



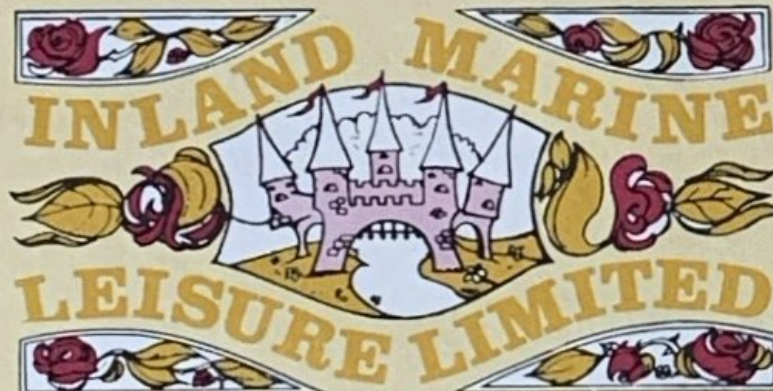
Narrow Boat hire for the discerning

Introducing a holiday to remember

Welcome aboard our brochure! We hope you find it interesting and informative.

In these days of falling standards of service and general lack of attention to detail, we hope you will find a holiday aboard one of our narrow boats a welcome return to the times when quality could be counted on.

There may be a tendency to compare a holiday on a quality narrow boat with camping, caravanning or even renting a cottage. Frankly, we do not believe that comparison is possible since the holidays are so different. OUR boats are more akin to floating luxury hotels. They are cleaned and serviced at the end of each holiday in a very similar way to a good hotel, with cleaners, cleaning supervisors, receptionists, engineers and managers all playing their part to ensure that your floating hotel is in good order right down from the main engine to the brilliance of the shine on your wine glasses.



In a nutshell, a holiday on one of our boats aims to give you the quality of luxury offered at a really good hotel along with the freedom and relaxed atmosphere which is not usually found in an hotel. Another advantage is that your hotel is mobile, so that you can change the scenery as you wish, but at the same time your hotel facilities are still available as you sail along.

You will already be beginning to appreciate the importance of the type and

class of boat you select for your holiday. In this brochure we try and give you as many facts as possible about our boats and service. We suggest that you consider very seriously the possible shortcomings of "cheaper boats" on offer. The variance in quality between one operators boats and another is tremendous — just like the range of boarding house/hotel accommodation on land. The price range will also be varied but as usual you will tend to "get what you pay for."

We have a reputation for being at the top end of the market — a view shared by many of our previous customers and competitors. Our aim is to provide the best in canal cruising and we particularly care for the family holiday and enthusiast. We also welcome beginners.

We are a small organisation where the owners play an active part in the day-to-day operation. We deal personally with the arrangements associated with your holiday.

To conclude our introduction, we must mention that last year, as with previous years, over half our customers had been before or had been recommended by friends.

We believe this is a significant fact.



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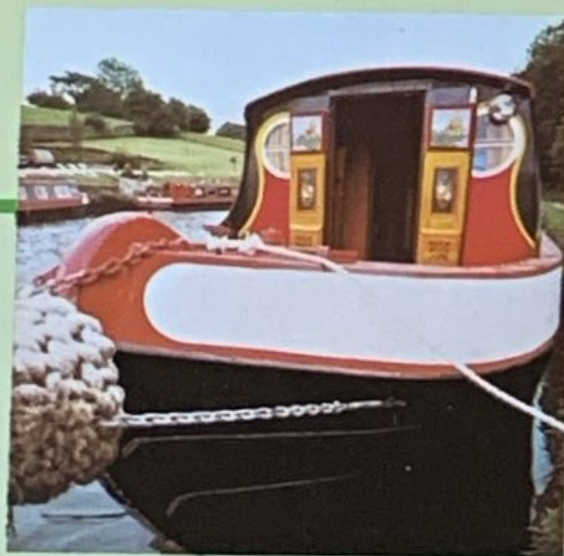


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Canal Cruising



We are very fortunate in this country in having had handed down to us a network of canals which spans the length and breadth of England and which now affords over 1,500 miles of quiet waterways almost exclusively used for pleasure purposes. Regrettably, the once familiar Shire Horses, pulling fully-laden barges of coal, wool, iron ore and the like have gone, but the waterways live on, serving a new and important role — they provide one of the last remaining opportunities to really "get away from it all." Time means nothing. Speed and distance are irrelevant, and the formalities of life can be left aside — eat, sleep and sail

as you will. Moor for the night at any safe place — tie up outside a friendly waterside inn or sleep among the wildlife in a remote wooded cutting!

Whilst the canals were originally built to link industrial areas with natural resources, they meander through open countryside for the majority of their length and only pass through towns here and there. Most canals have locks in order to carry the waterway over the hills; some have tunnels to take you through the hills. Both locks and

tunnels are a welcome feature of canal cruising, adding interest and a sense of achievement. Because you travel at a leisurely pace on a canal boat you see the countryside in depth. Animal and birdlife abounds on the canal and its fringes. You may encounter rabbits and hares on the towpath, water voles in the weedbeds, glimpse stoat and weasel in the dry-stone walls. You will meet moorhen and mallard among the reeds, and keep company with herons, dippers and kingfishers on peaceful waters.

During the last few years there has been a

revival of at least one canal tradition — the traditional NARROW BOAT. This type of craft, which was developed at the time canals were being built is especially for canals and is not usually found on other types of waterway. It is worth noting that whilst the hulls of these traditional narrow boats are of the original design, OUR boats are not conversions of old barges but are specifically built for us.

The type of boat you select will be one of the most important decisions you make in arranging your canal cruise. The interior

space provided, the facilities offered, the standard and cleanliness of all the equipment are very important. Traditional, steel narrow boats, with diesel engines, are much more expensive to build than some other types of craft but they do offer the requirements so necessary for a carefree canal holiday. As a guide our eight berth centrally heated boats would cost over £20,000 to buy privately — our boats are the envy of most private owners.

As we said in the introduction, we are by no

means the cheapest operators on the canal system. However, our prices are all inclusive and when comparing prices with competitors it is recommended that particular attention is given to precisely 'what is included in the price.' Those extra charges can mount up — check to see if an additional charge is made for fuel, gas, bedding, car parking, pets, etc. Check also on the details given about the boats. Are they built by a reputable firm? How old are they? Is the organisation capable of giving you the necessary service? If in doubt go and see the boats or get a friend to look in.

