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Editorial

As the cover suggests, this issue of Pennine Link is to coincide with our main festival event — the Eighth Ashton Canals Festival (previously the Tameside Canals Festival).

As usual we hope many of you will be able to come along. For those never having been before, try to come along, we're sure you'll enjoy yourselves, there's always so much to see and do, whether you're a gongoozler or a real ale drinker, or simply enjoy looking round the many Sales stalls. This year's special attraction **must** be the chairman of the British Waterways Board, Sir Leslie Young who is to be our guest of honour on the Saturday.

The observant will have noticed a few changes in the list of council members, John Maynard taking over as Tunnel End Officer and John Morley taking his place as Boat Officer, Jack Carr who is the West Side Chairman and Dave Irving who takes over as Plant Manager. We hope they will enjoy their stay and wish them much success.

On 3rd July at Huddersfield Town Hall Sir Leslie Young will chair the second meeting of the Steering Committee of members of the five riparian councils to discuss the restoration of the Huddersfield Narrow Canal. This will be the second Steering Committee meeting and we shall be represented at this meeting at an appropriate venue — the formation of the Huddersfield Canal Society took place just a few yards from the Town Hall. We took the initiative in October last year bringing together all interested parties after an intense campaign over the last few years to involve officers and members of the Councils in the restoration proposals. Now British Waterways Board will co-ordinate the Councils interests and we should see further progress. We are a responsible pressure group who are also actively restoring the canal. Our role may in future have a different emphasis but we shall continue to keep a watching brief over the restoration until the first boat travels the full length of the Huddersfield Narrow.

In April with financial help from Greater Manchester Council and Inland Waterways Association we commissioned W.S. Atkins and Sons to produce a costed engineering feasibility study of the Stalybridge problem — the one seemingly intractable bar to through navigation. Elsewhere in this issue is a profile of Atkins. We shall publish the

results of their findings at the appropriate time.

This Study will cost the Society a considerable sum of money but we feel will provide the possible solutions to the way round that blockage which everyone now realises was a mistake.

We are also pumping considerable sums into the Tameside Canals Ltd project and will have to expend further sums in addition to the grants received for our restoration work at Diggle.

Estimates of cost are usually exceeded and the possible need to install hydraulic paddle gear on all new locks will stretch us further. However this latter development (see last issue) is seen to be a necessary improvement. Sir Leslie Young's comments about paddle gear published recently in *Waterways World* should allay fears of an impetuous rush into modernisation of our canal system. But the extra cost and the possibility that we shall contribute to a survey of Standedge Tunnel means that our fund-raising efforts from all quarters will need to be doubled. This year's canal festival at Ashton is July 12th-14th. We have raised £5,000 at past events. We need similar sums this year. Please come along if you can, buy raffle tickets and demonstrate to our guests that we have an enthusiastic, professional and viable Society through whose efforts we shall continue to progress full restoration.

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The last two months seemed to have slipped by very quickly; again. Unfortunately I was unable to attend the A.G.M. — I was cruising on the Llangollen — the first one I have missed since the start.

But to our boats: —

First of all Stan. We (or rather John Morley) tried to run her over Whitsun but this did not work out due to the shocking weather. The rest of the time she has been lying at Tunnel End. I thought we had solved the vandal problem with mooring her here now, the cottages are manned full time and is well frequented by the public, but we have had a break-in and some damage done. The culprits are known and we hope that it will not occur again. The damage revealed some deterioration to the cabin, which I had suspected for some time, and quite a bit of renovation work is required.

No.2. Was launched, at Tunnel End, on Saturday 25th: May. She is now being fitted out; again thanks to John Morley. This is the first time she has been afloat since we acquired her. I was surprised how little she draws and how stable she is even with four or five people standing up in here and no ballast. We are still looking for a cheap or free outboard for her — I nor J.M. have been killed in the rush since my appeal in the last issue of P.L.!

Benjamin Outram is now being run full-time by Harold Nield. (May I take this opportunity to disillusion anyone who thinks that this is a licence for Harold to print money at the societies expense. On the contrary if anyone would like to work a twelve hour day seven days a week for a pittance they are welcome to it!)

The season has started badly due to the poor weather. Let's hope this will improve and business picks up soon.

