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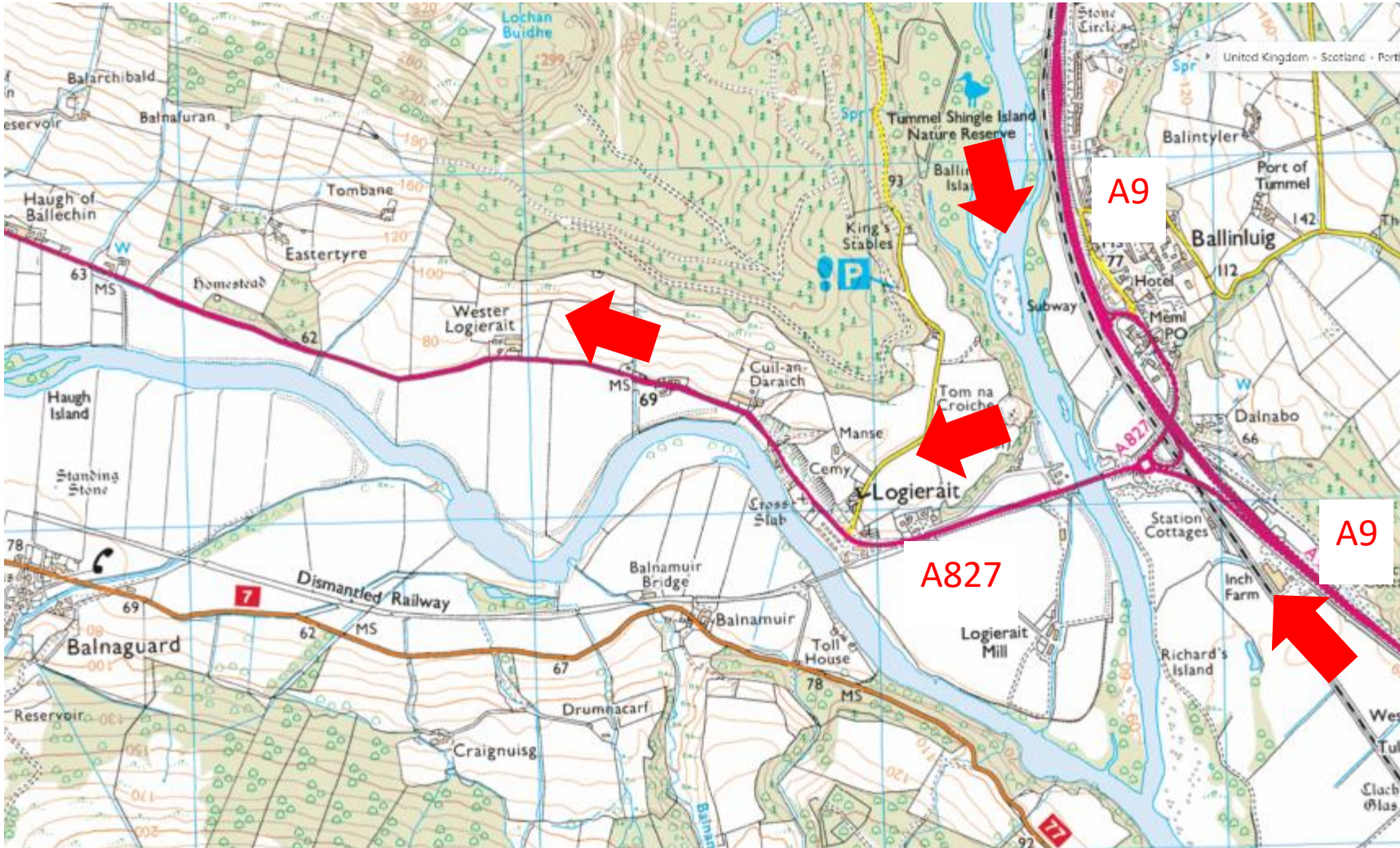
## **FINDYNATE & CLOICHFOLDICH**



