

NITH LINNS

Fly fishing, spinning and worming allowed at any height.

HELL'S CAULDRON POOL: Steps from the A76 take you down onto the river. A long narrow pool ideal for spinning from the rocks. Very difficult walking.

MALCOLMFLAT POOL: Steps from the A76 take you down to the pool. Best for the fly fisher, and for spinning if the river is running at about 2½ ft. Fish from the rocks as wading is very difficult.

LONG STRAIGHT POOL: Another good pool on the beat. Heavily wooded on both sides of the river. Steps lead down from the A76. Ideal for both fly and spinning. Runs for about 250 metres. Fish from side as wading is very difficult.

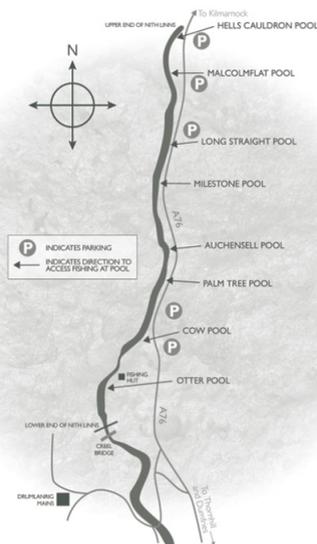
MILESTONE POOL: One of the best pools on the beat. One for the fly fisher. Access from the A76; steps take you down to the river. Runs for about 200 metres. Fish tend to lie behind rocks in the middle of the river. Heavily wooded on both sides of the river. Able to wade along the side.

AUCHENSELL POOL: Fish this pool from the rocks. Ideal for the worm fisher and also ideal for the spinner lower down. A lovely spot with woods coming down to the river's edge.

PALM TREE POOL: Steps lead down from the A76. Ideal for fly fishing or spinning when the water is at the right height - about 2½ ft.

COW POOL: A wonderful spot to spend a day's fishing, with the timber coming right down to the river's edge. A long narrow pool running for about 150 metres. Very rocky underfoot which makes wading very difficult, but can be done with a wading stick. A very good Salmon holding pool. One of the best pools on the beat.

OTTER POOL: The last pool on the beat. Ideal for spinning. A very good Salmon holding pool. Fishing from a high rock face. Wading is out on this one. Access is from the quarry on the A76. You can fish this pool at any height of water.



CASTLE UPPER BEAT

Fly fishing preferred.

BELL POOL: Not as deep as it appears, and hard to work the fly adequately.

IVY LIE: Best over 2 ft when it is one of the best pools on the beat.

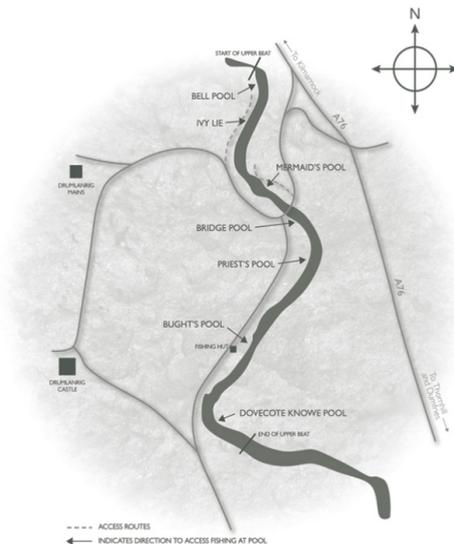
MERMAID'S POOL: Deceptively shallow except immediately under and above the rock. Fish tend to congregate above the rock on south side, and as water falls move up to the Nith Linns.

BRIDGE POOL: Fish tend to lie tight into far bank and below centre pier. Spins well.

PRIEST'S POOL: Fish lie on the east side and in lower water. There are a number of intriguing lies.

BUGHT'S POOL: Fish lie in the east side in lower water. A gravel strand runs down the centre of the river from fallen beech stump to SEPA hut. In higher water beware as the weight of water will prevent you retracing your steps. A deep gully on the south side will ensure a damp exit.

DOVECOTE KNOWE POOL: The best pool on the beat at any height and one of the few holding stretches. Only fishable from the east bank.



CASTLE MIDDLE BEAT

Fly fishing preferred.

ISLA HOLM STREAM: Not much use for holding Salmon, but a good stream for Trout / Sea Trout. Best fished from the west side.

CROWBANK POOL: Good Salmon holding pool. Gravel bed on west side of the river. Best fished from west side. Good fast stream between Crowbank Pool and Lower Crowbank Pool. Good for Sea Trout. Fish with fly from west side.

LOWER CROWBANK POOL: Good Salmon holding pool. Not much good for the fly fisher, but very good for spinning.

STEPPING STONES POOL: Good for Salmon / Sea Trout. Best fished from west side of river.

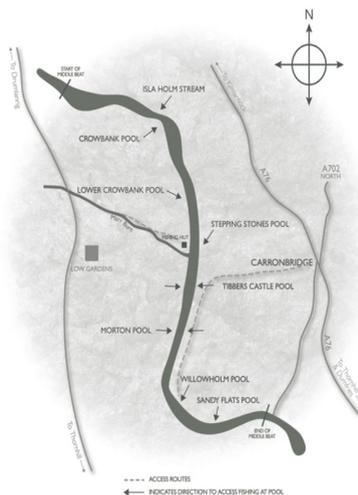
TIBBERS CASTLE POOL: This pool was made in 1996. Looks good for holding Salmon. Fly could be best bet. Best fished from west side of river.

