

**Blisworth
Tunnel
Boats
Ltd.**

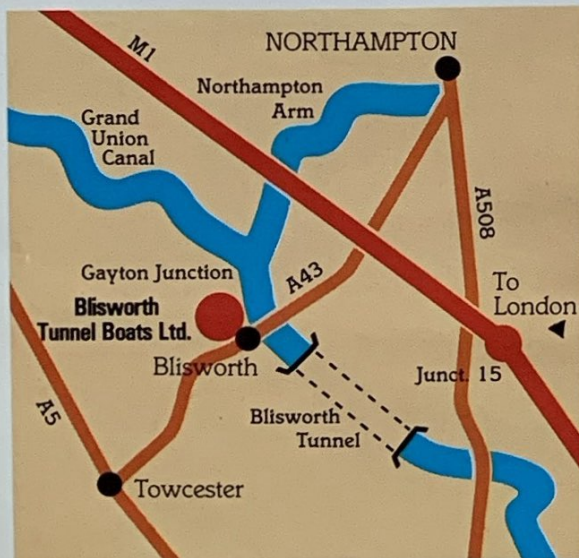


**CANAL
HOLIDAY
HIRE**



introducing our company

The name of Blisworth Tunnel Boats continues a fine tradition set some years ago, for narrowboats of distinction. We are a small family concern, offering friendly, efficient, personal service, whilst taking pride in the high standards and reliability of our boats. These are serviced and maintained at our much admired purpose built canal-side base, workshops and gardens. We are situated on the main line of the Grand Union Canal at Blisworth, in rural Northants, just north of the famous tunnel from which we take our name. We are within easy access of the M1 motorway (junction 15 is only 3 miles away), the base being just off the A43 at Blisworth village. We will gladly arrange collection of rail travellers from Northampton, a short distance away.



A holiday for the whole family. Bring your dog with you, he will enjoy it as much as the children do.



Stoke Bruerne

A visit to the National Waterway Museum at Stoke Bruerne is a "must", situated at the other end of Blisworth Tunnel, a short distance away.



planning your route

When planning your first canal cruise, it is best not to be too ambitious—slow down, it is a holiday after all. To time your trip, work out the total mileage and add an extra $\frac{1}{2}$ mile for each lock you negotiate. This gives you the distance in lock miles. Thus 10 miles and 4 locks = 12 lock miles.

Comfortable speeds are between 15 to 25 lock miles per day or 3 lock miles/hour. Don't forget to add on times for lunch stops, etc.

Waterway maps and guides to help you plan your route in detail, are available in advance with your booking. The vast number of routes possible from Blisworth, make it impossible to detail them all here. However, the map should enable you to form some ideas and we will be happy to discuss these with you.

suggested routes (one week)

Ashby Canal

Travel north to Braunston and its famous old canal side village, then to the North Oxford and Hawksbury Junction. Visit Coventry if you like. On then to explore the 24 lock free miles of the Ashby Canal, past the site of the Battle of Bosworth to Snarestone and return (easy week).

Southern Oxford Canal

Travel to Napton Junction via Braunston and on to the Southern Oxford with its picturesque lift bridges. On down into the Cherwell Valley and the heart of England. Wind the boat at Lower Heyford or Aynho and return (easy week).

Grand Union (Leicester Section)

North to Norton Junction and turn right, discover the remote rural scenery and the famous lock flights at Watford and Foxton. Pause to marvel at the site of the inclined plane which is being restored. Visit Welford and Market Harborough and on beyond Leicester up the Soar Valley and return (easy week).

Grand Union (South)

Travel south from Blisworth, with an exciting start to your journey through the longest tunnel still in use, to Stoke Bruerne and the Waterways Museum. Cruise through beautiful countryside and small picturesque towns. Past Marsworth, continuing over the Chilterns to Tring and its nature reserves then reaching Berkhamsted and return. A trip down the Aylesbury Arm is also possible.

Warwickshire Ring

A ring route for those interested in canal archeology. Travel to Napton Junction and by the North Oxford and Coventry Canals into Birmingham from Fazeley Junction. Return via Kingswood and Napton (energetic week).

suggested routes (two weeks)

Many ring routes are available to the hirer out for two weeks.

Trent Circuit

Cruise north through Leicester up the River Soar to the junction of the Trent and Erewash Canal. Turn left and on to the Trent and Mersey Canal to Fradley Junction. Turn south on the Coventry Canal, and return on the North Oxford via Braunston and Norton Junction (easy 2 weeks).

Severn and Avon Circuit

Travel north on the Grand Union through Warwick and Leamington Spa, and turn down the Southern Stratford Canal at Kingswood Junction to Stratford-upon-Avon. Cruise down the Avon to Tewkesbury, and up the River Severn to Worcester. Return via the Worcester and Birmingham Canal, turning right at Kings Norton Junction onto the North Stratford to Warwick and Blisworth, or, continue up the Severn to Stourport and off onto the Staffs and Worcester Canal to Great Haywood. Thence by the Trent and Mersey Canal to Fradley Junction, and return via the Coventry and North Oxford to Braunston and Blisworth (both energetic 2 weeks). Note: extra licences required for Southern Stratford Canal and River Avon.

Grand Circle

It is possible to complete the circuit of the Grand Union Canal, Oxford Canal and the River Thames. This is a two week trip. It is suggested that you start the trip going North from Blisworth so as to finish at Stoke Bruerne on the last evening with only the short trip through the tunnel to complete the following morning.

If the boat does not hold an Annual Thames Licence, five weeks' advance notice is required to obtain one.

