

# The Linton Angling Society



Founded 1946 – Members of K.F.C.A. Angling Trust & Fish Legal.

## ROYAL MILITARY CANAL

Section from **Bilsington Bridge** to **Giggers Green Bridge**.

**Map Ref: 189 TQ 029 336. to 189 TQ 071 343.**

**Linton Angling Society** has recently re-negotiated an extension of the lease/licence for the exclusive fishing rights on a picturesque stretch of the **Royal Military Canal**.

This now runs from **Bilsington Bridge** to **Giggers Green Bridge**.

This stretch is approximately 3 miles long & is crossed by three bridges.

This famous venue has hosted many successful matches & competitions in its long history. It holds most species of coarse fish, Tench, Carp, Roach, Rudd, Bream, Perch, Pike & of course Eels. The Canal can provide excellent sport with good bags of Tench & Bream caught along side the lily pads in the summer early mornings & late evenings also autumn is particularly productive for Roach & Perch.

Pole fishing & Quiver Tip with Feeder, Stick float & Waggler being the most popular methods. Normal baits such as Sweet Corn, Maggots, Casters, Worm, Hemp, Bread flake or flavoured paste are always reliable.

For those specialist anglers who wish to spend time to explore & search out their haunts & lies there are some good size Carp & Pike. This venue does produce some big eels.

The EA have big plans for a revitalising the famous canal & with new funding bringing it back to its former glory. They have started testing & experimenting on some other stretches so with that in mind we have negotiated an agreement to lease it on a yearly basis.

This water opened again on the **1<sup>st</sup> September 2012**.

For directions refer to attached maps.

**NOTE: THERE IS NO CLOSED SEASON ON OUR SECTION OF THE CANAL.**

Members & their guests will be able to purchase **DAY FISHING PERMITS** for this venue.  
**THEY ARE ALSO NOW AVAILABLE TO NON MEMBERS.**

They are able to be purchased in advance direct from our web site or from those names indicated on the Membership cards.

Please note:

THERE ARE STRICTLY **NO** TICKET SALES ON THE BANK!

ALL TICKETS **MUST** BE PURCHASED **BEFORE** FISHING COMMENCES.

### A WORD OF WARNING!

a.) Beware of power lines! There are a number of HT cables that cross over this canal. Do not use rods, long poles or fishing under or within 30 meters of them.

b.) This water, like many small slow flowing rivers is prone to **weed growth**, in the height of summer it can get **quite extensive** & lower water levels in winter; fishing it can be quite 'challenging' at times however with nearly three miles of canal & three bridges crossing it you can always find a clear area to fish.

c.) As **parking is limited** Members & guests are requested to park sensibly in lay byes & at the side of the roads. Do not block field entrances or obstruct the farm tracks & roads.

d.) **IMPORTANT NOTE: There is NO FISHING or ACCESS allowed from Ruckinge Bridge.**

For access & fishing up to the back of Mill House boundary, ACCESS IS ONLY gained via "Bilsington Bridge".

Please report back & let us know how you get on fishing this venue, any photos for the web site would be appreciated.