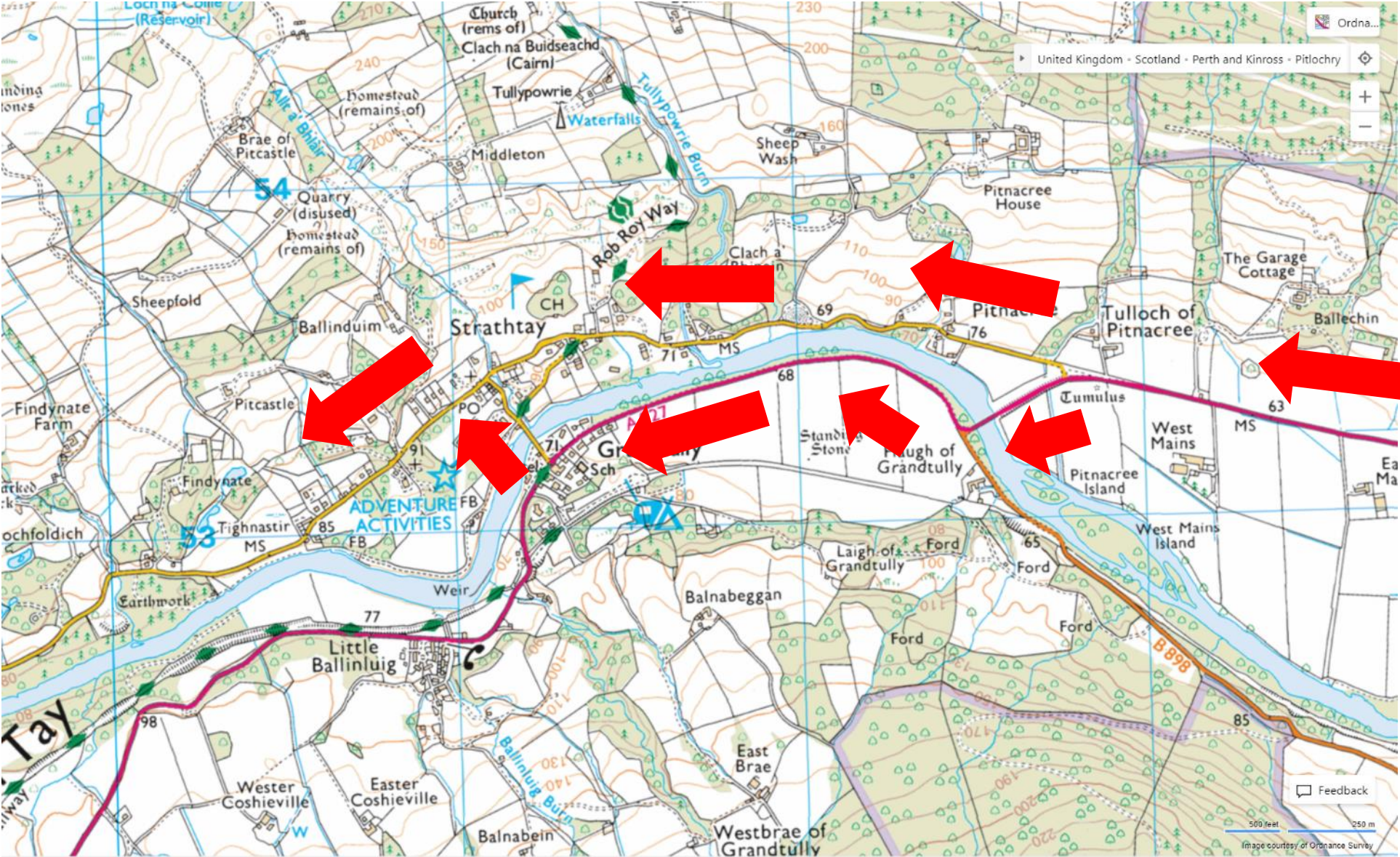
# Findynate and CloichFoldich

## Getting There:

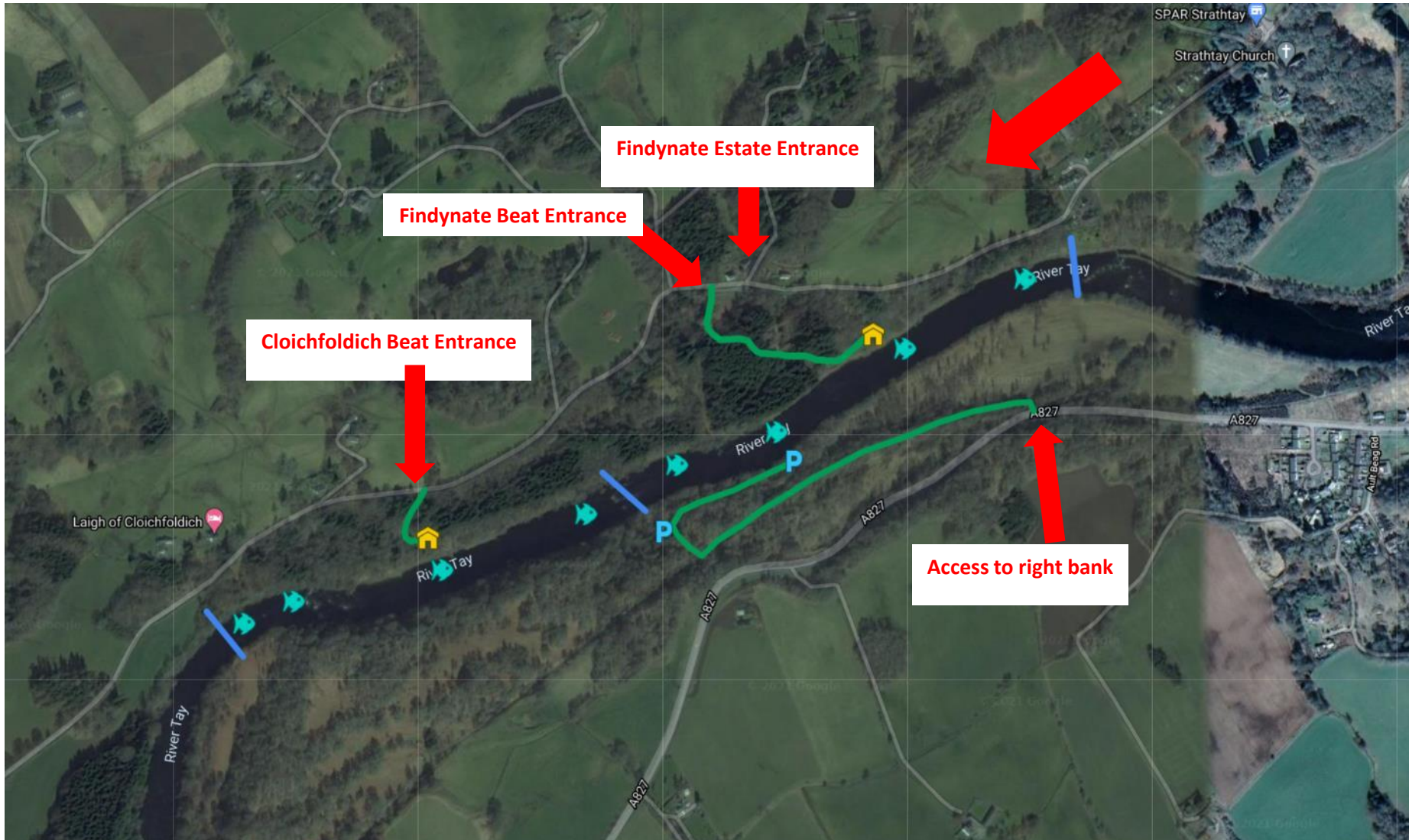
From the A9 North or South, leave at the Ballinluig junction and take A827 road to Grandtully and Aberfeldy



Continue on A827 until you come to T junction after bridge over the Tay. Turn right for Grandtully and Aberfeldy and then turn right in Grandtully over the old bridge for Strathtay.  
Alternatively turn right before the bridge for Pitnacree and Strathtay.



In Strathtay, continue west with the river on the left.



**After a mile, Findynate Estate entrance is signposted on the right; the gate down to the Findynate Beat is 50m further along on the left.**





The entrance to Cloichfoldich is just under ½ mile further on.  
There is ongoing timber operations just past the gate so drive carefully







## Access to right bank:

From either beat, turn right back towards the village of Strathtay. Turn right at SPAR shop, cross the river into Grandtully, turn right at the junction.

Carry on through the village – after traffic lights, you will see a horseshoe of new white houses on the left.

Approx 200 to 300 yards further on there is a metal gate which is padlocked with a combination padlock (cloured black) just off the road on the right (opposite a 'bends in road' sign).

Go through the gate and and turn left, follow the track.



**After a few hundred yards you will come to a gate on the right – turn right**



**Follow the track all the way to the bottom of the hill**



**Follow the track until you come to a gate – Park on the right, off the track. Make sure you lock your car when you go to fish, this is a popular walking area.**



**At the moment, (end January 2022), you cannot reach the parking area courtesy of storm Arwen .....  
There is parking space here and room to turn.**



Once through the gate there is a track which runs to the bottom march (and beyond). Start fishing here (Findynate), at the croy.

