

Aims of the Project

It's your boat- use it!

The South West Herts Narrowboat Project exists to provide a narrowboat facility for community and youth groups for the advancement of education and social welfare.

Formed in 1987 as an independent charity, it serves a wide variety of user groups. The project is financed by voluntary contributions from the users, grants and sponsorship from local organisations and companies.

All the Project's Management Committee and workers are volunteers.

“Dick’s Folly”

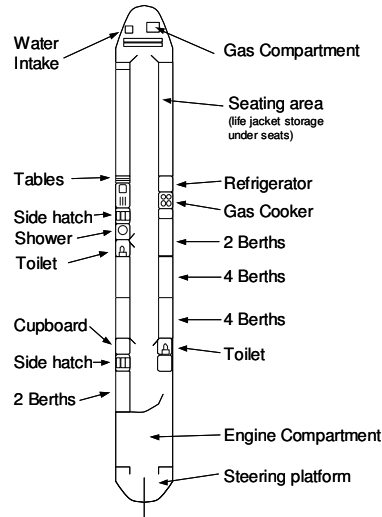
The boat was purpose built to the design of the Project. She is a traditionally built narrowboat, laid in 1987 and fitted out during 1988. Internally, the pine cladding provides a warm and cosy atmosphere.

It should be noted that the boat is not designed for wheelchair access.



*Dick's Folly at the base
Old Mill Road, Hunton Bridge*

The Boat Layout



Equipment

All Modern conveniences are found on board. Hot and cold running water, shower, domestic cooker with oven, grill and four hob rings, refrigerator, two chemical flush toilets with large holding tanks, 12 volt electric lighting, TV and video and a 240v circuit for use at the base.

Accommodation

Self Steer groups

The boat accommodates a maximum of 12 (10 passengers and 2 trained adult steerers)

Day trips and parties crewed by the Project

For birthday parties and day trips when the Project provides crew, the boat accommodates up to 12 passengers

Self Steer Groups

The main function of the project is to allow community and youth groups access to the waterways. It enables young people to learn the skills and pleasures of cruising on inland waterways as well as gaining access to different interests and hobbies that range from canal and industrial architecture to wild life and environmental matters.

The group is required to provide 2 adult steerers who must be qualified with either the NCBA Certificate in Community Boat Management or the RYA Inland Waterways Helmsman Certificate. The project can provide a one day RYA training course..

Bookings: Janet White Tel. 01923 224411

Training: Neil Corfield Tel 01923 229028

Day & Evening Trips

Our volunteers can steer the boat on a short trip on the canal for a group of up to 12.

The boat trip is fun and educational. We can provide advice on catering planning.

Children's Birthday Parties

We are happy to open up the Narrowboat Base and/or run a short round trip of 2-3 hours from the base at Hunton Bridge, to the lock at Cassiobury Park with time to play ashore before returning.

Adult groups

The boat is a community resource for achieving other objectives, such as team building, meetings or social events.

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Training

The project provides training culminating in a RYA Inland Waterway Helmsman Certificate. Training is open to project boat users and non-users

The course covers boat handling, engine care, personal & boat safety, rope work, collision avoidance, lock operation and environmental care.

Volunteers

The Project is entirely managed and run by volunteers who believe strongly in the aims of the project and who enjoy working on the boat. We are always looking for more enthusiastic people to join us.

Sponsors

Without the generosity of our past sponsors it would have been impossible to take the Project to where it is now and to keep the project going. We have been able to secure grants, not only for the internal refurbishment of the boat, but also for essential work on our base.

We are always looking for new sponsors if you feel that you or your company could help.

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All Bookings Enquires

Email: bookings@swhertsnarrowboat.org.uk

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www.swhertsnarrowboat.org.uk/booking_form.htm

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