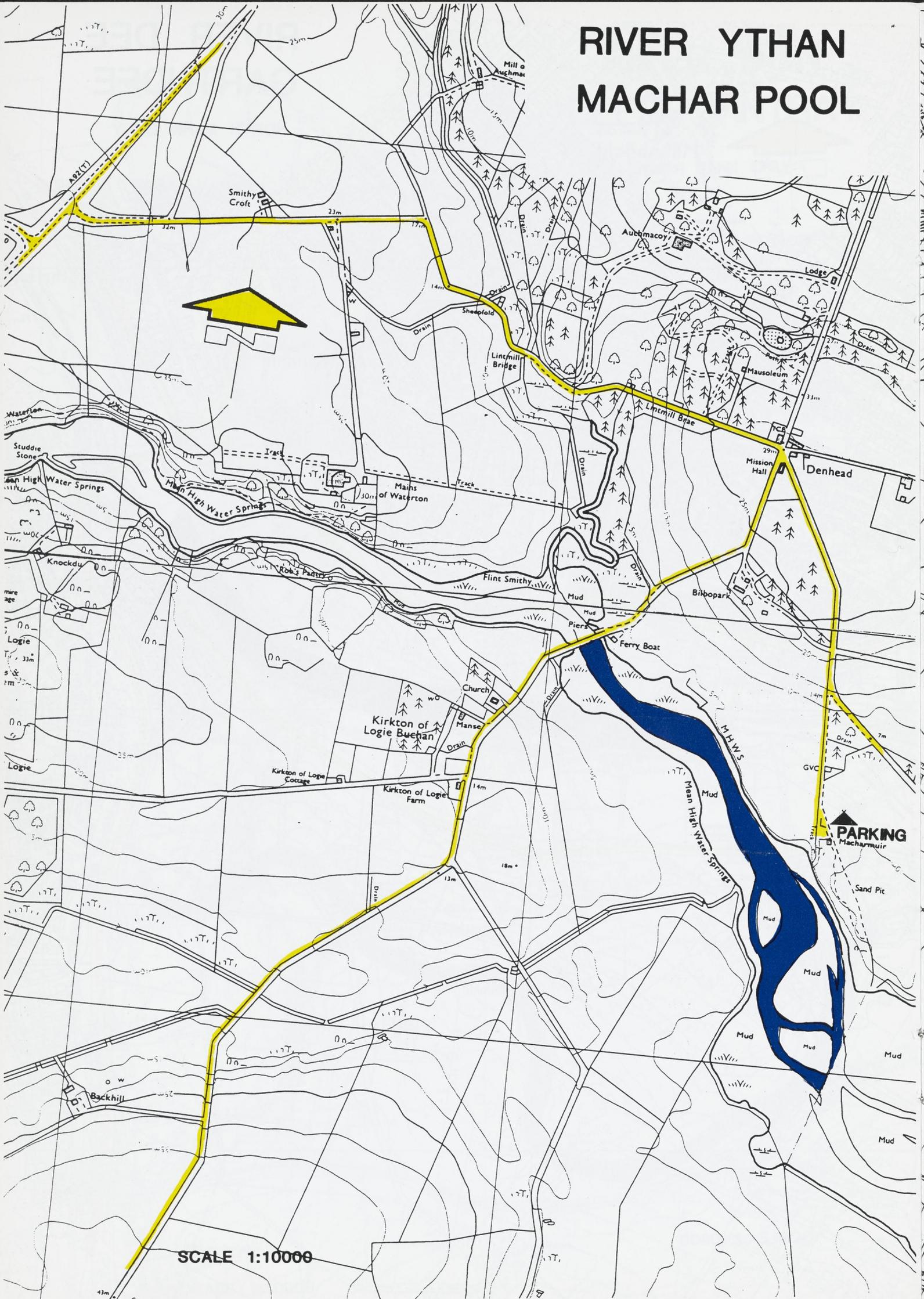
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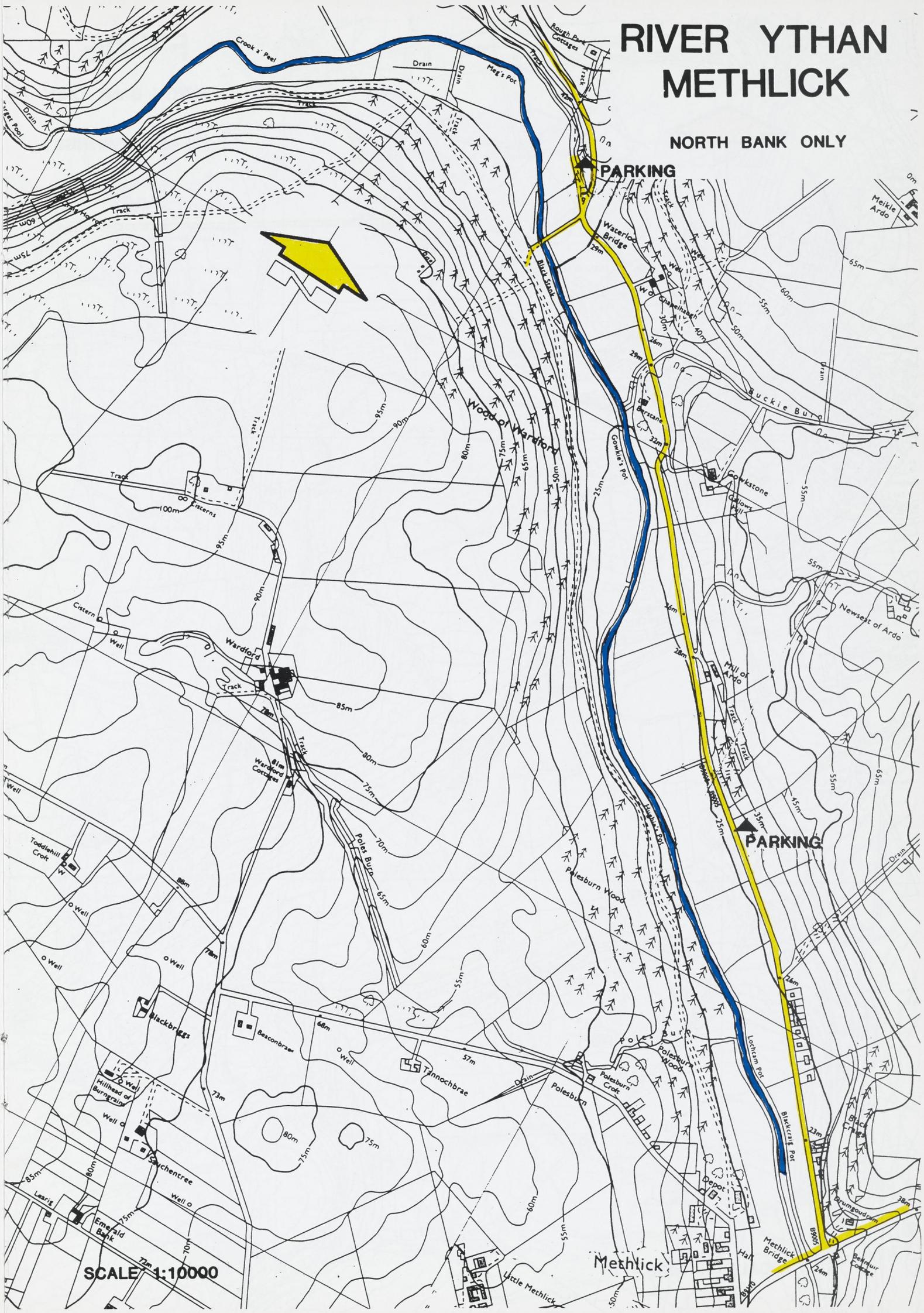
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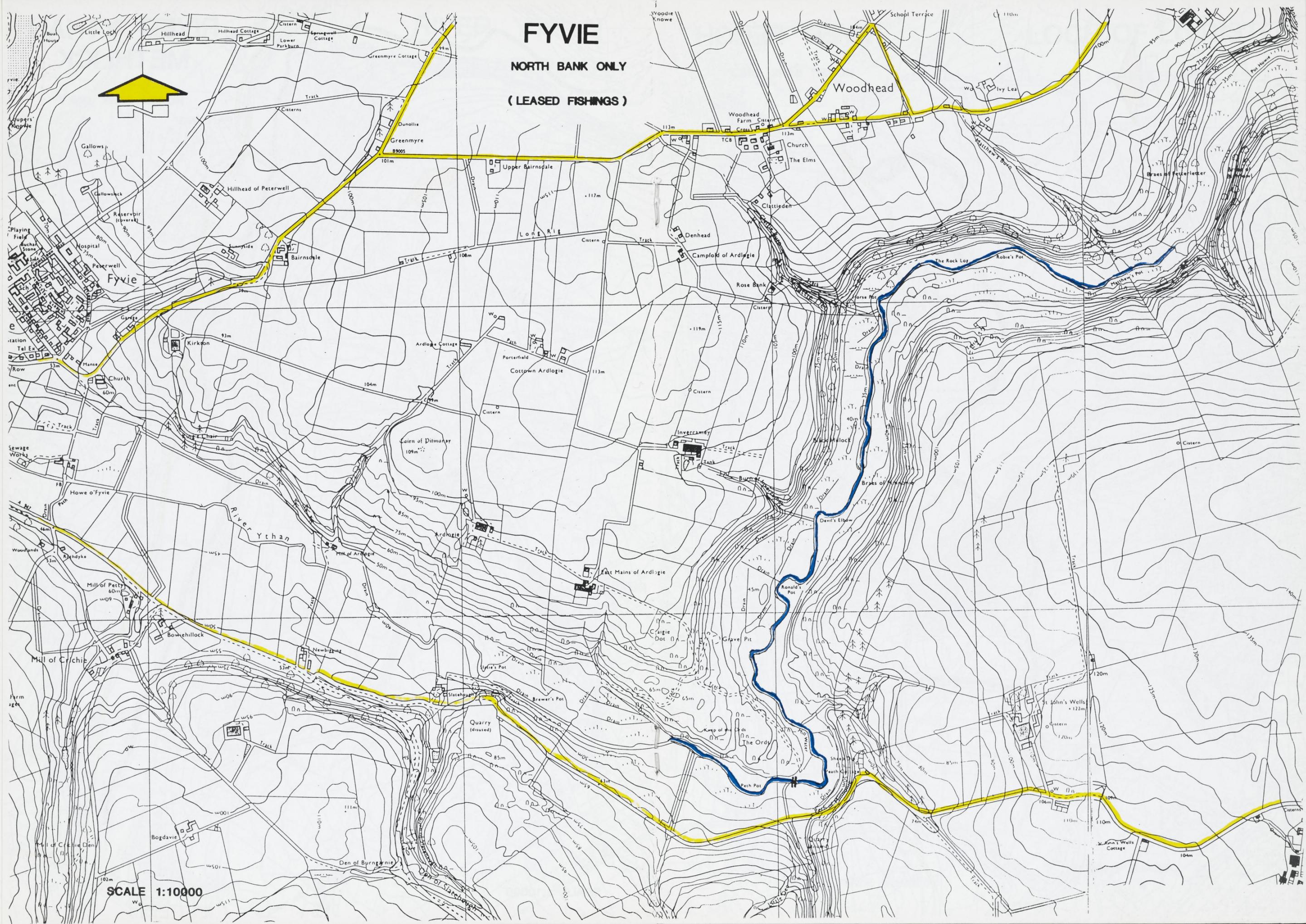
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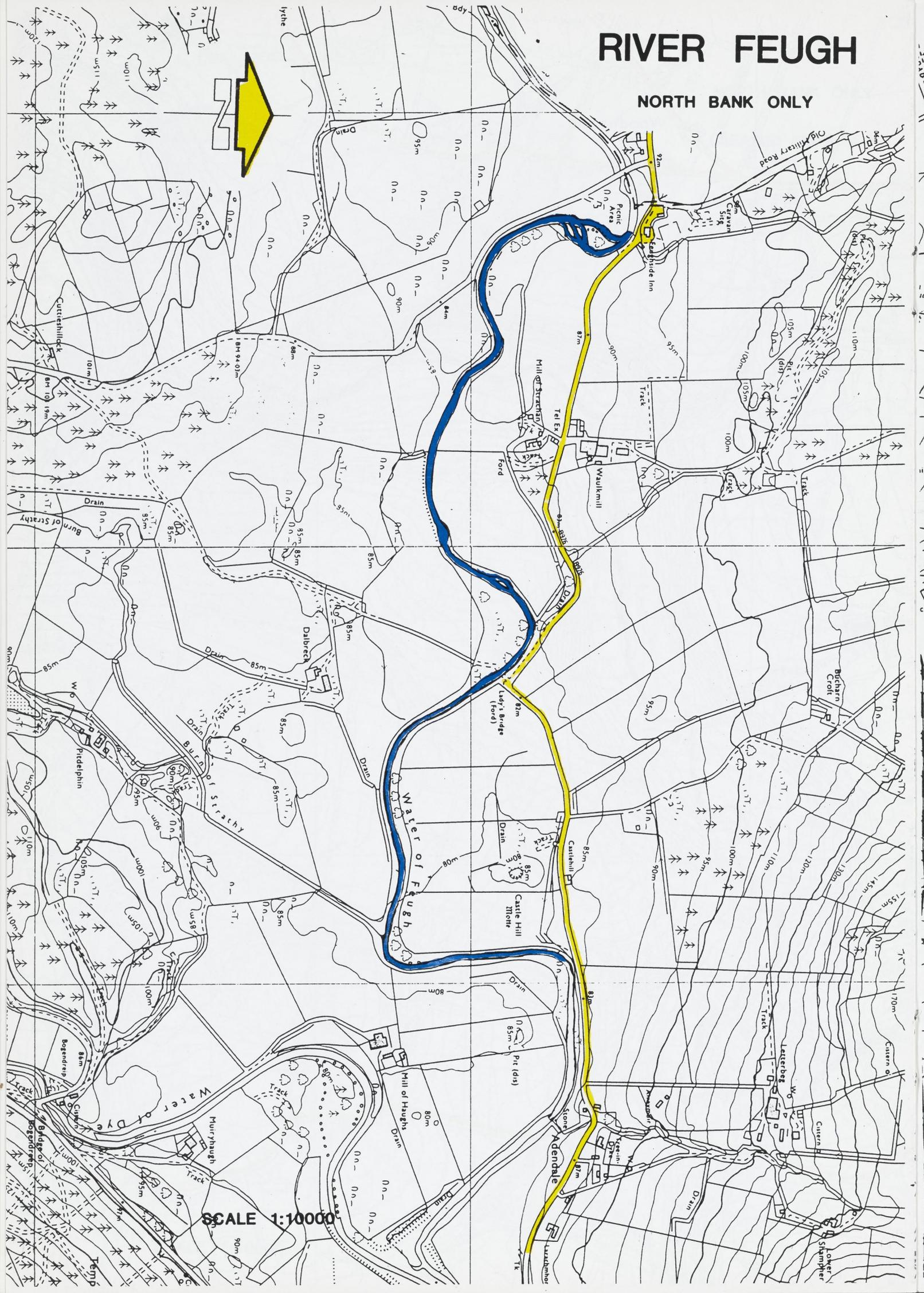
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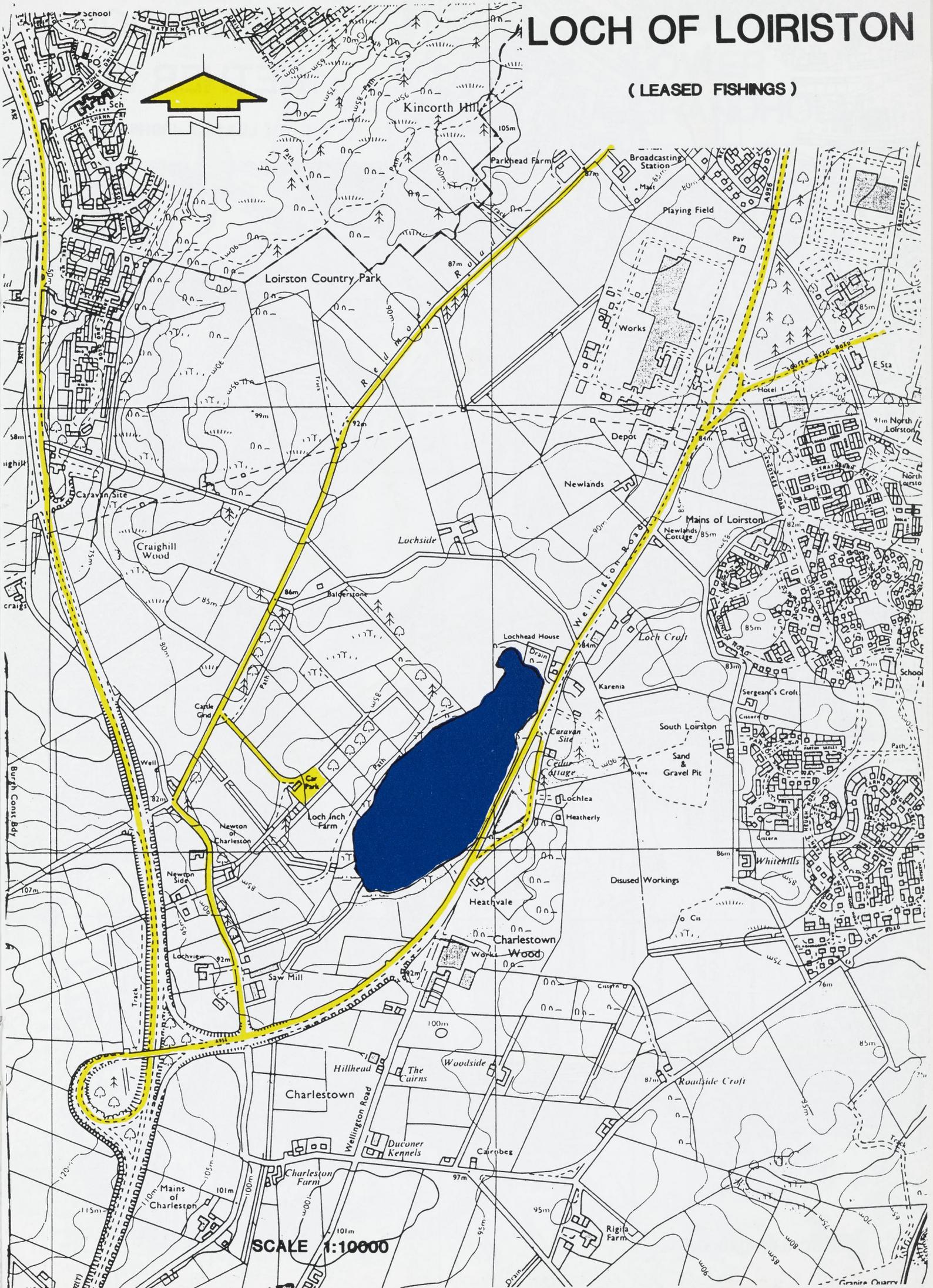
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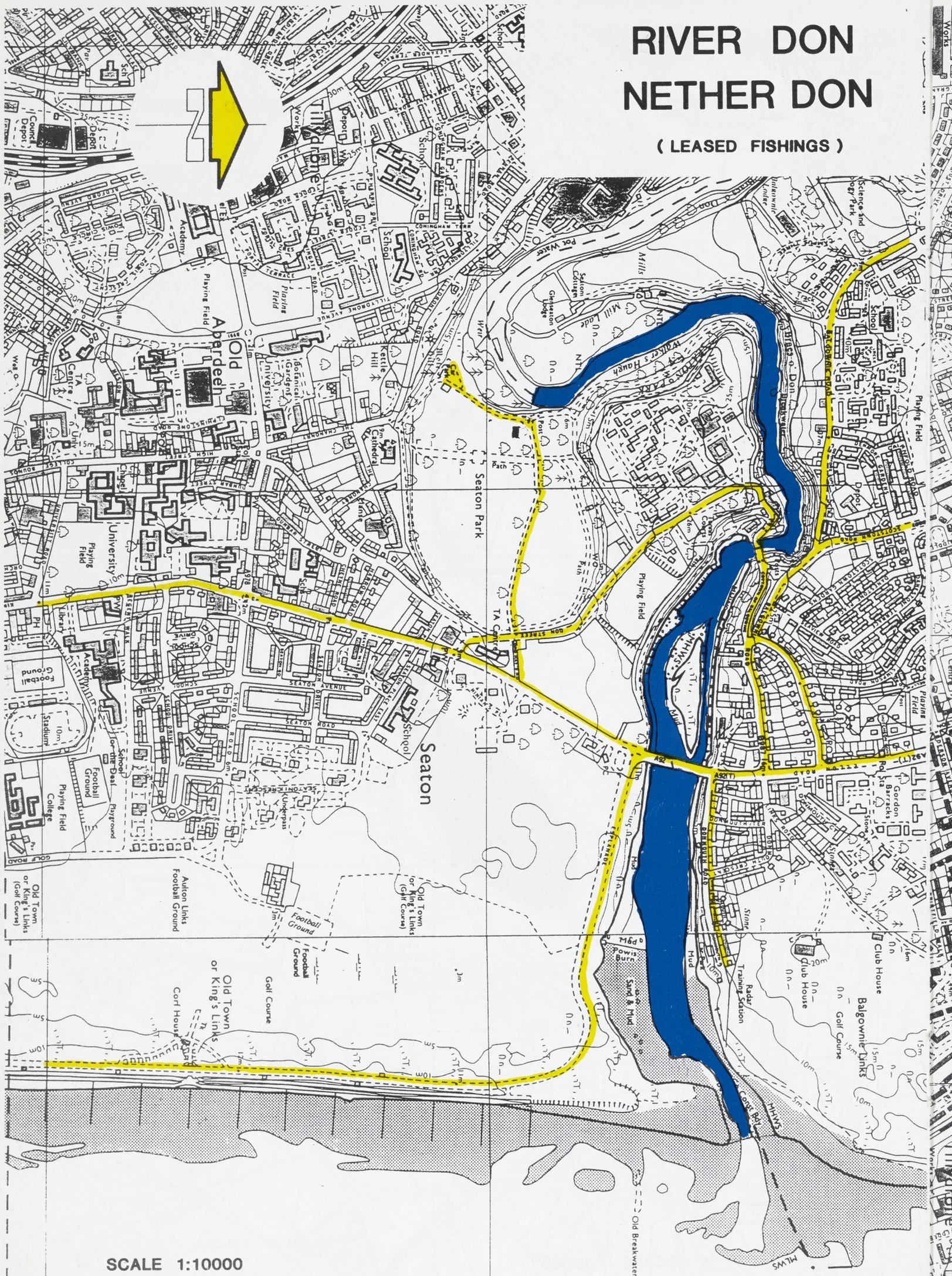