Kennet and Avon Canal (three to four weeks)

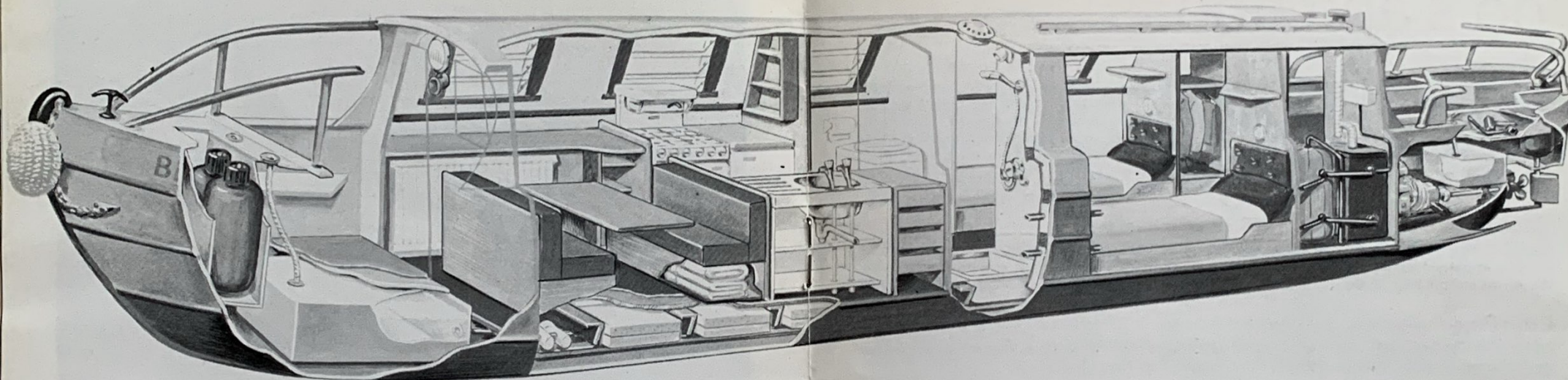
In addition to the above, for those that have extra time, part or all of the Kennet and Avon Canal may be visited. This has many interesting features and beautiful scenery.



super tunnel classes

By listening to the comments of previous hirers and combining the best ideas from our other boats we have now produced our Super Tunnel Class! These boats incorporate the following features: —

1. All beds at least 6'6" long, on one level and except for Dinette can be singles or doubles as required.
2. Dinette on raised plinth to provide panoramic views when sitting down.
3. Stereo cassette radio.
4. Full size 4 ring gas cooker with oven and grill.
5. Electric fridge.
6. Fresh water flushing toilets—6 berth boats have 2.
7. Each cabin can be shut off from the next for privacy.
8. Gas fired central heating with airing cupboards.
9. Flexibly mounted engines in insulated engine rooms to reduce noise and vibration.
10. Stern designed to reduce drag on canal banks and improve manoeuvrability.



inventory

Galley Equipment

Saucepans and lids
Roasting tin
Baking tin
Frying pan (non-stick)
Kettle
Pudding basins
Casserole dish
Mixing bowl
Colander
Milk jug
Water jug
Measuring jug
Butter dish
Bread bin
Bread board
Bread knife
Carving knife
Carving fork
Cook's knives
Fish slice
Wooden spoon
Potato peeler
Tea strainer

Tin opener
Bottle opener
Corkscrew
Ladle
Grater
Draining spoon
Potato masher
Whisk
Oven gloves
Tray
Ash trays
Grillpan
Palette knife

Cleaning Equipment

Broom
Mop
Toilet brush and holder
Dustpan and brush
Bucket
First aid kit
Floor cloth
J cloths

Washing up sponge
Washing up liquid
Washing up bowl
Pedal bin and liners
Gas spanner

Cutlery and Crockery

Table knives
Side knives
Table forks
Dessert forks
Table spoons
Soup spoons
Dessert spoons
Soup bowls
Dinner plates
Pudding plates
Tea plates
Cups and saucers
Mugs
Egg cups
Tumblers
Wine glasses

Sugar bowl
Cruet set
Tea pot

Bedding per bunk

2 blankets
1 pillow
1 pillow case

Navigation Equipment

Boarding plank
Boat pole
Boat hook
Mooring spikes
Club hammer
Double windlasses
Water hose
Mooring ropes

Hirers please note:

Personal and consumable items such as towels, soap, toilet paper, etc. are not provided.

do's and don'ts

How to Book

Book as early as possible to avoid disappointment. Provisional bookings may be made over the phone, but must be confirmed within 7 days with the completed booking form and appropriate deposit. Provisional bookings not confirmed within this time will be automatically reallocated. Signing the booking form binds both you and our Company to a legal contract, so we strongly recommend you take advantage of our Cancellation Insurance Scheme, details of which you will find on the booking form. This ensures that if any member of your party falls sick or has an accident causing the holiday to be cancelled, you are covered by insurance.

Booking by Telephone

We as a small company are open all the time to help you with any queries on your bookings. If the office is unattended when you phone, please leave your name and telephone number on our answering service. We will get straight back to you.

For all enquiries: Telephone Blisworth 0604-858868

Extra Passengers

Whilst available space and comfort are reduced where extra passengers above the normal complement are concerned, some of our boats will carry extra children or additional adults.

Televisions

A limited number of 12v. portable TV sets are available. Please book early to reserve one.

Bedding

Each berth on our boats is equipped with:—

1 5 inch foam mattress 2 blankets 1 pillow 1 pillow case

A limited supply of sleeping bags and liners may be hired for the holiday, at a charge of £2.00 V.A.T. inc. per person per set (subject to availability). We do not supply—table linen, sheets, toilet paper, soap and other consumables, etc.

Hiring—Minimum Age

You must be 21 to hire our boats. They are expensive items, and whilst in your care, they must be well treated and returned undamaged in a *clean* condition. We reserve the right to make an extra cleaning charge on the return of a dirty boat.

