



GODALMING A.S.  
FOUNDED 1881 - 1882

# Godalming Angling Society



Superb fishing on all our Lakes and 8 miles of River

**Great sport for all pleasure, specimen, and match anglers of all ages**

# Fishing for all, come and join us

**Godalming Angling Society membership is open to all, offering a wide and varied range of local fishing waters: catering for the pleasure, match, specialist, and junior anglers.**

GAS was founded in 1881 with about 25 members, fishing Broadwater Lake, the River Wey, and Godalming Navigation. With careful fishery management over the years, we have some of the best fishing in the south of England and consequently our membership had grown to over 1,700. This includes about 250 juniors, 200 senior citizens, and nearly 100 disabled anglers. We have a very active Match Fishing section, and a Junior section together with a qualified coaching team.

We have attempted to illustrate in this booklet, just how much excellent fishing, river and stillwater, is available to our members on a single permit. The permit booklet, issued on joining, contains more information about the waters and the society rules.

The Godalming Angling Society is proud of its record of service to others, using its angling base to provide not just sport for its members, but to try and reach all sections of the community through the work we do for the disabled, charities and the



youth of Waverley and the surrounding district. Looking to the future we have ambitious plans for our Marsh Farm site, with special emphasis being placed on coaching for juniors, disabled anglers, the elderly and lady anglers.



## Junior Section

The future of all sporting clubs depends on having a strong youth section and the Society has always paid particular attention to the needs of its junior anglers.

Every summer during the school holidays, we run a Saturday Club at Marsh Farm and on our other waters, organised by committee members and supported by other qualified members of the club. The Society provides all tackle and bait for youngsters (both girls and boys) new to the sport, who do not have to be members, but can join the club if they enjoy their time at the water.

See our website, Junior Section, **[www.godalmingangling.co.uk](http://www.godalmingangling.co.uk)** for more information about the activities organised for the youngsters.

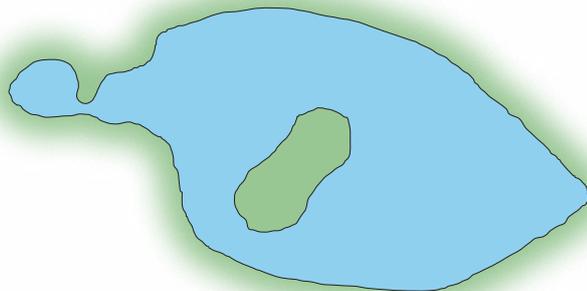


# Broadwater Lake

This ten acre lake is well stocked with carp weighing up to thirty pounds, providing members with good catches throughout the season.

Members may fish here through the night if they wish, enhancing their chances of over twenty carp in a session. In addition to the prolific carp fishing, this lake contains a large head of roach, rudd, perch to 3lb+, plus some crucian carp and tench.

Two Car Parks, with footpath access right around the lake and to the clubhouse and toilets. Excellent disabled access from the main road car park to the lake on a wide, hard surfaced pathway. A popular water, full of fish, with over forty comfortable swims.



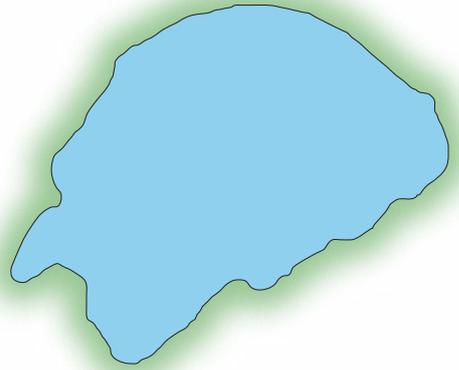
**Location:** Between Guildford and Godalming alongside the A3100.  
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## Bramley Park Lake

A very pretty and secluded water set in woodland within locked grounds, easy road access to our car park. This three acre mixed fishery provides a quiet location in which to catch crucian carp, bream, roach, chub, gudgeon, and some specimen grass carp.