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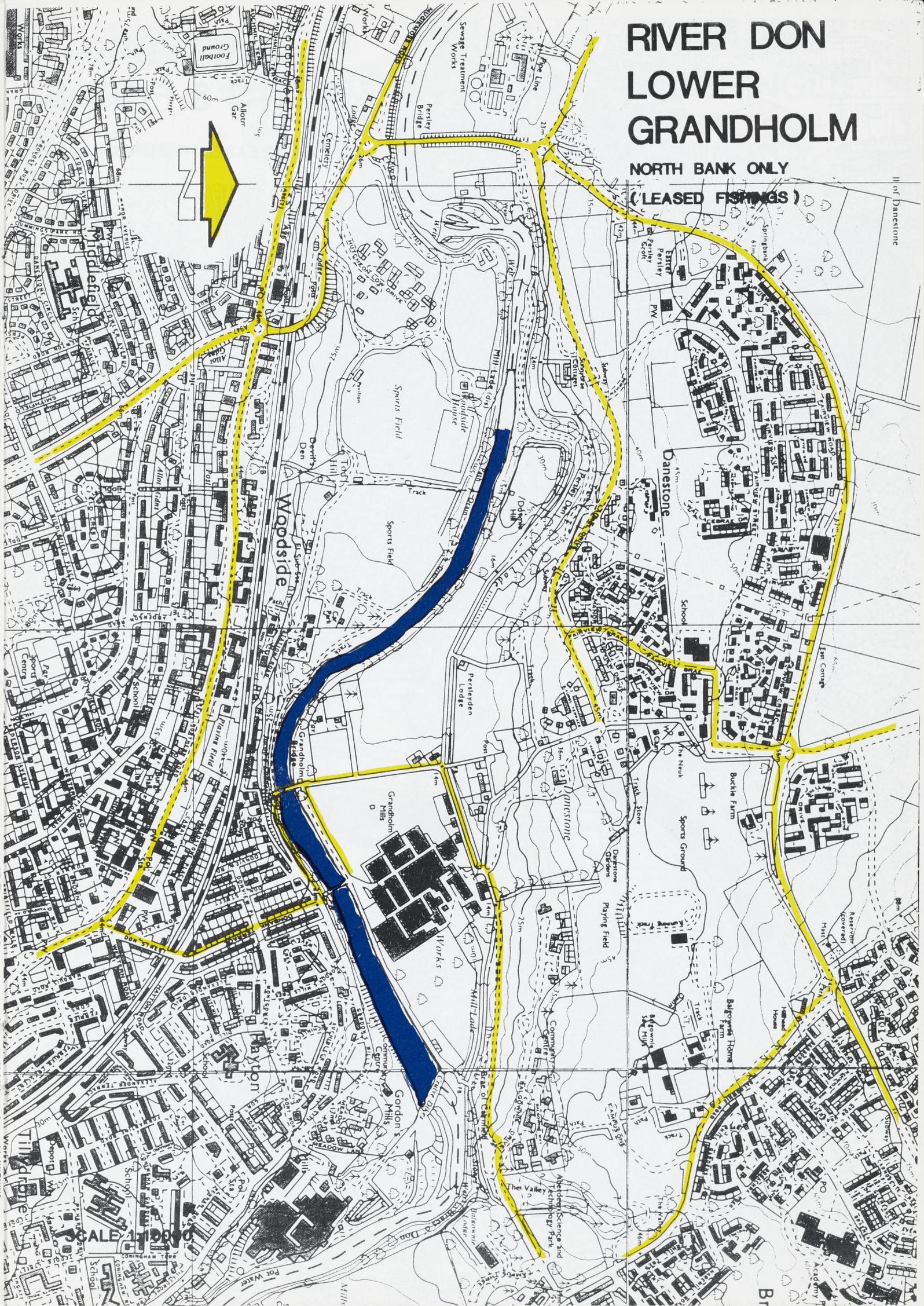
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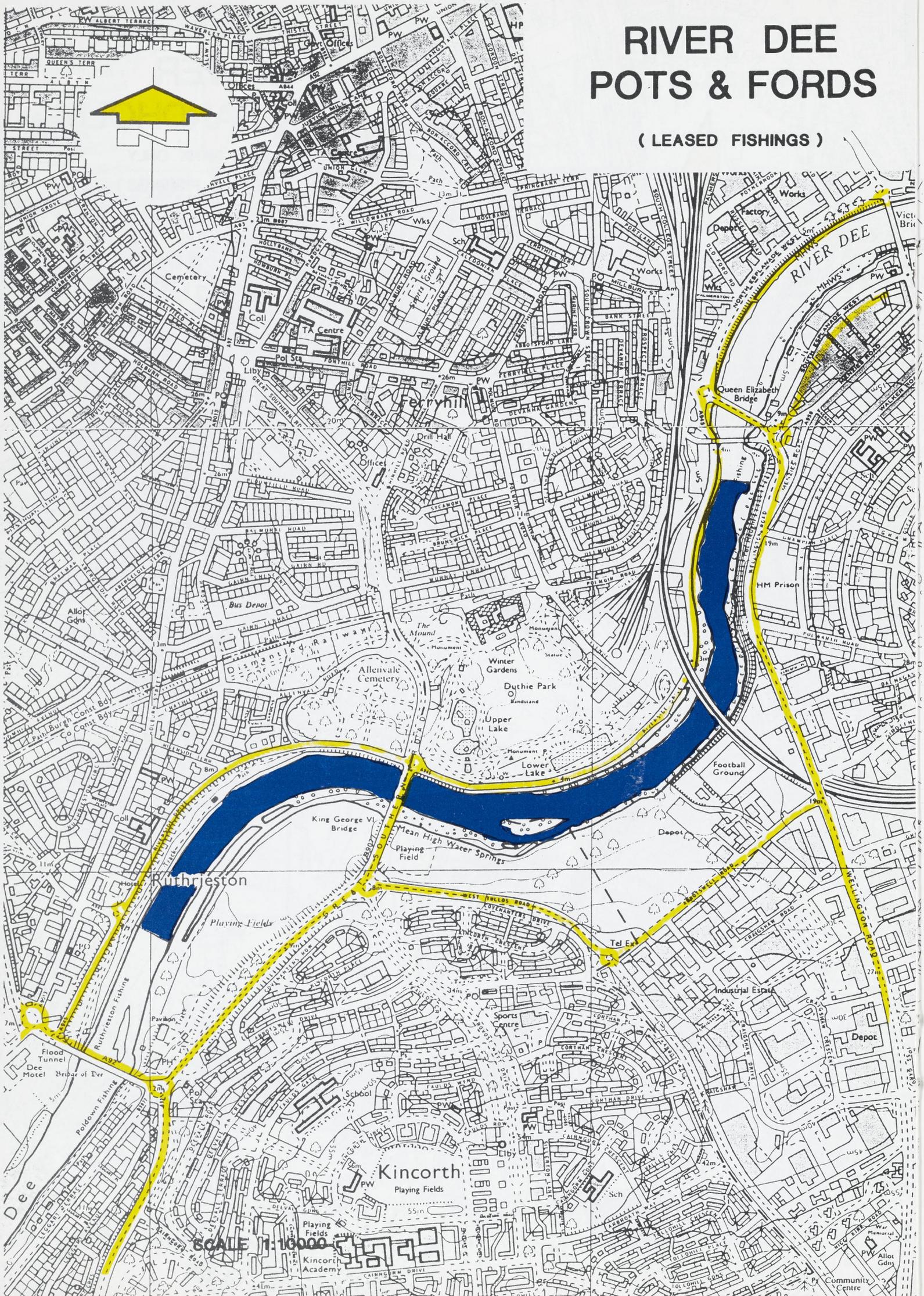
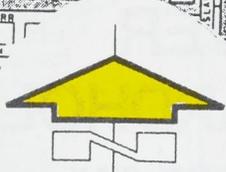
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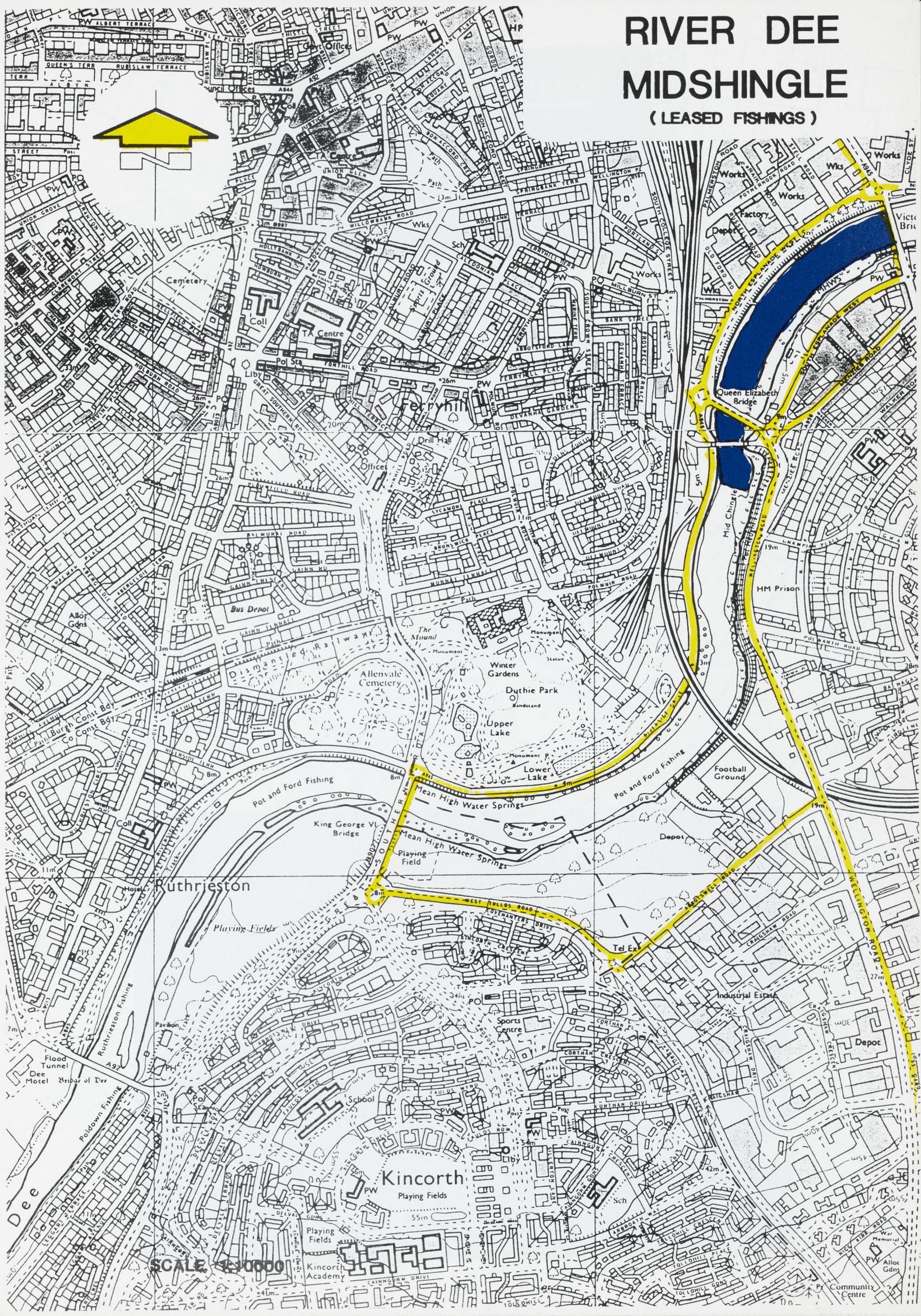
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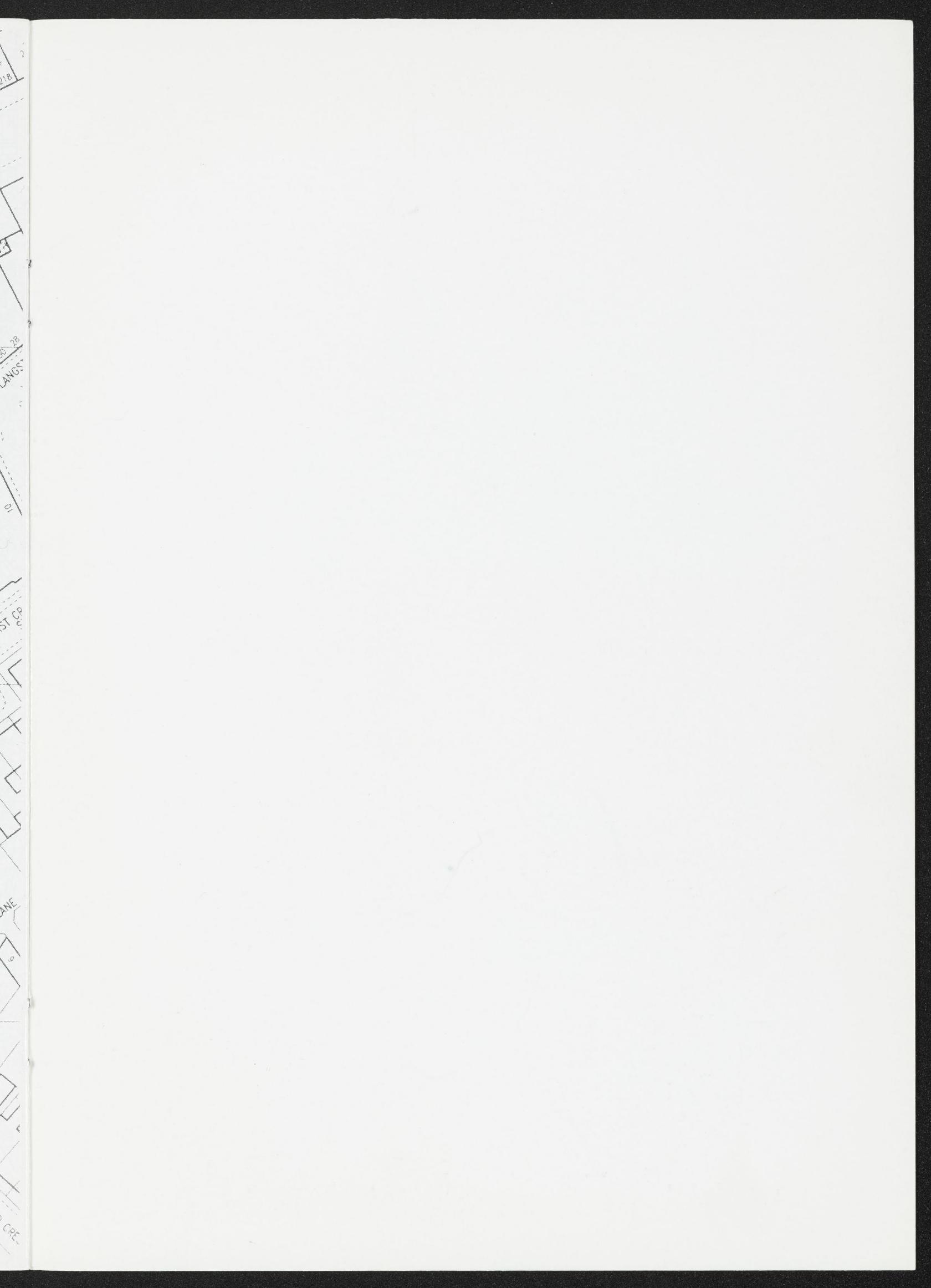
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HOUSE OF HARDY, DAIWA & SHAKESPEARE

