

MOORING UP AT HNA BOATHOUSE

There have been a few incidents when mooring up at HNA Boathouse and this note may prevent and more problems.

HNA Boathouse is situated not as you may think on the Grand Union Canal but on a side stream along and joining the canal.

This side stream can be fast flowing especially after rain and can cause problems for the most experienced steerer unless they know the following simple rules.....

Coming down stream from Springwell

Slow the boat down very early.

Get mooring rope ready at rear of boat

Swing in rear/stern of boat to mooring and hold back till a rope is taken off and made fast.

The current will slowly bring in the front of boat to enable a rope to be taken off and secured.

Then make fast the bow

Uphill from Coppermill lock

Bring front into mooring slowly and early till you have secured the bow then allow the current to bring in the rear/stern.