Worsley Base



Worsley Base

LOCATION

Worsley village is situated on the outskirts of the New City of Salford. The base is located within a conservation area which is steeped in history. Some of the buildings, including Worsley Old Hall, which was owned by the Duke of Bridgewater, date back to the 16th century. The area around the base is exceptional in terms of its old buildings, many fully restored, and is set amongst mature trees as well as being adjacent to the village green.

Access by road is first class — the M62 with direct motorway links to the M6, M61 and M63 is less than half a mile away.

POSITION ON THE CANAL SYSTEM

The beauty of Worsley, apart from its historic delights, is the opportunity which it affords to select many differing routes. There are too many to mention

them all but below many of the possibilities are set out. Whatever cruise you take you will probably go to Middlewich so we have described the route to this point in depth, from there we have left you to explore on your own, but whichever your route you will find an abundance of open countryside and plenty of good waterside inns. You will also have the pleasure of knowing that when you return to Worsley on the Friday evening you will have a pleasant last night aboard, with the opportunity of a very good meal at either "Worsley Old Hall" or "The Casserole." You must certainly also allow a couple of hours for exploring the canal features at Worsley as well. Worsley is a particularly suitable starting point for beginners or families with young children since there is a good cruising area before reaching locks or bridges requiring operation by the crew.

SUGGESTED CRUISES...

— ONE WEEK DURATION

1. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Barbridge Junction — Chester — and return.

A highly recommended route — not too ambitious with the added attraction of taking in the ancient City of Chester.

2. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Barbridge Junction — Hurleston Junction — Grindley Brook Locks (Llangollen Canal) — and return.

This route, taking in part of the delightful Llangollen canal is particularly suitable for beginners who wish to spend most of their holiday in the open countryside.

3. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Hardingswood Junction and part-way up the Macclesfield Canal — and return.

This route is highly praised for scenic beauty but is fairly heavily locked.



4. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Barbridge Junction and down the Shropshire Union Canal towards Autherley Junction — and return.

A route which really shows off the Cheshire and Shropshire countryside. Providing you turn round at Audlem

this route is highly recommended for beginners (there are a couple of big flights of locks starting at Audlem).

5. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Stoke-on-Trent — (through the famous Harecastle Tunnel) and onto the Caldon Canal.

A route especially recommended for those with experience. The upper stretches of the Caldon and Leek branches are delightful.

6. Worsley — Wigan — Burscough Bridge — Rufford branch to Tarleton (on the Ribble estuary) return via Worsley to Preston Brook and the

Anderton Boat lift onto the River Weaver. An opportunity to see the western end of the Leeds & Liverpool and also to take in one of the waterway wonders — the Anderton Boat Lift. Again, a route especially recommended for those with experience.

(Crews wishing to go on the River Weaver must give notice at the time of booking since they will require an anchor and chain).

— TWO WEEKS' DURATION

1. Circular Trip

Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Great Haywood Junction — Autherley Junction — Barbridge Junction — Middlewich — Worsley.

A real canal voyage — highly recommended but not a leisurely holiday.

2. Circular Trip (an additional licence fee may be required)
The famous CHESHIRE RING
Worsley — Manchester (Ducie Street Junction) — Marple — Hardingswood Junction — Middlewich — Worsley

A very special trip — particularly appealing to the enthusiast but it does take in some industrial areas and involves a lot of locking.

(Can be undertaken by experienced crews on a one week holiday).

3. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Barbridge Junction — Autherley Junction — Stourport — Worcester — Aldersley Junction — Great Haywood Junction — Middlewich — Worsley.

A wonderful trip — but very heavily locked. Should only be undertaken by adult crews with experience, during the summer months — is certain to delight the enthusiast. (Crews wishing to undertake this route must give notice at the time of booking since an anchor and chain will be required).



Sleeping Cabin—Hetton Class.

4. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Barbridge Junction — Hurleston Junction — Trevor — Llangollen — and return.

Highly recommended — through delightful countryside and not too ambitious.

5. Worsley — Preston Brook — Middlewich — Hardingswood Junction — Whaley Bridge — and return.

An opportunity to explore the Macclesfield Canal which is often said to be deserving of higher popularity than it has so far attracted.

THE DETAIL OF YOUR CRUISE BETWEEN WORSLEY AND MIDDLEWICH.

Saturday P.M.

From the quiet peace of the area round Worsley village the canal heads directly towards Trafford Park and within 45 minutes of leaving Worsley the first stop must be made to view the Barton Swing Aqueduct. The aqueduct swings from a central pier in the middle of



Worsley Base (cont)

the Manchester Ship Canal to carry the Bridgewater Canal over the Ship Canal. The Aqueduct has watertight gates at each end and is swung, full of water (all 800 tons of it) in order to allow you to proceed across the Ship Canal. Naturally there is an attendant to work the Aqueduct for you – without charge!

Next there follows a heavy industrial area but within an hour's cruising the canal passes into Cheshire and the industry gives way to residential areas. You pass many boat club moorings on your journey through Altrincham and Sale. At Lymm you will find a pleasant mooring for the night and be able to take advantage of the village's inns.

Sunday

The industrial area is now astern and the magnificent open Cheshire countryside is ahead. During the morning you will pass the villages of

Grappenhall, Stockton Heath and Walton. At Walton you may like to take a break and visit the public gardens to have a game of miniature golf or bowls. After cruising for about three hours, it is time to say goodbye to the Bridgewater Canal since you arrive at Preston Brook. Now you meet your first canal tunnel, 1239 yards long!

Once through the tunnel you arrive at Dutton Stop Lock and then continue sailing through open countryside until you pass through the much shorter – tunnels at Saltersford and Barnton.

You must now find time to stop and see one of the seven wonders of the waterway – the Anderton Boat Lift. Here boats enter a lift – water and all – and are gently lowered into the River Weaver below

Having looked at the lift it is time to sail on again, through mainly open countryside to Broken Cross. Here you will find a canal-side pub – the Old Broken Cross – and you can moor right outside the door! You may well decide to moor here for the night but if you prefer the open country you will find a delightful mooring amongst the wildlife a couple of miles further on.

Monday A.M.

Within an hour of setting sail you will be at Middlewich "big lock" – your first real lock since you left Worsley! Following this lock you have a flight



The Casserole Restaurant—Worsley

of three more locks and now you can explore on your own for it is here that you encounter your first major junction and must make your final decision on where you are going to go. At Middlewich you will also have the opportunity to restock the larder and take on water.

