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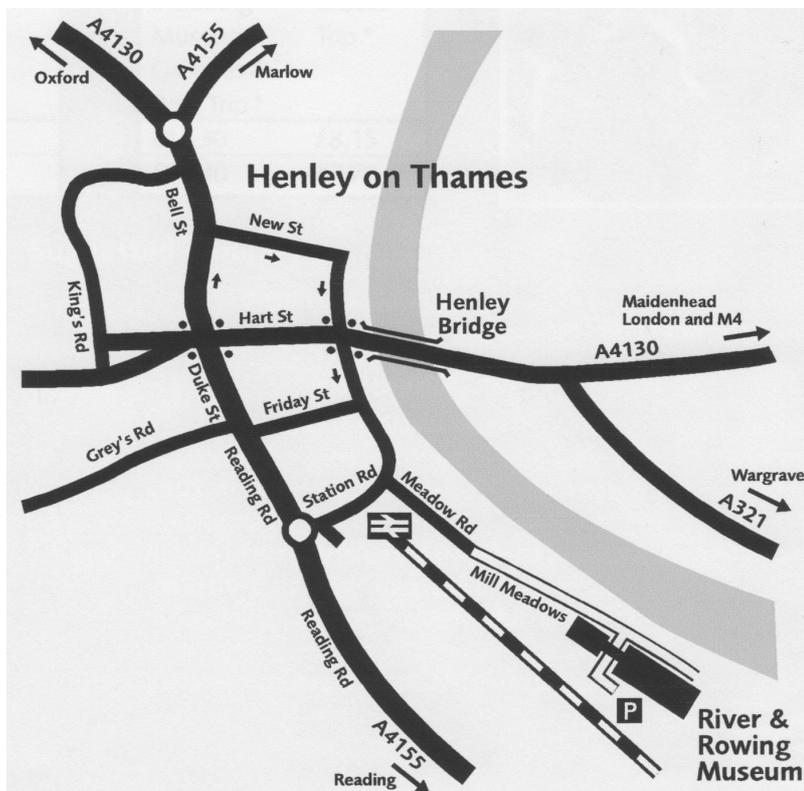
LONDON AND SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH REMS SECTION  
**River and Rowing Museum, Henley-on-Thames,  
Thursday 24 April 2008**

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This visit has been organised by Kate and Mike Quinton

The museum is in a new stylish building by the river, and it is on stilts, so that it should not get flooded. Come and continue to learn about the Thames itself and the history of that particular sport it is famous for: international rowing. Many of us enjoyed the REMS visit to the Watermen's Hall last year, when we learned about the annual Doggett's Coat and Badge Race. This time you will be able to enjoy an interactive experience from a (dry) cox's seat as well as hearing the story of rowing from ancient Greece to the modern Olympics. Tales of the river are told through music, art, artefacts and photography from the source at Kemble to the Thames Barrier. We shall have a guided walk and talk introduction, time to look at the exhibitions on our own and take a trip on the river on Hobbs and Sons' passenger boat from the museum's landing stage.

The museum lies between the River Thames and the railway. The telephone number is 01491 415600, the website [www.rrm.co.uk](http://www.rrm.co.uk) and the post code is RG9 1BF.



There is an hourly service from Paddington. The 9.00 train takes you to Twyford. Change there and arrive at Henley at 10.04. Turn out of the station to the right and then follow the road round to the right, through a public car park to the museum.

For drivers there are signs to the museum in the town. It is not far from Henley Bridge. Turn into Meadow Road, which becomes Mill Meadows. Go through the public car park, over many humps and then park behind the museum, ie away from the river. Ticket holders to the museum should collect a token on leaving to operate the barrier. NB do not lose the sticky label you are given on entry, because it is your passport to free parking.

Timetable:

Arrival: 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee is available in the Terrace Café, loos and a shop.

11.00 – 11.30 Walk and Talk Introduction by a member of staff.

11.30 – 13.00 Free to look at the exhibitions.

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch. **Please book this with your application. See the menu below.**

14.00 Proceed to the jetty.

14.00 – 15.00 Boat Trip, which will return us to the museum jetty.

The museum remains open until 17.00. There is a “Wind in the Willows” section that we have not included in the visit.

Group Meal Options at the Terrace Café:

Light Lunch, which is sandwich or roll, soft drink and soup or cake, £8.00. Please indicate “LL” on form. Hot Lunch comes with vegetables, soft drink and soup or cake £10.50. Please put “HL” on your application form.

The cost of entry, the guided introduction and the boat trip will be £13.00 per person. Numbers in the party may be restricted to 30.