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# Uit@waarde makes recreation possible

Uit@waarde specialises in the sustainable conservation, improvement and expansion of public recreational/tourism infrastructure and local ferry crossings. We conduct our operations throughout the picturesque river district in our own region and beyond. Our wealth of knowledge and experience means we are a valuable partner for businesses, councils, provinces and regional consortia.

## Specialists in five provinces

Our Routebureau Division operates in five provinces and handles the complete process of providing advice, development, realisation, operation, management and maintenance of the recreational route infrastructure. This includes cycle route networks, walking routes, hiking trails, tourist attraction signing, canoeing facilities, water sport berths, motorhome stopovers, cycle tracks and public footpaths. We also implement projects for third parties.


## Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

Besides a recreational, route-based infrastructure, we also establish local ferry crossings, the greater part of which we run ourselves. You will find a list of our ferries overleaf.

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Recreatieschap Nederrijn, Lek en Waal  
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# Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

*List of bicycle and pedestrian ferries managed by Uit@waarde*



## De Waal

Varik - Heerwaarden  
Druuten - Dodewaard  
Beuningen - Slijk-Ewijk



## De Maas

Pontje Ham  
Batenburg - Demen  
Ravenstein - Niftrik



## De Linge

Heukelum - Galgenwaard



## De Neder-Rijn / De Lek

Renkumse Veer  
Rhenen - Lienden  
Liniepont





## Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

Since 1993, Uit@waarde's Routebureau Division has launched no fewer than thirteen bicycle and pedestrian ferries. Ten of these are under our own management. The three other ferries - De Halve Maan in Millingen aan de Rijn, the Enspijk ferry connecting Enspijk with the Mariënwaerd Estate and the Steur ferry in the Brabant Biesbosch - were delegated to private organisations and are doing good business.

In addition to our crewed bicycle and pedestrian ferries, we are also proud of three user-operated ferries that cross the Culemborgse Vliet, which forms part of the Hollandic Water Line, and of De Gouden Ham and Slijk-Ewijk Beach Park recreation sites. Eight of our ferry crossings were commissioned by the riverbank councils. The two smallest ferries, located at De Gouden Ham and on the River Linge, are our own operations.

### Feasibility study

The Routebureau Division is in charge of the whole process that ultimately leads to a business operation. First of all, the question is raised as to whether there is a future for a tourist ferry crossing at the location the council has in mind. A feasibility study answers this question. The study addresses issues such as policy, permits, feasibility, organisation, project costs, funding and operation.

### Development

Depending on the results of the study, the process of development and - often crucially - raising the required funding for investment and operation then gets underway. No less important are the required permits. Once everything is in place, we can embark on the realisation and start the search for a suitable vessel.

Meanwhile, volunteers are recruited, because skippers and ticket vendors are essential for a healthy operation. It goes without saying that every skipper has the right qualifications. Each year they undergo training in various aspects of safety, such as First Aid.

### Time for launch!

When preparations are complete, the new ferry is ceremoniously opened and the new sailing season can begin. The ferries can also be hired by groups or for an excursion. During the sailing season, and of course between seasons, we perform the necessary maintenance on the vessels.



## Ferry rental

Outside the sailing season we rent out a few of our ferries. In addition we offer jetties, gangplanks, pontoons, barges and workboats for short term or long term rental.

The bespoke rental prices include transport and insurance. The client renting the equipment must take out supplementary insurance and supply qualified staff.



## Further information

Information on sailing days, timetables and fares can be found on the sailing schedule boards at the ferry locations and at [www.uit@waarde.nl](http://www.uit@waarde.nl).