In planning your route from Middlewich we recommend that you purchase a copy of the relevant Nicholson's Guide – see booking form. In the guides you are told every detail so far as the canals are concerned – where the locks and bridges are – the type of countryside – as well as the location of the pubs, etc. (Copies of the guides are provided on each boat for use during your holiday).

3 and 4 DAY CRUISES

Please note that 3 and 4 day cruises are available on selected dates from Bank Newton and can be booked in advance.

Short holidays may be available from Worsley dependent on boat availability – please enquire about three weeks before you wish to go.



A fine view of the Canal Architecture at Worsley.

Bank Newton Base

LOCATION

Bank Newton is a hamlet situated between Gargrave, near Skipton, and West Marton. It is set in the foothills of the Pennines in an entirely rural area a few miles to the south of the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

Access is very easy from the M1, M6, M62 or A1. From whichever direction you approach it is easier, unless familiar with the many rural lanes in the area, to head for Skipton, along to Gargrave and then to Bank Newton. Hirers not travelling to Bank Newton by car can be collected from Gargrave Railway Station. No extra charge is made for this service.

POSITION ON THE CANAL SYSTEM

Without a doubt Bank Newton is at the heart of the prettiest part of the Leeds and Liverpool Cruiseway and must rate as one of the most picturesque parts of any waterway in the country. This makes it an ideal location from which to start your journey. Experienced hirers usually agree that the best cruise is often the one taken at a leisurely pace. The canal is certainly no place for rushing about. With this in mind, why start from a base less ideally situated, in order to spend several days arriving at the "best bit"? This is why we selected Bank Newton as our base.

From Bank Newton you can select several types of differing cruises, each of which will have a separate flavour.

Many crews wish to decide on their own routes, which are easy to map out using the official guides or the map in this brochure. For those without knowledge of the area, or Skippers wanting some suggestions, some specific cruises are set out for you.

SUGGESTED CRUISES

— ONE WEEK FOR THE CREW WHO ENJOY THE COUNTRY LIFE

Saturday P.M.

Head down the Bank Newton locks towards Gargrave. Moor up at "The

Anchor" with its waterside beer garden, or visit the old village of Gargrave. After dinner, cruise on through the remaining four locks and into the next stretch of canal (17 miles without a lock). You will find a very pleasant mooring for the night between Gargrave and Skipton.

Sunday A.M.

You are situated at a delightful spot for an early morning stroll after which the crew should prepare to sail on through Skipton and subsequently moor at the "iron" swing bridge at Bradley. The "Slaters Arms" in the village will provide lunchtime "refreshment" if required.



Our Bank Newton Base

Sunday P.M.

The Skipper will now be feeling very confident at the tiller and engine controls, and the time is now ripe to get down to a stretch of serious cruising. Given a fair wind it will be possible to "finish off" this lock-free stretch by dinner time. After dinner the crew can work off the meal by negotiating one of the seven "waterway wonders" the Five Rise locks at Bingley. When down the locks, press on through the town to Dowley Gap locks. Here you will find an admirable mooring for the night. The "Fisherman's Arms" is just at the top of the locks!



Monday A.M.

After passing through Hirst Lock you begin to enter the outskirts of Shipley. Here you will find all the services of a town which will enable you to restock the larder. Cruise on again to Field Locks for lunch. After lunch it is time to turn round and head back into the Dales again. This is necessary since you will want to cruise down the famous "Marton Pound" which is south-west of our base at Bank Newton.

Monday P.M.

Your aim is to arrive at Kildwick before nightfall which involves cruising 13 miles and negotiating 11 locks. A "quick one" before dinner at the "White Lion" may be your challenge!

Tuesday

Today you will want to stop off in Skipton and have a look round this market town known as the "Gateway to the Dales", with its interesting shops and well-known castle. Tuesday is half-day closing, so remember to shop in the morning and look round the castle later. During the rest of the day aim to cruise back to Gargrave.

Wednesday

You are now entering your fifth day aboard. Time for a change. Malham,

which is in the Yorkshire Dales National Park, is only a few miles away. Take the short bus ride from Gargrave to Malham and visit the famous cove and tarn. Gordale Scar is also worth a visit if you have the time.

Thursday

It will feel good to be back at the tiller. Today you will be passing through countryside equal to that on any British waterway and far superior to most. You will pass the home base mid-morning — drop in and let us know how things are going. If you arrive at East Marton for lunch the "Cross Keys" will offer you hospitality but don't rush this magnificent stretch of waterway.

Under way again, next stop Greenberfield locks. A very short stretch through Barnoldswick — with another opportunity to replenish the larder — and now on towards the mile-long Foulridge Tunnel (opened in 1792). After the experience of "caving" in a narrow boat you will be back in open countryside and will have crossed the border into Lancashire. The summit level of the waterway is nearing its end and you will shortly arrive at Barrowford locks. Alas, you will not have time to explore further on this occasion but will have, instead, to turn your boat — it really will feel like your boat by this time — and moor up for the night.

Bank Newton Base (cont)

Friday

To round off your cruise you will have the pleasure of retracing your steps through the delightful countryside on the Summit Level and the Marton Pound. How about spending the last night at East Marton? The "Cross Keys" will ensure that your holiday is completed in style with a juicy steak or, if you prefer, home-made steak and kidney pie (children are welcome). However, don't be too late to bed since you will need an early start to complete the two miles and four locks back to base.



The Dales Scene



Bank Newton — A Fine Starting Point

MULTI-WEEK CRUISES

A two-week cruise could take you to the narrow canal system—on to the Shropshire Union or Trent and Mersey—towards Wales on the Llangollen canal. Alternatively you could travel east to Selby or Keadby. Given time, the choice is infinite—with four weeks' cruising time you could visit Regents Park in London and return via a different route!

Let us know what you have in mind and we will give you all the assistance we can.

COMBINED CRUISE/HOTEL HOLIDAYS

We will be happy to assist with hotel bookings in the Dales National Park for those wishing to have a combined holiday.

3 AND 4 DAY CRUISES

(Available on selected dates—see separate hire charge table) For taking a short holiday, these cruises are ideal. Depart from Bank Newton on Saturday afternoon, return 0900 on Tuesday morning (three nights), OR depart from Bank Newton on Tuesday afternoon, return 0900 Saturday (four nights).

It is also possible to add three nights to the end of a week's cruise or have four nights before a week's cruise. (An allowance of £5 is made on the total cost of ten and eleven day cruises).

