

Lancaster Canal Trust

Monthly Bulletin – December 2023

Work Plans / Activities - December

We are delighted to report that **Waterways Recovery Group (WRG)** have agreed to hold one of their summer work camps on our patch in February next year. Peter has tasked them with clearing the bed and the bottom half of the banks of F2an3 as far as Well Head Lane. The aim is to scrap down to expose the original clay, which will mean that we can then start leakage tests, informing what will be needed in terms of water-proofing. It's worth noting that following the recent heavy rain the section held water to a depth of about 12inches, for over a week. More news about the WRG camp in the new year.

As a consequence of this concentrated work on F2an3 by WRG in the new year we can put our efforts this coming **Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th working weekend** in to much needed clearing of the overgrown steps at B172, work around the bridges and First Furlong off bank.

Please meet at Stainton, 9.30am or join us when you can.

Bring own PPE and equipment if possible - gloves, sturdy footwear together with loppers, secateurs etc. if you have them.

Please let Peter know if you can come – peter@cpsj.me.uk – so he can plan the work.

Weekend / Midweek?

Whilst on the subject of work activities – some have said they would prefer to come, or be more available, on mid-week activities rather than weekends. Let Peter know what your preference is, there is no reason both can't be organised if there are enough people interested.

Waterwitch - the Magazine ...

The late Autumn edition, packed with interesting articles and news, is now in the post and you should have your copy in the next few days. Work will start on the Spring 2024 edition early in the new year so please give thought to contributions, articles, photos and so on and pass them to Gill at editor@lancastercanaltrust.org.uk

Walks and Talks ...

Richard T reports on a well-received talk he has just given to a Ramblers Club meeting and is booked for another talk early next year. Nigel H also gave a talk to Chorley Ramblers last week to round off, what has for him been a very busy and successful year of walks and talks. Well done both, your efforts play a vital role in publicising the Trust and its ambitions as well as spreading the word of the importance of the canal for the many leisure activities, its rich heritage and environmental value as a green corridor.

If you know of any group or organisation that may be looking for a speaker for one of their meetings let us know.

Finally...

Our very best wishes to all, many thanks for your support over the year, and have a really great festive break !!!

If you have an article, story, observations or photo you'd like to share with fellow members please email to chair@lancastecanaltrust.org.uk

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