Start and Return Times

The boat you hire will not be ready before 3 p.m. on Saturday or 4.30 p.m. on Friday. Please do not arrive at the base before 2.30 p.m. — you will only become frustrated waiting. Boats *must* be back by 9 a.m. Saturday or 11 a.m. Friday on the return day and vacated within 1 hour. This turn round interval is essential to make sure that the boats are immaculately clean, serviced and reliable for the next hiring. An additional charge will be incurred by any boat returning late or in an unclean condition.

Pets

Your pet is very welcome, they love holidays as well. There is no extra charge. However, please keep them under control at locksides, at our base and away from the bedding on the boats.

Navigation and Safety

Hiring for the first time? No problem! Our boats are responsive and handle exceptionally well. We will give you detailed instructions (including working through locks) and an optional demonstration trip. All our boats have comprehensive boat instruction manuals. Buoyancy aids are available free of charge. Please order these on the booking form stating the correct size. For your own safety, the Company do *not* allow cruising in the dark after sunset. If you wish to navigate any river sections, you should notify the Company early, who will advise on special points and conditions.

do's and don'ts contd.

Licences and Permits

Our boats are licensed for the relevant waterways where the navigation authority is British Waterways Board. However, certain waterways require special licences obtainable and payable by the hirer during or before the voyage. These are: Southern Stratford and Rochdale Canal, Upper and Lower Avon Navigations, River Nene, and the River Thames. The Company can advise you on application as to costs and where to obtain these licences. Those wishing to cruise the Thames Circuit should see notes under suggested routes. You may fish if you have a Water Authority Rod Licence, clubs will not object to you fishing from the boat. Elsewhere, day tickets are available from tackle shops and bailiffs.

Car Parking

We offer secure open parking at our base free of charge. We cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to hirer's vehicles or contents.

What Do I Need?

Your personal clothing for the time of year should include some warm clothing, waterproofs and wellboots, as tow-paths are often muddy. We supply helmsman's waterproofs free of charge. Soft non-slip shoes are essential on board. Consumable items such as towels, soap, toilet paper, etc, are not supplied. We also provide a grocery list for those who do not wish to carry all their food to the base. This service is also free of charge.

Toilets

All our boats are fitted with modern pump-out toilets for a care-free holiday—should a pump-out be necessary on cruises longer than a week, we will refund the cost on production of a receipt from any of the many pump-out stations en route.

Cancellation Insurance Scheme

A special insurance is available if you complete the simple proposal form. Illness, injury or death may prevent you taking your holiday as planned, resulting in financial loss. Cover provides repayment of boat hire charges (paid or contracted to be paid by the Insured and otherwise irrecoverable) following necessary cancellation or curtailment of the holiday or journey from the time of booking until 3.00 p.m. on the day the hirer is due to take over the boat, consequent upon:

- a) Death, injury or illness of the hirer, any dependant, close relative or close business associate of the hirer, or any member of the hirer's party.
- b) Quarantine or jury service affecting the hirer or family.

But excluding:—

1. Suicide, intoxication, insanity, pregnancy and childbirth.
2. Manual work in connection with any business or trade.
3. Motor cycling, mountaineering, hunting, racing other than on foot and winter sports.
4. The first £5.00 of any claim.
5. Death, injury or illness of relatives not mentioned above.

The insured must undertake to:—

1. Advise Blisworth Tunnel Boats Ltd., as soon as possible in the event of a claim.
2. Produce any written evidence or documentation to support the claim.
3. Accept our decision on the claim as final.

The hirer must also warrant that:—

Any claim that may be made will be based on circumstances which have arisen subsequent to making the booking and of which he or she was unaware at the time of booking.

Please note the cover is only valid if applied for when you book in the space provided on the booking form. The scheme covers cancellation of the whole hiring and not parts of the total hire fee in the event of individuals dropping out of the party. Persons not resident in the United Kingdom are not eligible for cover.

This cancellation scheme has been arranged for your protection and you are strongly urged to take advantage of its facility.

freedom to choose

More and more people are discovering the unique freedom and delights of a waterborne holiday on our inland waterway system, discovering the forgotten heritage and beautiful countryside the network of canals has to offer.

We at Blisworth Tunnel Boats, give you the freedom to choose your holiday route from the many attractive cruises available for the holiday of a life time from our ideal starting point. Be free to choose your own type of holiday cuisine, self catering afloat or from the picturesque canal-side pubs and eating houses. Be your own skipper, relax and unwind, choose how energetic your holiday shall be: stop to sightsee or explore the remote little used waterways on your route. Have no care for the weather, our modern luxury narrowboats are heated and insulated (most with central heating and airing cupboards) to keep you warm and dry. Our boats have spacious living areas, full size berths, vanity units and showers, hot and cold running water and well appointed galleys with full cookers and refrigerators. Flush toilets are provided that are pumped out by the company, leaving you free to relax and enjoy your holiday. Visit us and see for yourself, we would be delighted to show you over our boats and modern base.

We have chosen an all inclusive price structure making it easy to plan your holiday.



In the days of traditional working boats Braunston was one of the most prominent centres in the Midlands.

Many canal people live in retirement aboard narrowboats or in the village, where generations of boatmen are buried in the cemetery of All Saints Church which is set on a hill above the canal.

It continues today to be a very busy area for leisure traffic and many of the old canal side features remain.



The galley dinnette area on one of our Super Tunnel classes.

Newbold Tunnel cruising on the Thames.



