26th British Rowing Tour The Northern Lake District Ullswater, Derwent Water & Bassenthwaite Lake 29th August to 1st September 2019



This year there is a new tour format. We will be splitting the tour into 3 discrete venues with the boats remaining at each location. The tour party will also be split into three groups, each visiting the lakes in daily rotation. Ullswater will be longest day covering 24km round trip with Derwent Water being the shortest 10km. We will be offering additional activities to provide a full daily programme.

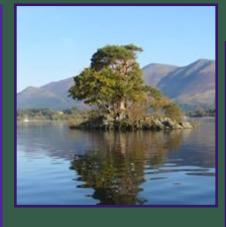
The tour costs from £325 and includes:

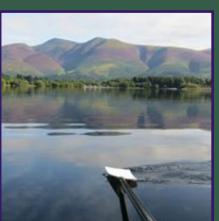
- 3 nights' half board high quality accommodation near Penrith
- All lunches
- Group dinners on Thursday and Friday evenings
- Gala tour dinner on Saturday night
- Tour polo shirt

Options include:

- Hire of spare seats
- Day tickets
- Partners' Programme

Closing date for applications Monday 6th May 2019



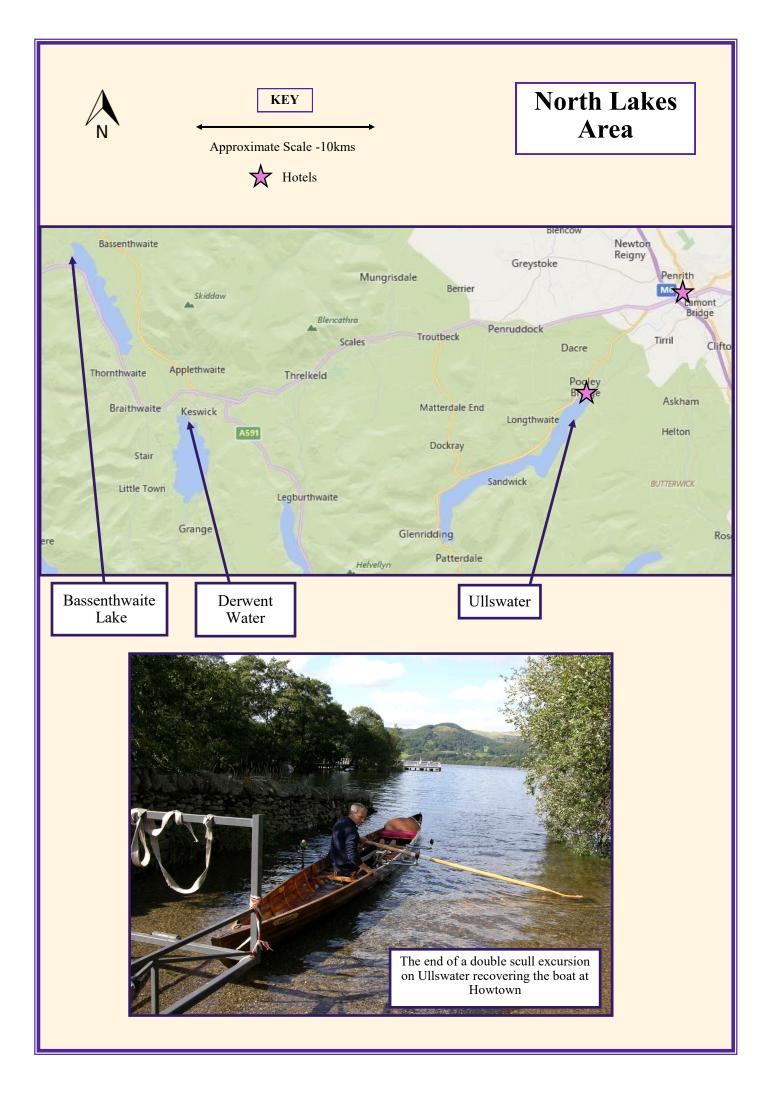


The main party will be staying at the North Lakes Hotel near Penrith - a very comfortable 4* hotel with spa. <u>https://www.northlakeshotel.co.uk/</u> We have also secured additional rooms at the Crown Inn at Pooley Bridge if they are needed. <u>https://www.crownpooleybridge.co.uk/</u> All evening meals will be at the North Lakes





For more information on the tour and an application form see: www.recrowing.org.uk







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Thursday 29th August to Sunday 1st September 2019

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Tour Details

The BR Tour this year is a different format which we are piloting. If successful it can be used at other venues in the future so enabling a three-day tour format where normally only single days are possible.

