

# York & District Amalgamation of Anglers.

## Newsheet 361 (08.17.)

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**WALT BROWN.** Long serving member and former Chairman of the Amalgamation, well known to very many anglers in York and greater Yorkshire, sadly died on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July, following a long illness which suddenly deteriorated over the last few weeks leaving him in pain and bedridden. His funeral took place on 1<sup>st</sup> August.

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**MOOR MONKTON.** Using grant funding awarded to YDAA from the Angling Improvement Fund, (ANGLING TRUST) car parking facilities at Moor Monkton have been significantly improved with the replacement of the old gate, the addition of a catching post (to hold the gate open when entering or leaving) the clearance of over enthusiastic vegetation, and the removal of a fallen tree. Members will have room for several vehicles, and be able to turn their cars comfortably, so that they no longer have to reverse up the lane. Access to the river continues to be provided by our new neighbour - an angler himself, and YDAA hopes to work with him on the clearance of bankside vegetation, as he too wishes to reduce the ubiquitous Himalayan Balsam from his land. We hear that one of our members has cleared some pegs, but any assistance at this venue would be appreciated. See website for pictures.

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**ACASTER.** Improved access at Acaster. Thanks to YDAA Bailiff, and York AA clubman Gary Bullock, access has been greatly improved on our Acaster water. Prior to the recent York AA match, Gary cleared and dug out fifteen pegs, allowing safe access to a tricky venue. No doubt the weather will try to wear away the steps, and the Himalayan Balsam will keep growing, but regular use by YDAA members would help to keep the venue "fishable". Members wishing to clear river banks should check with Ken Jones to make sure that there are no limitations to what work may be undertaken within the agreed terms of leases.

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**WORK PARTIES.** These are usually held on the second Saturday of each month. Volunteers are still required and will be most welcome.....please check with the website etc., for each month's details.

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**WIDDINGTON.** Apparently difficulties are being experienced here regarding the installation of the 'screw' due to flood conditions, but work is still being carried out. Care should be taken when visiting this venue.

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**STAMFORD BRIDGE.** Left hand bank. YDAA no longer has the right to fish from the 'kissing gate' to the picnic area, but negotiations are in hand.

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**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.** This is to be held on the third Wednesday in November (15<sup>th</sup>), why not come along and hear what the Committee proposed as projects for 2017 and what has already been achieved, also to be advised of forward planning for 2018. It is for your benefit that the Committee works.

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**YORK WATERS (Value for Money).** We currently have 53 waters (Rivers, Ponds, Canals) available for members to fish....**Rivers :** *Ouse* : Widdington, Beningbrough, Park & Village, Red House, Middle & Bottom, Poppleton, Village, Moatfield and Sellars's, Fulford, Palace Ings, Donkey Woods, Naburn and Acaster. *Nidd* : Knareborough, Tockwith, "A" & "B" sections, Skip Bridge, Moor Monkton. *Derwent* : Kirkham to Howsham, "A" & "B" sections at Kirkham, Howsham Barnfield, Opposite Howsham Hall, above Howsham bridge right bank. Howsham Bridge, left bank, Paradise Farm, right bank down to Barton Hill Beck. Stamford Bridge, Scoreby through to Kexby, Sutton-upon-Derwent. *Rye* : Newsham Bridge, above, right hand bank upstream, both banks below. *Seven* : Barugh Bridge. *Foss* : Strensall, Towthorpe. Barton Hill Beck. **Canals :** Selby Canal, Opposite Fire Station, Brayton Middle, Brayton Top. *Pocklington* : Canal Head, Melbourne, Hagg Bridge and East Cottingworth. *Aire & Calder Canal* : Great Heck to Goole (approximately 11 miles). **Ponds :** Burn Road, Hemingbrough, Claxton Brick Ponds, Sand Hutton Gravel Pits, Rawcliffe Lake, Park View Lake and finally the three pond complex at Laybourne Lakes.

Not a bad portfolio, something for everyone in our membership, go out and enjoy it.

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