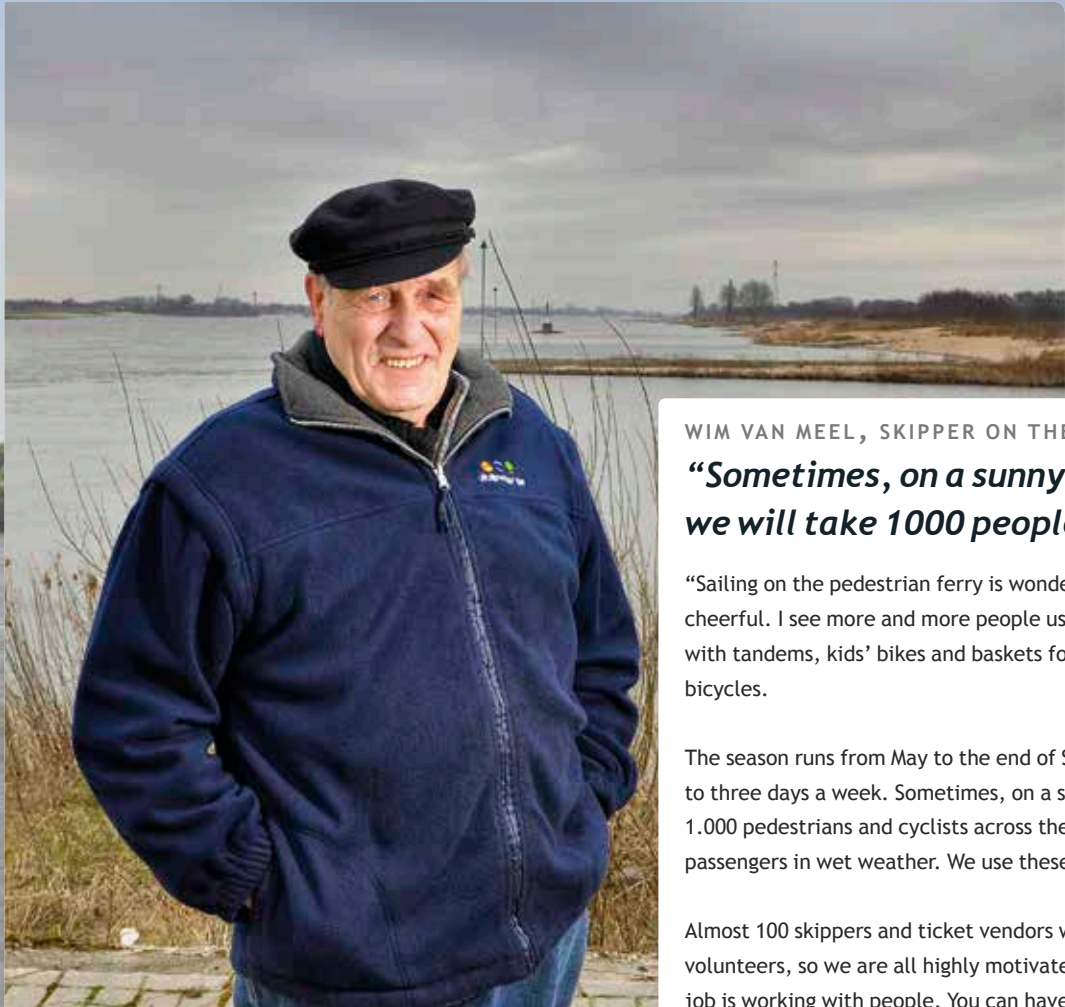
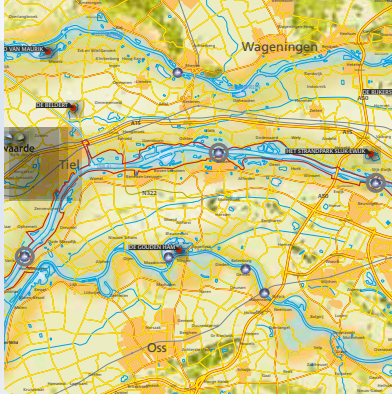
We inform the public about news and any delays in our press releases and on Twitter (@voetveren).



Download the free Ferry Crossings app so you know which ferries are in use. The app is available for iOS and Android.







WIM VAN MEEL, SKIPPER ON THE RIVER WAAL

***“Sometimes, on a sunny day at the weekend, we will take 1000 people across the river”***

“Sailing on the pedestrian ferry is wonderful. People are outdoors and they are cheerful. I see more and more people using our ferries each year. From families with tandems, kids’ bikes and baskets for their dogs to seniors with electric bicycles.

The season runs from May to the end of September and I am on the ferry two to three days a week. Sometimes, on a sunny day at the weekend, we will take 1.000 pedestrians and cyclists across the river. We only ferry a small number of passengers in wet weather. We use these times to carry out maintenance.

Almost 100 skippers and ticket vendors work on the ferries. They are volunteers, so we are all highly motivated. The thing I enjoy most about this job is working with people. You can have a nice chat with them and if they get nervous, we reassure them by letting them sit inside until we reach the other side. I used to be a professional skipper and this is a way of staying on the water. If it’s up to me, I’ll carry on doing this job for years!”

