

Coracle Stories

Coracles in London

In **January 1967** the Welsh Tourist Board brought three coracle makers up to London from Carmarthen. They were brothers Glyn and Gareth Elias and their cousin Raymond Rees. It was for the **Holiday in Wales** exhibition running in Waterloo Station.



Here you can see a back view of Raymond Rees (left) and his cousin Glyn Elias (right) carrying their coracles down for launching on the Thames off Festival Hall Pier.



Glyn Elias (capped) and Raymond Rees on the River Thames, London



Glyn Elias and Raymond Rees each launched a coracle onto the Thames off Festival Hall Pier and cast their fishing nets into the London river. The Carmarthen coraclers and their cousin stayed at the exhibition during the week and gave demonstrations of coracle building.