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Three traditional barge driving events will be taking place between Greenwich and Westminster on the below dates:

Date	Timings	Location	Navigational Information
<b>THAMES HISTORIC BARGE DRIVING EVENT</b> <i>Involves approximately eight Thames Rowing Barges racing under oars.</i>			
Saturday 14th June	10.00 - 14.00	Greenwich Pier to Westminster Bridge	Local Traffic Control (when required)
<b>ALEX HICKMAN APPRENTICE BARGE DRIVING EVENT</b> <i>Involves approximately three Thames Rowing Barges racing under oars.</i>			
Sunday 24th August	11:00 - 14:00	Greenwich Pier to Westminster Bridge	Local Traffic Control (when required)
<b>STEVE FALDO MEMORIAL RACE</b> <i>Involves approximately four Thames Rowing Barges racing under oars.</i>			

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Sunday 14th September	12:45 – 14:30	1. Westminster to Tower Bridge 2. Tower Bridge to Westminster	Local Traffic Control ( <i>when required</i> )

Vessels involved in these events will navigate on the starboard hand side of the fairway and will be accompanied by a number of safety and support vessels.

Masters of vessels navigating throughout these events should be aware of the limited manoeuvrability of some of the vessels participating in them and **should navigate at a safe speed paying particular attention to their wash.**

#### Local Traffic Control

Local Traffic Control will be conducted, when required, from an attending Port of London Authority Harbour Service Launch exhibiting blue flashing lights. All vessels intending to navigate through an area under “Local Traffic Control” are to call (prefix) **“THAMES PATROL”** on **VHF 14** to make a passing agreement.

Further information will be broadcast by **London VTS** on **VHF Channel 14**.

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