BANK NEWTON (HIGHERLAND WHARF)

As you will see in the detailed boat descriptions one six berth Marton Class and one eight berth Flasby Class boat, both built for the 1980 season, sail from Higherland Wharf in Gargrave rather than from our main Bank Newton base. This is to meet the operational requirements of the British Waterways Board. Higherland Wharf is approximately two miles east of Bank Newton—around four minutes by car.

Car parking for clients departing from Higherland Wharf is at Bank Newton, report direct to Higherland, but after unloading drive to our Bank Newton car park. We will then run you back to Higherland in one of our cars and reverse the procedure for you on the following Friday evening or Saturday morning—it only takes a few minutes. A public car park is also available at Higherland if you prefer.



High Street — Skipton

The Gourmet Cruise

This cruise is recommended to those Skippers who wish to protect their "loved ones" from the galley. It is not expected that you will wish to eat at all the establishments mentioned, but the information will enable you to modify the suggestions to fit your precise requirements. It further illustrates the excellence of the location of our Bank Newton Base.

The cruise itself follows the same basic pattern as the cruise previously described. Simply change your mooring location to fit the eating house at which you intend to dine.

SATURDAY EVENING DINNER:

GARGRAVE

THE ANCHOR INN

THE SINGING KETTLE

EDMONDSONS (Fish & Chip restaurant)

THE DALESMAN CAFE

MONDAY LUNCH:

CHARLESTOWN

HALF WAY INN

TUESDAY EVENING DINNER:

SKIPTON

THE OATS RESTAURANT

THE YORKSHIREMAN

THE MIDLAND HOTEL

YI DIN HAW (Chinese Restaurant)

EASTWOODS (Fish & Chip Restaurant)

THE BLACK HORSE

THE BAY HORSE (Canal Side at Snaygill)

WEDNESDAY EVENING DINNER:

GARGRAVE

See above

THURSDAY LUNCH:

EAST MARTON

CROSS KEYS

FRIDAY EVENING DINNER:

EAST MARTON

CROSS KEYS

OR return to base and drive to one of the many country inns which the Dales offer.

How much will it cost

In these difficult economic times the cost of the holiday in the family budget is often an important item. We believe that this is one of the key factors which has led to the popularity in canal holidays over the last five or six years.

At first glance a prospective customer may think the initial cost of hiring the boat to be rather high, but we are often assured by families returning from holiday that they have been pleasantly surprised at the cost of the **WHOLE** holiday. The canal scene is not commercialised, you may even find difficulty in spending money!

The cost of the boat includes not only your accommodation, but also your fuel — no stopping at the garage for another several poundsworth of petrol for the car — and remember your

biggest saving — entertainment. You will have already paid for the entertainment of the whole family in the price of hiring the boat. An odd drink at the village pub may well be the only additional expense other than your food of course.

Remember also the advantages of our all inclusive prices. The price of your holiday is known fixed and firm at the time you book. There are no additions for service charge and none of the other "extras" often added to the published price of alternative holidays. Remember also that the hire fee includes the cost of using the waterway system such as locks, fresh water points and moorings, unless we have specifically mentioned additional charges on a particular route.

Save with a standby booking

Each year a small number of customers have unfortunately, to cancel their holiday plans due to illness, business commitments, etc. (Details of the Customers Comprehensive Insurance Package are given in the conditions of hire). A limited number of vacancies occur therefore, as the season progresses and, naturally, we like to fill these vacancies whenever possible. Clients making standby bookings can make big savings—up to 40% off the published price as shown in the table.

All you have to do to make a "Standby Booking" is to write to us giving:—

- Your name and address.
- Telephone number where possible.
- Class of boat or classes in which you are interested.
- Dates you would seriously consider.
- Number of people in your party.

- Base from which you wish to sail.
- Class of standby you want (see table).
- Duration of the holiday required.

If, having previously received your "Standby Booking" requirements, a suitable vacancy occurs, we will contact you and try and meet your needs. The scheme works on a "first come, first served" basis so the earlier you make your "Standby Booking" the better chance you have of an offer being made.

It costs you nothing to join the Standby Scheme and you don't pay any cash until you accept an offer. **YOU CAN MAKE A STANDBY BOOKING EVEN IF THERE IS A VACANCY AT THE TIME YOU MAKE YOUR STANDBY BOOKING.**

CLASS OF STANDBY	NOTICE OF VACANCY (Date of telephone call, letter or telegram from us)	% REDUCTION OFF PUBLISHED RATE
A	Less than 7 days before departure date	40% OFF
B	Between 7 days and 13 days before departure date	30% OFF
C	Between 14 days and 28 days before departure date	20% OFF

Viewing weekends

This service has always been very popular. With the modern motorway system many people are within easy reach of Worsley (M62 junction 13) and in order for prospective clients to see our boats we are holding viewing weekends on the dates shown below.

On the dates set out we will have either a Hetton or Marton class boat available in "full cruising trim" for your inspection. Other classes of boat will be available for you to see but will be in "winter trim" without curtains, soft furnishings, etc.

We feel sure that this opportunity for our prospective clients to take a first hand look at our craft will be appreciated again. We look forward to meeting you and, naturally, there is absolutely no obligation. You may view anytime between 11.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m.

WORSLEY

Saturday	10th November 1979
Sunday	11th November 1979
Saturday	26th January 1980
Sunday	27th January 1980



About your queries

DO I NEED PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE?

No. Our steel narrow boats, with tiller steering, are very easy to navigate. They are designed with the "beginner" in mind. In any event we give practical instruction before handing the boat over. When we forward our invoice we also send you a booklet to read which gives the fundamentals of lock operation and the like.

Beginners are welcome.

DO I HAVE TO BRING PROVISIONS?

You may, of course, bring your own groceries and provisions but we can arrange to purchase them for you and have them delivered aboard if you prefer. The cost of such goods is to be paid in cash before departure.



Galley - Hetton Class

HOW DO I OPERATE LOCKS?

They are easy providing you take care and follow your lock drill. Our Bank Newton base is situated on a flight of locks. We will escort you through these locks and give you guidance on their operation as we go. Worsley is many miles from any locks but we will give you thorough instructions before you start your holiday.

IS BEDDING PROVIDED?

Yes, a sleeping bag, two blankets, a linen sleeping bag liner, pillow and pillow case per berth. (All bedding is of superior quality).

IS BOTTLED GAS INCLUDED?