# De Waal

Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

## Varik-Heerewaarden

Name of ferry:	Neptunus 1
Riverbank councils:	Neerijnen and Maasdriel
Max. number of passengers:	22
Average number of passengers p.a.:	10.000
Year of construction:	1963
In service since:	1998

## Druten-Dodewaard

Name of ferry:	D’n Overkant
Riverbank councils:	Druten and Neder-Betuwe
Max. number of passengers:	24
Average number of passengers p.a.:	12.500
Year of construction:	1959
In de vaart sinds:	2000

## Beuningen-Slijk-Ewijk

Name of ferry:	H4-De Weerder
Riverbank councils:	Beuningen and Overbetuwe
Max. number of passengers:	32
Average number of passengers p.a.:	12.500
Year of construction:	1956
In service since:	2011



# De Maas

Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

## Pontje Ham *(in de Gouden Ham between de loswal Maasbommel - Langeland)*

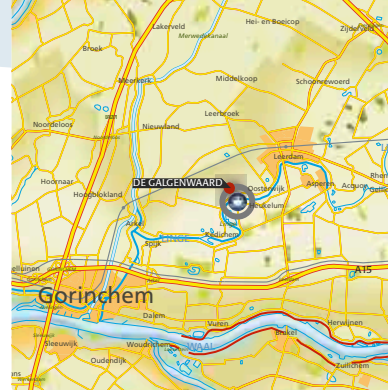
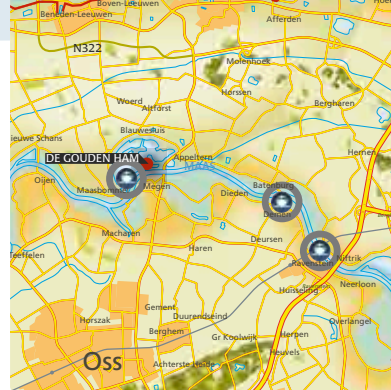
Name of ferry:	Pontje Ham
Max. number of passengers:	10
Average number of passengers p.a.:	3.500
Year of construction:	1935
In service since:	1993

## Batenburg-Demen

Name of ferry:	Het Heerlijk Veer
Riverbank councils:	Wijchen and Oss
Max. number of passengers:	12
Average number of passengers p.a.:	12.000
Year of construction:	1987
In service since:	2007

## Ravenstein-Niftrik

Name of ferry:	Vice Versa
Riverbank councils:	Wijchen and Oss
Max. number of passengers:	12
Average number of passengers p.a.:	10.000
Year of construction:	1955
In service since:	2011



# De Linge

Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

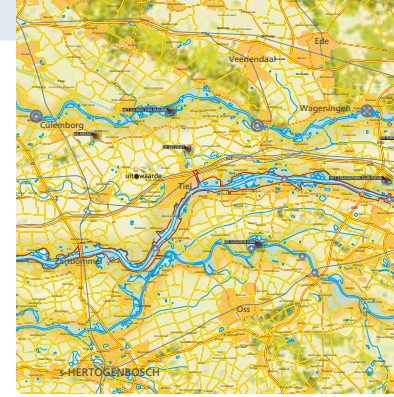
## Heukelum-Galgenwaard *(between Heukelum - De Galgenwaard in Oosterwijk)*

Name of ferry:	De Galgenwaard
Riverbank councils:	Lingewaal and Leerdam
Max. number of passengers:	12
Average number of passengers p.a.:	8.000 - 10.000
In service since:	1997





# De Neder-Rijn / De Lek



## Bicycle and pedestrian ferries

### Renkumse Veer *(connection over Neder-Rijn between Renkum and Heteren)*

Name of ferry:	Renkumse Veer
Riverbank councils:	Renkum and Overbetuwe
Max. number of passengers:	12
Average number of passengers p.a.:	8.000-10.000
Bouwjaar:	1989
In service since:	2015

### Rhenen-Lienden *(connection over Neder-Rijn between Rhenen and Lienden)*

Name of ferry:	RheLie
Riverbank councils:	Rhenen and Buren
Max. number of passengers:	12
Average number of passengers p.a.:	12.000
Bouwjaar:	1952
In service since:	2013

### Liniepont *(connection over Lek between Werk aan het Spoel - Fort Everdingen - Werk aan de Groeneweg)*

Name of ferry:	Liniepont
Riverbank councils:	Culemborg, Houten and Vianen
Max. number of passengers:	12
Average number of passengers p.a.:	4.000-5.000
In service since:	2010





# Recreational Infrastructure

Uit@waarde specialises in advice, project management, implementation, management and maintenance of the recreational route-based infrastructure and ferry crossings. We cooperate in all kinds of projects to improve the recreational/tourism infrastructure in the River district.





