

# Discover Windsor's Olympic Heritage



## Did you know?

- + The 1908 Olympic marathon started at Windsor Castle
- + The modern marathon distance of 26 miles and 385 yards was the distance of the 1908 marathon route from Windsor to White City Stadium in London
- + The 1948 Olympic road cycling race was held in Windsor Great Park
- + Both the 1908 and 1948 Olympic rowing events were held at Henley
- + There is a River and Rowing Museum in Henley
- + The 2012 Olympic rowing, flat water canoeing and Paralympic rowing will be held at the Eton College Rowing Centre, Dorney Lake just outside Windsor

## GROUPS:

Come and join us for a new look at the ancient town of Windsor, Eton, Dorney Lake and Henley – discover the heritage of the 1908 and 1948 London Olympics. Itineraries to suit your group. Excursions can cover all sites or just a couple, entirely up to you.

For adventurous groups who love being outdoors and want to keep fit How about a gentle cycling tour from Windsor to Dorney Lake, around Dorney Lake itself or a jogging tour of Dorney Lake or of Henley riverside?

All tours are with 2012 Olympic and Paralympic accredited Blue Badge tourist guides.



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# Eton College Rowing Centre, Dorney Lake

Plans to provide a secure, still-water rowing lake were first conceived by teachers at Eton College in the 1960s. Now in the 21st Century Dorney Lake is one of the world's finest all-year-round facilities for rowing, adaptive rowing and flat water canoeing. As well as being a facility for the students of Eton College, the rowing lake is also an important venue for international competitions as well as a treasured community facility.

The Eton Dorney Rowing Lake has hosted a number of international regattas including the World Rowing Championships in 2006 and the BearingPoint Rowing World Cup in 2005. Being chosen as a venue for the 2012 Games is yet another accolade fit for this spectacular venue.

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## Group Travel

It has been agreed that only those Blue Badge Tourist Guides with the 2012 venues accreditation will be allowed to visit Dorney Lake by coach in the run up to the Olympic Games. Below you will find all the necessary information needed to organise a group visit to the rowing lake.

In order to arrange a visit these are the conditions which need to be met:

- 1) Healthy and Safety issues** - all persons will visit at their own risk.
- 2) Amanda Bryett will represent the Blue Badge 2012 Committee and all requests for a coach visit should be sent by email to Dorney Lake contacts and cc Amanda Bryett. These should ideally be at least one week in advance:**  
g.lowe@dorneylake.co.uk  
v.perkins@dorneylake.co.uk  
abryett@windsortouristguides.co.uk
- 3) Dorney Lake will have a list of 2012 venues accredited guides.**
- 4) The following information will be required in advance by EMAIL:**  
Date  
Guide's name  
Coach Company  
Number of people  
Approx time of arrival and departure  
*(These details will be checked by security on arrival).*
- 5) Venue and meals can be booked, these requests will need to be channelled through the Dorney Lake team:**  
a.leslie@dorneylake.co.uk  
j.lunn@dorneylake.co.uk
- 6) The facility will be closed to the public on various dates throughout the year. There will be NO ADMITTANCE on these days.**
- 7) It is requested that no close up photos are taken of any rowers: Eton College train here 6 days per week during term time.**
- 8) There will be a programme of building works up to 2012. Then from 1 February 2012 until 30 November 2012 (build followed by knock down) - there will be NO ACCESS for coach parking.**



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