



## Narrow Boats Event

### A 2-day team building event for groups of 5 to 18 "crewmates"!

This event is ideal for the team that is looking for something a bit different. The combination of the narrow boats and the elements of the event that take place as the journey along the canal progresses, make for a truly memorable teambuilding event.

The Narrow-Boats Event is based on a stretch of the Brecon and Monmouthshire Canal - one of the most beautiful canals in Britain. Running through the Brecon Beacons National Park, the canal contours the hillside with fine views over the Usk Valley and Black Mountains. As well as the canal itself there are tunnels, locks, a fine aqueduct, bridges, tram-roads, lime kilns and wharves reflecting a rich industrial past.



Narrow boats, each accommodating up to 8 people, are comfortable and well equipped. Simple meals can be prepared on board, or we can make use of some fine canal-side inns and hotels passed on our journey. Some groups choose to sleep on board while others elect to overnight at a nearby hotel.

The canal is both narrow and twisting. Add the tunnel, locks and low bridges and simply getting the narrow boats from A to B proves quite a challenge. As well as completing the trip, your team members will be in the role of a research team unravelling a mystery that combines fact and fiction from the canal's heyday period of the late 19th century. This task combines organisational, cerebral and physical problem solving tasks that takes place as the journey along the canal progresses.



We have successfully combined the Narrow-boats Project with a range of other activities such as pony trekking, hill-walks, abseiling/rock-climbing, orienteering, mountain biking, caving etc. This gives the option of making your event relaxing and steady-paced, or physically active and challenging. You decide!

The challenge facing your team is to keep the narrow boats moving and in contact with each other, while landing and picking up 'shore' parties, while solving a mystery that slowly emerges as the journey progresses.

As well as a thorough review of the project at completion, teams undertake regular progress reviews to assess their performance against both task and process objectives. The Narrow-Boats Event is valuable for demonstrating the many different ways in which team members contribute to team performance, and will provide a positive and memorable team experience.