## Recreational Infrastructure

Uit@waarde is involved in and partly responsible for the recreational/tourism infrastructure in the River District and its immediate surroundings. From its base in Kerk-Avezaath, the Routebureau Division operates in five provinces. As with the local ferries, this also involves the complete process of advice, development and realisation in addition to operations, management and maintenance.



### Cycle route networks

*Regio Rivierenland and Arnhem-Nijmegen urban district*

Together, walking and cycling are the popular ways of spending leisure time. On behalf of Regio Rivierenland, we established the Rivierenland Cycle Route Network.

For a period of ten years, we shall be maintaining the route signage and information boards along this network: 800 kilometres of route, 200 junctions and 2,400 route signs.

For the Routebureau Division of the Regional Tourist Office KAN we also maintain the Arnhem-Nijmegen cycle route network and the National Cycle Routes that pass through their area of operation. The network is approximately 900 kilometres long and consists of more than 300 junctions and 4,400 route signs.

At the request of Landelijk Fietsplatform (Dutch Cycling Platform), Uit@waarde also manages the National Cycle Routes that pass through the area of operation: the LF7 Oeverland Route, LF12 Maas and Vesting Route and L17 Rhine Delta Route.

### Walking routes

Since 2003, Uit@waarde has marked out signposted walking routes through the floodplains of the River Waal. There are almost 200 kilometres of routes in total, in categories ranging from 20 km to over 60 km. Hikers can walk between Doorenborg and Fort Vuren in the northern side and between Loevestein Castle and Millingen aan de Rijn on the southern side. This means the entire River Waal has a continuous walking route, which we also manage.



## Rivierenland hiking trails network

At the request of Regio Rivierenland and the ten councils, Uit@waarde set out a hiking trail network which links together the most beautiful hiking areas in the region.

The system operates on the basis of circular hiking laps ranging from 5 km to 8 km. The laps are marked out using colour-coded signposts. At each point where the various routes meet, there is a numbered board that indicates options. Here, the hiker may choose to switch to another route. By doing so, the distance of the walk can either be extended or shortened.

The hiking network totals around 1000 km, 500 km of which consists of what we call 'branded routes' such as Walking Routes, Long Distance Walking Routes, Local Paths, Clog Paths and Farmland Paths.



These routes have their own signposting but they are accessed as part of the walking network. The other 500 km consists partly of existing routes that are included in the walking network and partly of entirely newly developed walking routes.

The signposting on the existing routes is being replaced by a new system. We perform the management and maintenance of the network, with the exception of the 'named routes'.

## Tourist Attraction Signage

Uit@waarde prepared and implemented the Tourist Attraction Signage project - known as the Brown Signs. These Brown Signs, numbering around 1300, guide visitors to the locations of tourism-based businesses in Rivierenland. As part of this project, the tourism entrepreneurs in Rivierenland were given a one-off opportunity of acquiring the Brown Signs at no charge to them. The entrepreneurs pay for the cost of management and maintenance and Uit@waarde carries out all the work.



### Projects for third parties

- Regio Rivierenland Motorhome Stopovers project
- River Waal version of Rhine Cycle Route
- De Bol - Varik recreational/tourism facility
- Waalweelde: riverside rest stops, infrastructure, route systems
- Cross-border cycle routes
- Management and maintenance of Exciting History and QR code elements
- Short walks along the rivers Maas, Waal and IJssel
- Recreation & Tourism advice, New Hollandic Water Line



## Canoe facilities

The River Linge is a beautiful, winding river that is ideal for canoeing. Uit@waarde manages facilities such as rest stops and jetties at various locations along the River Linge and the River Korne.



## Water sport berths

At various places along the River Linge and the River Korne, such as Buren, Asperen and Oosterwijk as well as De Gouden Ham recreation site, there are berths for pleasure craft. For a fee, it is possible to spend a number of days and nights here during the season. At these locations, the water sports fans will usually find facilities such as power, showers and toilets.



## Motorhome stopovers

The Galgenwaard daytime recreation site enables people with a motorhome to stay for a while. There is space for a maximum of three motorhomes which are allowed to stay 2 x 24 hours. Facilities are available on the site.

## Cycle paths

Uit@waarde owns, manages and maintains a number of cycle paths, in some cases as part of land reparation. Cycle paths that pass through out recreation areas are of course the property of Uit@waarde. The longest and most popular path is the Linge Cycle Path between Doerenburg and Huissen.



## Public Footpaths

Uit@waarde also owns and maintains a number of public footpaths. These are mainly in the municipalities of Buren, Culemborg and Lingewaard. These footpaths are part of the Regional Footpath Network and include footpaths such as the Holderweg, the Zoelense Broeksteeg and the Dominees Weitje.



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