The Tunnel Fleet ~

Beam 6ft 10ins
 Engine Diesel, Electric self starting
 Fuel Diesel—50 gallons
 Water capacity 150 gallon tank minimum

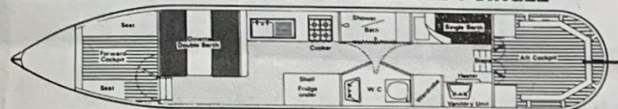
Gas Ample supply for 2 week cruise
 Electrical supply 12v D.C. system, 12v T.V. socket
 Draught 1ft 10ins Headroom Over 6ft 1ins

NOTE: Boats in same class may vary in overall length but cabin length is the same

Washing facilities
 Running hot and cold water supplied by automatic pump to wash-basins shower and sink

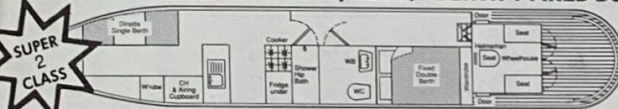
WC/Shower
 Modern flushing pump out toilets
 Hot showers on all boats
 Berths
 Vanitory units, 240v shaver point (for shavers only) and mirrors
 Picture windows in day cabins

COWLEY TUNNEL 36ft 2/3 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 1 SINGLE



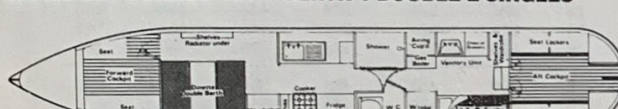
Single lever control
 Engine: BMC 1500
 Water cooled diesel
 2 cabin areas
 Heating: 2 gas fired heaters
 Flushing toilet.

GREYWELL TUNNEL (BUILT 1989) 42ft 2/3 BERTH 1 FIXED DOUBLE 1 SINGLE



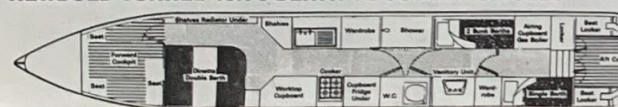
Single lever control
 Engine: VETUS M3 Water cooled with calorifier
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 Gas central heating
 Heated wheelhouse with hydraulic steering.
 Stereo radio/cassette

SHREWLEY TUNNEL 40ft 4 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 2 SINGLES



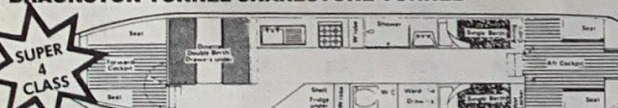
Single lever controls
 Engine: Leyland 1500 Water cooled with calorifier
 Gas Central heating
 Flushing toilet
 2 cabin areas

NEWBOLD TUNNEL 45ft 5 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 3 SINGLES



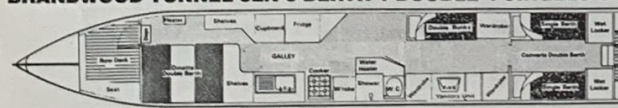
Single lever control
 Gas central heating
 Engine: Leyland 1500 water cooled diesel with calorifier
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 3 cabin areas

TARDEBIGGE TUNNEL 45ft 4 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 2 SINGLES OR 2 DOUBLES BRAUNSTON TUNNEL SNARESTONE TUNNEL



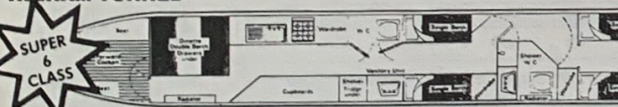
Single lever control
 Engine: BMC 1500
 Water cooled diesel with calorifier
 Gas central heating
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 2 cabin areas
 Stereo radio/cassette

BRANDWOOD TUNNEL 52ft 6 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 4 SINGLES OR 2 DOUBLES 2 SINGLES



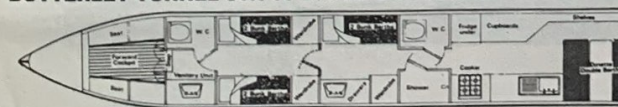
Single lever control
 Engine: 2 cylinder water cooled diesel
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 Gas central heating
 3 cabin areas

HARECASTLE TUNNEL 56ft 6 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 4 SINGLES OR 2 DOUBLES 2 SINGLES OR 3 DOUBLES HIGHAM TUNNEL



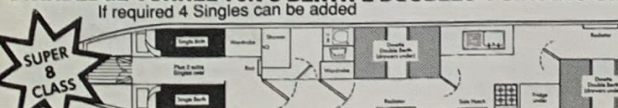
Single lever control
 3 cylinder Lister TS (Harecastle)
 Leyland 1500 (Higham)
 Gas central heating
 2 Fresh water flushing toilets
 3 cabin areas
 Stereo radio/cassette

BUTTERLEY TUNNEL 61ft 10 BERTH 2 DOUBLES 6 SINGLES



4 Cabin areas. Engine: water cooled 3 cyl. diesel.
 Single lever control
 Heating: 2 gas fired heaters
 Toilets
 1 Fresh water flushing
 1 flushing

STANDEGE TUNNEL 70ft 8 BERTH 2 DOUBLES 4 SINGLES OR 3 DOUBLES 2 SINGLES OR 4 DOUBLES



Single lever controls
 Engine: Leyland 1800 water cooled diesel with calorifier.
 2 fresh water flushing toilets.
 4 cabin areas.
 Stereo/radio cassette.