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THE INCHNADAMPH HOTEL

1996 TARIFF - PRICE PER PERSON PER NIGHT

<u>OUT OF SEASON</u>	Up to 6 nights	£ 39 DB&B	£ 29 B&B
Jan, Feb, Nov, Dec	7 nights or more	£ 36 DB&B	£ 26 B&B
	Weekly rate	£252 DB&B	£182 B&B
<u>LOW SEASON</u>	Up to 6 nights	£ 45 DB&B	£ 35 B&B
March, April	7 nights or more	£ 42 DB&B	£ 32 B&B
	Weekly rate	£294 DB&B	£224 B&B
<u>HIGH SEASON</u>	Up to 6 nights	£ 49 DB&B	£ 39 B&B
May - Oct &	7 nights or more	£ 46 DB&B	£ 36 B&B
Xmas & New Year	Weekly rate	£322 DB&B	£252 B&B

There is a reduction of £3 for rooms without en-suite bathroom.

SPECIAL CHILDREN'S TARIFF

We have several family rooms in the hotel, for which we offer our special children's tariff. This is calculated on the child's age, at a rate of only £2 per year of age for bed & breakfast, and only £2.50 per year of age with dinner.

PETS are most welcome in the hotel.

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Lobby up to 28 lbs.

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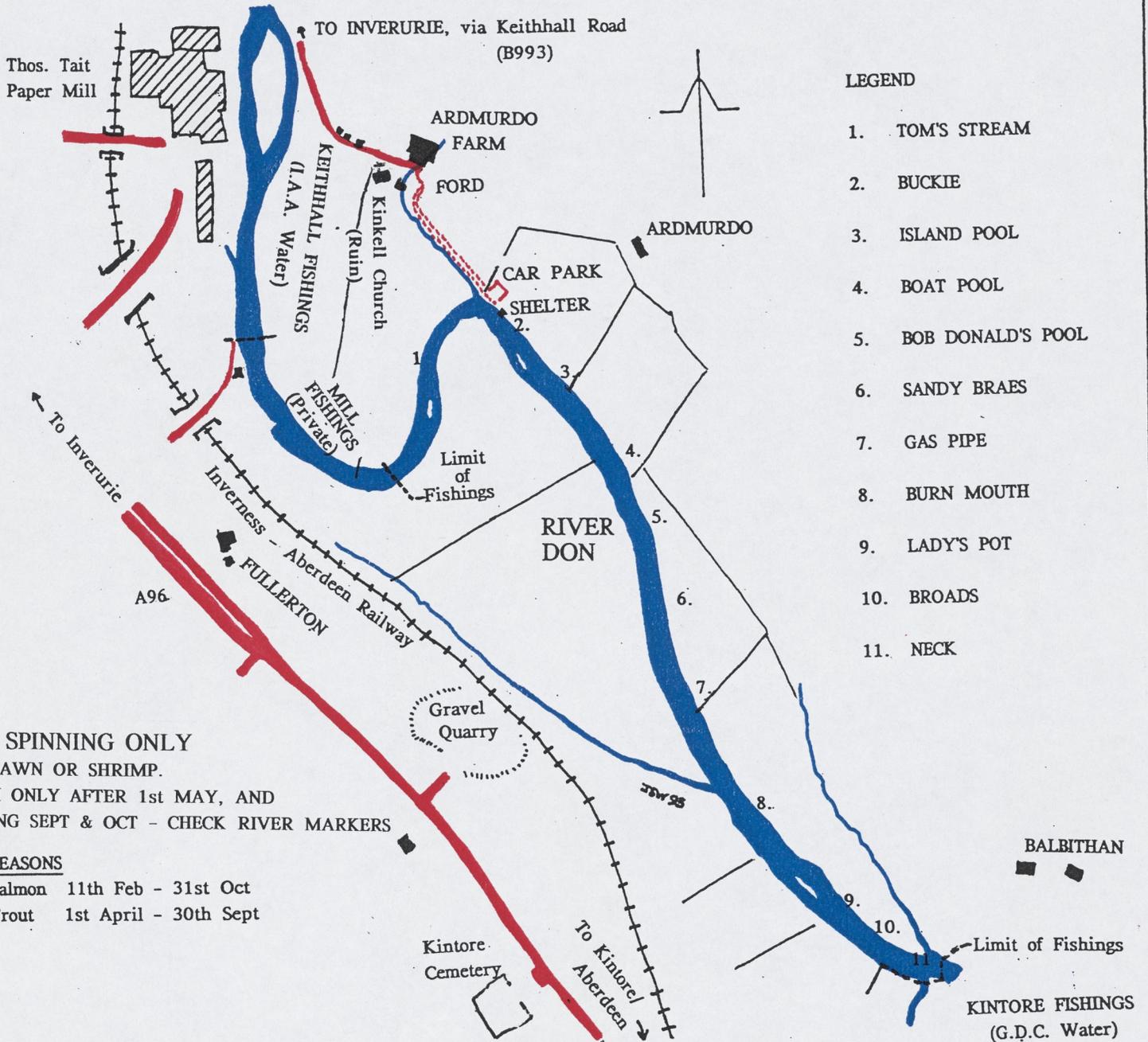
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INVERURIE ANGLING ASSOCIATION



ARDMURDO FISHINGS

THE FISHINGS EXTEND TO APPROX 1.3 Miles/2100Kms ON THE LEFT BANK



LEGEND

1. TOM'S STREAM
2. BUCKIE
3. ISLAND POOL
4. BOAT POOL
5. BOB DONALD'S POOL
6. SANDY BRAES
7. GAS PIPE
8. BURN MOUTH
9. LADY'S POT
10. BROADS
11. NECK

FLY, SPINNING ONLY
NO PRAWN OR SHRIMP.