**Location:** In the village of Bramley, from the High Street (A281) take the Bramley Park Road, onto a short length of country lane to a small car park on the right hand side.  
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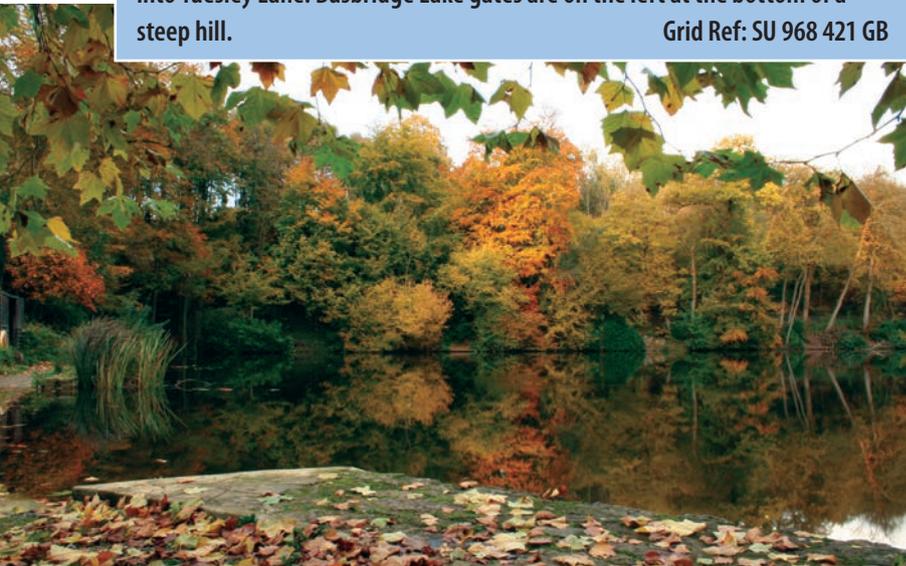
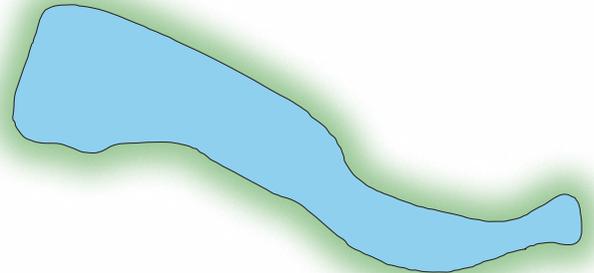


## Busbridge Lake

Having fished and looked after the water for over 20 years, we purchased Busbridge Lower Lake from Ladywell Convent in 1987, one of our most beautiful waters.

A stunning five acre lake set in our own woodland estate, with access through locked gates to a large car parking area and a toilet. Anglers have the choice of over forty swims to fish for a wide variety of species, including pike, perch, carp, roach, rudd, bream, crucian carp and tench. This water has produced both carp and pike weighing over thirty pounds.

**Location:** From the A3100 at Godalming turn up Holloway Hill, following into Tuesley Lane. Busbridge Lake gates are on the left at the bottom of a steep hill.  
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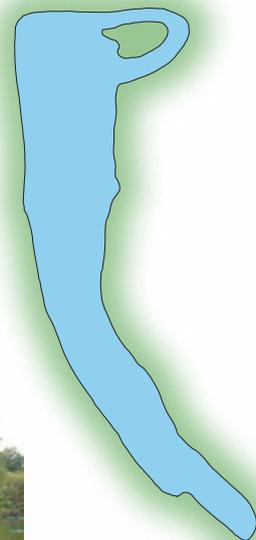


## Winkworth Trout Fishery

The Winkworth Flyfishers, set up in 1981, and provide members with trout fishing at a reduced rate on this National Trust water.

A beautiful five acre lake, called Rowes Flashe, within the grounds of Winkworth Arboretum, which is regularly stocked with rainbow trout weighing up to seven pounds.

For an additional subscription, members may enjoy trout fishing here from April till the end of October. For membership details, telephone 01483 422791.