MORTON POOL: Yet another pool made in 1996. Again, could be good for holding Salmon / Sea Trout. Fish either fly or spinner. Fish this spot from the west side.

WILLOWHOLM POOL: This is a really good Salmon pool. A good strong stream running into a large holding pool which is good for both fly fishing or for spinning. Half way down there is a ledge of rock on the west side of the river. Gravel bed on the east side. Best fished from the east.

SANDY FLATS POOL: Very good for Trout / Sea Trout. Deep pool between the two groins which is good for holding Salmon. Spin this area. The rest of the pool is best for the fly fisher. Always best fished from the Carronbridge side.

The entire Middle Beat can be booked for exclusive use (for up to five rods). Contact the Estate Office to check availability and to book.



CASTLE LOWER BEAT

Maximum of five rods. Fly fishing preferred.

CARRONFOOT POOL: One of the best pools on the river. Fish seem to lie on the far bank of the river. Good for either fly or spinning. Always fish from Tibbers side.

QUARRY POOL: Good fast stream that runs from the corner for about 100 metres. Excellent for fly fishing, the next 100 metres is more of a spinning pool. Ledge of rock runs up through middle of this part. Fish tend to lie along the side of this. Good gravel bed on the Tibbers side of the river. Fish from here.

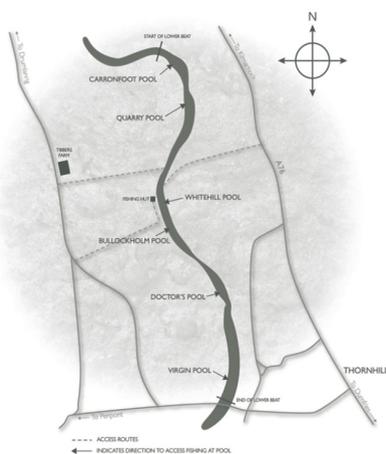
WHITEHILL POOL: This pool is best fished from the east side of the river. Good for either fly or spinning. Large rocks on the Tibbers side of the river where the fish tend to lie.

BULLOCKHOLM POOL: This is probably the best pool on the river at the present time. Fish from the rocks at the top end right through. Either fly or spin. You can fish is pool from either side, but best with the fly from the east side of the river from Waterside Farm.

DOCTOR'S POOL: Fish tend to lie on the far bank of the river. Fish right through to the last groin where fish tend to lie on lower side. Gravel bed on the Tibbers side so fish from here.

VIRGIN POOL: The last pool on the beat. Best with the fly for the first 100 metres. Row of Alders on the Tibbers side makes fishing quite difficult, but the last 100 metres is ideal for spinning. Good Salmon / Sea Trout stream.

The entire Lower Beat can be booked for exclusive use (for up to five rods). Contact the Estate Office to check availability and to book.



BOATFORD BEAT

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BRIDGE POOL and ELLARS: Access from the A702 on the Penpont side of Boatford Bridge.

MATHERS: Also accessed from the Penpont side of Boatford Bridge. Mathers is best fished from this side as the river banking on the opposite side is very steep.

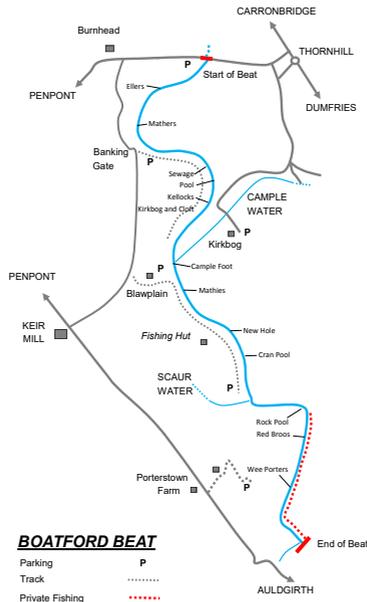
SEWAGE POOL and KELLOCKS: Accessed from Banking Gate. This is good easy water.

CAMPLE FOOT: Accessed from the track at Blawplain or from Kirkbog. Best fished from the Blawplain side but can be fish from both sides.

MATHIES: Also accessed from the track at Blawplain or from Kirkbog.

NEW HOLE, CRAN POOL, LAKE FOOT and SCAUR FOOT: Best accessed from Blawplain.

ROCK POOL and RED BROOS. From the car parking area at Scaurfoot, fishers have to cross the Scaur Water to fish the lower water. THIS MUST NOT BE ATTEMPTED IN HIGH WATER. Alternative access available from Porterstown Farm by crossing two fields. Double bank fishing available.



RIVER SCAUR

Fly fishing, spinning and worming as appropriate according to water conditions. The River Scaur is a tributary of the River Nith with both double and single bank fishing. It is split into 2 parts:

1. From Glenmanna Bridge, downstream to just north of Camling, Penpont.
2. A second stretch from just below Penpont, downstream to where the river joins the Nith near Keir.

The Scaur water gets good runs of Salmon and Sea Trout from early June to the end of July.

Grayling fishing is not permitted on the River Scaur.