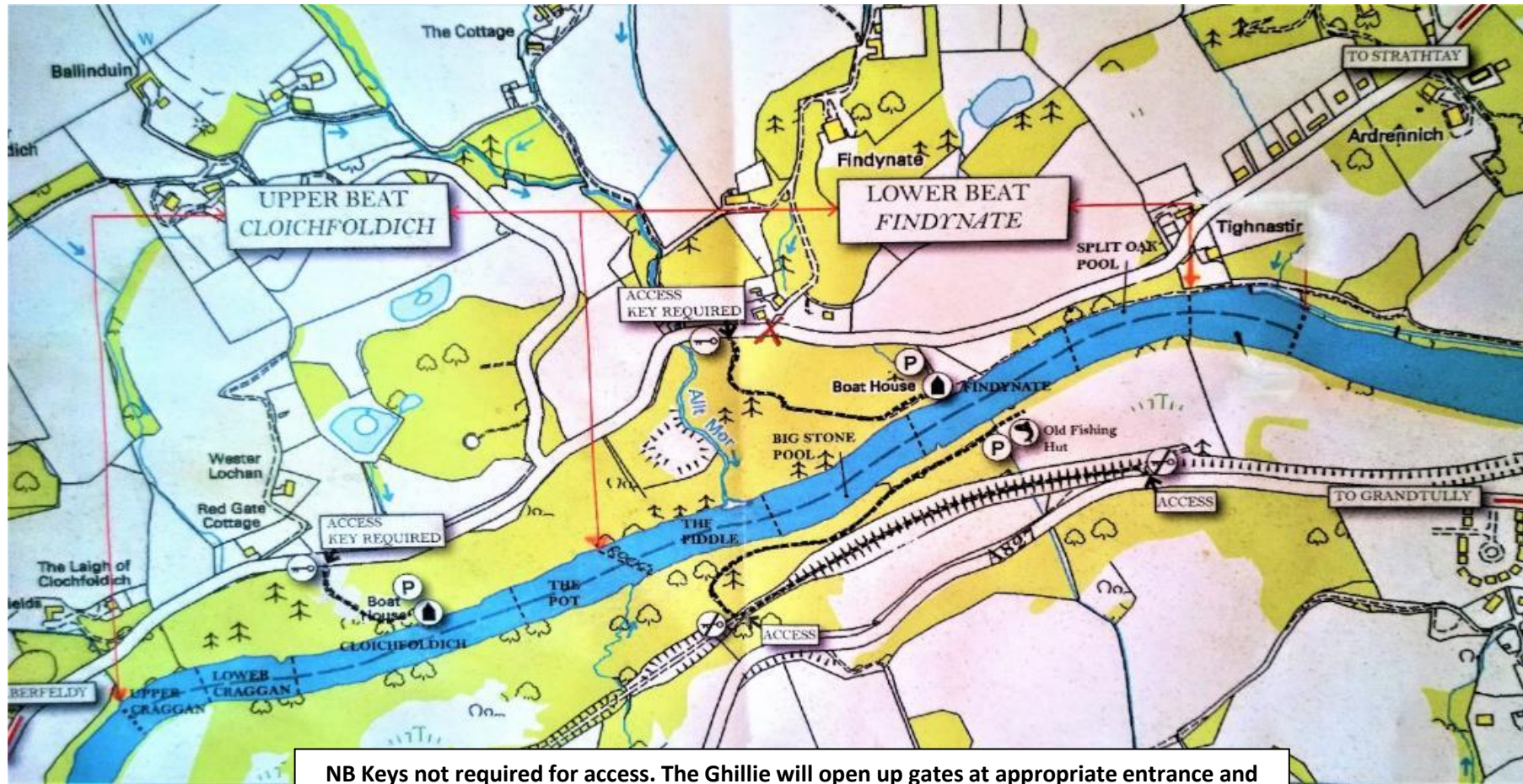


## Beat description:

The boundary between Cloichfoldich and Findynate is the large rocks which sit in the middle of the river.