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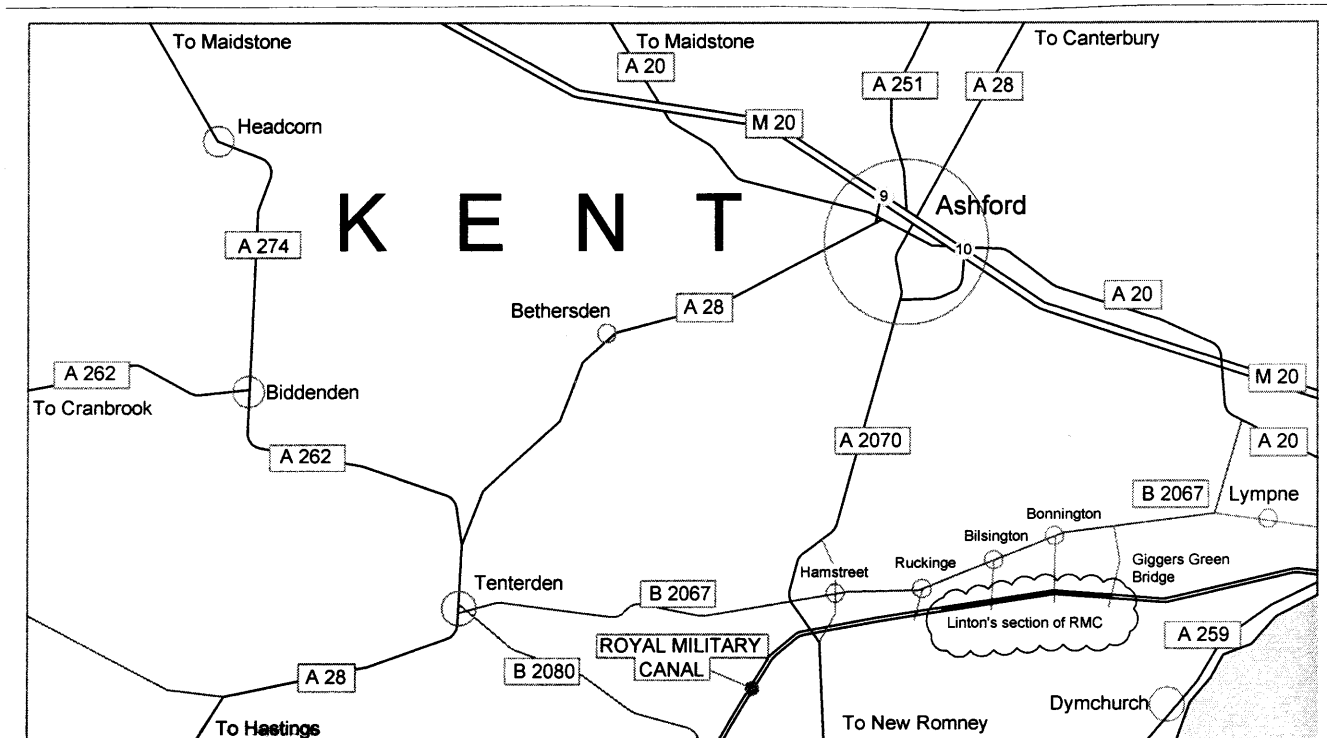
### Directions:

**From Maidstone:** Follow A274 through Headcorn to Biddenden, and then continue on A262 towards Ashford/St. Michaels. Turn right onto A28, go through St. Michaels to Tenterden. Fork left onto B2067 heading to Ham Street, cross A2070 at Ham Street continuing on the B2067 through Ruckinge to Bilsington, turn right to the canal bridge.

**From Ashford:** Leave M20 Junction 10 heading South via Sevington towards Brenzett & New Romney on A2070. At Ham Street turn left onto the B2067 through Ruckinge to Bilsington, turn right to the canal bridge. (p.s. there are three bridges on our section, refer to detailed map)

### Additional Rules & Regulations

- ALL YEAR FISHING, NO CLOSED SEASON ON THIS STRETCH!
- **DANGER!** Electricity can kill! Do not fish under or within 30 metres of the HT overhead power lines.
- As parking is limited, members & guests are requested to park sensibly in lay byes & at the side of the roads. Do not block field entrances, use or obstruct the farm tracks & unmade local roads.
- **No dogs** or animals allowed on this venue
- THERE ARE **NO** TICKET SALES ON THE BANK!  
ALL TICKETS **MUST** BE PURCHASED **BEFORE** FISHING COMMENCES.
- There is **NO FISHING** or **ACCESS** allowed from Ruckinge Bridge.
- For access & fishing up to the back of Mill House boundary, ACCESS IS ONLY gained via "Bilsington Bridge".
- Do not walk across the crop fields or interfere with livestock.
- Normal L.A.S. Rules & Directives apply.



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