PLEASE NOTE — This boat is purpose built for 2 families
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The Tunnel Fleet ~

Beam 6ft 10ins
 Engine Diesel, Electric self starting
 Fuel Diesel—50 gallons
 Water capacity 150 gallon tank minimum

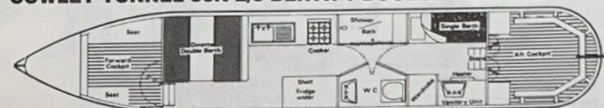
Gas Ample supply for 2 week cruise
 Electrical supply 12v D.C. system, 12v T.V. socket
 Electric lighting throughout
 Draught 1ft 10ins Headroom Over 6ft 1ins

NOTE: Boats in same class may vary in overall length but cabin length is the same

Washing facilities
 Running hot and cold water supplied by automatic pump to wash-basins shower and sink

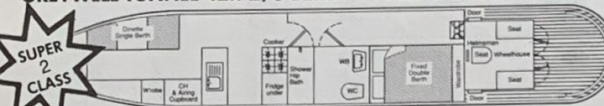
WC/Shower
 Modern flushing pump out toilets
 Hot showers on all boats
 Berths
 Vanitory units, 240v shaver point (for shavers only) and mirrors
 Picture windows in day cabins

COWLEY TUNNEL 36ft 2/3 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 1 SINGLE



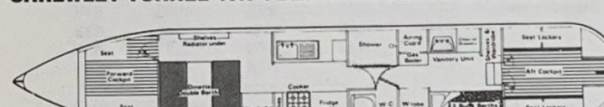
Single lever control
 Engine: BMC 1500
 Water cooled diesel
 2 cabin areas
 Heating: 2 gas fired heaters
 Flushing toilet.

GREYWELL TUNNEL 42ft 2/3 BERTH 1 FIXED DOUBLE 1 SINGLE



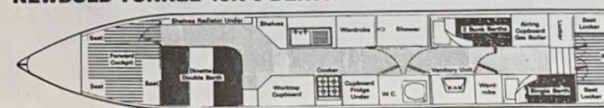
Single lever control
 Engine: VETUS M3 Water cooled with calorifier
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 Gas central heating
 Heated wheelhouse with hydraulic steering.
 Stereo radio/cassette

SHREWLEY TUNNEL 40ft 4 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 2 SINGLES



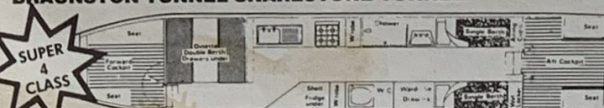
Single lever controls
 Engine: Leyland 1500 Water cooled with calorifier
 Gas Central heating
 Flushing toilet
 2 cabin areas

NEWBOLD TUNNEL 45ft 5 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 3 SINGLES



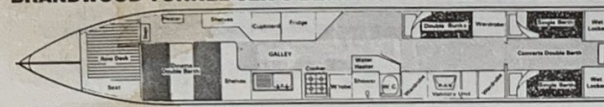
Single lever control
 Gas central heating
 Engine: Leyland 1500 water cooled diesel with calorifier
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 3 cabin areas

TARDEBIGGE TUNNEL 45ft 4 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 2 SINGLES OR 2 DOUBLES BRAUNSTON TUNNEL SNARESTONE TUNNEL



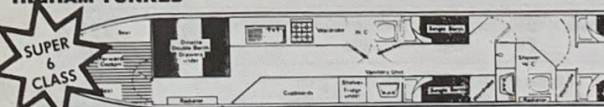
Single lever control
 Engine: BMC 1500
 Water cooled diesel with calorifier
 Gas central heating
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 2 cabin areas
 Stereo radio/cassette

BRANDWOOD TUNNEL 52ft 6 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 4 SINGLES OR 2 DOUBLES 2 SINGLES



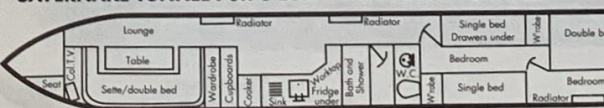
Single lever control
 Engine: 2 cylinder water cooled diesel
 Fresh water flushing toilet
 Gas central heating
 3 cabin areas

HARECASTLE TUNNEL 56ft 6 BERTH 1 DOUBLE 4 SINGLES OR 2 DOUBLES 2 SINGLES OR 3 DOUBLES HIGHAM TUNNEL



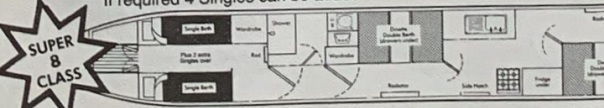
Single lever control
 3 cylinder Lister TS (Harecastle)
 Leyland 1500 (Higham)
 Gas central heating
 2 Fresh water flushing toilets
 3 cabin areas
 Stereo radio/cassette

SAVERNAKE TUNNEL 70ft 8 BERTH 2 DOUBLES 4 SINGLES



Single lever control
 Engine: 3 cylinder Lister TS diesel
 2 Fresh water flushing toilets
 Gas central heating
 4 cabin areas
 Stereo radio/cassette

STANDEGE TUNNEL 70ft 8 BERTH 2 DOUBLES 4 SINGLES OR 3 DOUBLES 2 SINGLES OR 4 DOUBLES



Single lever controls
 Engine: Leyland 1800 water cooled diesel with calorifier.
 2 fresh water flushing toilets.
 4 cabin areas.
 Stereo/radio cassette.

PLEASE NOTE — This boat is purpose built for 2 families
 CREWS MUST HAVE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE TO HIRE 70ft NARROWBOATS.

Oil fired central heating

BLISWORTH TUNNEL BOATS LTD. 1990 HIRE FEES (£'s PER WEEK)

FRIDAY START - 4.30 p.m.

SATURDAY START - 3.00 p.m.

