

AVON NAVIGATION TRUST

- A REGISTERED CHARITY
- A STATUTORY NAVIGATION AUTHORITY
- RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RIVER AVON NAVIGATION IN WARWICKSHIRE, WORCESTERSHIRE & GLOUCESTERSHIRE
- 47 MILES, FROM ALVESTON ABOVE STRATFORD UPON AVON TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE RIVER SEVERN AT TEWKESBURY
- 17 RIVER LOCKS
- THE LARGEST INDEPENDENT CHARITABLE NAVIGATION AUTHORITY IN ENGLAND
- A NON-PROFIT DISTRIBUTING COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

Can you support the Trust by becoming a member?

You can support the work of the Trust by becoming a member. Members do not need to become involved, but they can attend the Annual General Meeting, ask questions or comment on how the river is run, nominate new members and trustees, and vote. In return the Trust sends a regular bulletin to keep members up to date with the latest information about the Navigation, and related news and events.

The Avon Navigation Trust Now

Our core function is to Administer, Maintain & Improve the river which covers, refurbishing locks and new moorings, clearance works, tree works and navigation maintenance.

We also have a number of grant funded initiatives that complement our core function.

- Youth Engagement– ANT Squad
- Volunteer Training Centre
- Outdoor Activities at Evesham
- Neptune Project (Mobile Volunteer and Activity Centre)

HISTORY

In 1950, the Inland Waterways Association gave its support to the restoration of the derelict Lower Avon Navigation, the very first restoration initiated by the IWA. This work, which was carried out by the newly formed charity, Lower Avon Navigation Trust (LANT), under the dynamic leadership of Douglas Barwell OBE took 12 years to complete. This was the first navigation to be restored and run by volunteers.

The re-opening of the Lower Avon Navigation happened in 1962.

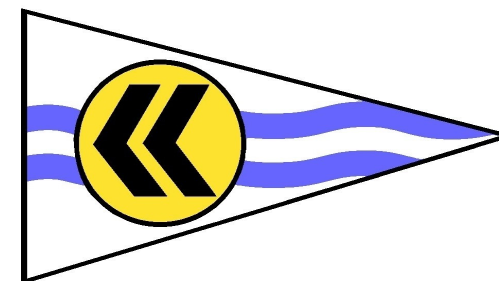
Again at the instigation of the IWA, an Upper Avon Committee was formed which resolved that the Upper Avon Navigation Trust Limited (UANT) should be founded to restore the Upper Avon Navigation. The position of Project Manager was offered to David Hutchings who had recently reopened the southern section of the Stratford Canal. The Upper Avon was restored between 1969 and 1974.

On 1st June 1974 the navigation to Stratford-upon-Avon was ceremonially reopened by HM Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, and in the following year HM The Queen travelled upon the waterway.

The Lower and Upper Avon Navigation Trusts worked together over many years towards amalgamation.

On the 1st January 2010, LANT and UANT legally amalgamated as Avon Navigation Trust. This is the first time that the River Avon has been run as one since 1717 over 300 years ago.

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Membership 2026

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM



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FULL NAME/ COMPANY	BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE	
ADDRESS		
		POST CODE:
TELEPHONE	HOME:	MOBILE:
EMAIL		
How did you find out about ANT?		
Why are you interested in being a member?		
Would you like to volunteer for ANT?		
Do you have an interest in any particular project or area of work within the Trust?		
Do you own a boat? Boats name?		
Boating History		
Please provide any names of current members you know if you wish		
Would you like to meet us as part of the application process? (Please note we may invite you to attend a meet and greet as part of the application process)		
I would like to become a member of the Trust and I hereby agree, if elected, to be bound by all the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the said Trust. A copy of these are available on request or can be viewed at avonnavigationtrust.org/document-library	Signed	
	Dated	

Membership Fee

These are the minimum membership fees, however if you would like to support the Trust further you may make additional donations above this level

Single Annual Subscription	£10.00
Joint Annual Subscription	£15.00
Single Lifetime Subscription	£150.00
Annual Lifetime Subscription	£250.00
Corporate Annual Subscription	£50.00

Please do not send payment with this application, we will contact you to arrange payment once your application has been approved

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Please sign here:

I confirm that I am a UK Tax payer and I would like Avon Navigation Trust to reclaim tax on any qualifying donations made by me since 6 April 2025 until further notice. I confirm that I have paid an amount of UK income or Capital Gains Tax equal to any tax reclaimed.

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