We have had trouble, as with Stan, with break-ins, in spite of Benji now being moored outside Harold's back door. The trouble is that our success in publicity is paying off in the wrong direction and attracting the local Yobs. This problem has been looked into and steps taken to combat it with the help of electronic surveillance (burglar alarms to you) and consultation with the Crime Prevention Officer from the local Police. For those that remember the troubles we had last year with over-heating; the cause of this has now been solved. It was found to be due to a very badly worn water pump. Resulting in the pump circulation no water when the engine was idling and hence the over-heating. This has now been replaced and all should be well.

After a year of running, Benji is beginning to look a bit shabby and is in need of a coat of paint. We are hoping to arrange a working party for this, the difficulty is that members are only available at weekends and this is when most of the trade is. If anyone could give a hand please contact me or Harold.

As from June I am resigning as Boat Officer and my place is being taken by John Morley, who has done such sterling work on the restoration of No.2. As a Marine Engineer John is far better qualified to carry out this job than I ever was. If anyone is interested I am not abandoning the society and will still be around giving a hand where I can, my increasing years permitting!

JOHN MAYNARD

Press Date

Articles for inclusion in the Sept/October issue of Pennine Link must be received **no later than 1st August please.**

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Tunnel End Festival

September 14th/15th

HCS, in conjunction with West Yorkshire County Council, are organising a two-day festival to celebrate the completion of the work on that stretch of canal. We are intending to provide an event that will appeal to everyone and show what a change can be made by restoring a canal.

If you want more information or would like to be involved please contact me.

DAVE WAKEFIELD

Press Cuttings

If you see anything mentioning the Huddersfield Canal or the Society in newspapers, magazines, etc., please could you cut out and send to Neil Frazer, 84 Broomfield Road, Marsh, Huddersfield.

HCS WINE AND DINE

EGON RONAY ----- was out
ESCOFFIERE ----- is dead
ANTON MOSIMANN --- is not available
so

VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO RUN WINE & DINE EVENINGS for HCS members and their guests to be held occasionally at Tunnel End Cottages.

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 - ★ Anyone with an estate car/van or who can lend us crockery/cutlery/glasses/trestle tables for the night especially needed.
- Ring: Felicity Tipple on Glossop 62705 P.S. Appetite whetted?
Watch out for details of our first night of good food at impossibly low prices.....in the next issue of Pennine Link!

You will have read in the last issue of Pennine Link about an engineering feasibility study being produced for the Stalybridge section of the Canal.

With financial assistance from Greater Manchester Council and the Inland Waterways Association, the Society has commissioned W.S. Atkins (Wales) to produce a costed engineering study of the various alternative routes through Stalybridge to link up the section now being restored to Bayley Street with the Canal to the northeast of the town.

The following article, written by Mr Jim Saunders, explains who W.S. Atkins are and why they are suited to carrying out this project for our Society.

DAVID SUMNER
Chairman

Your Chairman, David Sumner, requested me to provide an article for inclusion in this issue.

He suggested I should tell you something of the background of our Company and, in particular, our interest in the canal world.

Firstly then, the Company:

The W.S. Atkins Group provides professional services to industry, commerce, government departments and agencies, municipal authorities and other organisations throughout the world, and is recognised as one of the largest integrated consultancies in Europe.

The base for the group's development was the consulting engineering practice of W.S. Atkins & Partners, established in 1938. Today, the organisation continues to be concerned in the main with the traditional aspects of engineering consultancy, that is, in the civil, structural, mechanical, electrical and environmental disciplines — but the scope of its experience and capabilities now ex-

tends far beyond. Specialist services have been developed on a broad complementary basis to include regional and transportation planning, industrial and economic planning, research and development, management consultancy, non-destructive testing and inspection, and a computer bureau.

The group in this country has several regional offices and we, as W.S. Atkins (Wales) are one of them.

You may ask why is a Wales Office carrying out work in England to the Huddersfield Canal.

The present sequence of canal work started in 1981 when British Waterways Board asked us to submit an offer to carry out a cost benefit study of the Montgomery Canal. Subsequently, in competition we were selected from a shortlist of consultants and carried out the work.