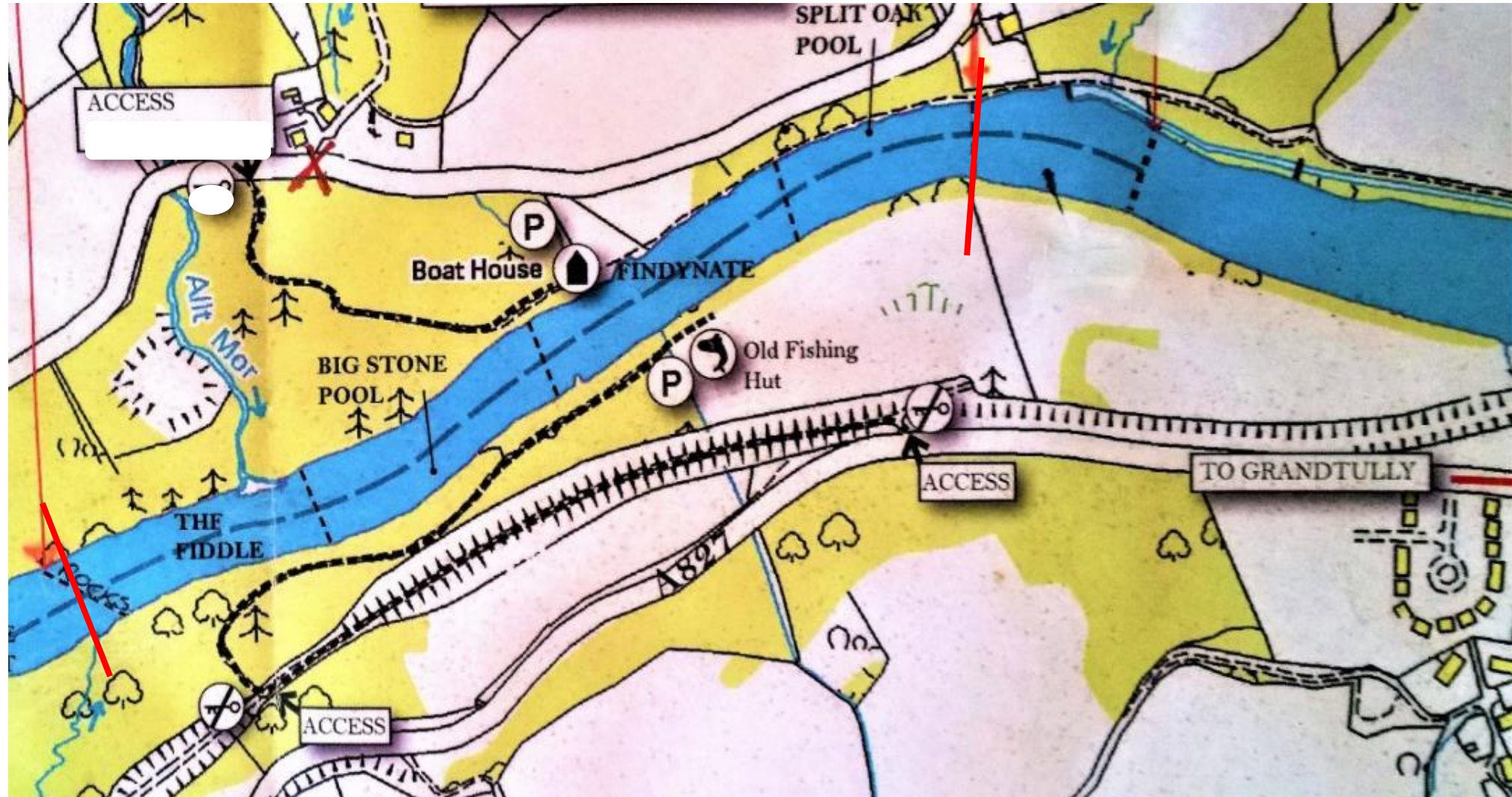
Cloichfoldich stretches approx ½ mile above rocks (top of beat signposted).

Findynate stretches approx. ½ mile below rocks (bottom of beat signposted).



NB Keys not required for access. The Ghillie will open up gates at appropriate entrance and also open up hut. Combination required for right bank access gate – on permit.

