Long Preston Beat

This beat is just over half a mile of water on the left bank of the upper Ribble being part of the Long Preston Deeps.

The Society purchase this beat in 1983 to extend the fishing opportunities for members. It looks like one long pool but in fact is four pools connected together. During the latter part of the season migratory fish gather in these pools and can be caught using all methods.



Deep Water top end of beat

Fly fishing is difficult but can be done effectively using a stripped reservoir approach, whilst spinning is possible throughout the beat, as is bait fishing using shrimp and worm. In addition, there are numbers of coarse fish including Grayling, which can provide good fun trotting a worm in the close season.



Looking downstream from middle of beat

In the top pool the fish lie close to out bank where there is a good depth of water. On the next bend the fish tend to lie on the far side but when there is water in the river they will lie in the tail of the pool. Towards the bottom of the beat the flow increases slightly and form a productive run into the next pool.



Looking upstream from bottom of beat