

British Rowing Tour 2024

Instructions for Trailer Drivers

Thursday 29th August

14:00 – 16:00 Deliver boats to the Ferryman Inn, Bablock Hythe, OX29 5BL, tel. 01865 8800028. (NB. The post code on the pub's website is incorrect and will take you to the wrong side of the river). The best way to approach the Ferryman is from the A40 at Eynsham and take the B4449 via Stanton Harcourt. The road to the pub is a narrow single-track lane, so take care!

Unload and rig boats, leave on the grass next to the pub. The landlord assures us that they have never had any trouble with vandals etc. but loose items should be taken back to the hotel.

Take the trailer to Mapledurham Country Park, RG4 7TR. Suggested route: return to Eynsham on the B4449, take the A40 towards Oxford, then the A34 and A4074. Go past the first road signposted Mapledurham House and turn right at the Pack Saddle Inn. The road to Mapledurham House is again a narrow, single-track lane and we will position marshals at the junctions. The entrance to the Country Park is on the right just before Mapledurham Village with a sign "African Queen". A marshal will let you in, but if they are not there, ring the bell for the office. Drive in, follow the road to the river and park trailers on the grass on the right-hand side. The gate will be secured after we depart.

Allow about 1 hour to drive from Bablock Hythe to Mapledurham and half an hour back to the hotel.

Sunday 1st September

Trailer drivers take their cars to Mapledurham after (early) breakfast and we will collect them by car (bank team) and take them back to Wallingford for the start of the day's row.

After lunch, load trailers and depart.

Coach back to the hotel for those who need it.