Yes, as much as you require, no extra charge.

IS THE COST OF FUEL INCLUDED?

Yes, no matter how far you cruise.

CAN I HAVE A TELEVISION?

Certainly - subject to availability - see booking form.

CAN I PARK MY CAR?

Yes, ample safe parking facilities are available at both bases.

CAN I BRING ADDITIONAL CREW?

The number of people per boat should not exceed the number of berths on the boat. Some exceptions can be made but must be agreed by the Company in advance. Babies take up more room than an adult, bearing in mind nappies, special foods, etc. so do not be tempted to economise on space - it can ruin your holiday.



The Packet House and Steps, Worsley.

CAN I BRING MY PET?

Yes, they are very welcome. They must be kept away from bedding and the owner must accept responsibility for any damage they do to the boat or its fittings.

DO I NEED A LICENCE OR WATERWAY PERMIT?

You do not require a licence. Our boats have a permit for all canals and rivers under the control of the British Waterways Board and on the Bridgewater Canal which is owned by the Manchester Ship Canal Company. If you wish to visit the Thames, Nene or Avon an additional charge will be payable.

A modest charge is made by British Waterways Board for use of the Anderton Boat Lift and a charge is made by the Rochdale Canal Company (about £10.00) if you wish to go round the Cheshire Ring.

There are no additional lock charges other than those indicated above or mooring fees which have to be paid. They are included in the cost of your holiday and have been paid by us.

WHAT IF I TRAVEL BY RAIL OR COACH?

We will arrange for your collection from Gargrave - if you are sailing from Bank Newton - at no extra charge.

And there is a good local bus service between Worsley and Manchester.

CAN I HAVE A BUOYANCY AID

Yes, - see booking form.

AT WHAT TIME MUST I RETURN?

All boats must be back at the base by 09.00 hrs. and vacated, in a clean condition by 09.30 hrs. on the day of departure.

DO I NEED TO BRING POTS AND PANS?

Our boats have a full inventory. A detailed inventory will be forwarded before your cruise begins. It is unlikely that you will need additional items of this nature.

Towels, tea towels, dish cloths, soap and other consumable goods are not provided.

AT WHAT TIME CAN I EMBARK?

Hiring commences at 15.00 hrs.

DO I NEED SPECIAL INSTRUCTION?

We give practical instruction on the boat before your departure. A canal cruising instructor is available at each base who is at your service, free of charge, on the afternoon of your departure.

Navigable Inland Waterways



What do I do now?

MAKING A BOOKING

When you have selected the class of boat you require, decided on the departure date and starting base, then you should either complete the enclosed booking form and forward your deposit or better still telephone Gargrave 492 to make your reservation.

All bookings for both Worsley and Bank Newton are handled at Bank Newton.

The first step is to decide how many people will be taking the holiday. This will determine the size of boat you require. Remember the golden rule: do not economise too much on space — it can spoil your holiday. Read the boat descriptions carefully to make sure you select a boat which will meet with your requirements.



The Barton Swing Aqueduct

If you have definite views on which base you wish to start from, then obviously that is fine, but the more flexible you can be the greater the chances of us being able to provide the boat you want on the date you require.

The telephone at Bank Newton (Gargrave 492) is especially staffed for booking purposes each Monday and Tuesday evening during the peak booking period of November, January and February, between the hours of 1830 and 2100 as well as normal office hours. The telephone is also usually manned at other times, up until 2100 hours, including weekends.

If a telephone booking is made, the craft is reserved in your name for 72 hours. The booking form and deposit should be received by us before the 72 hour period expires.

You will be invoiced for the remaining cost of your holiday six weeks prior to your departure date. Your remittance should be received a clear twenty-one days prior to the commencement of your holiday. We strongly recommend that you join the CUSTOMERS COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE PACKAGE SCHEME—see conditions of hire and booking form.

FRIDAY DEPARTURES

WHILST MOST OF OUR BOATS
DEPART AND RETURN ON
SATURDAYS, ONE LINTON
CLASS BOAT AND ONE
HETTON CLASS BOAT ARE
AVAILABLE WITH A START
AND FINISH DAY OF FRIDAY
WHEN SAILING FROM
WORSLEY.

THIS AFFORDS AN
OPPORTUNITY TO MISS THE
HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF
SATURDAY TRAVEL AND STILL
HAVE A FULL WEEKEND AT
HOME AFTER YOUR HOLIDAY.
PRICES ARE THE SAME AS
THOSE FOR THE FOLLOWING
SATURDAY.

All about our boats

Whilst the interior layout and final finishing touches outside are of our own design and manufacture, the basic steelwork and marine engineering is undertaken for us by David Piper (Boatbuilders) of Church Lawton near Stoke-on-Trent.

The boat interiors are fitted out, including the making of furniture, plumbing work, etc. at Bank Newton.

We have found this method of producing new boats to be ideal. We gain the experience of a full-time professional builder who specialises in traditional narrow boats and who is recognised as one of the country's top narrow boat builders. Whilst, at the same time, we ourselves have full detailed knowledge of how the fitments in each craft are built. It also means that we have the expertise

and facilities to rectify any problems or repair any damage should it be necessary. Since we are also the boatbuilder's largest customer and we do not make profits on fitting out our own boats, we are in a position to give better value for money to our hirers than many of our competitors.

The entire fleet comprises purpose-built, steel, traditional narrow boats. Each boat has a beam of 6ft. 10ins. and is powered by a marine diesel engine with electric start. The engine charges two sets of batteries, one set to give you all the power you need for the lighting, the electric bilge pumps and the pressurised hot and cold water system. (A plug for the television will be found in the saloons). The other set of batteries is used solely for starting the engine.



A Tranquil Scene on the Bridgewater (5 minutes from our base)

Propane gas from at least two cylinders gives you all the fuel you need for the full size gas cooker with oven and eye-level grill, the cabin heaters (minimum one per saloon or sleeping cabin), the gas warm air heater or the gas boiler on the centrally heated boats, the refrigerator and the hot water heater. A large water tank is located in the bow and will hold ample water for up to three normal days' use (water taps will usually be passed each day for replenishing the supply on board). The supply of hot and cold water is through a pressurised system—you simply turn the tap and you have instant hot or cold water.

