

ST PANCRAS CRUISING CLUB – FENLAND FLOTILLA
CAMBRIDGE BACKS TRIP – PASSAGE PLAN
19- 20 NOVEMBER 2016

Manifest

The following narrow boats (comprising the Fenland Flotilla of St Pancras Cruising Club) will be taking part: SCHOLAR GYPSY and SPRING O WILLOW.

12 persons on board on Saturday, 9 on Sunday. [Names and contact details redacted].

Rendezvous arrangements

For the **Saturday** trip, you can join at Ely, Upware (£20 taxi fare from Ely), Waterbeach, Chesterton (fiddly), or Cambridge. At present I am expecting everyone to board at Ely at 0800. If this changes please let me know.

Those travelling on the **Sunday** should rendezvous at Jesus Lock on Chesterton Lane at around 1000. After the Backs trip the boat will be going back to Ely, and you are welcome to come as far as you wish. Some options for that trip are set out below. No prior decision is needed: just get off when you have had enough!

Other Reference information

- Inter-boat comms by walkie-talkie, channel 6-120
- Camcom [guidance](#) to navigating the backs.
- River Manager Jed Ramsay T: 01223 863785. M: 07706 262457
E: river.manager@camconservators.org.uk
- Combination numbers for padlocks at Jesus Lock: xxxx bridge and xxxx handle
- Cambridge Winter Head regatta organiser: winter.head@cantabsrowing.org.uk
- Water levels: <http://www.camconservancy.org/gauges>
- Scholar Gypsy [instruction manual](#)

Schedule NB Please check train times yourself nearer the time

SATURDAY		
0610	Nautical twilight	
0644	Train departs Kings Cross. Make sure you are in the portion that goes forward from Cambridge – the train may divide.	
0730		Fires lit. Boats move from Ely Marina to Cutter Ferry Inn. RV1
0751	Train arrives Ely	
0800		Boats depart, from Cutter Ferry Inn
0801	Breakfast	
0930		Upware – RV2
0944	Train departs Kings Cross. Make sure you are in the portion that goes forward from Cambridge – the train may divide	
1044	Train arrives Waterbeach	
1030		Bottisham Lock
1100	Elevenes	Clayhithe Bridge – RV3
1145		Baits Bite lock (closed 7-11 November)
1200	Winter Head: timed race upstream from Baits Bite to Pike & Eel / Penny Ferry. Divisions start: (1) 0830 (2) 1015 (3) 1140 (4) 1305 (5) 1430	Set off up rowing course, behind the 1140 division.
1230		Pause at Chesterton (RV4) for boats going downstream for 1305 division
1330		Arrive Jesus Lock (RV5)
1331	Lunch	
1415		Safety briefing
1420		BACKS CRUISE COMMENCES
1545		END OF CRUISE
1600	Tea and Crumpets	
	Depart at leisure ...	

SUNDAY		
0805	Train departs Kings Cross	
0903	Arrive Cambridge	
1000	Coffee etc	Rendezvous at Jesus Lock (RV5)
1025		Safety briefing
1030		BACKS CRUISE COMMENCES
1200		END OF CRUISE
1205	Lunch	
<i>Frequently</i>	Train from Cambridge to London	
1300		Set off back to Ely
1430		Clayhithe for Waterbeach
1508	Train from Waterbeach to London	
1600	Tea and Crumpets	
1720	Nautical twilight	
1730		Arrive Ely
1758	Train from Ely to London	