

Fancy rowing on Derwentwater? Here's what you need to know

If you're an experienced rower visiting the area

We'd be delighted to have you join us for an evening or Saturday morning club session (adults) or on a Sunday morning (juniors). We charge £10 per person per outing for a seat in one of our boats. You're also very welcome to row in your own boat, but our compound is small and we don't have room to store visiting craft. To find out more or book a seat, email info@lakelandrowingclub.com.

If you're planning a training camp on the lake

We're very happy to offer local knowledge and provide contacts for accommodation. We may also be able to hire you a coaching launch with a driver who can guide you around Derwentwater (see below, and map on the next page).

Unfortunately, we can't host you at our site. Our base, at the north end of the lake on the bay inside the Isthmus, has very modest facilities. There's no clubhouse or storage for visiting boats, just a simple compound with racking and a portalo. Parking is limited and we don't have launching space for visiting clubs.

Because of this, we recommend you consider using Derwentwater Independent Hostel (derwentwater.org), which is in a glorious position on the east side of the lake between Barrow Bay and Ashness. The hostel team are familiar with rowers' needs, there's plenty of room for vehicles and boats, and there's a beach to launch from across the road. They get booked up well ahead, though, so make contact as early as you can, particularly if you're hoping to visit during a popular holiday period. You could also try the Hawse End Centre (cumbriaoutdoors.org).

There's plenty of other accommodation in the vicinity, at Keswick Youth Hostel (yha.org.uk), B&Bs and campsites, but you will still need to organise lake access and boat storage. Derwentwater Marina (derwentwatermarina.co.uk) or Nichol End Marine (nicholend.co.uk) may be able to help, but space is at a premium.

For a fee, we may be able to provide a coaching launch with a driver who knows the lake well. For more information, email our visiting clubs' co-ordinator Nicola Jackson at welfare@lakelandrowingclub.com.

We look forward to seeing you on the water! (Map of the lake follows.)



Lakeland Rowing Club – Visiting rowers guide to Derwentwater
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