

ENGLAND

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The Broads

We woke to a sunny day. We were at Bull Green Farm and went to sleep with a relaxing vista across farm paddocks. Our intention was to spend a day on The Broads - a network of navigable rivers and lakes in Norfolk and Suffolk. The area is a type of national park and is a haven for boaties. We stopped to admire the different type of boats at Beccles and walked into the town centre. The weather slowly got colder as we were returning to our van.

We then took the back roads and enjoyed our amble around the broads. We found a little ferry to ford one of the canals but were a little disappointed in that we expected to be able to drive alongside the many canals and drop into the little villages like Acle to enjoy the ambience. We really could not get a good view of the waterways. We headed for the National Trust's Horsely Water Pump but when we eventually got there the car park was full leaving us nowhere to park. We headed back southwards to Great Yarmouth with its beach boardwalk and pier but once again we turned away when we saw the heavy traffic. It is Easter after all. We decided to head to Norwich ready for a good day's riding there tomorrow. An early stop, and mains power to charge our tooth brush, was in order.



ROADS Heather has asked our GPS to avoid toll roads and freeways. She prefers instead to improve my driving skills with narrow lanes lined with thorny hedges and soft verges.



NAMES We are fascinated by the wide diversity of names of places, streets and shops. Most reflect a by-gone history while others are simply clever and make you smile.



SMOKING BUSINESS Gauging by the number of chimneys we have seen in this area there is certainly no shortage of customers. Obviously the witches left years ago.