Lancaster Canal Trust Monthly Bulletin – May 2024

Short notice but Weds 24th and Thurs 25th March will be working days at Millness.

Much of Waterwitch's hull has been scraped and painted but there is a little more to do. Also, there is work on the interior on the list – this is handy as, if the weather is not conducive to exterior work then a cosy inside job is available.

Also at Millness there is the need to finish strimming the area and a general 'tidy up', cutting back over hanging bushes on the embankment and so on.

Removing the old, rotten gate stoop and replacing it, and refitting the gate is another important job.

Please meet at 9.30 each day on either or both days. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Please bring your own PPE and if you have them, secateurs and loppers.

Drone footage, F2an3

A link from Sky Cam man of footage from restoration which he took on Wednesday (17/4).

https://youtu.be/MyswPnHSbaM?si=_seht58mYpZnRqS6

Interpretation plaque at Change bridge Kendal



This is one of seven at various points from Kendal to Stanton Aqueduct. They were funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund as part of the Stainton Aqueduct restoration project. Each depicts a particular activity that took place on that site.

Photo courtesy of Kendal Ramblers who had made a financial contribution.

Walk at the Preston End

Exploring the old Lancaster Canal (part 2) and Walton summit

The walk is open to LCT members and non members.

Sunday May 12th 10 am start.

Length of walk 3.5 miles, 2.5 hours approx. Led by Nigel Hardacre.

The route is graded medium, and good walking shoes or boots are recommended. We go mainly on footpaths and pavements that cover the route of the old Lancaster Canal, plus other local history (wharves, site of the transhipment terminus, tram road incline) from the 19th and 20th centuries. Hidden Heritage in and around a 1970's new town of Clayton Brook.

Meet at Lord Nelson pub car park off Sandy Lane (PR6 7RD). 9.45am for a 10.00 a.m. start.

The walk finishes back at the Lord Nelson pub.

Please email nigel.hardacre@waterways.org.uk to book a place.

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