WORM ONLY AFTER 1st MAY, AND
DURING SEPT & OCT - CHECK RIVER MARKERS

SEASONS

Salmon 11th Feb - 31st Oct
Trout 1st April - 30th Sept

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IRONMONGERY
DOMESTIC CHINA
ART CHINA & GLASS
CALOR GAS
FISHING RODS &
TACKLE

11"
275mm

MANAR FISHINGS



THE FISHINGS EXTEND TO APPROX 1.6 MILES
LEFT BANK ONLY

Tickets must be obtained before Fishing commences
Four Rods only per day.
Advance booking advised.

SEASONS

Salmon - 11th February - 31st October

Trout - 1st April - 30th September

Fly, Spinning only.
No Prawn, Shrimp or Worm.

To Inverurie
via Blackhall Rd

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Dam

To Inverurie
via Don Br

R. DON

Chapel

Limit of
Fishings

Lodge

Manar
House

Waterside

Shelter

LEGEND

1. Ree Pot
2. Stone Pool
3. Horseshoe Haugh
4. Long Pool
5. Sheep Pool
6. Upper Wood Pool
7. Lower Wood Pool
8. Chapel Pool

Burnhervie

Lodge

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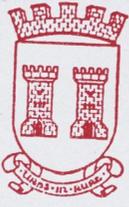
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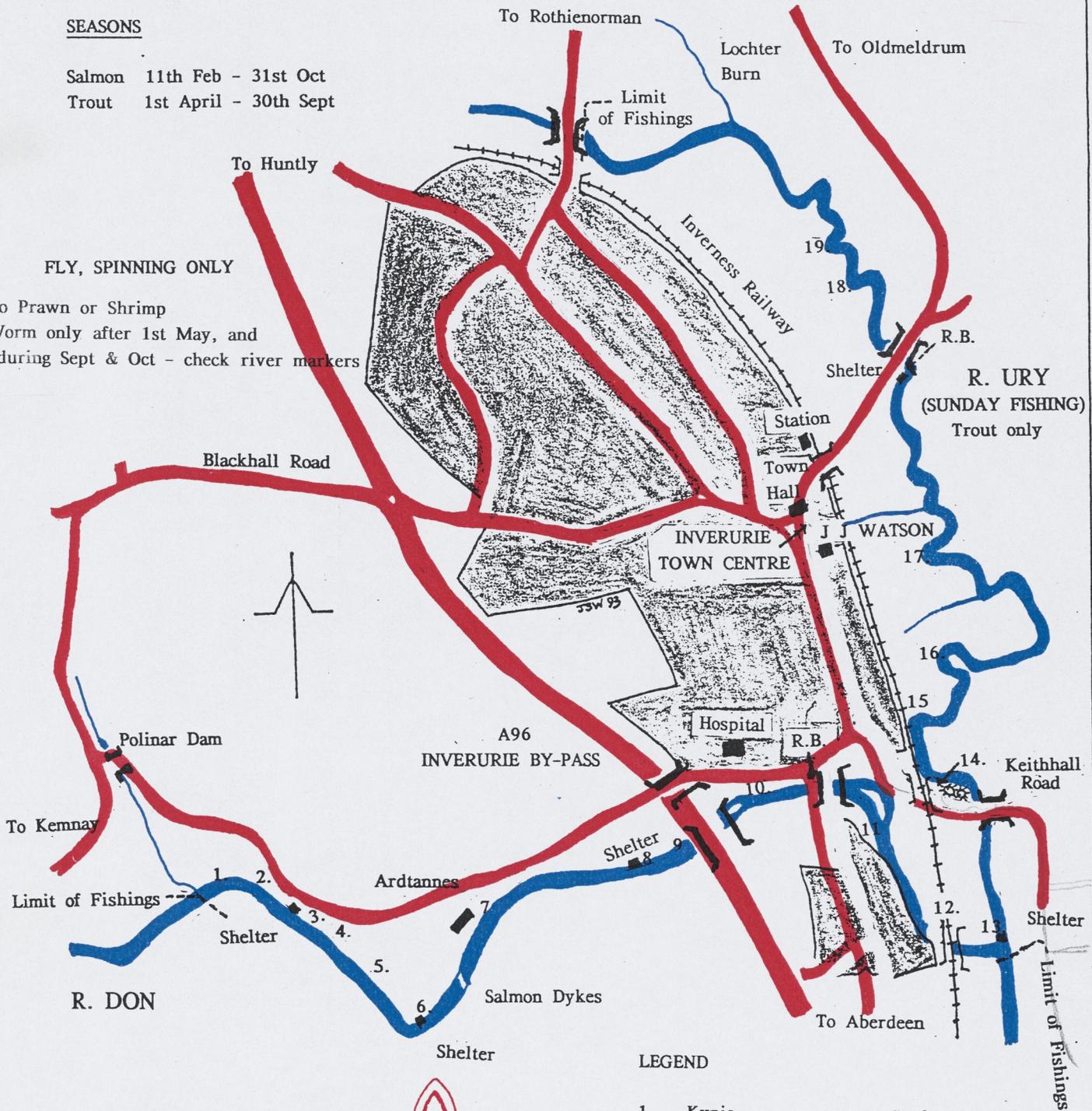
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| 2. Marat | 12. Red Brig |
| 3. Boat | 13. Meetings |
| 4. Rowe Head | 14. Bass Pot |
| 5. Yards | 15. Caben |
| 6. Black Pot | 16. Diving Board |
| 7. Mill Stream | 17. Police Pot |
| 8. Rays | 18. Telephone Pool |
| 9. Port Dooker | 19. Horseshoe |
| 10. Bridge Stream | R.B. Returns Box |



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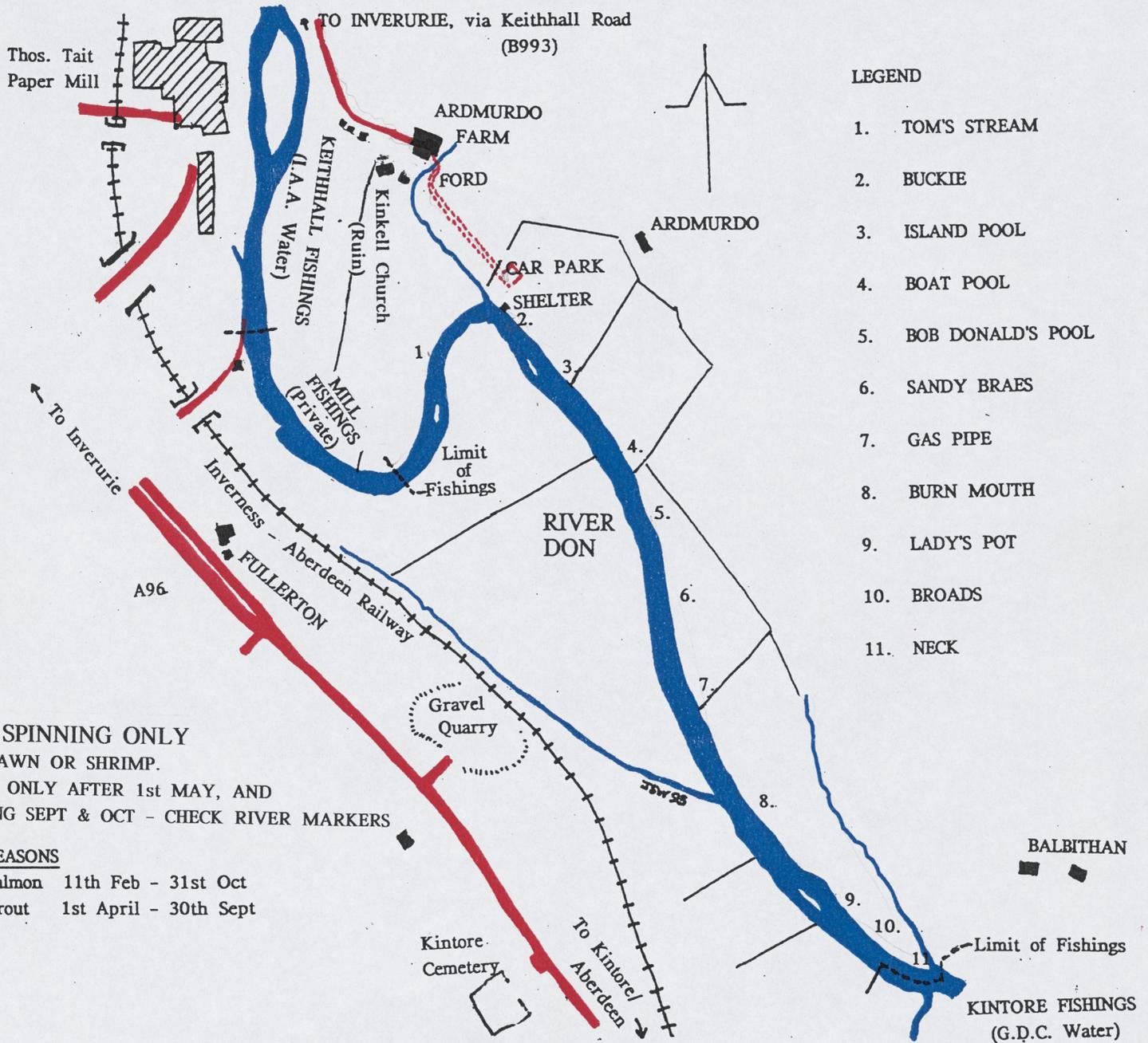
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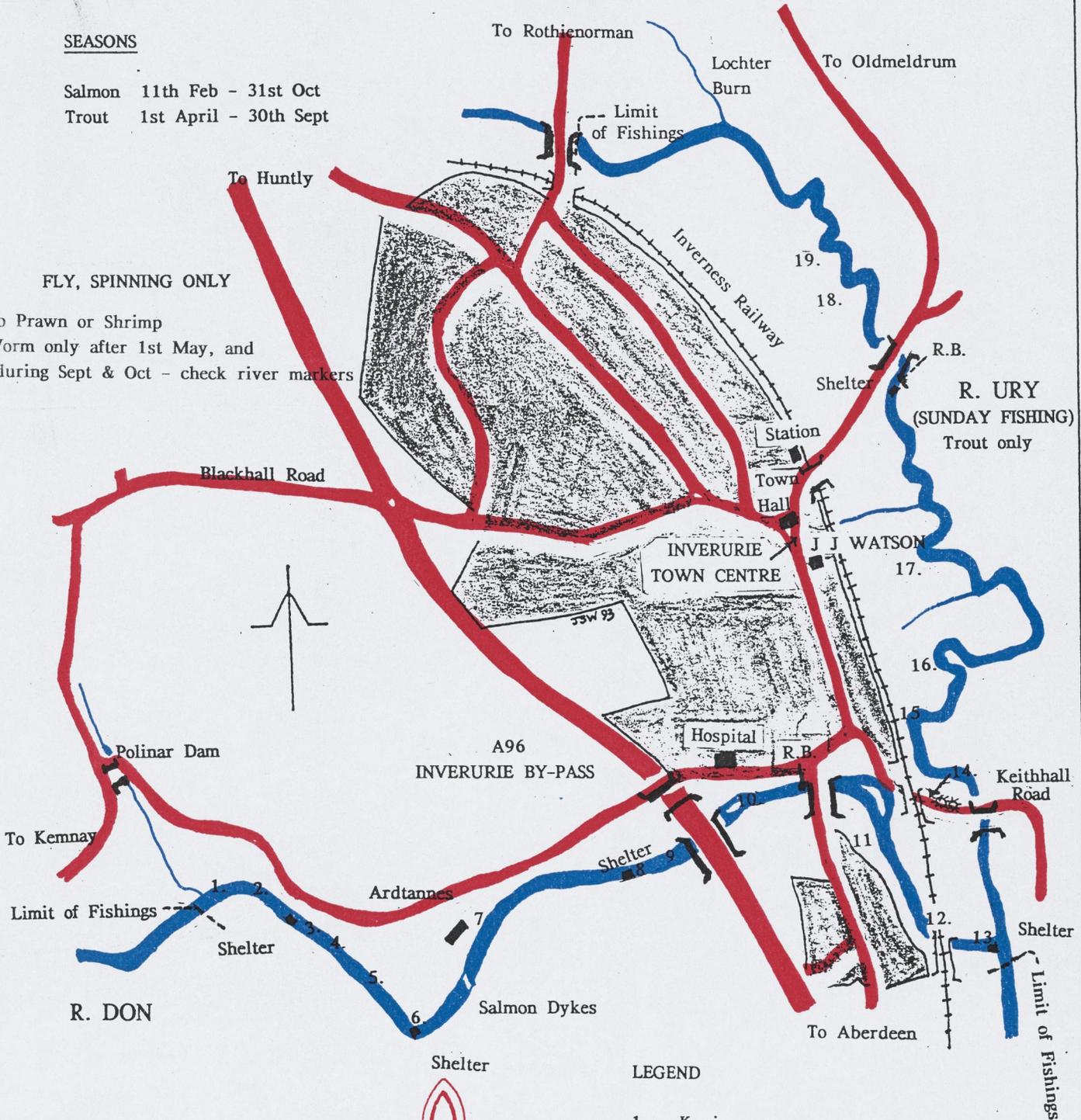
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To Kemnay

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Blackhall Road

To Rothienorman

Lochter Burn

To Oldmeldrum

Limit of Fishings

Inverness Railway

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R.B.

Shelter

R. URY
(SUNDAY FISHING)
Trout only

Station

Town Hall

INVERURIE
TOWN CENTRE

J. J. WATSON

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16.

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Keithhall Road

14.

Limit of Fishings

Shelter

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Shelter

11.

R. DON

Salmon Dykes

To Aberdeen

Shelter

Limit of Fishings

Shelter

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Dear Mr Nemes

Thank you for your letter dated 28th July. I look forward to reading your book in due course and I hope you will be able to say some nice words about the Beauly.

The current season can only be described as disappointing, it would appear that grilse sea mortality has been high and the grilse run has suffered accordingly. However, the lack of grilse may equally have been caused by the recent very dry summers that we have experienced resulting in the juvenile streams all but drying up. Against this background we have so far caught 407 fish this year, which although is less than we have experienced before, is still way above the 10 year average for the River of 550 fish when we originally purchased it. There has been no change in our pricing. As far as catch and release is concerned I believe that Salmon in the Beauly are not limited by egg disposition and thus there is little benefit and indeed some would argue there could be harm from the introduction of fungus in releasing fish that have been caught. That said, I think it is politically good policy to release fish as fishers can hardly expect nets men to stop catching salmon when they themselves are knocking everything on the head. As a company, we do not have a firm policy but would like to think that our fishers are well informed and leave it up to them to decide.

I have also enclosed the latest Beauly News, Issue 9, which has an interesting article about the Hydro Scheme. I understand that compensation was paid to the previous owners of the River but I have no details of this.

