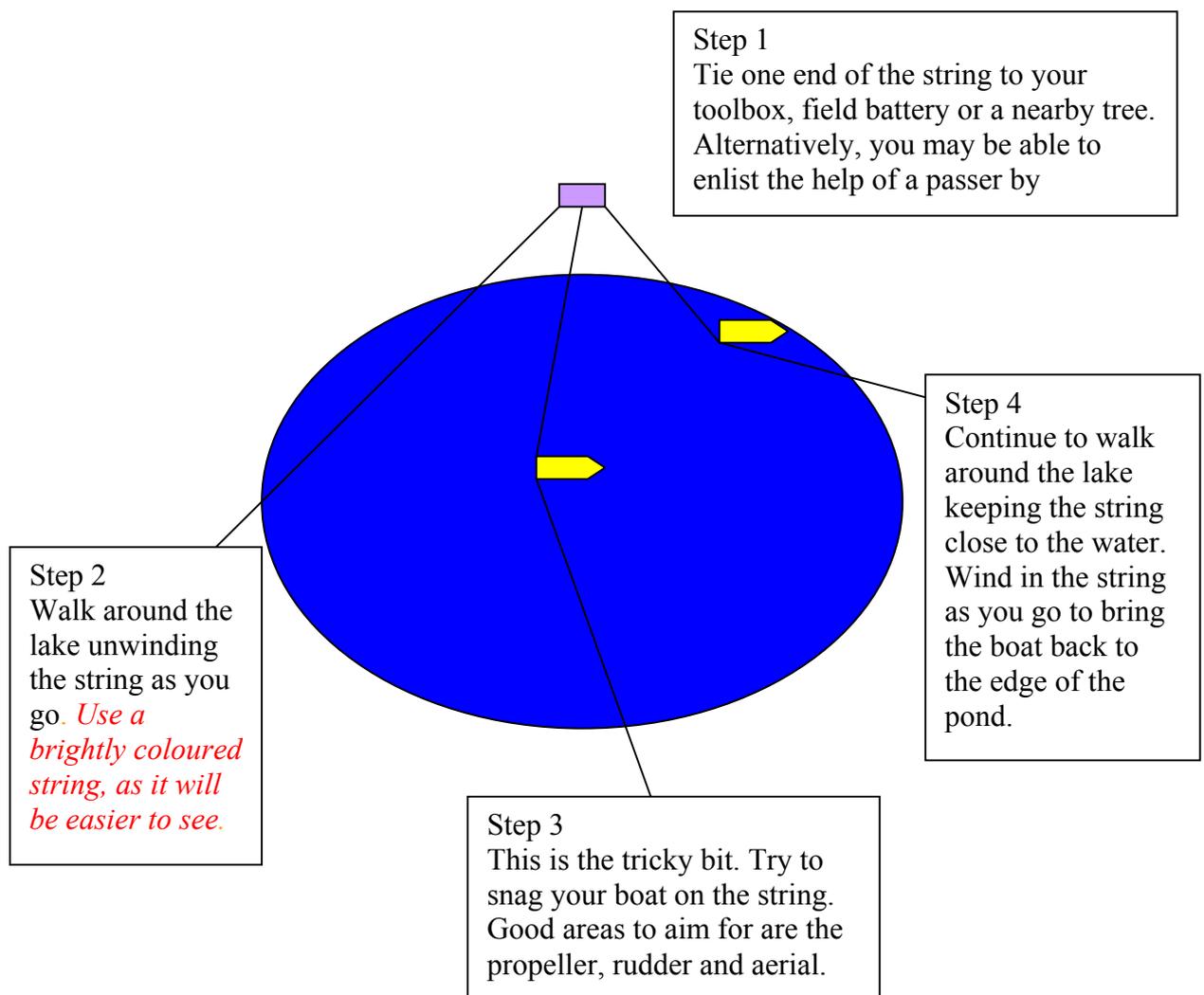


Dead Boat Retrieval

It happens to all of us. Your pride and joy is zipping across the pond, and then suddenly it stops dead in the water. It may have suffered electrical or mechanical failure or perhaps you were driving a little too fast (surely not!) and it ends up floating upside-down in the middle of the lake. How do you get it back?

I have seen some very ingenious methods used, which feature scoop mechanisms fitted to a second R/C boat. These are fine but they can be bulky to carry around and expensive to make.

The method I use is cheap, easy to carry and use. It consists of nothing more than a ball of string. It can be used at any location where you can walk most of the way around the lake or pond.



Some model yacht enthusiasts passed on this idea to me. They use this method to retrieve their boats when the wind dies. I have used it successfully on a number of occasions and even managed to rescue one boat which was 95% submerged.