Fri. Jan. March	WEEK COMMENCING 5* 23*	COWLEY TUNNEL 2/3 BERTH CHARGES FOR 2 £	SHREWLEY TUNNEL 4 BERTH CHARGES FOR 4 £	BRANDWOOD TUNNEL 6 BERTH CHARGES FOR 6 £	Sat. Jan. March	WEEK COMMENCING 6* 24*	GREYVELL TUNNEL 2/3 BERTH CHARGES FOR 2 £	SUPER 4 4 BERTH CHARGES FOR 4 £	NEUBOLD TUNNEL 5 BERTH CHARGES FOR 5 £	SUPER 6 6 BERTH CHARGES FOR 6 £	BUTTERLEY TUNNEL 10 BERTH CHARGES FOR 10 £	SUPER 8 8 + 4 BERTH CHARGES FOR 8 £
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Oct.	5 12 19 26	264 264 285 264	303 303 327 303	363 363 392 363	Oct.	6 13 20 27	297 297 321 297	343 343 370 343	350 350 379 350	416 416 448 416	462 462 498 462	504 504 546 504
Oct. Dec.	26* 21*	264	303	363	Oct. Dec.	27* 22*	297	343	350	416	462	504
Dec.	21 28	315 315	362 362	434 434	Dec.	22 29	355 355	410 410	418 418	497 497	552 552	602 602

*Boats may not be available between January 5th-March 24th and October 26th-December 22nd.

Extra passengers: £15 each per week.
ALL PRICES INCLUDE: V.A.T. - Fuel - Gas - Bedding - Car Parking - Pets - Helmsmans
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BLISWORTH TUNNEL BOATS LTD. 1991 HIRE FEES (£'s PER WEEK)

FRIDAY START - 4.30 p.m.

SATURDAY START - 3.00 p.m.

Fri. Jan. March	WEEK COMMENCING 4* 15*	COWLEY TUNNEL 2/3 BERTH CHARGES FOR 2 £	SHREWLEY TUNNEL 4 BERTH CHARGES FOR 4 £	BRANDWOOD TUNNEL 6 BERTH CHARGES FOR 6 £	Sat. Jan. March	WEEK COMMENCING 5* 16*	SUPER 2 2/3 BERTH CHARGES FOR 2 £	SUPER 4 4 BERTH CHARGES FOR 4 £	NEUBOLD TUNNEL 5 BERTH CHARGES FOR 5 £	SUPER 6 6 BERTH CHARGES FOR 6 £	SUPER 8 (8 + 4 BERTH) SAYERNAKE T (8 BERTH) CHARGES FOR 8 £
March	22 29	300 350	347 409	420 495	March	23 30	342 402	399 464	406 473	478 559	581 688
April	5 12 19 26	330 324 285 285	367 356 326 326	446 431 396 396	April	6 13 20 27	362 351 321 321	418 406 371 371	426 414 378 378	500 487 447 447	621 603 550 550
May	3 10 17 24 31	321 321 356 463 380	367 367 409 532 435	445 445 495 644 528	May	4 11 18 25	361 361 401 527	419 419 464 605	425 425 473 614	503 503 558 725	618 618 688 893
June	7 14 21 28	380 404 428 452	435 454 490 518	528 561 594 627	June	1 8 15 22 29	425 425 455 481 508	496 496 526 556 587	504 504 536 567 599	595 595 634 670 705	733 733 779 824 871
July	5 12 19 26	463 463 475 475	532 532 546 546	644 644 659 659	July	6 13 20 27	527 527 535 535	605 605 618 618	614 614 630 630	725 725 755 755	892 892 916 916
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Oct.	4 11 18	285 285 321	327 327 368	396 396 446	Oct.	5 12 19	321 321 361	371 371 418	378 378 425	447 447 503	550 550 619
Oct. Dec.	25* 13*	285	327	396	Oct. Dec.	26* 14*	321	371	378	447	550
Dec.	20 27	380 380	435 435	528 528	Dec.	21 28	428 428	495 495	504 504	595 595	733 733

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Extra passengers: £25 each per week.
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	Date recvd:
Please Return To:	

BLISWORTH TUNNEL BOATS LTD.

Name _____ Tel: Home _____

Address _____ Tel: Business _____

Post Code _____

I wish to book the narrowboat(s) _____ 1st choice

_____ 2nd choice

For _____ persons, for _____ week(s)

Week-end commencing Sat _____ 1st choice

Sat _____ 2nd choice

Fri _____

Total Hire Fee £ _____

I enclose:-deposit of one quarter (to nearest £1) of hire charge	£	
Optional payment of cancellation insurance scheme (see premiums overleaf)	£	
Payment for any books or maps required (listed overleaf)	£	
Total	£	

I will require the following optional extras added to my final payment;

No. of extra berths above normal complement (£15/week each)	
No. of portable television set(s) (as available at £7.50/week each)	
No. of sleeping bags and liner (as available at £2.00/berth)	
No. of cot sides (free of charge)	
One set of helmsman waterproofs (free of charge)	
Buoyancy aids (free of charge)	
	under 2 stone
	2-4 stone
	3-6 stone
	8-10 stone

I heard of you through

I have/have not had previous experience handling a narrowboat.

I am over 21 years of age and have read and agree to be bound by the conditions of the hire as printed in your brochure

I understand that my damage deposit will be (£50.00 on Butterley Tunnel or Standedge Tunnel) payable with the final balance

Signed _____ Date _____

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Signed _____ Date _____

To be completed by Hirer

CANCELLATION INSURANCE SCHEME
MY PARTY WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:

NAME	ADDRESS	CANCELLATION INSURANCE PREMIUMS HIRE FEE PER BOAT	PREMIUM £
1			
2			
3			
4		£101-£200	8.00
5		£201-£300	13.00
6		£301-£400	18.00
7		£401-£500	23.00
8		£501-£600	28.00
9		£601-£700	33.00
10		£701-£800	38.00
11		£801-£900	43.00
12		£901-£1000	48.00
Please note: persons omitted are not covered by the policy.		£5 per £100 thereafter minimum Premium £8.00 per policy.	