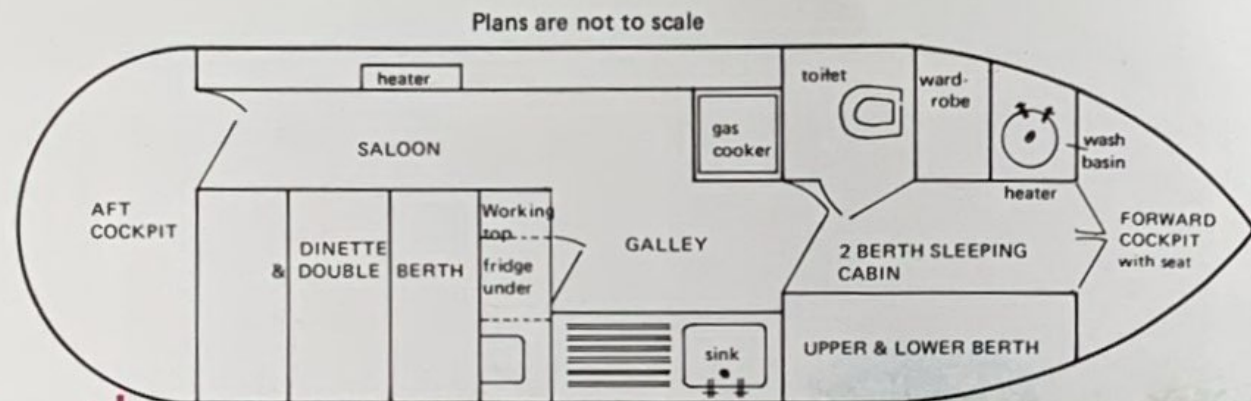
Inside the cabins you will find full headroom throughout. The cabin sides and roof are lined to give maximum protection against condensation. Large sliding and hopper cabin windows provide excellent ventilation and light. The cabin walls are in gay coloured melamine finish or teak panelled. The berths have at least four inch thick vinyl-covered foam mattresses.

Separate sleeping cabins are a feature of the whole fleet. This enables mixed families to cruise on one boat with full privacy. All sleeping cabins are fitted with a sanitary unit and have hot and cold running water. A shaver point is also provided.

The galleys have "Grovewood" or "Eastam" kitchen units fitted with full size stainless steel sink and drainer. The gleaming white trim and gay coloured formica tops make work at the sink a pleasure for the crew. The instant flow of continuous hot water at the turn of a tap makes short work of the odd chore.

Linton Class

31 feet
two to four berth



Croasdale—built 1973. Sails from Worsley
Farndale—built 1974. Sails from Worsley

ENGINE: 10 h.p. SABB diesel — electric start.
HEATING: "Super Ser" gas catalyst heater in saloon. Gas convector heater in sleeping cabin.
TOILET: Flushing "pump-out" type (as in modern aircraft).
REFRIGERATOR: Electrolux (RAM 24 or 212).

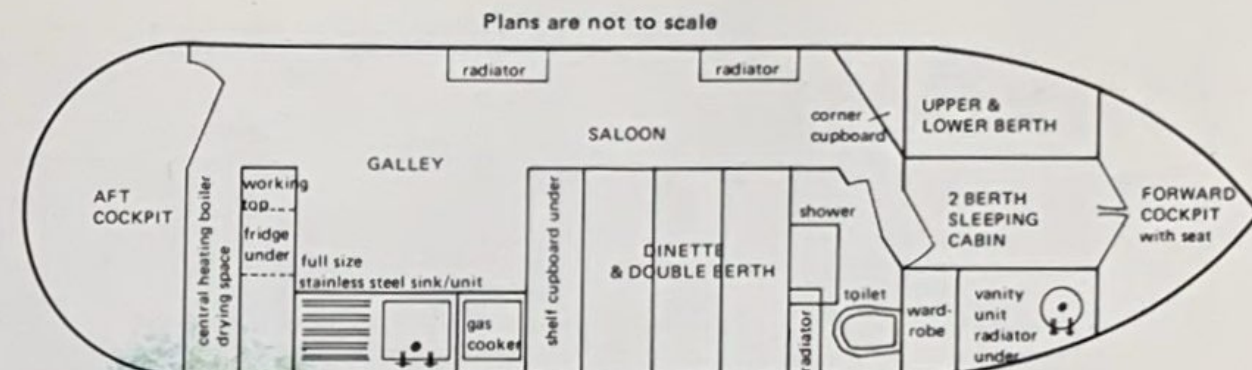
WATER HEATER: Multi point automatic water heater supplying vanity unit and sink.
INTERIOR WOODWORK: Teak veneer (pine ceiling) melamine in galley, etc.
TYPE OF DINETTE: Raised to give eye level view through windows when seated.
SHOWER: Not fitted.

COOKER: Newholme Corvette (4 rings, oven, eye level grill)
RECOMMENDED ADULT CREW: The easiest boats in the fleet to handle. Minimum of 2 adults required.
GENERAL: These boats have always been very popular. Easy to handle and compact. Good economy for up to four adults or very suitable for two adults with up to two children.



Hetton Class

43 feet
four berth



Griesdale—built 1976. Sails from Worsley
Ryedale—built 1977. Sails from Worsley
Kirkdale—built 1977. Sails from Worsley

ENGINE: 20 h.p. LISTER SR3 DIESEL electric start
HEATING: 21,000 b.t.u. Gas boiler giving full central heating (radiator in every cabin including the toilet)
TOILET: Flushing "pump-out" type (as in modern aircraft)
REFRIGERATOR: Electrolux (RAM 24 OR 212)
COOKER: Newholme Corvette or Main Popular (4 rings, oven, eye level grill)

STEREO: Radiomobile cartridge or cassette player.
SHOWER: Standard domestic shower fitted
INTERIOR WOODWORK: Teak veneer (pine ceiling) melamine in galley, etc.
TYPE OF DINETTE: Raised to give eye level view through windows when seated.
WATER HEATER: Multi point automatic water heater supplying vanity unit, sink and shower.

Swandale—built 1978. Sails from Worsley
Lonsdale—built 1978. Sails from Bank Newton
Coverdale—built 1978. Sails from Bank Newton

RECOMMENDED ADULT CREW: Minimum of 2 adults required for working boat. At least one other crew or child capable of holding a rope is desirable.
GENERAL: A more luxurious 4 berth boat will be hard to find — very spacious and comfortable. Ideal for four adults as well as the average family.



Bapden Class

45 feet
six berth

ENGINE: 18 h.p. SABB diesel or 20 h.p. LISTER SR3 DIESEL electric start.