Following this success we in Wales have carried out investigative work and studies for several other canals including further work to the Montgomery. We have, in the course of doing this work, developed a current background of knowledge and expertise in our Wales Office about canals and their restoration.

It has been a natural progression for our company to make as much use of this background as possible. As far as our team in Wales is concerned we enjoy canal restoration work, in addition to our obvious commercial interest, and this does give us something extra, when carrying out any work connected with canals.

W.S. Atkins & Partners (Wales) is a separate division of the W.S. Atkins Group and comprises three permanent offices in Cardiff, Swansea and Colwyn Bay having a permanent technical staff of about 100.

The permanent staff in all offices in the region are able to function either as separate disciplines, or can provide a multi discipline service dependent upon the client's requirements.

In addition to the wide range of engineering services locally based, these can be supplemented when required by the considerable resources, in all fields of engineering and associated technologies, available in our Head Office at Epsom where the total is in excess of 1,500 in number. The Practice's broad-based experience in all aspects of engineering design and construction will enable us to deal professionally with any engineering matters which may arise.

Equally civil, structural, transportation and building services matters will be dealt with by experienced, professionally qualified staff well-versed in the demands of a project such as this. Also site staff to supervise and control the construction of the project would be provided.

JIM SAUNDERS
Executive Director

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Huddersfield Canal Festival 1985

ASPLEY BASIN 4th & 5th MAY

Aspley was again the site for the Huddersfield Festival this year. A great deal of organisational effort was put in by a large number of people to ensure that the event took place. However, we didn't get the weather on the committee and as a result it was cold and wet. The number of people attending were down by about 40% on last year.

The presence of a large number of boats of all types made the site seem alive even before the public were admitted to the site. It was the support of the South Pennine Boat Club (formerly Brighouse Boat Club) that made this possible.

At the official opening County Councillor Garth Pratt and Barry Sheerman MP made two of the most positive statements in favour of restoration of the Huddersfield Canal that I have heard at such an event.

But, the high point of the weekend must be the Quiz on Sunday night. Last year Leeds IWA won the prize of a brass windlass, you will be pleased to know that this year HCS won it back and now resides in my living-room. The star of the show was Bob Dewey with his excellent knowledge of canals. He was assisted on the general knowledge by Cath Barrett and myself. I then had to present myself with the prize to screams of "fixed" from the crowd.

As you may remember the Monday and Tuesday when we were clearing up were hot sunny days. Why not join in and help organise next year's event, hopefully on the Poly side of Wakefield Road.

DAVE WAKEFIELD

HCS CANAL CRUISES AT UPPERMILL

From May 1st-8th September, Tuesday to Sunday plus Bank Holiday
Mondays

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Teddy Bears Picnic or Boston Tea Party.

CONTACT:

Harold Neild, 3 Grosvenor Square, Uppermill, Oldham OL3 6DG
on
Saddleworth 3085

Restoration Report

There has apparently been some misunderstanding of an earlier report of our activities on the Diggle flight. When we started work there, the by-wash weirs of locks 32W and 31W, on which we have permission to work, had disappeared due to landscaping and it was important to have an idea of what we were dealing with. Knowing that the whole of the flight were built at about the same time and later than the rest of the canal, we inspected the other locks for guidance. We have certainly not approached anyone for permission to work on the rest of the flight, though I don't say that we won't be asking next year.....

We have recently had two visiting groups: "London WRG — with WRG Northwest" and "WRG Northwest — with — London WRG" (confusing isn't it!) As a result of their valiant efforts, we have almost completed repairs to the by-wash at 32W and have made a start on the easier parts of the lock walls, working from the cascade. The by-wash weir did, in fact, prove to be of the same general pattern as the others on the flight, though the underground portion was considerably longer than expected.

(On these locks water enters a bay off the upper level, falling down a vertical shaft in the centre. Running from this shaft is a tunnel, in this case nearly thirty yards long, which then emerges in an open channel at a low level. Some confusion was caused by what appeared to be a collapse of the tunnel, but this proved to be a filled-in intermediate shaft. From this point to the outlet the tunnel has been renewed as a concrete pipe.

