“Building a boat is something very special and this is a great way of bringing people together to do something for the community and themselves.”

Meet the Teams

“Ardglass Lass”
Ardglass

1. We have the plans, the tools and the people!
2. A rowing team in the making
3. The wider team
4. The boat turn - half way there
5. Fitting the rudder - skills transferred across generations
6. The boat turn - half way there

“Ramharry”
Donaghadee

1. Planing the stem
2. Cutting the hull turn
3. Shaping the hog
4. Working with the tools of the trade
5. Taking shape
6. How to make an oar

“Skart”
Killyleagh

1. Busy in the workshop
2. Precision work
3. Strangford boat turn
4. Part of the core build team
5. Sanding
6. Shaping the stem on the jig

“Strangförð”
Strangford

1. Preparing a scarf joint to form long planks
2. Lots of clamps
3. Danny Buoy takes shape
4. Shaping and smoothing
5. The first planks in place
6. Getting stuck in!

“Wave of Friendship”
Ballywalter

1. Clamping the stem on the jig
2. Shaping the stem
3. Ballywalter boat build shed with moulds
4. Scarf joint
5. The boat build team
6. The build shed

“Black Neb Vixen”
Kircubbin

1. Fitting the rudder - skills transferred across generations
2. Members of the Ulster rugby team help launch the boat with the core build team on board
3. Black Neb Vixen is shown her town
4. Turning the boat
5. Applying the name
6. PSNI test their rowing skills

“Danny Buoy”
Dundrum

1. Boat builders Willie Taylor and John Murray check out the delivery of marine ply
2. Cutting out the marine ply
3. Wooden clamps

“Portavogie”
Portavogie

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