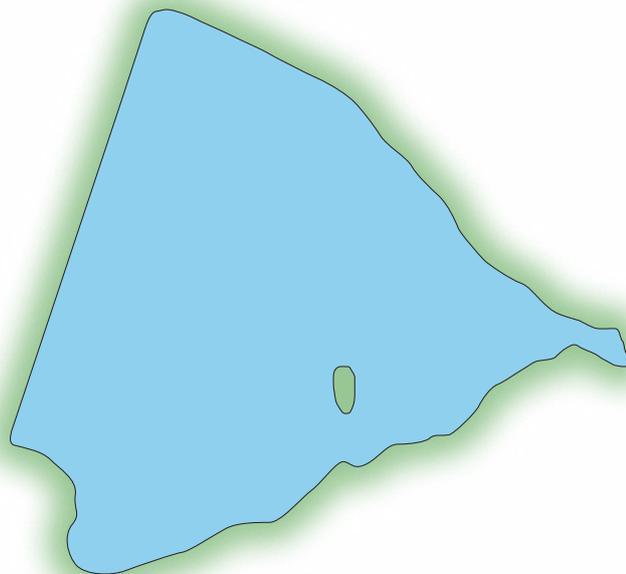


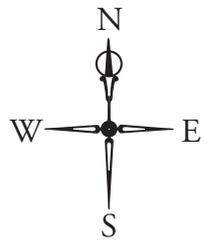
## Johnson's Lake

The Society purchased this lake in 1984, a former trout fishery of some 21 acres, with 10 acres of land surrounding it. Our members now enjoy the fishing here with the benefits of having three car parks, each with toilet facilities, within the locked gates of this fishery. The fishing in this mixed specimen water is exceptional, with Crucian Carp weighing over 4lb., Tench into double figures, Roach and Rudd over 2lb., Perch topping 4lb., plus Mirror and Common Carp over 30lb.

**Location:** The most straightforward access is via our Marsh Farm Complex at Milford. Johnsons Lake car park is sign-posted inside the entrance gates of Marsh Farm, and is a very short drive around the fishery perimeter road.  
(See Marsh Farm for road directions)

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Map is for illustration purposes only and not to scale



GUILDFORD

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River Wey

Broadwater Lake

A3100



Bramley Park Lake

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Busbridge Lake

Winkworth



# Marsh Farm Fishery

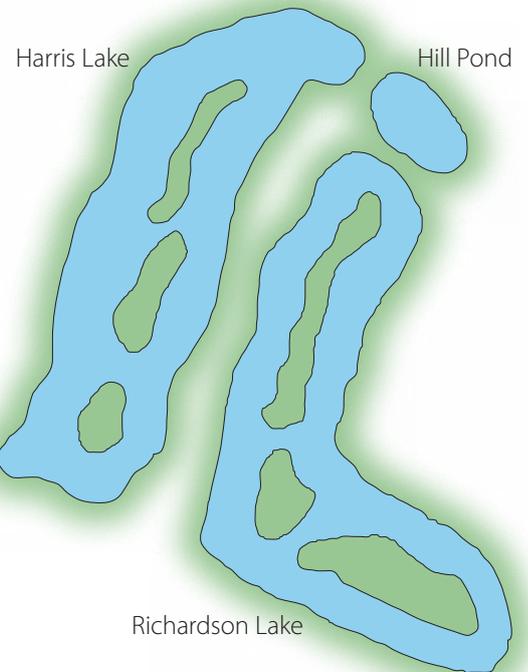
In 1997 we purchased 26 acres of land at Marsh Farm, which is situated some 300 metres from Milford railway station, and adjacent to our Johnson's lake at Enton. On this land we have designed and constructed two lakes, a small 'coaching' pool and a teaching centre housed in a pavilion style building. In early 2003 the lakes were completed and filling with water, all three waters were then stocked with prime fish taken from our own Johnsons Lake, just over the fence. These fish have gone on to make specimen weights and to breed, providing our members and day-ticket anglers with even more superb fishing.

This fishery has an on-site Fishing Tackle Shop, Apollo Angling, with a large and comprehensive range of tackle and baits: also serving hot and cold drinks and food.

Together with a large capacity car-park, there are toilets with under-floor heating!

