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I present my soft hackles directly upstream and do a figure of eight retrieve to keep the line tight and keep it moving at the speed of the current, the same as I would for nymphs. That also works for emergers btw.

I'm not sure a dry fly up and across presentation wouldnt give unnatural drag or twist to the fly.

Also bear in mind that these north country streams are pretty narrow - the Dove, Eden or wharfe , are no more than 20ft wide in most parts.

Hatches are also very sparse and slow lazy pools are few and far between, hence wading upstream with a team of spiders cast into seams was the solution.