HOLIDAY BOOKSHOP

Please tick publications to be sent and add to your remittance overleaf.

NICHOLSON GUIDES	PRICE	POSTAGE	TOTAL		PRICE	POSTAGE	TOTAL
INLAND WATERWAYS MAP	3.50	0.35					
No.1 South	6.95	0.65		From Avon to Thames	1.35	0.40	
No. 2 Central	6.95	0.65		Grand Union South	1.35	0.40	
No. 3 North	6.95	0.65		The Upper Thames	1.35	0.40	
The River Thames	6.95	0.65		London's Waterways	1.35	0.40	
Broads, Fens, R. Ouse, R. Nene	5.95	0.65					
WATERWAYS WORLD GUIDES				Imrays Map of the River Nene	2.50	0.30	
Oxford Canal	3.00	0.35		Standfords Map of River Thames	2.25	0.30	
Coventry Ashby and North Oxford Canal	3.00	0.35		Ordnance Survey Maps 1:50,000 series			
Trent, Mersey and Caldon Canals	3.00	0.35		No. 139 Birmingham	3.30	0.35	
G.U. Leicester Section & R. Soar	3.00	0.35		No. 140 Leicester & Coventry	3.30	0.35	
G.U. North (Birmingham to Stoke Bruerne)	2.40	0.35		No. 151 Stratford	3.30	0.35	
G.U. South (Stoke Bruerne to Brentford)	3.00	0.35		No. 152 Northampton	3.30	0.35	
				No. 165 Aylesbury	3.30	0.35	
LOCKMASTER MAPS							
Trent Waterways	1.35	0.40					
Black Country Canals	1.35	0.40					
The Warwickshire Ring	1.35	0.40					
East Midland Canal	1.35	0.40					
Avon Ring	1.35	0.40					
Stourport Ring	1.35	0.40					
Fens and Middle Levels	1.35	0.40					
HOLIDAY ROUTE PLANNER	1.65	0.40					

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INLAND WATERWAYS MAP	3.50	0.40					
No. 1 South	6.95	0.70		HOLIDAY ROUTE PLANNER	1.75	0.45	
No. 2 Central	6.95	0.70		From Avon to Thames	1.35	0.45	
No. 3 North	6.95	0.70		Grand Union South	1.35	0.45	
The River Thames	6.95	0.70		The Upper Thames	1.35	0.45	
Broads, Fens, R. Ouse, R. Nene	6.95	0.70		London's Waterways	1.35	0.45	
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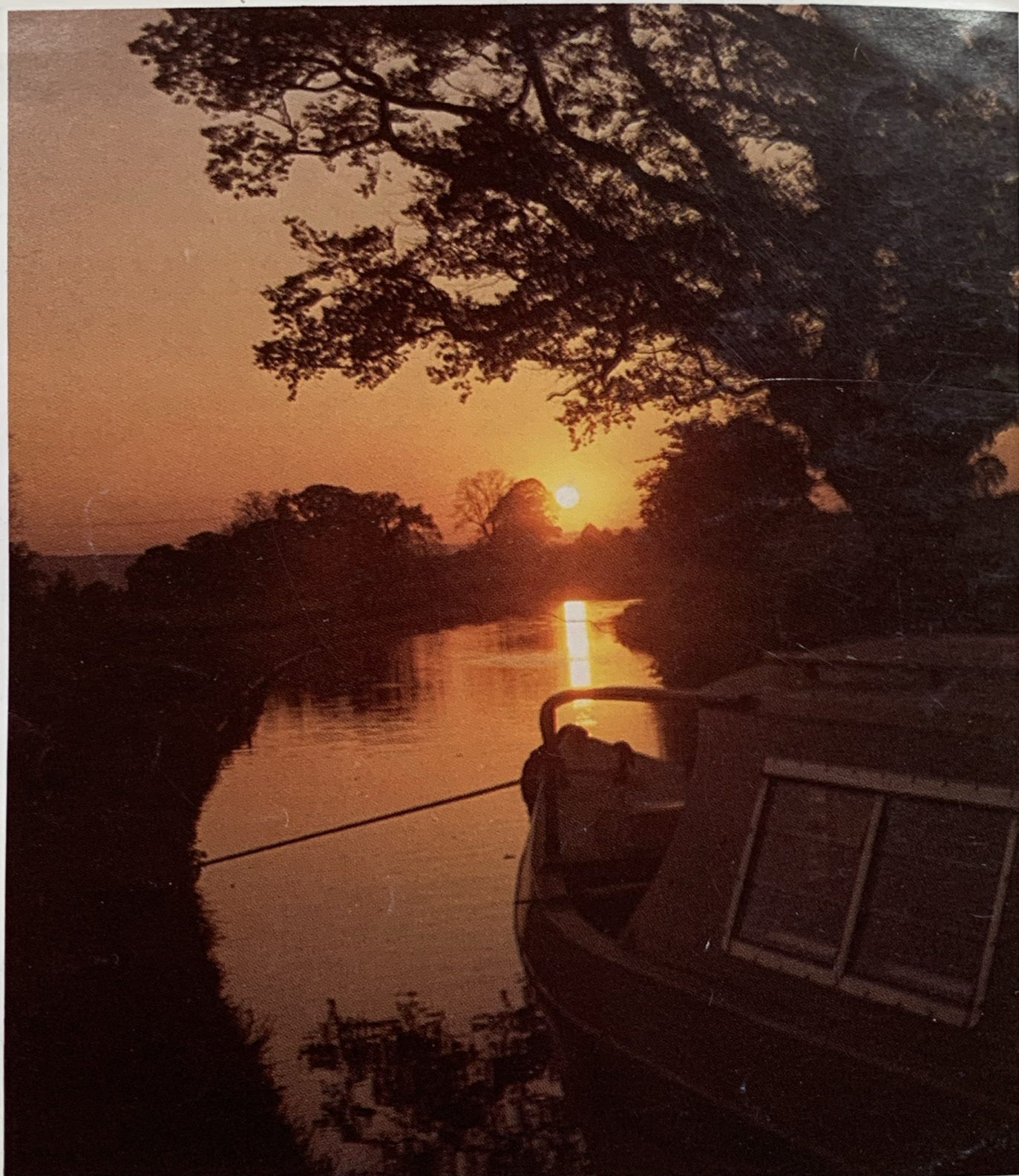
conditions of hire