HEATING: 21,000 b.t.u. Gas boiler giving full central heating (Radiator in every cabin including the toilet) or — on Mallowdale Carver Trumatic warm air central heating with built in fan to distribute the warm air in the saloon, sleeping cabin & toilet.

TOILET: Flushing "pump out" type (as in modern aircraft).

REFRIGERATOR: Electrolux (RAM 24).

COOKER: Newholme Corvette (4 rings, oven, eye level grill).

STEREO: 8 track Radiomobile. Cartridge Player

INTERIOR WOODWORK: Teak veneer (pine ceiling) melamine in galley, etc.

TYPE OF DINETTE: Raised to give eye level view through windows when seated.

SHOWER: Standard domestic shower fitted.

WATER HEATER: Multi point automatic water heater supplying vanity unit, sink and shower.

RECOMMENDED ADULT CREW: Minimum of 2 adults required for working boat, at least one other crew or child capable of holding a rope is desirable.

GENERAL: A superb class of boat for up to six people. Ideal for 2 family cruising.



Mallowdale — built 1974. Sails from Worsley
Arkendale — built 1975. Sails from Bank Newton
Westerdale — built 1976. Sails from Worsley
(ALL HAVE STERN RAILS)

Mapton Class

56 feet
six berth

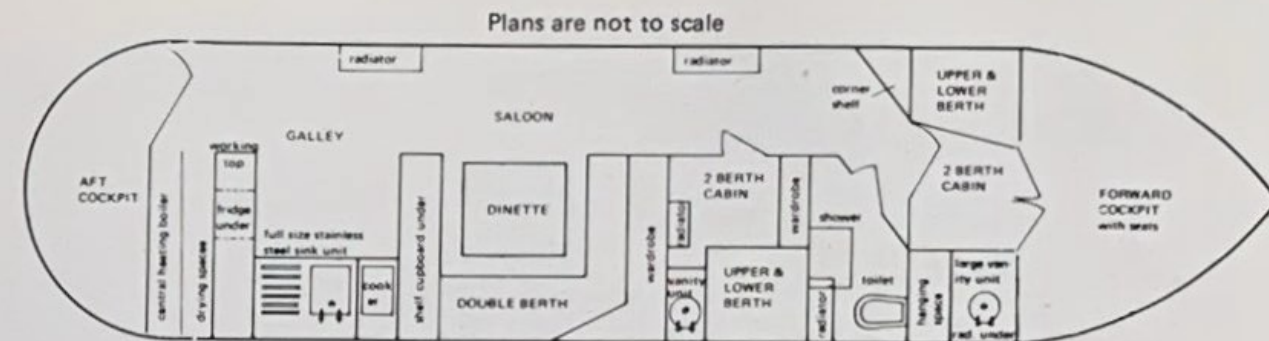
ENGINE: 20 h.p. LISTER SR3 DIESEL electric start.

HEATING: 21,000 b.t.u. Gas boiler giving full central heating (radiator in every cabin including the toilet).

TOILET: Flushing "pump-out" type (as in modern aircraft).

REFRIGERATOR: Electrolux (RAM 24 or 212).

COOKER: Main Popular (4 rings, oven, eye level grill).



Dovedale — built 1978. Sails from Bank Newton
Barrondale — built 1979. Sails from Worsley
Mossdale — built 1979. Sails from Bank Newton
Windale — built 1980. Sails from Bank Newton (Higherland Wharf)

STEREO: Radiomobile Cartridge or cassette player.

SHOWER: Standard domestic shower fitted.

INTERIOR WOODWORK: Teak veneer (pine ceiling) melamine in galley etc.

TYPE OF DINETTE: "L" shaped to give maximum seating capacity.

WATER HEATER: Multi-point automatic water heater supplying vanity units, sink and shower.

SLEEPING CABINS: 2 separate sleeping cabins each with its own vanity unit and storage space plus the saloon.

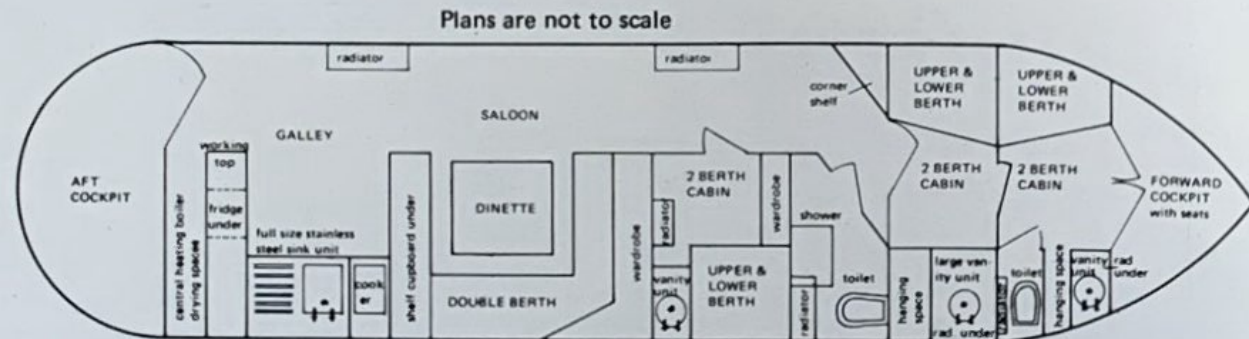
RECOMMENDED ADULT CREW: Minimum of 3 adults required for working boat. At least one other crew or child capable of holding a rope is desirable.

GENERAL: Possibly the best large six berth narrow boat available on the canal system. Very roomy. Very suitable for mixed family cruising.



Flasby Class

59 feet eight berth



Ennerdale—built 1976. Sails from Worsley
 Deepdale—built 1978. Sails from Worsley
 Dentdale—built 1979. Sails from Bank Newton
 Foxdale—built 1980. Sails from Bank Newton (Higherland Wharf)

ENGINE: 20 h.p. LISTER SR3 DIESEL electric start.

HEATING: 21,000 b.t.u. Gas boiler giving full central heating (radiator in every cabin including the toilets)

TOILETS (2): Flushing "pump out" type (as in modern aircraft)

REFRIGERATOR: Electrolux (RAM 24 or 212)

COOKER: Newholme Corvette or Main Popular (4 rings, oven, eye level grill)

STEREO: Radiomobile cartridge or cassette player.

INTERIOR WOODWORK: Teak veneer (pine ceiling) melamine in galley, etc.

TYPE OF DINETTE: 'L' shaped to give maximum seating capacity.