Our plans for the future are to finish the by-wash, for which we await guidance from BWB on desired water levels etc. We will continue the lock walls, where it appears easier to replace all but the bottom gate area by working from the cascade. When this by-wash is complete (hopefully in June), we will start on the one at 31W. Working parties will continue to be held on the first and third weekends in each month, counting the first weekend in September as the 7/8th, which will leave Tunnel End Festival clear. Information can be obtained by ringing me on Huddersfield 34666.

TREVOR ELLIS

Make a note in your diary for Friday, 6th September, when H.C.S. will be running an evening cruise on the Princess Mary, the traditional river boat now operating from John Galvin's boatyard at Mirfield. Casting-off time for a two and a half hour trip on a most picturesque and interesting part of the Calder and Hebble Navigation will be 7.30 p.m.

The Princess has a well-stocked bar and the cruise is £3 a head, which includes supper. Only forty passengers can be carried, so you're advised to

Princess Mary Trip

book early for a convivial get-together with other H.C.S. members and friends.

Names, addresses and money to Alec Ramsden, 16 Edgemoor Road, Honley, Huddersfield HD7 2HP. Cheques should be made payable to H.C.S. The boatyard is easy to find (famous last words). In the centre of Mirfield turn right down Station Road and follow sign for Navigation Inn, which adjoins the boatyard (and is recommended for a thirst-quencher if you arrive early).

The west side events calendar opened on Good Friday with the Diggle Barrel Roll.

Barrels have been arranged by Bill Brooks, the team arrived at the "Diggle" in what felt like a force ten gale, which assisted with the assembly of the HCS Sales stall. The wind blew so hard we almost lost Bob Maycock over the wall with the sheet, but with the help of a few sea shanties and plenty of string, the sail was eventually converted to its intended "Sale-ing" function.

At one thirty sharp, six teams, fortified with the excellent swerving oil administered by the Diggle Hotel, were unleashed to a Le-Mans start to set a gruelling pace to what proved to be the fastest Barrel Roll on record. The winners John Kirkham and David Tonge of Castleshaw, Delph, taking away the major prizes of a jug of ale and two super trophies. Second were Gordon Anderson and Ian Gregory of Diggle, with Jeanie and Helen Waits from Yeadon carrying off the Ladies prize.

Thanks to all the sporting people who made the Barrel Roll such an entertaining event.

The afternoon was completed by the famous Saddleworth Morris Dancers, who entertained the considerable number of spectators with an excellent display of Morris Dancing spoiled only by the calling of "Time" at the Diggle.

On Sunday 21st April, Jean Buckley's team were almost beaten by an even stronger wind than at Diggle, in their efforts to assemble the HCS Sales stall in preparation for the Sponsored Walk, centred on Stalybridge. The walk was formally opened by The Mayor of Tameside, Councillor J. G. Brierley, who offered encouragement to the efforts to restore the Huddersfield Canal.

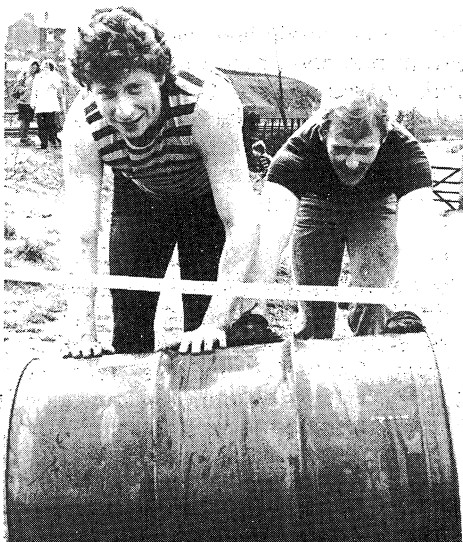


Photo: courtesy of Oldham Advertiser (Gail Harris) showing the winners of the Barrel Roll, John Kirkham and David Tonge.

The day was cold and a little damp but provided good conditions for walking, judging by the ruddy faces of the walkers as they reported at the checkpoints.

All the walkers questioned enjoyed their day, most displayed a healthy list of sponsors on their forms, a good indication of the success of the walk as a fund-raising event. Fourteen forms have been returned at the day of writing, giving a return of £178, so please send your forms and money to Laurence Sullivan so he can complete the account.