1. **Booking.** A boat is definitely booked when the completed and signed booking form, together with the deposit of one quarter (25%) to the nearest £ of the total hire fee, and a hire invoice has been sent to the hirer. In the case of overseas clients, the deposit is one half (50%) of the total hire fee.
2. **Balance of Hire Fees.** The hirer is responsible for the whole of the hire fee, and the balance must be paid three weeks before the date on which the hire is due to begin. Should the hirer cancel the booking, we will make every effort to relet the boat, but if we are unsuccessful the hirer **REMAINS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BALANCE OF THE HIRE FEE.** A charge of 15% of the total hire, less an allowance for unused fuel and gas all plus V.A.T., is made for obtaining a reletting (see Do's and Don'ts for Cancellation Scheme).
3. **Cancellation Insurance Scheme.** Our conditions of hire stipulate that the hirer is responsible for the full hire fee before the start of the holiday. This can cause real hardship when circumstances beyond your control prevent the holiday being taken as planned. We strongly recommend therefore, that you take out our Cancellation Insurance Scheme (see Do's and Don'ts). Premiums are shown on the booking form. The cancellation option only covers cancellation of the whole hiring. A part of the hire fee cannot be returned in the event that one or more party members drop out. The Cancellation Scheme is available to you *only* if you apply and pay for it when you book.
4. **Minimum Age Limit.** The Company will not hire a boat to any person under 21 years of age.
5. **Return of Boats.** We must insist on the punctual return of our boats on Saturdays by 9 a.m., on Fridays by 11 a.m. and they must be vacated within 1 hour in a **CLEAN** condition. The hirer is responsible for allowing himself enough time to reach our base by the stated time. If the hirer fails to return or vacate the boat by the appointed times, the Company reserves the right to charge the sum of £8.00 per hour, or any part of an hour, after the stated times during which the boat is delayed or occupied, and to withhold the refundable deposit, on any boat returned in a dirty condition. In the interest of other hirers, we must obviously be absolutely strict about this rule.
6. **Insurance.** Full insurance of the boat and equipment, except for the first £35.00/£55.00 of any claim, is included in the hire fee. Third party risks are covered up to £1 million. We require a £35.00 damage deposit, or £55.00 for boats of 8 or more berths, to be paid with your final balance payment against loss or damage. This will normally be refunded to you by cheque within seven days of the end of your holiday. Should any incident occur, the deposit will be retained by the Company, pending the outcome of the investigation, and the hirer will be asked to supply a full written statement of events on return to the base.
The above insurance excludes any damage caused by speeding or the boat making contact with the lock sills, when liability will rest with the hirer.
7. **Cruising Hours.** Boats may cruise only between sunrise and sunset, and on no account may you tow other craft.
8. **Repairs.** These are the responsibility of the Company, and should not be put into the hands of other companies without our authority.
9. **Delays and Restrictions.** The Company cannot be held responsible for any delays or non-fulfilment of programmes caused by breakdown, unforeseen defects, obstructions, repairs or damage to either our boats or the inland waterway system. We also reserve the right to restrict the cruising area without notice should unusual conditions arise or if stoppages are imposed by British Waterways Board, and no compensation can be made. The Company will always do its best to advise hirers of stoppages, but they are advised to contact B.W.B. (Canalphone 01-723 8486/7) for up to date information on any closures.

10. **Accidents.** After detailed instruction and an optional trial run, the hirer is in complete charge of the boat, and is responsible for its safe navigation. In the event of an accident, the hirer must notify the Company at once with full details, and names and addresses of any witnesses. **DO NOT ADMIT LIABILITY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.**
11. **Loss of Water.** The hirer is responsible for any charge made by Waterway Authorities for any loss of water or damage to Waterways property caused by the hirer.
12. **Hirer's Property.** We regret that we cannot accept any liability for loss or damage to hirer's or passenger's property, baggage, motor cars, etc. however caused. Left luggage will be returned on receipt of the appropriate posting and packing charge.
13. **Company's reservation.** *It should be noted that:—*
 - i) We reserve the right to refuse to hand over a boat to any person who, in our opinion, is not suitable to take charge. In this event all monies paid will be refunded in full and the hirer shall have no further claim.
 - ii) If, owing to circumstances beyond our control, we are unable to provide the boat booked or a suitable alternative, we will refund all monies paid in full and the hirer shall have no other claim.
 - iii) No all male or female parties may hire a boat without prior consent of the Company.
14. **Brochure.** The descriptions of the boats in the brochure are as accurate as we can make them, but the Company will not be liable for any minor inaccuracy that may exist. Maps and plans are not to scale. All previous brochures null and void.
15. **Safe Lock Working.** Hiring parties must contain at least two active crew members, essential for the safe navigation of the boat through locks, etc. Hirers must wear soft soled shoes on board to avoid damage to decking and vinyl flooring on our boats.
16. **Exclusions.** We regret that bicycles are not allowed on board. Under no circumstances may fire-arms or live bait be taken on the boats.



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