**Directions to Fishery:** From the A3 signposted to Milford on A283, to traffic lights, left onto A3100 to a mini-roundabout. Take 2nd exit, then turn left into Station Lane (follow the Station signs). Continue on this lane over the level-crossing at Milford Station, then approx 300 metres to a right hand turn into the sign-posted fishery. Grid Ref: SU 955 409 GB.

**Marsh Farm is open for 364 days of the year, and 24 hours per day for members.**



## Hill Pond

The smallest of the three waters on this complex, at just over half an acre, it was primarily designed and stocked for a Coaching Pond. Although it is most popular for this activity, used extensively with juniors throughout the year, many senior and match anglers take advantage of the good fishing it provides. It has been stocked with a good number and a variety of species; Crucians 3lb+, Perch 3lb+, Tench 7lb+, together with numerous Rudd, Roach and Gudgeon.

Coaching, Charity and Family events held on this pond can take advantage of the purpose-built BBQ alongside, often with our own skilled cooking team in attendance.



## Harris Lake

This 3.5 acre lake with 46 swims was stocked to provide a first class specimen water, and so it now is, with true Crucian Carp that will very soon challenge the British Record. Many are now caught throughout the year weighing over four pounds. In addition to these wonderful crucians, there are Tench of 9lb+, Roach & Rudd to 2lb., Chub over 4lb., and Perch to 3lb.

## Richardson Lake

This lake is slightly larger than the adjacent Harris Lake, at 3.6 acres, having 55 purpose-built comfortable swims. With an average depth of 1.4 metres, it is stocked with similar quality fish; plus Bream to 3lb+, but no Chub. In addition to the specimen and pleasure anglers, this water supports a number of matches throughout the year.



# River Wey

Godalming Angling Society own or have the fishing rights on approximately 8 miles of the River Wey, stretching from Eashing at the A3 crossing point, down-stream through Godalming, and on to just south of Guildford. With a combination of river and navigation stretches this provides excellent fishing for pleasure, match, and specimen anglers throughout the length.



## River Wey, Salgasson

The Society's first purchase of water, back in 1953, was the Salgasson water meadow of 17 acres along with one bank of the river, providing fishing from below Miltons Wood down to Westbrook Mill (now office premises).

This secluded section of river, with pedestrian access from both ends, has all of the classic swims: with overhanging trees and bushes, eddies and sharp bends. It holds a good head of specimen Chub and Barbel, together with Roach, Dace, Perch and Pike.

**Directions to Fishery: Top end via footpaths from Peperharow Road:**

**Grid Ref: SU 959 446 GB**

**Bottom end via footpath from Borough Road:**

**Grid Ref: SU 968 446 GB**

## River Wey, Eashing

**Upper Eashing** is defined as the stretch above Eashing road bridge up to the A3 road bridge, and also includes the weir-pool below the Stag public house. In addition to the resident coarse fish, anglers will contact grayling and trout.

**Lower Eashing**, the lovely stretch of river downstream of Eashing road bridge that meanders through meadows and copses for approximately three quarters of a mile down to Miltons Wood.

Both of these river sections provide exciting fishing for a number of species, including specimen Barbel and Chub: plus quality Roach, Dace, Perch and Pike.

**Location:** from the A3 take the turning signposted Eashing, about 1/4 mile to traffic lights controlling the traffic over Eashing river bridge. Turn left into a small car-park at the lights, before crossing the bridge.

**Grid Ref: SU 946 438 GB**



## River Wey, Godalming Meadows

Single bank fishing from the Borough Bridge down to Catteshall Lock, providing excellent sport very close to Godalming town centre. A quiet approach has enabled many an angler to catch the big Barbel and Chub: with match anglers getting some good nets of Bream, Roach, Perch, Dace and a few Carp.

**Directions:** Park in Borough Road, climb stile into water meadow:

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or Park in Catteshall Road, enter the gate by the lock, follow the towpath upstream.

Grid Ref: SU 980 445 GB

## River Wey, Catteshall Lock To Guildford Rowing Club

Fishing on the towpath side, from Farncombe Boathouse right down to the rowing club on the outskirts



of Guildford. A long stretch of river and navigation, providing a wide range of features, including differing widths and flow conditions. This creates challenging, but very rewarding fishing, when targeting the many different species. Both float and feeder style fishing will catch a wide variety of fish to specimen size. There are Chub throughout, with fish in excess of six pounds, that fall to a variety of baits and methods. Other species include Perch over 3lb., Carp and Pike to 20lb., double figure Barbel, plus quality Roach, Dace, Gudgeon and Bream.