# Findynate Beat





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**The Fiddle - looking upstream from opposite the hut.**

**Can be fished from either side, from the top of the gap in the trees. Start from high up in the pool but concentrate on the middle to lower reaches. Do not ignore the glide at the tail of the pool.**



**Big Stone Pool - looking upstream from opposite hut.**

**Fish from the north (left) bank. Start high up the pool and fish well down into the tail.**





**Big Stone Pool**

**Findynate Pool**

**Findynate Pool - Fishes well from both banks with the main holding area being opposite the big croy where there is a large submerged rock. The neck or stream fishes well from both banks but is perhaps easier from the north bank and should be fished with the fly until the flow is lost.**



Looking downstream from the large croy. On the left bank the river gets progressively deeper and flow lessens. On the right bank, with the right conditions, it is possible to wade all the way to the march but with care.



**Split Oak Pool (part of Findynate pool) - Difficult to cover with the fly from the bank but is good spinning water and is well worth a cast, especially in higher water.**

**Flow lessens markedly on the left bank but good fly water on the right**



**March Pool (part of Findynate pool) - This pool forms part of Findynate pool and is best fished from the south (right) bank. Fish tend to pause here after coming through Grandtully rapids, particularly in higher water. Let your line come right round into the “vee”. Watch out for the tree!!**





**NB: In decent water conditions the Ghillie may allow you to take the boat across to the right bank.**

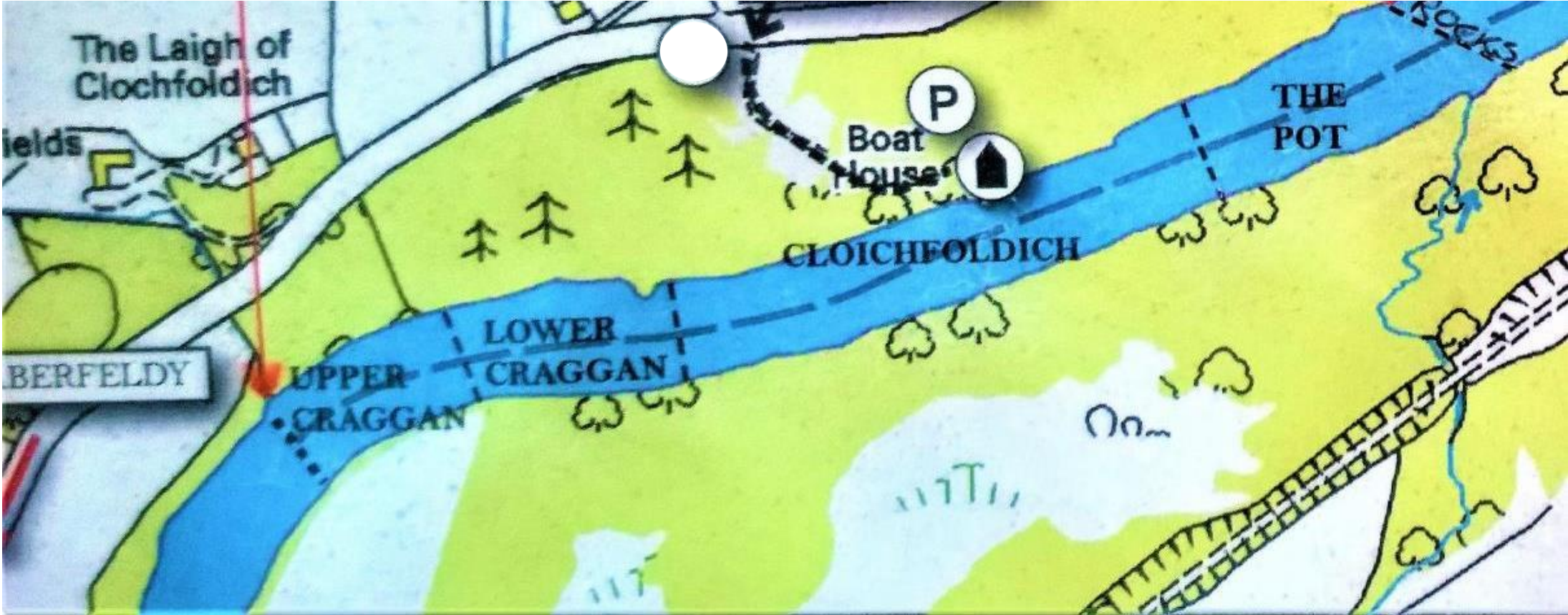
**Only take the boat if your competent in rowing. Leave the boat (well secured) here.**



