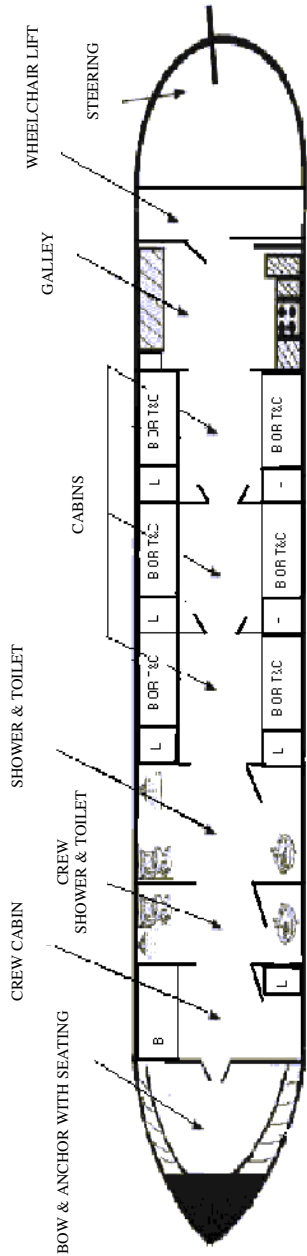


Plan of Charmaine



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For any further information on Charmaine and how we can help you, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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In The Community



Welcome
Aboard
"Charmaine"



At 71 ft, Charmaine is one of the longest boats you'll see on the canals. She was built of steel in the Cammell Laird Shipyard, 'Monks Ferry Trust' by young people in 1986. She weighs 30 tons - so be careful when you're at the Helm steering.

Built in the same shipyard at the same time as her sister ship Waterworks, Charmaine has almost identical specifications, with one main difference - she is fully accessible to wheelchair users.

During your journey you can, if you wish, gain new skills through helming the boat, operating the locks, and assisting the crew in their tasks. This can be hard work but it is also fun. Or you can just relax and let the world go by!

When the time comes for you to leave 'Charmaine' we hope you will have enjoyed your trip and will leave with fond memories of your experience onboard.

There is a mobile telephone on board 'Charmaine' for emergency use only. Should you require this, please ask one of our crew.

Young people placed with Care Afloat are encouraged to participate as helpers to crew this boat on daytrips under the strict supervision of experienced staff to enable them to make a contribution to community life and become more integrated into the local community, reflecting Care Afloat's community - based emphasis

To reflect Care Afloat's commitment to the local community, Charmaine has 3 main roles:

1). As a 'Day-boat' for up to 12 able-bodied/wheelchair users on a reduced or sometimes no-charge basis.

2). As a back up to Waterworks for emergency placements or for any young people who need her special facilities. She is also a replacement for 'Waterworks' in case of breakdown/maintenance.

3). As a holiday provision for up to 6 individuals.



Charmaine provides day trips and short breaks for groups and individuals of the Skelmersdale area who have made a contribution to the community through their voluntary work.

These breaks will be at a reduced charge to the user or will be fully funded by her owner *Care Afloat*.

Among our staff are volunteers, qualified skippers and experienced carers who will give you one hundred percent commitment and support during your journey.

Groups and individuals are nominated for free access using our links with the local voluntary sector.

We hope Charmaine will have a busy 2012 !

Have a nice trip!