Weybridge

After passing through <u>Shepperton Lock</u>, you could make a brief detour to <u>Weyfarers</u> and <u>Weybridge</u> Rowing Clubs, located at the confluence of the Rivers Wey and Thames.



The town bridge on the River Wey

Weybridge was the site of <u>Oatlands Palace</u>, built by Henry VIII but sadly demolished in about 1650. The grounds now house the Oatlands Park Hotel.

Weybridge was also the location of <u>Brooklands</u> motor racing circuit and aerodrome. It opened in 1907 and was the world's first purpose-built 'banked' motor racing circuit as well as one of Britain's first airfields, which also became Britain's largest aircraft manufacturing centre by 1918, producing military aircraft such as the Wellington and civil airliners like the Viscount and VC-10. The circuit hosted its last race in August 1939 and today part of it forms the <u>Brooklands Museum</u>, a major aviation and motoring museum, as well as a venue for vintage car, motorcycle and other transport-related events. You can even have a "flight" on Concorde!

Here's a video of the museum