The plan is to split the fleet into three equal groups and base them at three different venues where they stay for the duration of the tour. Similarly, the rowers are split into three equal groups but each day they go to a different venue in rotation.

We have chosen three lakes in the north of the Lake District; Ullswater, Derwent Water and Bassenthwaite. These are conveniently linked by the A66 running west of Junction 40 of the M6. Our tour hotel is the award-winning 4* North Lakes Hotel (NLH) <u>North Lakes Hotel</u> which is easily accessed off the M6 at Junction 40 and close to Penrith (West Coast Mainline) railway station and has a pool and spa.

In case there are not enough rooms available at NLH we have also reserved a number of additional rooms at the Crown Inn at Pooley Bridge <u>Crown Inn</u> which is owned by the same group as NLH. Pooley Bridge is at the northern end of Ullswater and less than 6 miles from NLH.

All evening meals will be taken at NLH. For the convenience of those staying at the Crown we will be organising transport to collect and return them at the end of each evening.

The lakes allow a 'circular' row so, instead of needing coach transport at the start and end of each day, rowers can use their own cars. We assume each group will organise themselves, sharing cars to save fuel and minimise parking.

As usual, lunches and a tour polo shirt will be provided.

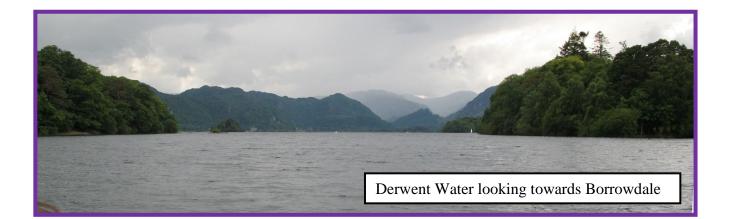
We intend taking the 8 'Charles Stanley' boats which will provide 40 seats so if you do not have access to a seat in a boat you can hire one. In the event of needing more than 40 seats for hire, we will be asking clubs with their own stable boats to offer extra seats.



Prices

Full tour package including accommodation

Twin or double room Triple room (3 single beds) Single occupancy	£360 per person £325 per person £495 per person
<u>Non resident package</u>	£145 per person including lunches, dinners and polo shirt.
<u>Day rowers</u>	£20 per person per day entry fee (including lunch)



Options	Cost Per Person
Hire of seat (subject to availability)	£10 per day
Buffet evening meal on Thursday 29 th Aug	£22 per person (drinks not included)
Dinner on Friday 30 th Aug	£25 per person (drinks not included)
Gala dinner on Saturday 31 st Aug	£30 per person (drinks not included)
Tour polo shirt	£15 each

Cancellation Policy:

The Lakes are open water and so subject to the elements – particularly wind. We will be carrying out daily risk assessments and operate safety plans. If conditions are too severe, rowing may be suspended on any or all three days. Being the Lake District, there are many alternative activities such as walking or sight-seeing which can be organised on an ad hoc basis.

In the event of adverse weather conditions which affect the entire tour we will mitigate the impact by arranging other activities as best we can. We regret we will not be able to offer a refund of payments made in the event of restricted rowing. We suggest that participants consider taking out their own cancellation insurance.

Closing date for full tour package: Monday 6^{th} May - with deposit of £150 per person.

Close of registrations for non-residents 31st May Final payments due Friday 28th June

Non-rowing Activities

We will provide information about activities near each rowing venue for after rowing and in case we are unable to row because of the water conditions. We will be in touch closer to the tour about advance booking for certain activities to benefit from group discounts.

There's no shortage of interesting local activities to suit all interests – and we have listed a few below to whet your appetite!

Derwentwater activities

The Keswick Brewing Company – brewery tour and beer tasting The Derwent Pencil Museum – the home of the first pencil! Keswick Museum and Art Gallery – full of wonderful local treasures Circular walk from Keswick to Castlerigg Stone Circle, with panoramic fell views Hike up Cat Bells or Latrigg The Wainright Pub

Bassenthwaite Lake activities

The Lakes Distillery – distillery tour and guided tasting, bistro and shop Mirehouse – 17th Century house, built by another Charles Stanley: house, garden, lakeside walk, cafe Thornthwaite Art Gallery and Cafe Dodds Wood and lakeside circular walk Hike up Binsey Hill or Sale Fell The Pheasant Inn

Ullswater activities

The Ullswater Steamers Dalemain mansion and historic gardens Rheged Visitor Centre and Cinema Lakeside walks and Aira Force waterfall Hike up Hallin Fell The Crown Inn