

For Events and Activities 2025

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Date	Event/Activity	Details	Volunteers/Crew
Fri-18 to Wed-23-Apr	RAYMOND in dry dock	DOCK BOOKED for woodwork and cabin-side repairs, painting, blacking, cleaning etc.	Volunteers needed for any jobs, any day(s)
Fri-18 to Mon-21-Apr	Easter pop-up sales event	At Braunston Marina, concurrent with docking (w/e days TBC), sales stalls in the arm beside NUTFIELD	Help needed with setting up/staffing stall - any day or days
Mon-12 to Fri-16-May	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From Braunston to Rickmansworth (Schedule TBC)	Crew/lock-wheelers needed - anywhere, any day(s)
Sat-17 & Sun-18-May	Batchworth Boat Rally	At Rickmansworth - BOOKED . NUTFIELD & RAYMOND on show, sales stall on RAYMOND	Help needed with sales and show-rounds on either day (parking available)
Mon-19 to Fri-21-May	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From Rickmansworth to Braunston (Schedule TBC)	Crew/lock-wheelers needed - anywhere, any day(s)
Thu-05 & Fri-06-Jun	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From Braunston to top of Foxton Locks (Schedule TBC)	Crew needed, and lock-wheelers at Braunston & Watford - either or both days.
Sat-07 & Sun-08-Jun	Harborough '75 gathering	Above Foxton Locks, to mark 75th anniversary of 1950 IWA Rally at Market Harborough - BOOKED . NUTFIELD & RAYMOND on show with sales stall on RAYMOND. Boat parade on the Saturday from bottom of Foxton to Market Harborough (NUTFIELD only)	Help needed with sales and show-rounds on either day. Crew needed for NUTFIELD on the Saturday parade.
Mon-09 & Tue-10-Jun	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From top of Foxton Locks to Braunston (Schedule TBC)	Crew needed, and lock-wheelers at Watford & Braunston - either or both days.
Thu-26 and/or Fri-27-Jun	Preparation for Historic Boat Rally	At Braunston Marina: Setting up sales area with gazebo/tables; cleaning, polishing, preparing boats for passengers; moving boats to main line on Fri-27	Volunteers needed to help with sales area and boat preparation.
Sat-28 & Sun-29-Jun	Braunston Historic Boat Rally	Definite, but booking not yet open. Expect N&R to be moored on main line by Stop House for parades on Saturday & Sunday (one each day); usual large sales area by arm	Crew (min 4) needed for Saturday parade, min 3 for Sunday parade; helpers needed for sales area.
Thu-03-Jul	Visit by Barby History Group	At Braunston Marina from 18.30: talk to group about boats and history of the arm followed by short trip on N&R to Wolfhamcote and back, end c.21.30	Help needed with talks and show-rounds; crew (min 4) needed for boat trip with passengers
Between Sat-12 and Fri-18-Jul	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From Braunston to Cosgrove. 1½ days, not necessarily consecutive; plus half-day (Fri-18?) preparing boats for show	Crew (min 2) needed for boat move, plus lockwheelers at Braunston/Buckby/Stoke; plus helpers to prep boats
Sat-19 & Sun-20-Jul	Cosgrove Canal Festival	Expected, but booking not yet open. NUTFIELD & RAYMOND on show with sales stalls on RAYMOND and on towpath	Help needed with sales and show-rounds

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Fri-25-Jul (TBC)	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From Cosgrove to Leighton (Tiddenfoot Park, Linslade)	Crew (min 2) needed for boat move, plus lockwheelers from Fenny to Leighton
Sat-26-Jul	Linslade Canal Festival	Expected, but booking not yet open. NUTFIELD & RAYMOND on show with sales stall on RAYMOND	Help needed with sales and show-rounds
From Sun-27-Jul	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	From Leighton to Braunston over 2 or 3 days, not necessarily consecutive - ideally Leighton to Cosgrove on Sun-27	Crew (min 2) needed for boat move, plus lockwheelers from Leighton to Fenny, and at Stoke, Buckby and Braunston
w/b Mon-11-Aug	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND (PROPOSED)	From Braunston to Brownhills. It would be good to take the boats on to the BCN but 70 miles/53 narrow locks so 4/5 days	Crew (min 3) needed for boats, plus help at locks from Atherstone to Rushall. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO CREW/HELP PLEASE LET NL KNOW ASAP. If crew isn't forthcoming we won't take the boats.
Sat-16 & Sun-17-Aug	Brownhills Canal Festival	Booking with Lichfield & Hatherton Canal Restoration Trust now open so decision on booking boats is needed. With or without boats, the sales stall will be in the gazebo	Help with sales stall needed, and possible help with show-rounds if RAYMOND is there
w/b Mon-18-Aug	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND (PROPOSED)	From Brownhills to Braunston. 70 miles/53 narrow locks so 4/5 days	Crew (min 3) needed for boats, plus help at locks from Rushall to Atherstone. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO CREW/HELP PLEASE LET NL KNOW ASAP. If crew isn't forthcoming we won't take the boats.
Dates TBA	Saltisford Canal Trust events	SCT are planning several events in 2025 to mark their 40th anniversary - dates/details TBA	1 days boating Braunston-Warwick. Appeal for boat & show crews when dates are advised
Wed-16 to Fri-19-Sep	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	Braunston to Huddlesford Junction (2½ days)	Minimum crew of 3 needed, plus helpers at Atherstone, etc.
Sat-20 & Sun-21-Sep	Huddlesford Heritage Gathering	Booking with Lichfield & Hatherton Canal Restoration Trust now open so decision on booking boats is needed. Normally, NUTFIELD & RAYMOND on show canal-side, sales stall in gazebo in show field.	Help with sales stall needed, and possible help with show-rounds if RAYMOND is there
Mon-22 & Tue-23-Sep	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	Huddlesford Junction to Braunston (2 days if boats leave Sunday PM)	Minimum crew of 3 needed, plus helpers at Atherstone, etc.
Thu-02 & Fri-03-Oct	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	Thu-02-Oct Braunston to Fenny Compton; Fri-03-Oct Fenny Compton to Banbury	Minimum crew of 3 plus helpers at Napton, Claydon, etc needed

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Sat-04 & Sun-05- Oct	Banbury Canal Festiva	Dates TBC, no information available yet. Expect NUTFIELD & RAYMOND to be on show canal-side with sales stall on RAYMOND	Help needed with sales and show-rounds
Mon-06 & Tue-07- Oct	Move NUTFIELD & RAYMOND	Mon-06-Oct Banbury to Fenny Compton; Tue-07-Oct Fenny Compton to Braunston	Minimum crew of 3 plus helpers at Claydon, Napton, etc needed