I would be most interested to know when you are planning a visit to the area so that if I am around I can field more of your questions. In the meantime, I would recommend the Chrialdon House Hotel in Beauly as an alternative to the Lovat Arms, the address is as follows:-

Chrialdon House Hotel
Beauly
Inverness-shire IV4 7EH Tel: 01463 782336

I am afraid our Lodge is completely full this season.

Yours sincerely

William Midwood

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Following our recent telephone conversation I have put together the following notes. I hope they will be of some use to you.

1. English north east net catch and effort

Figure 1 shows the reported English north east net catches (salmon and grilse) and effort (measured as the number of licences issued). Although the majority of the catch is recognised to have been taken by the drift net fishery, these catches include fish taken by T nets in the Northumbrian region and fish taken by T or J nets in the Yorkshire region. Catches increased gradually from 6086 in 1952 to 15634 in 1966. Over the next four years catches increased dramatically to peak at 94991 in 1970. Thereafter (1971 to 1994), the catch level has fluctuated around an average of 49212.

From 1952 to 1970 there was an increase in effort that mirrored the increase in catch. It is likely that there were two major contributors to the high catch and effort recorded between 1967 and 1970. Firstly, as was the case for the Scottish catches, there did appear to be a great abundance of grilse at this time. Secondly, the nature of the drift net fishery changed at this time with the introduction of synthetic netting materials. These nets are invisible to the fish and allowed the fishery to operate during daylight hours whereas before, fishing was restricted to night time and also enabled the fishery to operate further offshore than was previously possible. From 1971 onwards effort remained stable with an average of 202 licences. The close relationship observed between catch and effort up to 1970 breaks down for the remainder of the time series reflecting an increase in catch per unit effort due to the use of synthetic materials.

2. Statistical Bulletin (inc. 1996 catches)

This is ready to go but requires the Minister's approval before it can be distributed. I expect it will be available any day now. I've added your name to the distribution list and you will now receive the bulletin on an annual basis.

3. Cruives

See att. Photocopies.

4. Catch and Release

Catch and release has always been practised to some degree in Scotland but had been mainly restricted to fish in or near spawning condition at the back end of the season and to kelts coming downstream in the early part of the fishing season. The perceived low abundance of returning stocks in the last decade has seen an increase in voluntary catch and release to the extent that in

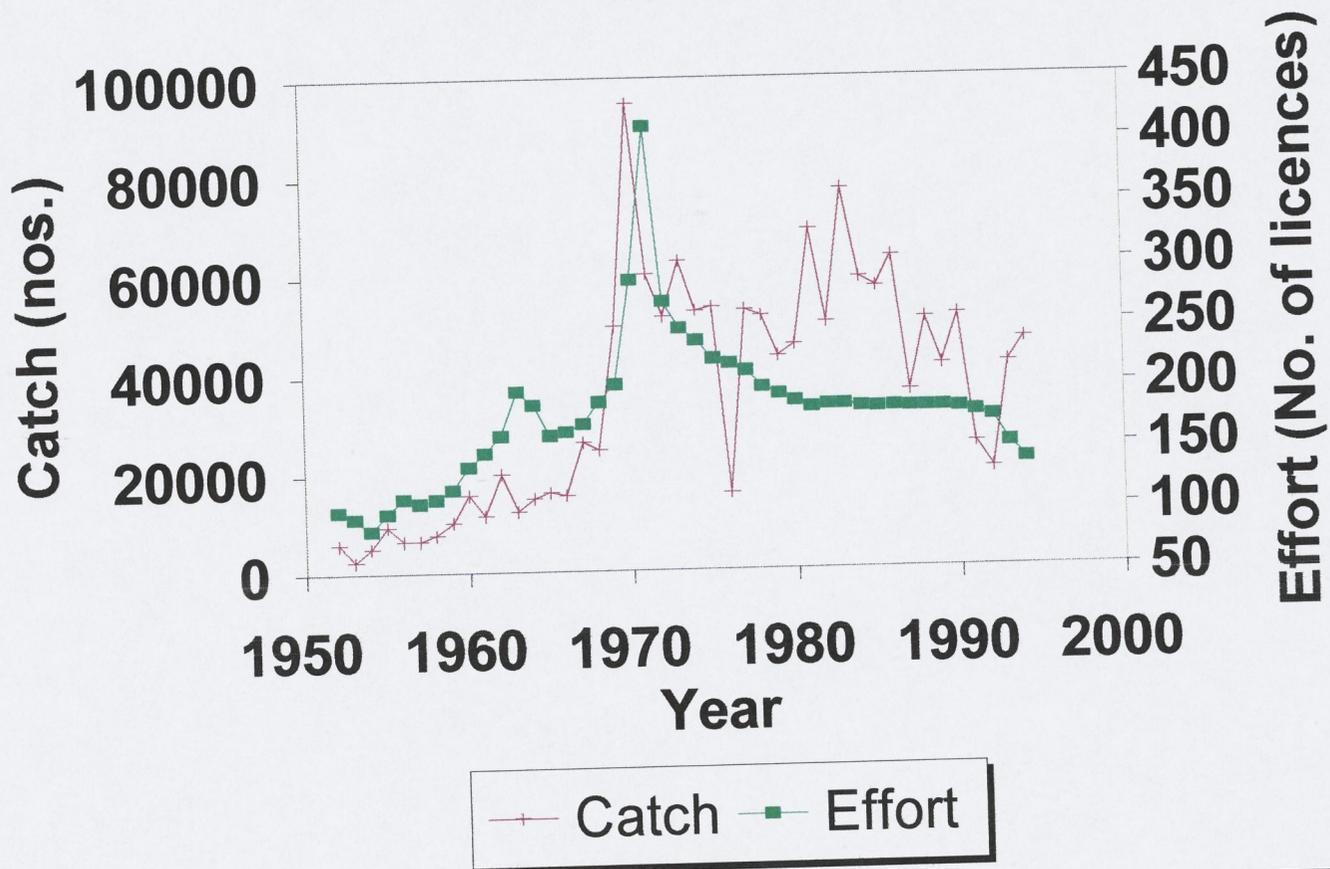
the last 3 years (1994 - 1996) we have asked for such fish to be recorded separately in the catch returns. Evidence of fish surviving to be caught on more than one occasion has shown that catch and release does work and that if the fish is not played too long it can survive to spawn.

Good luck with your book,

Julian
27/10/97

Fig. 1

English north east net catches and effort, 1952-1994



RIVER OYKEL

CONSERVATION PROGRAMME

As part of the River Oykel Conservation Programme it is proposed to introduce the following catch limits on the Lower Oykel during the 1996 season.

11th January - 31st May

One fish per rod per week may be retained. Fishermen are asked to release the remainder or place them in the keep nets provided for the Spring Fish Enhancement Programme. All fish released will be fin clipped to record their survival after release.

1st June - 30th September

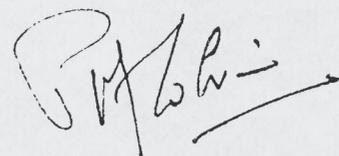
Up to ten fish per beat per day may be retained and the remainder released.

15th August - 30th September

All hen fish to be released.

No fish may be sold at any time.

I hope all tenants will do their best to make this work. The policy will be reviewed for the 1997 season.



P F J Colvin (Chairman)

FISHING SUGGESTIONS

DOWNIE BEAT

FLY POOL - Best fishing height, compensation to 6". Fish lie well up the neck of this pool. Best bet as your fly comes into the slack water and along the south bank particularly near the old fallen log. Keep an eye on the water gauge when you are wading the tail of this pool, if the water rises you might have a problem getting back.

DOWNIE - Best fishing height 1'6 to 2' plus. Boat fishing with the best taking place at Roddie Bush on the south bank.

LONG REACH - Fishes well at most heights and can be waded safely up to 2'3. At low heights, cast long and square, allowing belly to form in your line to increase fly speed. As water rises, adjust your casting angle. With the introduction of two double croys, this pool has now become very productive. The best spots seem to be 20 yards above and below top croys, so start well up. By the triangle of rocks at the bend of the road and 30 yards above and below lower croys. Fish are being caught well down towards the tail of this pool when the water height is 9" plus.

ISLAND RUN - From the rapids at the tail of the Long Reach to the tail of the Island in front of the Downie Hut. This pool is now catching fish starting well up into the rapids at low water. As the river height rises, fish tend to drop back towards the Tail of the Island, below the marker gauge.

THE BREACHES - Fishes well at all heights. The wading is good. Fish pool from Tail of the Island down to the Seat. At low water conditions, cast square and hand line quickly. The stones at the tail fish best at 12" plus.

GREEN BANK - Can be waded with up to 9" on the gauge. Above this height, it fishes well from a boat. This pool is rather difficult to distinguish, so ask your ghillie to point it out.

NEW SHOT - Start this pool 25 yards above the Dunballock jetty and fish it down to the large pointed rock on the north bank. Wade two thirds across the river, casting towards the south bank. Angle your wade towards large rock.

THE MINISTER - Very good pool with 9' or more on the gauge. Start at the triangular large rock at the neck and wade towards the fence. At high water this pool is fished best from the boat. The tail can also be very productive. A good seatrout pool.

PRIEST - Fishes well from both banks and at most heights. The wading is safe and easy as long as the piles are showing. On the north bank start well up above the Burn and take it down to the boat launching bay. On the south side start well up into the rapids in the neck, wade towards the piles and take pool all the way down to the Lovat Bridge. Fish are taken from both banks throughout the whole length of this pool.

THE RIVER BEAULY FISHINGS COMPANY LIMITED

LETTING CONDITIONS

1. Please contact your ghillie prior to your fishing in order to make arrangements to meet him and other fishers who may be on your Beat. The following is a list of ghillies' telephone numbers. On the Upper and Middle River, please contact John Matheson. In the event of any difficulty, please ring the Head Fisherman, Hugh Matheson.

Hugh Matheson - 01463 741368
Willie Matheson - 01463 782015
John Matheson - 01463 741491
Matthew Dilks - 01463 783167
2. Fishing must be carried out in a responsible and sportsmanlike manner. FLY FISHING only at all times, unless on the Middle River, where limited spinning is permitted. See separate Spinning Rules.
3. Each beat will rotate on a daily basis, changing over at 3.00am.
4. An Upper River let comprises one (1) rotating beat, 3 rods, on the AIGAS and ESKADALE beats.

A Lower River let comprises one (1) rotating beat, 5 rods, on the FALLS, HOME AND DOWNIE beats. In the spring this may differ, with the Downie being excluded from the rotation.

A Middle River let comprises one (1) rotating beat, 3 rods on the FERRY and DAM beats.
5. No subletting is permitted.
6. Fishing will be carried out under the supervision of a ghillie or ghillies. Any decision as to whether or not water conditions are suitable for the use of the boats will be the sole and final decision of the ghillie, and no boat may be used without his permission.
7. Every Tenant shall give notice to the ghillie of any proposed fishing outside customary hours (ie 9.00am until 5.00pm).

8. Salmon and sea trout parr and all kelts must be returned to the river, as well as gravid fish.
9. Every Tenant shall be entitled to keep all fish caught on the beats in accordance with the Rules. Tenants must properly record all fish, so caught, in the Fishing Record Books which shall be retained by the ghillies.
10. No shooting of any kind is permitted. Any dog brought by a Tenant must be kept under strict control and must not cause annoyance or interference to other Tenants or fishermen or to farming or estate operations.
11. Fishing huts will be used as shelters and lunch huts and will not be used as sleeping places.
12. Any cars shall be parked by Tenants in the car parks provided and must not be left to block any farm access roads.
13. The Syndicate rights of access to and over the River banks are restricted and every Tenant shall respect at all times the property over which the access rights run.
14. The Country Code shall be observed at all times and no fires shall be lit and no litter shall be left in or around the fishing huts or on the River banks.
15. Any Tenant who causes damage or becomes aware of any damage howsoever caused to any property will notify the ghillie immediately and thereafter the Managing Agents, The River Beaully Fishings Company, as soon as possible.
16. Any Tenant observing any disturbances or foul play shall report the same immediately to the ghillie, who will be entitled to ask any Tenant to withdraw from the River in the event of any breach of the Rules or Bye-laws. Any Tenant may also report any such infringement to the Managing Agents failing which, the Secretary of the Syndicate.
17. Any complaints about the conduct or ability of any of the Ghillies or any complaints or suggestions with regard to the operation of the Fishings should be made in writing to the Managing Agents.

18. Ghillies shall start on the same beat for the particular week in each year and will stay with the same party throughout the week.
19. Ghillies shall be in sole charge of placing rods on each beat if the fishermen on the beat in question are not all of the same party.
20. Tipping: the level of tipping is at the discretion of the fisherman, but in any event shall not exceed £5.00 per rod, per day.
21. Ghillies may not fish a tenant's rod unless others in the party agree.
22. No liability will be accepted by the Company for any loss or damage to equipment however caused.
23. Tenants are advised to insure themselves and their property appropriately.
24. In the interests of safety, fishermen are advised to wear flotation jackets. Please always wade with caution and within your own limitations.
25. Tenants are allowed to fish for a maximum of 12.5 hours in any 24 hour period, commencing at 3.am.
26. Tenants must NOT offer ghillies drink other than perhaps a beer at lunch time, but this is not expected by the ghillies.
27. Tenants will abide by any new rules or codes of conduct that may from time to time be introduced by the River Beaully Syndicate Committee.

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THE RIVER BEAULY FISHERS' CODE OF CONDUCT AND RULES

River Beauly Fishers have a reputation for sportsmanlike and considerate behaviour to fellow fishers. They also respect the local environment and countryside code. Our own code of conduct is designed to reinforce this fine tradition.

1. All fishers shall fish in a responsible and sportsmanlike manner.
2. Fishers shall move down a pool, taking approximately two yards in between casts. If a fish is risen or caught, the fisher is entitled to move upstream from the lie by say six yards or so, and fish the lie again.
3. It is important that all fishers should feel that they have enjoyed an equitable share of each days fishing. When a beat consists of a divided party it is possible that some may not have had an equal opportunity to fish the most productive part of the Beat. To minimise this possibility, the ghillies will be responsible for placing and moving the rods. Please try and arrange beforehand, with your ghillie, your starting times.
4. When others are fishing from the opposite bank, or behind you, do not make numerous false casts in order to achieve your longest possible distance. This is to avoid disturbing the fish.
5. The ghillie should give you a time in which to fish your pool. If you finish fishing before the allotted time you are quite entitled to fish the pool again but you must not start in front of someone if they are fishing from the opposite bank.

Rule 3 and 5 will not apply if a beat consists of fishers who purchased a beat together as fishing friends, owning 2 or more rods each and inviting their own guests. In such cases it is for the party to arrange their rota, unless they do not wish to do so.