A short distance down this section is Trowers Bridge, a picturesque structure locally known as "Firs Bridge", with superb fish holding areas above and below the bridge.



Further down this stretch, there is good roadside parking by Broadford Bridge, giving good access to the river, with excellent fishing upstream and downstream of the bridge.

**Directions:** Colonel Grounds: park in Broadwater Lake car park, cross the road (A3100), then take the public footpath leading directly to the river.

Broadford Bridge, park close to bridge, cross the road (A248) and head up-stream.



## River Wey, Trunley Heath

A beautiful stretch of the 'old' river, with some wonderful swims on this winding water course among the tree-lined banks, with a pleasant walk down the river through the meadow. This National Trust controlled non-navigable water, provides our members with a very natural small river in quiet countryside. A roving anglers dream, with real 'Mr Crabtree' swims, plus an excellent head of fish of all species.

From the top boundary down to the point where this water rejoins the navigation above Broadford Bridge, you can expect to catch specimen fish. With Perch over 3lb., Chub over 6lb., double figure Pike and Carp, some Barbel; plus Roach, Dace, Bream, Trout, Bleak and Gudgeon.

**Directions:** From the Guildford to Godalming road, A3100, near to Broadwater Lake, turn into Tilthams Corner Road. There is limited parking (3 cars) in the lay-by on the right hand side, close to the entrance gate that is about 50 yards further up on the opposite side of the road.

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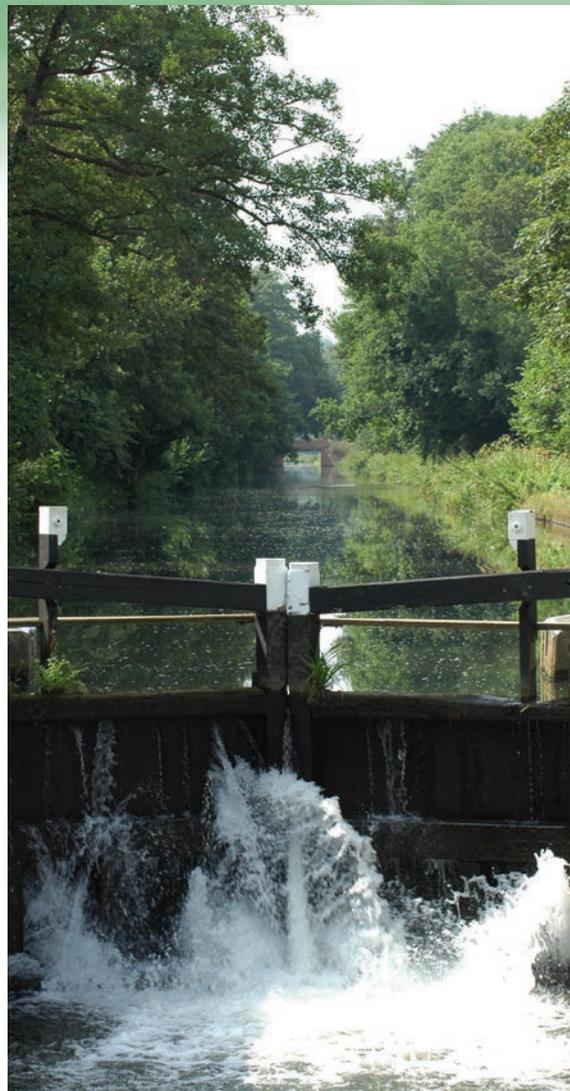
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Membership of Godalming Angling Society entitles you to enjoy the wide range of fishing that our waters provide. Simply complete the enclosed Application Form and receive your Permit to fish

Barbel, Bream, Carp, Chub, Crucian, Dace, Roach, Rudd, Perch, Trout, Gudgeon, Eel, Pike.

River and Lakes, we have them all.



For further membership details of Godalming Angling Society

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