Thank you all for your support, we hope all the walkers enjoyed the day. We are happy to report the walk next year will have to be on a different section of the canal, due to the work that will be in progress on the Ashton to Stalybridge section.

Finally may I thank all the volunteers who braved the cold to man the check points and perform all the organisational tasks that made the day run so smoothly.

JACK CARR

The Huddersfield Narrow Canal Users Group has been meeting since restoration work began at Uppermill. It was convened at the instigation of the Oldham Sports Council to bring together the potential conflicting interests of users of the canal.

The members are: Oldham and District Anglers, Saddleworth and District Anglers, Slaithwaite Anglers and the Huddersfield Canal Society. We have met three or four times per year to discuss how restoration and its effects will help or hinder the present and future users of the canal. We applied for a grant from the Oldham Sports Council for dredging at Stonebottom Wharf to improve angling facilities and make a deeper winding hole for the eventual push through from Brownhill. This application was refused, but during landscaping of the Visitor Centre car park some limited dredging was carried out and this stretch is currently being used for Fly Fishing by Oldham and District Anglers.

The Users Group meets at the Railway, Greenfield. The next meeting is in September. For more details contact Eve Prugar, telephone Glossop 62213 or David Sumner, New Mills 45485.

Toepath '85

This year will be held on **Sunday 6th October** same route i.e. Slaithwaite-Marsden-Slaithwaite-Longroyd Bridge and back. Planning is now starting again and we promise refreshments this year! Please note the date in your diary and contact Alison Fisher, Tel 842963 (H/Field) or 061-620 4421 for any details or offers of help.

ALISON FISHER

The following is a copy of the Match Lists for the Huddersfield Narrow Canal this summer.

Oldham & District Amalgamated Anglers Match List 1985

Huddersfield Narrow Canal between Lock 24 & Bridge 85 Greenfield (west).

Association Matches

20th July—C. Stead Memorial Trophy match.

10th August—Junior Angling Open match.

17th August—Waterhead A.C. Open match.

28th September—President match.

Open Matches

14th July—Crosby & District A.C.—35 pegs

4th August—Tottington A.C.—25 pegs

10th August—Junior Angling Open T. Carroll.

16th August—Diggle & Greater Manchester A.C.—40 pegs.

18th August—" " " 16 pegs

24th August—Manchester & District Junior League—70 pegs.

26th August—Mencap Charity Match on full controlled length of canal.

(Organiser: G. Hyde: Saddleworth 6433)

30th Sept.—Diggle and Greater Manchester A.C.—30 pegs.

HCS Survey Results

The results of Alex Crippa's questionnaire which was in the Sept/October 1984 issue will appear next time.

The Joint Steering Committee

The Joint Steering Committee of Councillors from all 5 District & County Councils along the route of the canal, formed following the meeting at "The Coach & Horses", Marsden, organised by the Society last year, has met again.

We understand that among the topics discussed were the constitution of the Committee, the possibility of forming a Trust responsible for restoration of the canal, and the proposed survey of Stand-edge Tunnel. County Councillor Peter Scott, Chairman of G.M.C.'s Planning Committee chaired the meeting. The next meeting of the Committee is to be on 3rd July at Huddersfield Town Hall. Sir Leslie Young, Chairman of the British Waterways Board, is to attend.

Marsden/Slaithwaite Community Programme Project

The second year of the joint Kirklees/West Yorkshire scheme here started on 8th May, and is now authorised to employ up to 79 people. Overall progress on the scheme continues to be satisfactory, and it is anticipated that Sparth will be reached by mid-summer.

At this time of year progress on site can be expected to be rapid, so this will be out of date by the time you read it. At the time of writing 8 locks have been dug out and 9 pounds dredged. Tailgates have been fitted at locks 42 & 39E, and headgates at locks 42, 41, 40, 39 and 36E. Landscaping around locks 39 & 42E has been undertaken. Towpath works are in progress between locks 42 & 40E. The Yorkshire Water Authority are to undertake works to re-route the

sewer crossing the canal at a low level below lock 32E. The walls of locks 40 & 41 are being rebuilt, and work has begun beyond Marsden at locks 29 & 30 above West Slaithwaite Road bridge.

