

Portishead Cruising Club
Easter 2016

**“Cruise in Company
to Gloucester”**

Friday 25th March-Monday 28th March

General Passage Plan

On the morning of Good Friday rendezvous at King Road with your “buddy” boat and make passage in company aiming to arrive at Sharpness Docks 30 mins. before H.W.(09.05 GMT) and onward to make Gloucester Docks by Friday afternoon. Friday evening drinks at a local pub The Tall Ship. Saturday spend all day in Gloucester with dinner in Vinings in the Docks area. Sunday make passage back down the canal, stopping off for lunch, arriving at the Sharpness end of the canal (must be Sharpness side of the Purton Lower Swing bridge before 18.00 BST) Sunday evening eat on-board. Monday morning lock out of Sharpness at H.W. 11.22 BST (The Port requirement is to be in the lock 2 hours before H.W. which enables all boats to pass through the two swing bridges at Sharpness in one group).

See <http://www.pccsail.com/news-views/> For the PCC Cruise to Gloucester Docks 2016 Skippers Notes, important safety information and additional details.

Reduced locking fee at Sharpness only applies if we arrive as a group on Good Friday morning and leave together on Easter Monday morning. If you want to travel outside these dates then you will pay the full Locking fee of £25 each way.

1. Firstly you need to apply on-line for your licence through British Waterways website “waterscape “ <https://secure.britishwaterways.co.uk/short-term> Click on “buy a short term licence” and just follow it through.
2. Send your **licence number, boat name and skipper contact details** to annef.silber@btinternet.com by Friday 11th March.
- 3 Payment either by BACS transfer to PCC account no. 01201041 sort code 30-18-88 or send a **cheque for £15*** made payable to Portishead Cruising Club to **Anne Silber. 60 Park St. Totterdown Bristol BS4 3BJ to be received by 11th March. [There will be £5 refund if we achieve the 20 boats required for the £10 lock in/lock out fee at Sharpness]**

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* Please note the Sharpness Locking in/out charge of £10 has the following stipulations:- minimum of 20 boats (or if less that 20 boats £15), they all arrive and depart together, each boat must purchase their canal licence on-line, and one cheque is used for all the boats lock payment.

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For those wishing to attend the trip to Gloucester please read the two documents “Gloucester Skippers notes 2016” and “Gloucester Risk Assessment 2016” which are found on the “PCC website” for you to download for your trip.