6. If someone is fishing close behind you on the opposite bank, and you catch a fish, you should let them through. However, the person on the opposite bank must ensure that he does not impede the playing of the fish.
7. In order to prevent lies being disturbed you must not wade deeper than instructed by the ghillie.
8. No rod should be fished for more than 12 hours a day. No rod is to be shared by more than two persons in the course of a day, with the exception of immediate family.

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9. At no time will more than three rods fish any one pool at the same time. This specifically applies to the Ferry Pool, which includes the Stones.
10. The ghillies decision is final but he should not be put into a position where he has to exert his authority.
11. Every fisher shall be entitled to keep all fish caught on the beat in accordance with the River Beaully Rules. However, it is in everybodys' interest to safeguard our sport. If you happen to be catching a lot of fish, please consider returning some of them. The public can hardly regard fishers as conservationists if they are observed killing fish after fish, as can sometimes be the case in the Ferry Pool. Please remember, when returning fish, you must touch them as little as possible and only with wet hands or a wet cloth. Do not return damaged fish.
12. Salmon and seatrout parr, kelts and all gravid fish must be returned carefully to the river.

Finally remember there is more to fishing than killing fish.

FISHING SUGGESTIONS

FALLS BEAT

DAM ISLAND - A boat must be used to cross to the island. At heights of 9" to 2'6" the island is an exceptional pool especially after the water has just risen, as fish tend to be drawn up from pools below. Walk upstream to the top of the island, keeping away from the bank, be very careful and try and get as near to the start of the island as possible. The water is very deep here, so do not slip in! Start by throwing a very short line towards the south bank. It is beneficial to commence by holding the rod tip upstream, so that the fly fishes the water opposite or even above you. Keep lengthening your line a yard a cast and once you are throwing a comfortable distance, fish down the pool making sure your fly fishes close into the island, until you get 10 yards above the bay where the boat has been anchored. Fish can often be seen here to swirl at the fly, before they take it, so make sure they have a good hold before raising your rod.

GLIDE - Fishes best from the north bank rather than the island. Start by walking up river from the bridge, until you come to the steps. Keep back from the pool as you walk upstream and start below the steps. Fishes well from 0 - 1'6". The lower the river, the squarer your cast should be and the more hand lining is required. Fish lie close to the bank so make sure you fish each cast completely.

NORTH RUN - This fishes better from the south bank than from the island. Proceed from the bridge upstream until you get to position where your fly will come round at the top of the island. Fish take all the way across this pool and at the top tend to lie under the south bank. Great care must be taken when fishing this pool as conditions under foot are very hazardous. The best height is 6" to 2'.

FERRY POOL - This needs little introduction, the top immediately below the Lovat Bridge fishes best from the south bank until you come to the walk way. The south bank fishes well all the way down and if the water is low enough i.e. less than 6", it is most certainly worth wading to the island at the top of the pool. Fish take everywhere and particular attention should be paid not to wade in beyond your knees when fishing down the south bank, otherwise you will miss opportunities to catch fish close in. As with most pools on the Beauly, you cannot fish your line too square and do not be frightened to hand line in as well, as even when fishing with flies as small as number 14, the fish shown a tendency to prefer a fast bellied retrieve.

THE STONES - The Stones start at the tail of the Ferry Pool on the south bank below the fishing hut. The wading, although not horrific, is probably the worst on the river, so use a wading stick if you have one. In low water fish as quietly as possible and make sure you get a good belly in the line as well as hand lining. At high water fish will be taken all the way down to the run out into the New Pool. The River becomes very deep by the bank and so you must stand on the grass to cast. There is no need to throw a huge line. The Stones fishes at all heights.

NEW POOL - At heights of 0 - 9" start by wading into the middle of the River at a diagonal following the bar. You cannot fish let your fly come round too far in this pool and you must hand line in the slack water. Fish tend to lie in this flat water prior to negotiating the bar. As you get further down the pool the line will tend to naturally swing round. The further down the pool you go the longer your cast should be until you reach the mature overhanging trees where many fish lie on the far bank. The pool should be fished until the end of these trees or even to the intake of the fish farm. The higher the river the farther down the pool fishes. At 1', it is worth fishing the whole way down.

FIR TREE - This pool can only be fished from a boat and is only worth fishing when the River is 2' or more. There is an obvious fir tree on the south bank. The boat should be anchored 10 yards above this tree in the middle of the river and the line thrown towards the tree, again hand lining and square cast are highly recommended. This pool can be very productive and should be fished when in order.

CRUIVES POOL - This is best fished from the south bank starting approximately 30 yards below the protective gabions and fishes to approximately 20 yards below the second jetty. A spey cast is required and if you are unable to achieve this feat, then fish the pool down from the Cruives side. Start by wading in at the V of the Cruives and fish down for approximately 150 yards. The Cruives produces fish at any height but 1'6 is best. This pool is probably the most under fish pool on the river and yet can be one of the most productive.

QUICK SHOT AND UPPER STUMP - Walk down the north side of the Cruives and when you reach the V of the Cruives, get into the water and wade back up until you come to the first gap. Fish from here all the way down to the weir that marks the end of the Falls beat. The best height is 1' - 2'3. The Quick Shot and the Upper Stump are excellent spring pools.

FISHING SUGGESTIONS

HOME BEAT

LOWER STUMP - From the new weir to the Red House, a short pool, worth a cast or two, particularly in the Spring and during the grilse runs of July. Best height is 6" to 1'. Fished from north Bank.

SPORRAN - Below the Island to remains of Old Bridge. The Sporrán is a high water pool and during such conditions must be fished from a boat. However, at compensation to 5", it can be waded from the point of the Island down the centre, casting towards the south Bank. The favourite taking place is at the top, and behind the large boulder, two-thirds of the way down. A Ghillie must be close if you are to wade this pool and you must return the same way you have gone down.

TOP OR LAUNDRY JETTY - Fishes best from a boat from 9" upwards. From the boat in high water you can fish both the north and south banks, alternately. When the water is above 1' fish tend to lie from the point of the Jetty back down to the grassy island. Start this pool with the boat anchored by the gauge on the south bank and from the old bridge on the north bank.

BACK OF CASTLE - Best from the boat in high water, anything above 1'. Can be a productive seatrout pool especially towards the Castle end by the croy on the north bank.

OLD JETTY - This can be a very productive pool and fishes well at most heights of water. In low water conditions, fish lie in the middle and far side. Cast a long line and allow to belly round. As the river rises, fish tend to move towards the north bank. Do not wade too deep.

SILVER RUN - Many of the fish caught from this pool are taken in the bottom half, but the run at the top is always worth a cast. The pool fishes from both sides, the far side (south bank) is at its best in low water. In high water it is better fished from the near side (north bank). The best taking lies are above and below both of the new jetties and from the lower jetty to the large tree on the south bank.

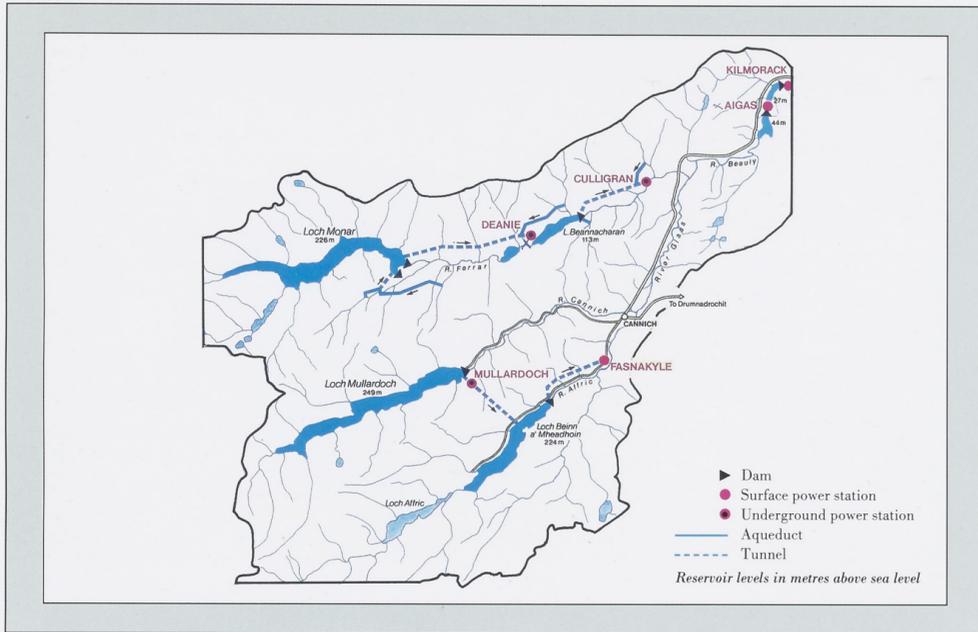
CASTLE HILL - Fished from the far side (south bank). Start opposite the sandy beach and fish down to the rough water. The best chance for a fish is between the log and the top of the V. Best at 3" to 5".

3->CHARLIES - When the water is low, fish this pool very carefully and do not wade deeper than knee height the first time down. It fishes from both sides, the far side (south bank), however, produces more fish. Best height 5" to 1'5.

GROAM - The top of the pool fishes better from the south side and when the water is low it is worth fishing down to the rock at the tail of the Ripple. When fishing from the north side, start below the first fence downstream of the car park. Take care as there are two holes close to the bank in between the first and second fences. Once past the square rock below the second fence, it is safe to wade in and fish down to the jetty. This pool fishes in most heights of water but is at its best when the water is above 1'. Also fishes above 6" in June and July.

RIPPLE - Wade across to the island below the jetty from the outside edge of the Island wade up towards the jetty as far as possible. Then fish down to the big boulder. The far side of the pool can only be fished when the water is low. Can be started from the end of the jetty up to 12".

WILLOW - Compensation height only. Ghillie must be present. Fish with long line keeping well away from lies close to south bank (right).



tunnel design was greatly influenced by environmental conditions and the steel shortage of the time. The tunnel consists of an almost horizontal low-pressure section for three-quarters of its length running into a vertical high-pressure shaft joining a high-pressure tunnel falling at a gradient of 1 in 50. The high-pressure tunnel divides into three steel-lined tunnels, each leading to a 22MW vertical Francis turbine in the Fasnakyle generating station.

Fasnakyle

Fasnakyle Power Station, opened by the Duke of Edinburgh on 13 October 1952, is beautifully faced with yellow sandstone excavated from the Burghead Quarry near Elgin; since its commissioning it has consistently produced the highest annual generated output from any hydro-electric power station within the Hydro-Electric. In March 1996 a £10 million refurbishment programme was commenced to renew and update the turbines and generators. When completed in the autumn of 1998 it should give another 40 years of electricity production at Fasnakyle.

The Strathfarrar-Kilmorack Scheme (Constructional Scheme No 30) was passed by parliament in 1958 and consisted of two separate sections to harness the power potentials of the River Farrar and the River Beaulieu. Water storage on the Farrar is provided by the Monar Dam, an unusual double curvature concrete arch type 161m long and 39m high. This type of dam requires relatively small quantities of concrete in its construction – only 29,000 cubic metres compared with 249,000

cubic metres at Mullardoch. However, few of the glens in Scotland are suitable for this style of construction. When completed in 1963, it was the first of the curved arch style to be built in Britain, and it nearly doubled the length of Loch Monar and raised it 23m.

From Monar a 9-km long tunnel carries water to an underground power station at Deanie, near the western end of Loch Beannachran, where it passes through two vertical Francis turbines. Each of the turbines drives a 19MW generator, and the water is then discharged into Loch Beannachran.

The water level of this loch was raised 2.5m by the construction of a small dam just downstream of its natural outlet. From the dam another tunnel carries the water to Culligran underground power station where a Deriaz turbine (the first to be installed in Great Britain) drives a 22MW generator, or a 2MW Francis turbine which is used to maintain a compensation flow in the river when the main generator is shut down.

Aigas and Kilmorack

Downstream of the junction of the Glass and the Farrar on the River Beaulieu two

dams were built in the Aigas and Kilmorack gorges. The Aigas Dam is 91.5m long and 20m high, and the Kilmorack, the lower dam, is 122m long and 26m high. Both dams incorporate power stations, each being equipped with almost identical pairs of 10MW vertical Kaplan turbines, and each dam has a system of automatic gates which provides an effective means of flood control.

All the power stations in the Affric/Strathfarrar/Beaulieu scheme have been remotely controlled from the Dingwall Operations Centre since 1989, prior to which they were operated from Fasnakyle Power Station. The electricity produced within the 102MW scheme is fed into the national grid system via the Beaulieu or Fort Augustus switching stations.

The scheme utilises the stored energy potential from the top water level at Mullardoch of 249m Ordinance Datum (OD) to the tailwater level at Kilmorack of 10m OD. Much of the water used at Kilmorack has already been used to generate hydro-electricity up to four times, and from the total catchment area draining to Kilmorack of 350 square miles the annual average output from the scheme is 476 million kilowatts.

Grilse galore this summer?

Having looked hard into his Icelandic crystal ball and paid much attention to temperatures in the North Atlantic over the previous six months, Orri Vigfusson has forecast that 1997 will be a vintage year for grilse.

He made this encouraging prediction in January at the joint Salmon and Trout Association/Flydressers Guild meeting in London.

Beaulieu flies

Two recent issues of British fishing magazines have articles which share a theme – satisfactory mobility and translucency in salmon flies. *Trout and Salmon March 1997* looks at Shrimp flies which are so much a part of Irish fishing at the moment, and *Fly Fishing and Flytipping Jan/Feb 1997* looks to making long mobile flowing tails on multiple hooks which do not snag round the hook bends.

A point to consider is that the more hooks the more likelihood of the fly's snarling up, either with leaves or other river detritus, or with elements of its dressing. Many fishers choose long-shank trebles or doubles, so any way of getting rid of the problem seems worth pursuing. Their article suggests tying in two stages: first tying the tail elements onto a separate wire extension, and then tying the extension to the shank and finishing off the dressing in the usual way. For Prawn-type patterns, if the wire extension is made out of the bobble-headed pins (dipped in black varnish) which hold brand-new shirts in shape in their packaging, the fly is given some nice eyes as well.

As for Shrimps, they have their history in Grubs, essentially feather-tipped patterns. They have evolved ever since. In brief the style is to have: a couple or three turns of golden pheasant breast feather closest to the bend of the hook, a section of ribbed body, a centre hackle of two or three turns, a further section of ribbed body, a throat hackle, and jungle cock sides or cheeks. T & S give a wide range of dressings and illustrations from Ireland, but we can probably alter some of our favourite Beaulieu patterns to give the different silhouette, translucency and mobility that a Shrimp-style offers, if we thought it would be to advantage. The gist of the article is that Shrimp patterns are better than standards!