Tameside Canals Community Programme Project

In the last issue of "Pennine Link" it was reported that your Society was setting up a subsidiary company, Tameside Canals Ltd., to be responsible for the M.S.C. scheme previously carried out by the Tameside Canals Development Association. The Memorandum and Articles of Association of the company have now been prepared by John Fryer. The second year of the scheme, to employ up to 100 people has now been approved by the Manpower Services Commission and it will continue under Unit Manager Stephen Whitby with completion of environmental improvements to the Peak Forest Canal between Dukinfield & Gee Cross, towpath works and environmental improvements on the Huddersfield Narrow between Ashton & Stalybridge, and restoration works on Locks 1, 2, & 3W.

There may be some delay in starting work proper on the locks, but the rest of the scheme has commenced. We are looking into methods of working on the locks and have begun exploration to ascertain what happened to the tail of lock 2W (and its by-wash) when the bridge to the Senior Service cigarette factory was widened. We are being helped in this by Tameside Council Engineers. A new Bedford Astra diesel van has been purchased and we are looking for a suitable second-hand small tipper lorry and a J.C.B.

KEITH GIBSON

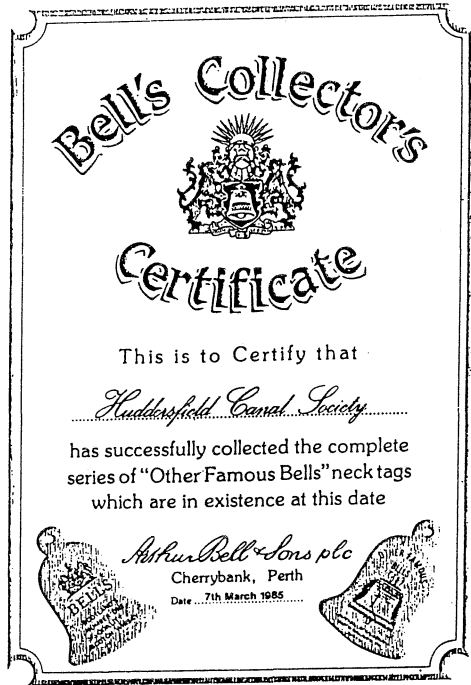
Photographic Competition

East side chairman Dave Irving had almost a clean sweep in the slide competition at the Pack Horse Hotel, Slaithwaite, with the top two places and a mention in the "highly commended" section.

Ironically, however, none of the winning shots were of the Narrow Canal, although judge Kath Goodwin did confess that her thinking had been coloured by the fact that the winning entry would also have to be suitable as the front cover picture of "Pennine Link".

Chairman Dave's winning effort — "a good subject and nicely composed" was the judge's view — was a close-up of a pair of boats breasted up at Braunston. And his runner-up spot photograph was entirely different. It was a long-distance view of a swan on the Trent and Mersey.

Highly commended was his more conventional view of the Pontcysyllte aqueduct and also mentioned in this category were shots by two H.C.S. stalwarts, Geoff Brown and Neil Frazer. Geoff chose a view of working boats at Alexandra Docks at Goole, while Neil selected a composition round the little known Hebble Beck.



Please stop those Bells

We've been overwhelmed! It's not very often when we put pleas for help in Pennine Link we get much of a response, but certainly the same can't be said this time.

There are those of you, who, I know for the Society's sake have been knocking back the Bell's whisky **just** so you could send us the neck tags off the bottles.

We've now got the Collectors' certificate (reproduced here) together with an assortment of other items so would now like to say a big thank you to all who helped.

After having read Sue's glowing tribute in the last issue of Pennine Link, it struck me that the Sales stand hadn't really been anywhere this year, apart from the Huddersfield Festival. This was soon to be remedied as everything was packed into the back of a hired Escort and trundled over to Ellesmere Port for the International Waterways Festival held over the Bank Holiday Weekend. Until it came to packing the car I hadn't realised that Ford made cars with elastic sides! Consider the problem; the HCS tent and all the poles, the Sales stand and large cover, the stock and all my own personal tat to see me through the weekend.

With that little problem solved, I set off on the Friday morning for the Festival. Everything was going fine until I was approaching Birch services on the M62 and the heavens opened, and I mean opened! All the traffic on the motorway was suddenly reduced to a walking pace and my wipers decided that they had had enough and promptly tied themselves in a knot! A few minutes spent at the AA cabin at Birch services saw me happily on my way again leaving behind a very wet and disgruntled AA man!