SHOWER: Standard domestic shower fitted.

WATER HEATER: Multi-point automatic water heater supplying vanity units, sink and shower.

SLEEPING CABINS: 3 separate sleeping cabins each with its own vanity unit and storage space plus the saloon. A toilet is available to each cabin without disturbing other cabins.

RECOMMENDED ADULT CREW: Minimum of 3 adults required for working boat. At least one other crew or child capable of holding a rope is essential and a further person desirable.

GENERAL: The absolute ultimate in canal travel. The advantages of only sleeping 2 persons per cabin will be appreciated by many who are experienced. The combination of so many features into one boat has to be experienced to be fully appreciated. Flagships of the fleet.

Conditions of hire

1. Booking

A boat is booked when the signed "booking form" together with 20% of the total hire charge (to the nearest £) has been received and an official receipt has been issued by the Company.

2. Balance of Charges

The balance of charges are payable at least 21 days prior to your due departure date.

3. Cancellation

In the event of the hirer cancelling a booking we will endeavour to re-let the whole or part of the booked period at the best price we can obtain. If we are successful in letting the boat at our full published price a charge of 15% of the hire fee is made. If we are unable to re-let the booking, or only obtain part of the published price, the hirer remains responsible for the whole or balance of the original hire fee.

4. Customers Comprehensive Insurance Package

As soon as the boat is booked (see Clause 1) the hirer is responsible for the payment of the full hire fees on the due date unless, following cancellation by the customer a re-letting is obtained (see Clause 3). The Company is not responsible for loss or damage to hirers property or baggage (see Clause 15). The Company will use its best endeavours to obtain the necessary fuel supplies to run the domestic equipment on board and the main diesel engine. However, if shortages exist, which are beyond the Companies control, the customer will be reimbursed with the savings incurred by the non supply of such fuel but the booking will remain in force. (See Clause 18.)

In order to protect the hirer the Company has arranged insurance against these risks. The charges for joining the "Customers Comprehensive Insurance Package" are set out on the booking form. CUSTOMERS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED TO JOIN THE INSURANCE SCHEME.

By joining the scheme the following cover is provided:

- Canellation due to death, accident or illness from any cause of a member of the party.
- Cancellation due to Redundancy or loss of Office of any member of the party. Upon providing documentary evidence of the above, all monies paid will be returned in full and the booking cancelled. A holiday cannot be cancelled once the hire period has commenced.
- Cover for loss of damage of luggage and personal effects up to £100 per person, including children. Cover applies from embarkation until disembarkation at the end of the hire period. There is a limit of £50 per person for any one article of jewellery, gold/silver, trinkets, watches, field glasses, photographic equipment and furs. Loss of cash, tickets, documents or securities of any kind is not covered. Any claim must be notified to the Company, in writing not later than the end of the period of hire.

- Should fuel (gas or diesel) not be available to the Company the hirer shall have the option to cancel the booking in which case the Company will return all monies paid and the boking will be cancelled.

5. Persons under 20 years of age

The Company will not let a cruiser to any person under 20 years of age.

6. Inventory

It is the hirers responsibility to check the inventory and report any missing or damaged items. The hirer is responsible for returning the inventory and equipment in the same condition. The cost of all damaged or lost items will be deducted from the deposit. Non-standard replacements cannot normally be accepted.

7. Insurance by the Company

Whilst the Company provide insurance cover against loss of, or damage to the boats and equipment, the hirer is responsible for the first £25 of any claim. A deposit of £25 is required prior to departure. This deposit is refunded in full during the week following your return, providing no loss or damage has taken place and the boat has not been involved in an accident. Third party insurance up to £500,000 is provided by the Company.

8. Party bookings and all male/female Crews

We regret that boats cannot be hired to clubs or youth groups. All male or all female crews must obtain written acceptance at the time of booking and may be asked for an additional deposit to be paid.

9. Return of boats

Boats must be returned by 09.00 hours and vacated by 09.30 hours in a clean condition. If boats are left in a dirty condition the company reserves the right to charge for extra necessary cleaning. The hirer is responsible for allowing himself sufficient time to reach the agreed finishing point at the stated time.

10. Commencement of Hire Period

Boats may be collected at 15.00 hours.

11. Delays

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 waterways system. We also reserve the right to restrict the cruising area without notice if unusual conditions arise and make no financial adjustment unless the reason is a deficiency within the control of the company.

12. Waterways Restrictions

The Company has no control over the canal system. In the event of canal closures due to unforeseen engineering work, industrial action, flood, drought or obstructions the Company reserves the right to operate from alternative sites as circumstances allow and make no financial adjustment in these circumstances.

13. Accidents

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 witnesses. Failure to notify the company immediately an accident has occurred may limit the liability of our insurance in which case the hirer would be responsible for any loss. DO NOT ADMIT LIABILITY.

14. Loss of Water

The hirer is responsible for any claims made by Water Authorities for loss of water or damage to property as a result of negligent use of lock paddles or other property.

15. Hirer's Property

We regret we cannot accept any liability for loss or damage to hirers' or passengers' property or baggage. Insurance cover is provided by joining the Customers Comprehensive Insurance Package. Whilst we cannot accept liability for motor cars left on our premises we undertake to use our best endeavours to ensure that no damage or loss occurs.

16. Brochure

Information given in this brochure is as accurate as possible at the time of going to press. Plans and maps are not to scale and minor modifications may be made without notification.

17. Navigation

The hirer shall not enter tidal waters or tow other vessels without the prior consent of the Company. Navigation is not allowed in thick fog or in hours of darkness.

18. Fuel (Gas and Diesel)

The hire charge is inclusive of all gas and diesel used during the hire period. If supplies of gas or diesel are limited due to Government rationing or general lack of availability the Company will use its best endeavours to share out the supplies available. The Company will reimburse the hirer with any financial savings made by the Company due to less than the normal amount of fuel being provided.

19. Company's Reservations

- 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 other claim.
- 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 and the hirer shall have no further claim.

20. Value Added Tax

The prices shown on the price list are INCLUSIVE of value added tax at the rate of 15%. If the Government change the rate of tax either upwards or downwards the prices will be adjusted accordingly. The tax point is the date upon which the Company receives the full balance of the hire charges.

21. Boat Explanation and Waterway Instruction

It is a requirement of the British Waterways Board that instruction is given to all hirers. The hirer has to agree to receive such instruction and carry out the procedures set out in the boat's manual.

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