USEFUL CONTACTS

Angling
Yarm Angling Assoc.,
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Stockton Angling Assoc.,

Darlington Brown Trout Assoc.,
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Thornaby Angling Assoc.,
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Amateur Rowing Assc. and Tees Rowing Club,
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Tees Rowing Club
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CODE OF ETIQUETTE AND RIVER REGISTRATION SCHEME

The River Tees Barrage and Crossing Act 1990 empowered the Teesside Development Corporation to make byelaws for securing the conservation and improvement of the upstream river for the purposes of recreation and to regulate the conduct of people using the river and its banks.

Byelaws came into effect in September 1994 and covers recreation and amenity, navigation, registration of vessels, accidents and safety, pollution prevention, mooring and use of the Barrage locks.

With the anticipated increase in use, to maintain harmony amongst users and promote a spirit of due regard for the rights of fellow users, the TDC has introduced a Registration Scheme for all powered craft using the river.

Copies of the Byelaws and details of the Registration Scheme can be obtained from:
Teesside Development Corporation, Dunedin House, Riverside Quay, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland TS17 6BJ. Tel: (01642) 677123 Fax: (01642) 676123.

THE TEES BARRAGE AND THE TEESIDE WHITWATER COURSE ARE FLAGSHIP SCHEMES OF

THE TEESIDE WHITWATER COURSE

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Bringing the Tees to Life....

The River Tees has always been at the heart of Teesside. Since medieval times it has brought trade and prosperity, firstly to Yarm and later, with the Industrial Revolution, to Stockton and then Middlesbrough. Now, the river no longer reflects the glow from iron and steel works and shipyards. It is changing once more, opening up and becoming more accessible to the people of Teesside and beyond.

Not since it was formed, over 18,000 years ago in the Ice Age, has the Tees altered so dramatically between Stockton and Low Moor Weir, beyond Yarm. With the Tees Barrage now fully operational, this eleven mile stretch of water is no longer tidal, but held at a constant, average "high tide" level. The polluted tidal waters that still ebb and flow downstream to the Tees Estuary are prevented by the Barrage from mixing with the clean non-tidal water flowing down from the hills, moors and valleys of the upper Tees. This new stretch of unpolluted water, the responsibility of Teesside Development Corporation, not only meets EEC bathing standards, but also opens up a wealth of exciting leisure opportunities. Whether it's angling, canoeing, rowing, sailing, windsurfing, waterskiing, or even dragon boat racing, the Tees Barrage has created the perfect environment for Teessiders to rediscover their river.

To ensure everyone enjoys this superb new facility to the full, an annual Calendar of Events has been established by Teesside Development Corporation which will provide exciting spectacles throughout the year. A revival of Stockton Regatta is also planned.

A River Registration Scheme, applicable to all powered craft, is also now in operation, and this should ensure all users can enjoy the river in safety.

Walkers will see a changing riverscape at different access points; at Stockton, the Teesdale site boasts superb architecture and paved walkways; and towards Yarm, the views become semi-rural, the riverbanks more wooded (take care with children and pets) and even further upstream, the Tees closes in, almost completely overhung by trees. At various points, local conservation groups have worked hard to preserve areas of natural beauty, and some of these are open to visitors, who can enjoy delightful woodland walks and nature reserves.

With the opening of the Tees Barrage the river will once again take its place at the heart of Teesside.

TEES BARRAGE - Engineering Excellence

The Tees Barrage - Britain's largest single civil engineering contract - is 70 metres wide, 32 metres long and sits on a giant, reinforced raft comprising of 16,500 cubic metres of concrete.

Its four, 50 tonne "fishbelly" gates are each operated by a 21 tonne hydraulic ram. They control the river's flow, held polluted, tidal water downstream while allowing clean water to filter seaward.

Visitors can stroll over the Tees across its pedestrian bridge to see its navigation lock, fish pass, the 1000 metre rowing straight and enjoy impressive panoramic views from the bridge itself.

The award winning design of the Tees Barrage's road bridge has 700 tonnes of tubular steel, and is linked to the A66 trunk road by the new Tees Viaduct, which will give fast access to and from Teesside Retail and Leisure Park.

TEESIDE WHITE WATER COURSE

Special features include:
- Bear trap inlet gate allows the flow into course to be adjusted
- Movable and removable obstructions on the base of the course
- Superb water quality at EEC bathing standards
- U-shaped course means the start and finish are almost at the same place
- Easy access directly from the A66 and only 3 minutes from the A19
- Open all year round 8.00 a.m. - 8.00 p.m.
- Year round floodlighting
- Fully adjustable course
- Permanent warm-up lake
- Camping/Caravan Park, managed by The Caravan Club
- Year round canoe courses for all grades
- Fully qualified training staff
- Restaurant, Watersports Shop
- Equipment hire
- Landscaped setting in natural amphitheatre
Historic Tees
In medieval times, this fascinating town was the main trading port on the Tees. Today, you can wander from its pleasant Georgian High Street down ancient alleyways to stroll along paved riverside walls.

Preston Hall Museum and Park
Once the home of the Royser shipping family, this delightful museum, owned and run by Stockton Borough Council sits beside the Tees in rolling parkland, and is the perfect base to explore historical tree-lined riverbanks.

Riverside Walls
More and more access is being made available to the Tees’ riverbanks. The map overhead shows these currently available. Eventually a continuous walkway is planned from the river’s mouth to its source, high in the Pennines. Stout walking boots are recommended! Meanwhile, why not enjoy what is on your doorstep...

Conservation Areas
The Tees has some of England’s most beautiful natural flora and fauna. Local wildlife conservation groups are working hard to ensure that it is protected. You can visit the local sites on the map overhead — why not get involved yourself to help preserve your natural heritage?

A list of contacts is also printed, any of which will be delighted to give you more information.

Teesdale
The £500 million Teesdale site, a flagship scheme of Teeside Development Corporation, is the largest urban regeneration scheme of its kind in Europe — three times the size of London Docklands’ Canary Wharf.

Built around a series of man-made canals and new road systems, it includes impressive office developments, new homes for sale and rent, University College Stockton, Student Halls of Residence, a nursing home and two special care centers for sufferers of Alzheimer’s disease.

It is linked to Stockton Town Centre by the new road bridge opened by HRH The Princess of Wales, and by the Tees induct to the Teeside Retail and Leisure Park, which offers superb shopping facilities, a 14-screen multiplex cinema, Hollywood Bowl, Laser Quest and themed restaurants.

The Tees barrage
This superb feat of engineering has created an eleven-mile stretch of slow, non-tidal water upstream to beyond Yarm. Teesiders can now enjoy a wealth of water-based leisure activities, walk the banks of the Tees at various access points and visit wildlife conservation areas.