

# Church Farm

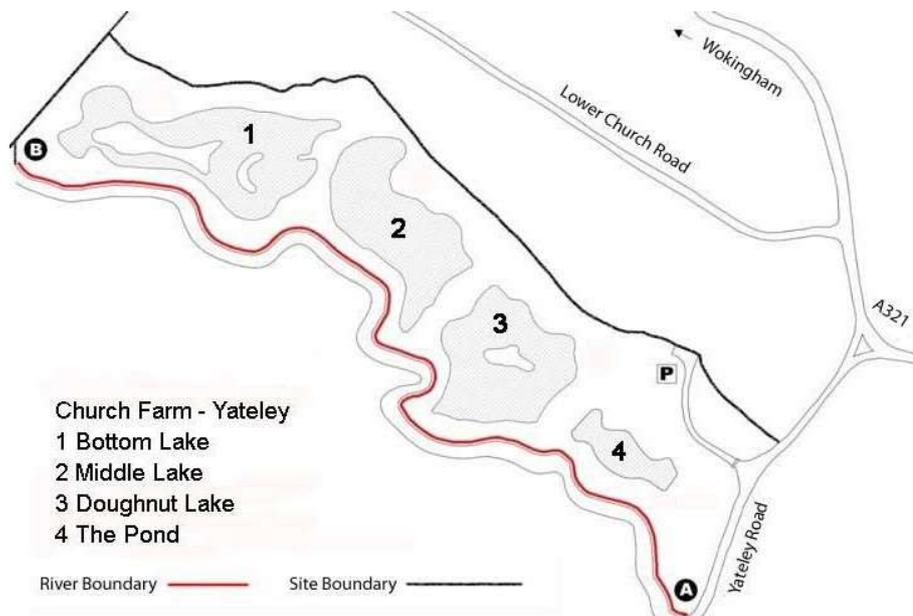
**Location:** Yateley Road, Sandhurst Berkshire (OS grid reference SU826616)  
**Rod Limit:** 3 rods (2 rods April - September, 3 rods October - March)  
**Bait Boats:** Yes  
**Night Fishing:** Yes (see special notes and night fishing rules)  
**Size** Lake 1 - 6 acres      Lake 2 - 4 acres      Lake 3 - 4 acres      Lake 4 - Starter pond  
River  
Blackwater

## Special Notes

- Hooks larger than size 14 and above must be micro barbed.
- Night fishing is limited to 20 anglers per night booked via our online booking system.
- Day tickets only available in advance from Yateley Angling Centre, The Parade, Reading Road, Yateley GU46 7UN, 01252861955.
- No carp or barbel are to be retained in keep nets.

## River Blackwater closed March 15<sup>th</sup> – June 15<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

• Stocks	Carp to	38lb	Roach to	1lb
	Tench to	9lb	Perch to	2lb
	Bream to	14lb	Rudd to	1lb
	Crucian to	2lb	Pike	18lb



Situated just on the edge of Sandhurst, with its secure parking, this four-lake complex and stretch of the River Blackwater is the jewel in the crown. This quiet fishery is set in beautiful surroundings less than a mile from Yateley Town Centre. It is well worth a visit whatever your angling preference.

## Approach

**From the A30 at Hawley** take the B3272 (Reading Road) into Yateley Town Centre. With the Royal Oak pub on your left, turn right into Sandhurst Road, also sign posted Tri-Lakes Country Park. Follow this road for ½ mile past Tri-Lakes, the fishery entrance is approx 60 yards set back on the left, with a wooden gate.

**From Wokingham** take the A321 (Wokingham Road) sign posted Sandhurst & Camberley. As you approach Sandhurst on the 'High Street' you will pass St. Michaels School on your right, the 2nd road on the right is Yateley Road, take this turn; the fishery entrance is approx 60 yards on your right.

## Parking

The entrance gate is fitted with a combination lock (for day ticket access) and a padlock (for Members access). Please always ensure the gate is closed and locked behind you. Parking at the end of the track is fairly limited, please park sensibly and respect the neighbours by keeping noise levels low when entering and leaving the fishery.

## Access

The distance from the car park to Lake 3 via the footpath is around 45 yards. The path is fairly flat and is suitable for trolleys and barrows. All banks around the lakes are open to fishing from marked swims but not the islands. The River Blackwater may be fished on the right hand bank downstream from below the road bridge opposite Tri-Lakes (point A on the map) all the way down to the boundary fence at the bottom of lake 1 (point B on the map).

## River Blackwater

The main species are chub, roach, perch, barbel, pike, dace & gudgeon. There are also carp to double figures with a shoal of bream at the bottom end. The flow in the summer is slow to medium but rises quickly after heavy rain. This section of the river has a variety of depths ranging from shallow 1 ft gravel runs to straight sections to 4 ft deep. There is good weed cover in places, reeds and plenty of overhanging trees as well as bends, both slow and fast in pace. The river shows true class fishing from late November when the weed dies down and the flow and colour increases. A roving approach works best for both float and ledger tactics producing excellent catches.

**Lake 1 - The Bottom Lake (members only)** Approx 250 yards from the car park.

This is becoming a mixed specimen water which contains tench to 9lb, bream to 14lb, roach to 1lb, good numbers of common and mirror carp from 8lb to 30lb, ghost carp to 22lb and pike to 18lb. The depths in this lake vary from 15 ft by the river to 8ft at the bottom end of the lake. The main island runs parallel to the river forming a channel down both sides, these channels are read lined with plenty of overhanging trees providing great fish holding cover.

**Lake 2 - The Middle Lake** Approx 140 yards from the car park.

This lake contains common carp to 31 lb, mirror carp to 28 lb and ghost carp to 14 lb. The tench are a good average of around 7lb, with few silverfish in the water. The shallow part of the lake is on the far left bank backing on to Lake 1. The rest of the lake has an average depth of between 6 - 8 ft with the riverside margins being slightly shallower at around 4 ft. The recent stocking program is to turn this lake into a runs water with a good head of fish between 10 lb and 20 lb.

**Lake 3 - The Top Lake (aka The Doughnut Lake)** Approx 45 yards from the car park.

This water has been stocked to cater for general pleasure anglers and you will find most methods will catch; pole, feeder, float and even surface fishing. The carp range from 30lb. Tench to 7lb, bream to double figures; with silverfish present in large numbers to 2lb. Pike have been caught up to 17lb on lures. The depth in this lake vary from 7 - 12 ft

**Lake 4 – The Starter pond**

This water is ideal for beginners and anglers seeking a good head of silver fish with the odd carp to 3lb for good measure. The depth ranges from 1ft from the road side end to 8ft near the Doughnut Lake.