# Cloichfoldich Beat



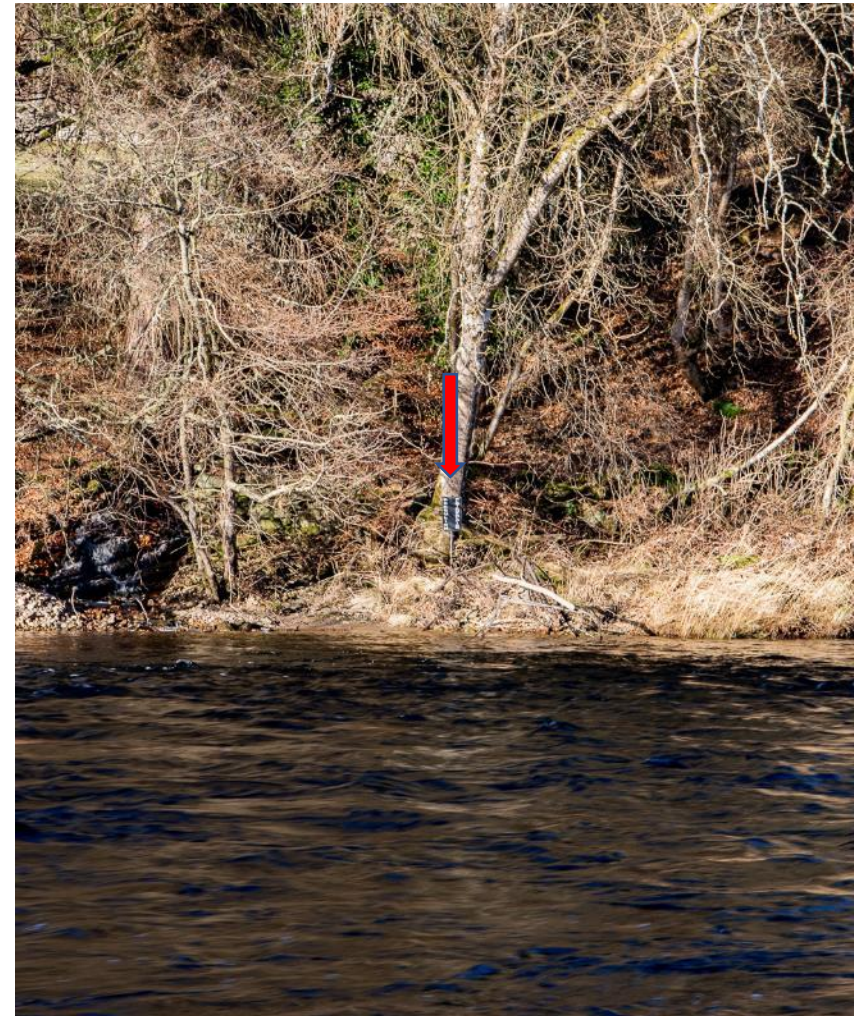
Clochfoldich Beat



**Right Bank Beat Marker**



**Left Bank Beat Marker**



**Upper Craggan - Best fished from the south (right) bank; excellent fly water particularly in low water. South bank access via old railway line.**

**This pool should be fished from beat marker on south bank down to glide at tail of pool.**



**Upper Craggan - There are good salmon lies from the march all the way to the fast water**



**Lower Craggan - Excellent fly water and can be fished from either bank, but usually from north bank.**



**Cloichfoldich Pool - Fishes well from either side, but wading is easier from north bank. A big, long, holding pool well worth fishing down to the tail on both sides.**

**There are lies towards the tail of the pool and just above each of the main and smaller croys on the north bank.**





## Top of Cloichfoldich



## Cloichfoldich looking upstream



**The Pot - Best fished from the south bank except in low water conditions when it is possible to wade from the north side.**



**NB: In decent water conditions the Ghillie may allow you to take the boat across to the right bank, otherwise drive round.**

**To drive, follow instructions for Findynate right bank via padlocked gate and the old railway. Find a space to park at bottom of the hill and then look upstream and you will see the path...**



Follow the path until you get to here.... This is at the Cloichfoldich/Findynate March. You can now either walk up the bank to the upper march or you can follow the path up this slope (steep) and walk along the ridge to the top of the beat. The walk along the ridge is gentle. As the river swings away to your left you can look down and see a wide flood plain. Walk down the steep slope and get to the river bank close to the tail of the flood plain. The river is about 10 feet below you. Walk upstream until you see steps – go down the steps and you are a few yards above Cloichfoldich upper marker.