Beaulieu Fishers travel guide

Air and rail travel to Inverness

AirUK

Stansted	1910	Fares from £64 to £281 return. Flights can be booked at most travel agents or through AirUK on 0345 666777. This is a non-stop flight on a Fokker 100 jet which seats 103 people.
Inverness	2040	
Inverness	0645	
Stansted	0815	Stansted to Inverness flights run daily excluding Saturday; Inverness to Stansted also run daily but exclude Sunday.

Stansted Express Train operates from London Liverpool Street Station every 30 minutes from 0500 till 2300 Monday to Saturday and from 0700 till 2300 on Sundays. Fares from £10 single.

EasyJet

	Mon-Fri	Sat	Sun	Fares from £34 - £74 single.
Luton	1630	1640	1850	Reservations through EasyJet on 0990
Inverness	1750	1800	2010	292929. A non-stop flight on a Boeing 737-200.
Inverness	1825	1830	2030	EasyJet is a no-frills airline with snacks purchased on board from the EasyKiosk.
Luton	1945	1950	2150	

There is no station at the airport, although one is under construction and should open later this year; at present passengers have to travel to Luton town and take the airport coach transfer (£7.90 single). Regular trains run throughout the day from Kings Cross Thames Link Station (not the main regular Kings Cross Station). Journey times vary from 30-45 minutes, and the coach transfer is about 10 minutes.

British Airways

London					Flights on a Boeing 737.
London Heathrow	0725	0910	1405	2015	Fares from £77 to £179 return.
Inverness	0855	1040	1540	2145	
Inverness	0915	0930	1130	1735	
London Heathrow	1050	1105	1255	1900	

Manchester	0700	1700	Inverness	0705	1750	Fares from
Glasgow	0810	1805	Glasgow	0800	1835	£160 - £226
Glasgow	0835	1910	Glasgow	0840	1915	return.
Inverness	0930	2005	Manchester	0945	2020	

British Rail Sleepers

	Mon - Fri	Sunday
London Euston	2130	2110
Crewe	2357	2348
Inverness	0840	0840
Inverness	2030	2020
Crewe	0526	0526
London Euston	0747	0747

The sleeper also stops at Preston, Stirling and Perth on both outward and return journey. A return sleeper from London costs £185 whilst from Crewe this price increases to £265! Tickets can be booked through most travel agents or Scotrail on 0141 335 4612. A taxi from Inverness Station to the River Beaulieu costs about £12.

Services at Inverness Airport

Beaulieu Taxis 01463 782498

– single fares from £20 for a normal taxi, £25 for an executive car.

Jacks Car Hire 01463 236572

– weekly hire of cars from £195, to executive mini-bus at £411.25 fully inclusive.

Delivery of vehicle to the airport costs £15.

Avis 01667 462787. Hertz 01667 462652.

Although times and prices are correct at the time of going to press, please check details when you book your journey as schedules and prices are subject to sudden changes.

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Upper River rods available

Just before going to press we were informed that several rods have suddenly become available for this season on the Upper River, during a couple of weeks at the end of August and in early September. There are also a couple of single rods on the Lower River at the back end.

Those who are interested, please call Tracy Hammond at the RBFC office on 01948 820393.

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Enough rain at last?

The drastic changes in weather patterns over the past few years seemed to have climaxed dramatically in the previous three. In comparison with my earliest memories, when I used to spend most of August in Sutherland, the past ten years have been very different, any summer drought extending into September before rain falls. Last year, in fact, we had no rain to speak of until the beginning of October.

The autumn 1996 issue of Beaulieu News featured a sorry view of Loch Monar with the water level almost 50 feet below normal. Thankfully, November saw copious rainfall; it was reported that in the Monar area, in one night alone, six inches fell, bringing a rise in water level of 25 feet. However, as November drew to a close, so did the rain. In early February, the river was again running at compensation level, and Loch Monar was almost as low as it was last September. I was finding it difficult to believe that we would be experiencing yet another season of drought. But then it did rain heavily, bringing both the lower dams up to full level, and going a good way to filling the furthest dams in the hills. The river was over its banks, even running along the road at Cruivend. Winter rainfall or snowfall is all-important; however, if we do not have the rise in water levels that we would like, we can console ourselves that because ours is a Hydro river, our fishing in the Beaulieu should be better in due course than in the rivers which are not.

The catching-up of our brood fish proved extremely difficult in the high water levels of November, but Hughie Matheson and his team managed to obtain the required number of fish to fill the hatchery egg trays. At this time the day-to-day running of the hatchery and the maintenance of the boats and banks are the main task for the men, all of whom I am

happy to report as well. Matthew Dilks is still awaiting surgery to the ligaments in his knee, and Willie and Sheila Matheson have moved from Cruivend to their new address at Kiltarlity, where they have made a splendid job of renovating the house.

Easier access to Inverness

Over the winter it has been encouraging to have observed the increasing number of flights and competition between airlines at Inverness Airport. EasyJet and AirUK have both started a service with good cheap flights. This facility, taken in conjunction with the overnight sleeper, really does make Inverness accessible, especially from the London area. For my part, living in the Midlands, I hope there will soon be more flights from airports such as Manchester. To show you what may be available, we have included on the back page a schedule of services – they may be subject to alteration, so anyone wishing to use them should double-check with the carriers.

Come and fish the Beaulieu

I very much hope I will have a chance to see you on the river during the coming season. For those who still would like an opportunity to fish the river in 1998 and on, please be sure to complete and return the letting questionnaire which we will enclose with the autumn newsletter.

Middle River news

Beaulieu fishers will be interested to learn of the successful sale of the Middle River which was marketed by Knight Frank of Edinburgh. The first advertisement appearing in November produced a gratifying response, resulting in a closing date being fixed for early March. Several offers above the asking price were received and I am delighted that the RBFC agreed to sell the fishings to a private company connected with the Van Vlissingen family, who have done so much already towards



Beaulieu springer off the Falls Beat on an Ally's Shrimp.

conservation and improvement of deer stocks on their estates in the West of Scotland. The company has a significant interest in the Lower Syndicate, and I am confident that the Middle River could not be in better hands.

Cameras in the Beaulieu dams

Last Newsletter we noted that research on the movements of adult salmon had been undertaken with low-light-level cameras in the Boreland lift fish passes. The results are still being analysed, and we plan to publish them in due course.

William Midwood



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Our Fish – Part 6, Phases in river migration

Willie Shearer

Four phases can usually be identified during river migration. The first consists of a rapid movement upstream from the tidal reaches lasting 24 – 36 hours after river entry and can occur over a range of seasonal flows. The second phase is very different: it comprises a period of discontinuous movement upstream generally at night with the fish resting in the recognised pools during daylight. However, during spate conditions the fish may also move during the day. It is during this period that many fish complete most of their immigration. The third phase is associated with the fish spending several months in a single pool showing little activity over a wide range of flows except for minor relocations upstream or downstream. The final phase sees the resumption of upstream movement usually coinciding with a spate as the fish move to their preferred spawning locations.

The precise pattern of movement of salmon and grilse appears to be associated with the time when fish enter the river and their preferred spawning site. Spring salmon and early running grilse usually exhibit all four phases while late running salmon and grilse may move upstream to within sight of their spawning position on completion of the first movement above the head of the tide.

Underlying patterns of migration in the spring are obscured by the effects of low water temperatures which delay the movement of fish to the upper reaches. The presence of natural and man-made obstructions may also disrupt the movement of fish.

Differences in the behaviour of fish returning to the river at different times of the year determine the character of the fishery. Migrants are most susceptible to capture by anglers during the second and fourth phases. Consequently, patterns of migratory behaviour of different groups of fish entering the river at different times of the year determine where catchable fish will occur.

The homing impulse

In general, within each sea-age class of adult fish, the earlier in the season that a salmon or grilse enters the river the further upstream it migrates before spawning. It is anticipated that within the next two or three years the preferred spawning sites of each sea-age group of fish entering the River Beaully will be precisely known as a result of the proposed major radio-tracking programme. It is only then that efforts to enhance a particular stock component can be targeted.

net and coble fisheries located in rivers on the west, north-west, north, north-east and east coasts and along the Moray Firth exploited the fish migrating upstream to spawn were significantly less and estimated to be 4, 6, 6, 17, 29, and 11% respectively. The value for the River Spey nets averaged over three years was 9%.

Because these experiments coincided with the period of maximum fishing effort, these exploitation rates are minimum estimates of the maximum exploitation. In addition, rates within individual river systems with heavily exploited stocks will be under-estimated by averaging their values with the data from rivers where fishing is less intense. Moreover, the figures refer to fishing mortality within the fishing season, when a variable proportion of the total stock (more than 50% in some years) is not available for catching because it enters rivers during the close season. These data refer to grilse, but on the few occasions when salmon and grilse were tagged in the same year at the same site, the corresponding total exploitation rates were not significantly different from each other.

Due to the contraction of the net fishery and the voluntary reduction of fishing effort in the spring, the proportion of the total all-methods catch of spring fish taken by the rod and line fishery is now in excess of 95% and in a number of Fishery Districts (for example the Tay and the Spey) it is 100%.

From an analysis of catch and flow data, the Salmon Advisory Committee found no evidence that fishing at times of very low flows enhanced the catches of salmon by either nets or rods. As a result, they found it unnecessary to consider what steps might be taken to control fishing at times of low flow.

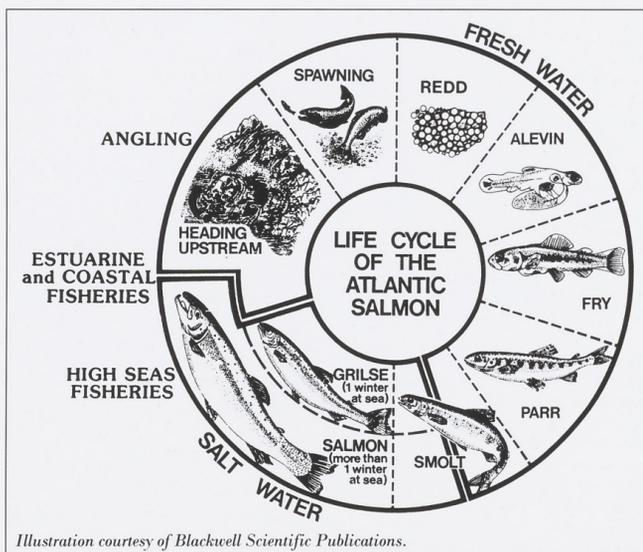


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Location of suitable spawning sites

The common aim of all the adult salmon which return to freshwater is to locate suitable spawning sites close-by where they lived as juveniles and spawn. In many rivers, suitable gravel and nursery habitats are limited to the headwaters while in others they exist along the length of the river frequently spanning a wide range of altitude. The female selects the spawning site and some females may spawn at more than one location. Displacement of existing completed redds may occur (over-cutting). Each female salmon lays approximately 500 eggs per pound body weight, the number depending on the diameter of each egg which may be associated with the time of entry into the river for fish of the same length.

“... relatively few kelts survive to reach the Estuary.”

Statistically significant variations have been found in the average egg-count corresponding to a fish of 70cm length on each of seven rivers studied: North Esk, 4,600; Lyon, 4,903; Blackwater, 5,117; Garry (Inverness-shire), 5,370; Dee, 5,495; Conon, 5,572; and Meig, 6,067. The Rivers Blackwater and Meig are tributaries of the River Conon. These results are yet another illustration of the uniqueness of salmon populations even at the tributary level and should be sufficient cause not to move stock around even within a single river system, let alone between rivers.

Spawning times and natural mortality

Though fresh salmon enter many rivers in every month of the year most spawning usually occurs during the late autumn and winter, the fish preferring headwater sites spawning earlier than those occupying locations nearer the sea. The variation in the timing of spawning by fish in the upper reaches compared with those in the lower reaches is such that there is no overlap. The differences which may be in excess of four months are probably controlled by both genetic and environmental factors and together with the differences in the thermal regimes during the incubation period associated with the different areas of the river serve to maximise the survival of the emerging fry.

Relatively few kelts survive to reach the estuary and even fewer survive to spawn a second time. Those that do are more than 95% female. In Scotland, less than 5% of all spawners normally survive to spawn a second time although in some of the short West Coast rivers survival may be as high as 20%.

Previous spawners in common with main fish return from the sea according

to a fixed pattern. They return on approximately the same date on each spawning migration. For example, fish which initially spawned as grilse, summer salmon or autumn salmon spend less than 12 months in the sea between subsequent visits to freshwater. In contrast spring salmon normally only return to spawn in alternate years. There is no evidence to support the commonly held concept that late running fish spawning just above the head of tide survive to spawn more frequently than spring fish which may have spent some 12 months without feeding in freshwater prior to spawning.

What a fish should be

It has been said that anyone who has not seen a wild salmon has not seen what a fish should be – a statement which tells us more about the species than does any detailed description. The wild salmon's shape is hydro-dynamically perfect, streamlined and ideally proportioned, which allows it to inhabit

both river and sea with ease. The cryptic colouration of the juvenile salmon in freshwater provides perfect camouflage, as does the spawning livery of the adult after its return from the sea. In the sea, the salmon's deep aquamarine back, silver flanks and white underside all add to the attraction of the species, this classic countershading camouflage being complemented by its speed, agility and endurance. At falls they can be seen repeatedly jumping as high as three metres or more, an ability earning them the name “the leaping fish”, a title eventually recognised in their scientific name *Salmo salar* – salmon the leaper.

Additional reading: “The Atlantic salmon – Natural History, Exploitation and Future Management” by W. M. Shearer, and obtainable from Fishing News Books, Osney Mead, Oxford OX2 0EL, priced £39.50, (ISBN 0-85238-188-3).

Report of the Scottish Salmon Strategy Task Force

This report is now in the public domain, and very interesting it is, with wide-ranging recommendations to bring the control of salmon fishing and the conservation of the salmon themselves well into the next century.

The eleven members have worked together since November 1995 under the chairmanship of Lord Nickson; their report reflects clearly the importance which salmon, salmon fishing, and the whole spectrum of professional and leisure involvement which the fish engenders have to Scottish economy and way of life. They look at the way the resource is regarded at the moment, and have suggestions for how it may be safeguarded in the future.

It is a report about Scottish rivers, thus we on the Beaully are involved. Our own research into improvement of the nursery waters, and our concern and interest in the diminished stock of spring fish anticipated this publication: it is gratifying to see the stress the Report puts on these items.

What is also recommended is a change in administration – clearly defined areas, with improvements and tidying up in the present legislation – with faster powers of action where there is immediate threat to the fish and their riverine habitat. What we might take issue with is the suggestion that the Ness and the Beaully should be combined in River Area terms – it is difficult to see how the Ness riparian owners should have influence on the management of the Beaully, and on matters of common interest we are regularly in touch anyway.

