

## Who are we?

- We are the Kennet & Avon Canal Trust. We operate passenger and community boats on the Kennet & Avon Canal
- This leaflet is about our Devizes Boat, The Kenavon Venture.
- Our profits go towards the Trust's work to protect, enhance and promote the canal.
- All the crew are volunteers and we provide full training to enable them to run the Kenavon Venture safely.
- It's good fun, great teamwork and a real public service.
- The Trust holds the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service so you are in good company.



## What next?

Let us know you are interested by calling our Crew Manager. We will invite you to come on a trip to see what we do. If you would then like to join the crew, you will start with our Essential Safety Training Course that all our crew undertake every year. After a few trips as a "trainee", you will be able to join the crew fully and progress through our training as far as you would like to go. You choose the dates when you want to crew using our on-line rostering system.

### Kennet and Avon Canal Trust Kenavon Venture Contacts

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## Volunteer Crew for Kenavon Venture



**Flexible roles with training in a range of crew jobs helping to run our public trip boat on the Kennet & Avon Canal at Devizes**



**Interested?**

**More information  
inside**

**Charity Number 209206**



**The Queen's Award  
for Voluntary Service**

*The MBE for volunteer groups*

## Who's in the crew?

**The Skipper.** A professionally qualified Boatmaster in charge of the crew and boat. All our Skippers are volunteers and go through our own intensive training course.

**The Helm** who steers the boat and is second in command. We train our Helms carefully to ensure they can handle the boat safely and provide our passengers with a smooth and comfortable trip.

**Boat crew** whose job is to assist the Helm in handling the boat and operate the locks that we may go through on the trip.

**The Passenger Care** crew member works inside the boat to look after our passengers and keep them safe. Their role includes serving teas, coffee and drinks, also keeping an eye on our younger passengers and give information on the canal.

## Is it for me?

**You will be an ideal crew member if you:**

- **Enjoy meeting people**
- **are reasonably fit**
- **like working as part of a team**
- **enjoy outsider pursuits**
- **like learning new skills**
- **can take direction**



**You do not need any previous experience as all training will be given but an interest in boating and the canal would be helpful.**

**You decide on how much or little volunteering time you can give. You will learn new skills and every trip is different. You can carry out many crew roles, from helm, outside or inside. You may even like to volunteer in our Customer Centre on The Wharf.**

## Why we operate Boat trips

One of our objectives is to introduce the public to the canal and show them what an asset the canal is for everyone to enjoy.

Kenavon Venture is a wide beam boat which provides public and also charter trips from Devizes from Easter to Christmas.



We are one of Devizes most popular attractions and offer trips afloat for more than 4,000 passengers each year, both local and visitors.

We run some themed trips specifically aimed at children such as Pirate, Halloween and Santa