On arriving at Ellesmere Port I bumped into the other half of the "Dynamic Duo" Steve Pitt, who immediately came up with the excellent suggestion of parking the car and liberating a cup of tea from someones boat. By this time the weather had turned nasty again. It is very annoying to find that the wind is so strong it is actually blowing the tea out of the mug before it even reaches your mouth! The wind was in fact so strong that it tore down one of the large trade show marquees and left it hung out to dry on the Eastham spare gate set.

During the afternoon we braved the elements long enough to put up the

accommodation tent and the frame of the Sales stand, but for obvious reasons we did not put the cover on. We then spent the rest of the afternoon watching people trying not to scratch the shiny blue paintwork on "Waterways World's" new boat "Kottingham". Congratulations to the steerer of the one boat which did miss it!

The weekend itself proved reasonably uneventful apart from one occasion on Saturday morning when the Sales stand decided it wanted to relocate itself but was stopped with the aid of numerous bodies and sundry bits of strategically placed wood and concrete.

I would like to thank Steve Pitt, Wendy & Dennis Latham, and Eve Prugar along with Malcolm & Gaynor Asquith for their help on the stand, and also Day-Star Theatre Company for allowing me to stay on one of their boats on Monday night, even if they did throw me off at five o'clock the following morning for an early start!

DAVE IRVING

EAST SIDE CHAIRMAN RETIREES

After 15 months as East Side Chairman, I feel that it is about time I let someone else have a share of the "Glory". I have certainly enjoyed my stay in office, but I feel that most of the credit for the smooth running of East Side Meeting and Events must go to Anne Crossland, without whose support I could not have coped (I'll wear it all the time). I would like to send my best wishes to whoever takes over from me and hope that HCS East Side goes from strength to strength.

DAVE IRVING

I'll be there.

The Chairman of BWB, Sir Leslie Young, will be there.

The Mayor of Tameside and the Mayor of Oldham will be there.

The Rt. Hon. Robert Sheldon, MP, and Mr Geoffrey Dickens, MP, will be there.

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The Event: The Eighth Ashton Canals Festival. See you there.

BRIAN MINOR
Festival Chairman



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July 12th-14th 1985

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Friday evening, 12th July
Bernard Wrigley supported by The Black 'Eds.

SATURDAY

Saturday, 13th July
Burnage Brass Band 12.30
Mystery Hyny 1.30
Biscuit Tin Band 2.00
Saddleworth Morris Men 2.30
OFFICIAL OPENING 3.00
Burnage Brass Band 3.15
Sokhil Ukranian Dancers 4.00
Mystery Hyny 4.30

Saturday evening
Dave Donohue's Jazz Band 8.00

SUNDAY

Sunday, 14th July
Service of Worship
Burnage Brass Band 12.15
Dan Dan Punch and Judy 1.00
Mystery Hyny 1.30
Saddleworth Morris Men 2.00
Burnage Brass Band 2.45
Dan Dan Punch and Judy 3.30
Mystery Hyny 4.00