There is a suggestion that fish should not be saleable; since this has proved to be a satisfactory concept elsewhere for example on the east coast of North America, we can see no reason not to support this.

Since the fish are seen to be vulnerable from all sides, the Report comments on predators, pollution, fishery exploitation from both legal and illegal sources – and we can endorse their comments about the toll taken by seals, with the Moray Firth specially mentioned. Some of the legal fishery methods are certainly due for appraisal, as in all the recent surveys the salmon is shown to reflect its greatest value as a sporting quarry rather than a commercial fish. What runs through as a single-minded theme is that each river should have exceptionally clear specific records, and that any exploitation must be directly referable to that river. The practice of taking fish at sea is nothing like precise enough, though it may still be appropriately legal. Better by far that if fish are to be taken commercially, for example by net and coble, it should be within the river system of which they are part.

What we are all agreed on is that much more research must go into the causes of mortality at sea.

Our Chairman has written to Lord Nickson outlining various points which have particular relevance to the Beaully, and commending the report for its far-sighted and fair appraisal.

The Editors

Re-stocking the burns

The planting out of between 120,000 and 180,000 tiny fed fry salmon into the burns high up in the hills of the Beaully catchment starts in just over a month.

Depending on the weather, the stocking will take place at the end of May or beginning of June.

The rearing of the fry through the winter has been in the careful hands of Hughie Matheson.

John Matheson will again lead his team who, over about a week, carefully place the tiny fish into their individual territories in the nursery waters.

The burns chosen for the planting out this year will be the same as in June 1995 and include Breakachy Burn, Belladrum, Affric, Erchless, Cougie and Farrar.



Planting out another Beaully fed fry.

Affric/Beaully hydro scheme

We invited Senior Operations Engineer Campbell McDonald, who has known this Hydro system for many years, to give us a brief history of the scheme. He is a member of a working party set up between the Hydro and the River Board to meet regularly to discuss items of common interest on the Beaully.

The present Glen Affric hydro-electric scheme was preceded by two earlier attempts to develop the water resources of the Glen Affric-Glen Cannich area which the Water Power Resources Committee of 1918 reported was one of nine great sources of water power running to waste in the Highlands.

The first occasion was in 1929 as part of a scheme promoted by the Grampian Electricity Supply Company. The intention then was to include the diversion to the east of the water which flows over the 107-m high Falls of Glomach down to the west coast and have three dams: at Loch Gaorsaic, at Loch Mullardoch, and a third in Glen Affric to convert Lochs Affric and Benevean into one reservoir. This scheme, to produce 255 million kilowatts, was rejected by the House of Lords. The second attempt was made in 1941 by the same company. It differed from the earlier scheme mainly by not diverting west-flowing water to the east, and therefore proposed no works at Loch Gaorsaic; this scheme was approved by the Parliamentary Committee, but was allowed to drop when the Rt Hon Thomas

Johnston, then Secretary of State for Scotland, intimated, during a debate on it in the House of Commons, that hydro-electric development would be included in the government's plan for peacetime reconstruction. Two months later a committee under Lord Cooper was appointed to investigate further hydro-electric development in Scotland, and this Committee's recommendations were, in the main, incorporated in the Hydro-Electric Development (Scotland) Act 1943.

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The North of Scotland Hydro-Electric Board's Constructional Scheme No 7 was approved in February 1947 on the basis that the scheme would not only preserve the scenic beauty of Glen Affric but also reduce the danger of periodic severe flooding to which the Glen and Strathglass were prone. The principal works would consist of a large dam at Loch Mullardoch on the River Cannich, a tunnel to divert water from this loch into Loch Benevean on the River Affric, a smaller dam at Loch Benevean and another tunnel to the main generating station at Fasnakyle in Strathglass. Considerable preparatory

work was necessary before the actual construction began; two labour camps, one at Cannich and the other at Cozac near Mullardoch, were built to accommodate a total of 2,100 men, and the road up Glencannich had to be entirely rebuilt, including making four new bridges.

Mullardoch

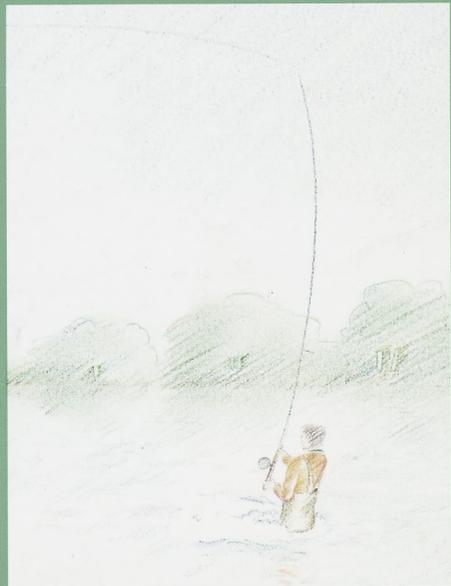
Mullardoch Dam, a most impressive structure at 727m long and 48m high, was built on an island in two wings at an angle of 140 degrees with the apex pointing downstream. The dam, the Hydro-Electric's largest, was completed in the summer of 1952. It raised the loch level by 34m and now impounds 212 million cubic metres of water. From here a tunnel over 5km long carries water to Benevean via a 2.4MW vertical Francis turbine installed near the upper end of the tunnel. The tunnel has a fall of only 1m over its entire length and is mostly unlined.

Benevean Dam which was completed in 1951 is a much smaller structure at 177m long and is almost hidden in a gorge about 3km below the natural outlet of the loch. The loch level was only raised by 7m, a height which has left Loch Affric and the Affric Lodge unaffected. In order to conserve the outstanding scenic beauty of the area the level of Loch Benevean is not allowed to vary greatly.

From Loch Benevean a tunnel over 5km long takes water to the main power station at Fasnakyle, which operates under a head of 15m. The Benevean-Fasnakyle

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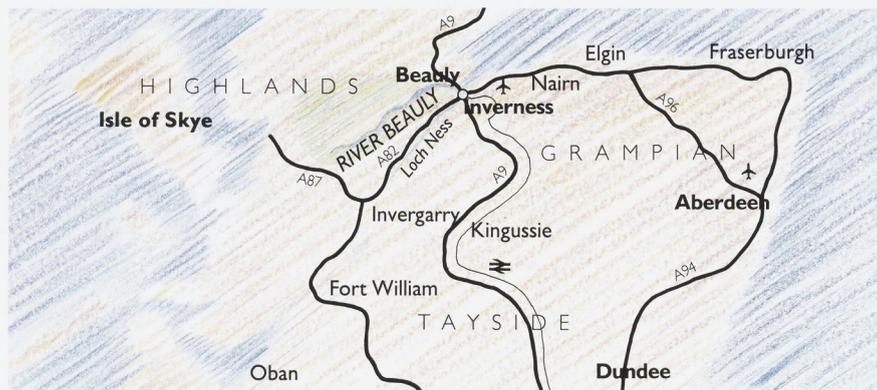
The River Beaully is among the best of the Scottish rivers. Only 12 miles from Inverness, it winds its way through some of the most delightful Highland scenery.

It offers far more than pleasant surroundings, for the River Beaully is one of Scotland's better-kept secrets. Its abundant salmon and sea trout offer the kind of interest and challenge which is instantly appealing to the game fisherman.

For a full appreciation of what makes this river so special, you should come and fish here at the earliest opportunity. Take advantage of a visit as a tenant on a

weekly let, continue the tenancy year by year, or invest in fishing rights in perpetuity – returning every season to your own superb fishing.

In order to give you a taste of just what the River Beaully has to offer, this brochure shows you a little of how and why we have been able to turn this natural resource into the perfect location for the dedicated game fisher.



The Beaully – Its History

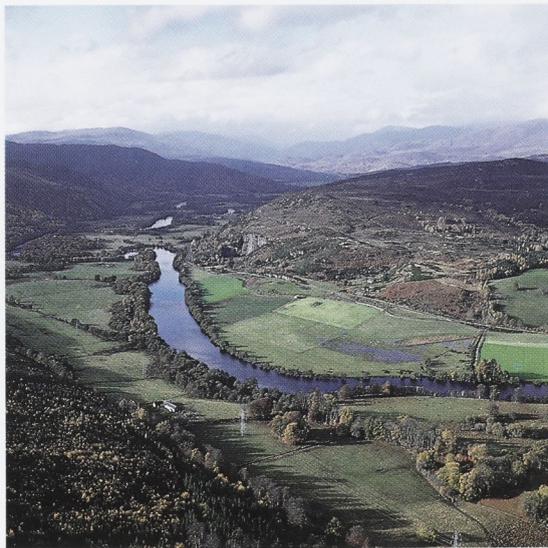
Like so much of Scotland, the River Beaully and the surrounding area is steeped in history.

The Iron Age fort of Ord Hill, the 13th century priory at Beaully and Moniack Castle represent just a handful of the historic landmarks to be found in the area, while Culloden Moor is only 20 miles away.

The river itself came into the possession of the Lovat family, the chiefs of the Lovat Frazers, during the 14th century. Its particular place in fishing history was, however, established in July 1896. During that period the river achieved its British

record for one individual rod with 216 salmon and grilse caught in just four days.

The River Beaully Fishings Company purchased the Beaully Fishings in May 1990, continuing the benefits of sole control. In fact the Beaully is one of the few remaining major salmon rivers in England or Scotland to be so closely controlled from its source to the sea. Since the purchase, the Company has embarked on a programme of improvement and investment.



The River

The River Beaully runs from the junction of the Rivers Farrar and Glass to the Lovat Bridge, into the Beaully Firth, just to the east of Beaully, and extends to over 11 miles of double-bank fishing.

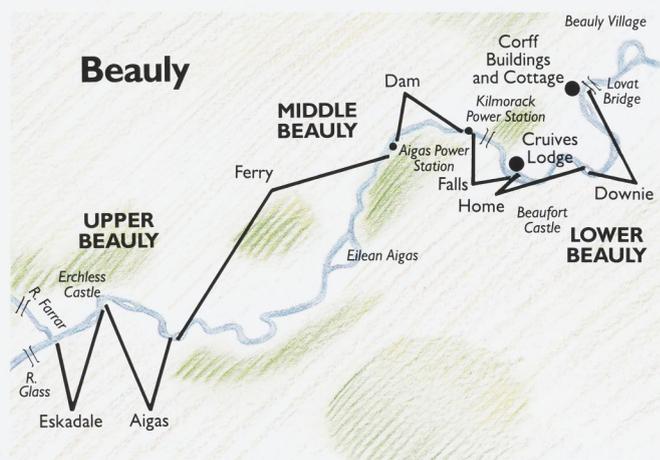
Its tributaries have traditionally provided good spawning grounds, a situation further progressed by new investment to improve the spawning areas and extend the juvenile nursery habitat.

The river is dammed in two places and the compensation water guarantees a good fishing flow, even in drought years. The season runs from 11th February to 15th October.

The River Beaully divides into three sections.

The principal beats are on the Lower Beaully, which provide over three miles of double-bank fly-fishing from below the Kilmorack dam to the Lovat Bridge over which the A862 Inverness - Beaully road passes. The water is divided into three five-rod beats: Falls, Home and Downie, rotating on a daily basis. This means each tenant fishes each beat twice during the week.

There is excellent access by car to each beat, and each has its own new and comfortably equipped fishing hut and



boats. There is a good footpath along the north bank.



In the Corff buildings (by the Lovat Bridge) there are ample facilities for storage of fishing rods, and deep freezers for catches (also available at Cruives Lodge).

Accommodation

Cruives Lodge itself, which is situated at the bottom of the Falls beat, has been converted into a first class fishing lodge, with the river and the Home beat fishing hut within easy walking distance. The emphasis is on comfort and practicality. Excellently furnished, it consists of a large drawing room and a dining room which can seat 16. There is also a drying room, rod



room, kitchen and self-contained accommodation for the cook. Upstairs there are five double bedrooms with five bathrooms, four of which are en suite. The lodge is available for letting by the week.

The lodge is only one of the many and varied types of accommodation situated close by the river. We will be happy to supply you with further details on request.

Good Husbandry

Many natural factors have contributed to the excellence of this river, but the Company has an ongoing programme of maintenance and improvement to ensure that the river offers the highest quality fishing.

For many years now, the Beaulieu has been a famous salmon and sea trout river, and the Company has taken great pains to ensure that it is fished by no greater number of rods now than in the past.

A further demonstration of the Company's commitment to supporting the native fish is the renovation of the spawning

grounds. In addition, it is introducing fed fry from native Beaulieu fish into areas of habitat previously inaccessible to salmon, thus supplementing the natural activities of the wild fish in the river, burns and tributaries of the river system. The results of this programme in catch records will become increasingly apparent.



Good husbandry is not confined to the fish stocks alone. The Company's programme of investment embraces repair, restoration and new construction of croys and jetties, repair of bank erosion and careful monitoring of any areas that may be prone to soil movement.

All this effort and investment has been made under the expert guidance of William Shearer, the internationally known

salmon biologist, supported by his team from the University of Aberdeen. Every possible contributory factor to the well-being of the river, the fish and the anglers has been taken into account in what must be one of the most exhaustive surveys ever undertaken on an entire river. It is through this committed management approach that even greater potential is being unleashed from an already excellent river.

The Ghillies and the Beaully

The ghillies and boatmen of the Beaully are much admired, and rightly so. There is a traditional bond with the river that spans hundreds of years.

In particular, four generations of the Matheson family have been ghillies on the Beaully. The skill and intimate knowledge thus acquired continues to prove invaluable to those fortunate enough to be able to take advantage of their guidance during the season.



Rod Weeks



We have rods available for a variety of weeks in the season on the Lower, Middle and Upper River. The range covers "one off" lettings to the purchase of fishing rights in perpetuity, and will appeal to the corporate purchaser and the individual alike. But one thing is certain, truly dedicated game fishers will recognise that the River Beaulieu offers sporting challenges in abundance.

Let/Purchase Details

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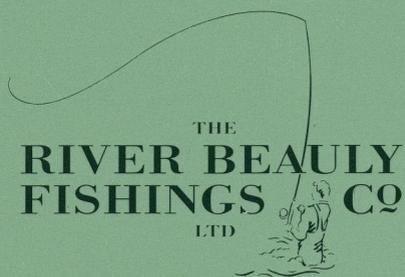
Come and See for Yourself

No matter how hard we may try to paint a picture of this river, describe the excellence of the sport to be found there, or explain just how welcome and comfortable you will be made to feel, nothing compares to the experience itself.

We hope you will be able to join us at the earliest opportunity to see for yourself how superbly managed this river is, to enjoy the surroundings and the welcome you will receive, but most of all to fish in a river with



such runs of salmon and sea trout that the game fisherman cannot fail to be stirred by the Beaulieu experience.



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