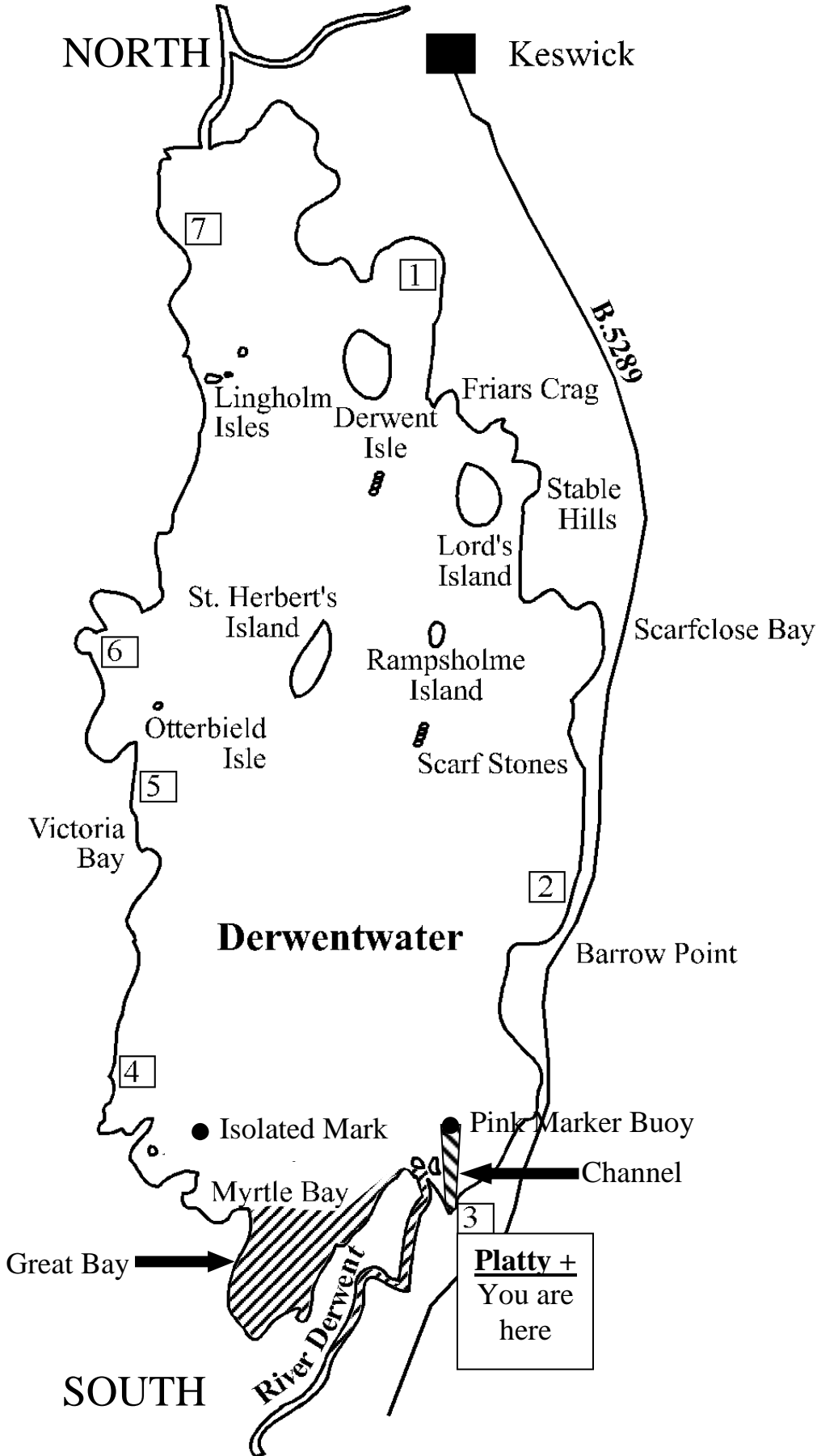


# CONDITIONS OF HIRE.

1. Buoyancy Aids are compulsory and must be worn fastened at all times.
2. Please stay out of the no boating zones, Great Bay, the final south bay of the lake and the river and river mouth.
3. You may land on any of the islands except Derwent Isle, the island with the house on.
4. In this immediate area it is very shallow and the Keswick Launch, the ferryboat, has to stick to a narrow channel. Please keep out of its way, as the launch cannot get out of your way.



## KEY TO BOAT LANDINGS

1. Keswick Landing
2. Ashness Gate
3. Lodore
4. High Brandlehow
5. Low Brandlehow
6. Hawes End
7. Nichol End

A list of participants' name, addresses, emergency telephone numbers and for children unaccompanied by parent or guardian medical consent forms must be provided before the activity is undertaken.

You will be asked to sign the participants register for hire and tuition.

You therefore accept: -

1. That there is a potential risk of injury to participants in the activities we offer which cannot be entirely eliminated.
2. You have been given and understand the hire conditions.

Please notify Platty + before hand if you have any physical or psychological conditions or inability to swim. Please inform us of any pre-existing medical conditions, epilepsy, disability, giddy spells, asthma, diabetes, angina or heart condition.

Illnesses or medical conditions need not necessarily prevent you from hiring but we must be aware of any potential problems. If in doubt about your fitness to participate, please contact your GP.

If you capsize stay with the boat, it is more visible than you and offers support.

Be aware of other lake users particularly the Derwentwater Launch, they can put up large waves. Ensure you point into the waves and do not get side on and capsize.

Be aware of the potential risk in and around all the jetties were the launch is manoeuvring. The launch generally goes around the edge of the lake.

Be aware of any changes in the weather.

Be aware of hands being trapped between boats, boat and jetty, boat and other craft.

Be aware of the dangers of moving paddles whilst in close company with other people

Be aware of 'standing up' scenarios i.e. venue, proximity of other craft, number standing, wind and wave action, action of other group members

Once out of sight of Platty + base, we cannot see if you have a problem.

Only plan a journey according to the age group, the skill and experience of the weakest group member and the expected weather.

Please leave your craft visible if you are landing.

We keep a record of when and how long you are out for. If you intend to stay out longer please inform us by returning or phoning 017687 77282.

No craft is to carry more people than it will hold.

Kayaks	1
Double Kayak	2

Canoe over 17'	2 adults & 2 small children
Canoe 15' to 17'	2 adults & 1 small child
Rowing boats	As per attached sign

One sailed craft	2
Laser 16	4

Minimum age of person to hire craft without supervision by an adult is 16 years old

It is at our discretion to refuse hire of craft.

Craft shall not be hired to a person under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

To avoid loss please secure or remove glasses.

You should be adequately dressed for the prevailing conditions.

Appropriate, securely fastened footwear to be worn at all times.

Whilst on the water, our staff are in charge of the safety of all craft. Our staffs' role is primarily that of providing safety cover. They are fully qualified to carry out this task and have experience of dealing with a variety of situations. However, as disruptive/ uncooperative participants may ultimately jeopardize the safety of themselves or others, we have to insist on a socially acceptable standard of behaviour – which at a minimum means you will listen to instructions **and then follow them**. If at any stage our staff feel that the behaviour of any member(s) of a group is compromising the safety of the session, we reserve the right to stop the activity. In this situation you will still be liable to pay the full amount due.

Any incidents or accidents occurring whilst undertaking activities must be reported to our staff and an incident record made immediately on return to shore.

Any complaints or suggestions should be addressed to the partners, John or Sarah Platt.