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	July	
River Wey	Sun. 7	Guildford Water Festival 3.30**
River Severn	Mon. 8	Coal House Inn, Apperley, Nr Tewkesbury 8.00**
Gloucester & Sharpness	Tues. 9	Berkeley Hunt, Purton, Nr Berkeley 8.00**
Worcester & Birmingham	Wed. 10	Pilot Inn, Sellars Bridge, Hardwicke 8.00*
	Thu. 11	The Commandery, Sidbury, Worcester 8.00* For details Tel: Worcester 355071
	Fri. 12	October House, next to Old Forge, Tibberton, Nr Droitwich 8.00** Bar
	Sat. 13	Boat and Railway, Stoke Works, Nr Bromsgrove 8.00*
	Sun. 14	The Hop Pole, Birmingham Road, Bromsgrove 8.00**
	Tue. 16	Queens Tavern, 23 Essex St, Birmingham 8.00*
Coventry	Wed. 17	Three Tuns, Watling St, Fazeley, Nr Tamworth 8.00**
		<i>This performace is sponsored by the Birmingham branch of the Inland Waterways Association.</i>
	Thu. 18	Boot Inn, Coton, Nuneaton 8.00*
Ashby North Oxford	Fri. 19	Lime Kilns Inn, Watling St, Hinckley 8.00*
	Sun. 21	Rose Cruising Club, Stretton Stop, Stretton-under-Fosse, Fosseway, Nr Brinklow 8.00** <i>Bar & refreshments.</i>
	Mon. 22	<i>The Boat, Main St, Newbold-on-Avon 8.00*</i>
	Tue. 23	Old Royal Oak, Crick Rd, Hillmorton, Rugby 8.00**
Grand Union	Wed. 24	Admiral Nelson, Little Braunston, Nr Rugby 8.00**
South Oxford	Thu. 25	Napton Bridge Inn, Daventry Rd, Napton 8.00**
	Fri. 26	George & Dragon, Fenny Compton 8.00*
	Sun. 28	Mill Arts Centre, Spiceball Park, Banbury 12.30**
	Mon. 29	Great Western Arms, Aynho 8.00**
	Tue. 30	Village Hall, Somerton 8.00** Bar & refreshments.
	Wed. 31	Rock of Gibraltar, Bletchington 8.00**
	August	
	Thu. 1	Boat Inn, Thrupp, Nr Oxford 7.30**
	Fri. 2	Boat Inn, Thrupp, Nr Oxford 7.30*
	Sat. 3	Wolvercote Green/The Plough, Wolvercote Green, Wolvercote, Oxford 7.30*
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	Wed. 14	St. Pancras Cruising Club, Camley St, NW1, 8.00*
	Thu. 15	Canal Cafe Theatre, The Bridge House, Delamere Terrace, Little Venice, W2, 8.00*
	Fri. 16	Black Horse, 425 Oldfield Lane, Greenford 7.30**
	Sun. 18	Fisheries Inn, Coppermill Lane, Harefield 7.30*
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	Sun. 1	Narrow Boat, Stowe Hill, Weedon 8.00*
	Mon. 2	New Inn, Buckby Wharf, Long Buckby 8.00** <i>This performance is sponsored by the Northampton branch of the Inland Waterways Association.</i>
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	Fri. 13	Bridge 61 Bar, Bottom Lock, Foxton 7.30**

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The Diary of a Reluctant Mariner

The story so far — Anne & Ken, with Sarah (10) and her friend Marie (Simon having gone back home to swot for 'O' levels) and, of course, William the dachshund (see letters to the Editor), are halfway through their second canal holiday. They are on the "Shroppie" at Beeston in Cheshire, heading towards Chester. It is April 1981.

"Sunny Monday in Chester!"

Day 4. Monday. "Shady Oak" at Whar-ton. Destination "Shady Oak" at Whar-ton (via Chester). Sounds boring but, as I have said before, canals are totally different travelled in the opposite direc-tion. 10 locks.

Woke up to lovely blue skies and **SUN** — what a change! Had breakfast and set off 8.05. Good views of Beeston Castle dominating from its hill top, such lovely countryside. Started to take photo-graphs — first time its been fit (and there was no risk of the shutter freezing up). Huge farms, all very well kept, and Tudor-style villages that look too well preserved to be real but probably are.

Caught up with last night's friends, a boatload from Norfolk (coals to New-castle?) and locked with them all the way to Chester — made life a bit easier, our two 10 year olds just haven't the weight for the paddles.

Walked into Chester from a mooring under the walls at the top of a compli-cated flight down onto the River Dee navigation — it was like looking down a cliff face, and v. glad we are turning back. HE would like to go on to the Boat Museum at Ellesmere Port but we are a bit scared of running out of time with our junior crew. Did a bit of necessary shopping and looked round The Rows (first time I'd seen them since they were pedestrianised) and the walls. Fish and

chip lunch — really warm in the town, out of the wind — and lots of people, too, unlike the villages.

Off back again — sun still v. warm but wind cold and biting when in the shade — thank Heaven its cleared up and dry, though. Passed beautiful houses on canal side, real Millionaires Row. Did a spot of driving — getting the feel of it now — and don't go aground half so often! Heavy work locking on the way back although the girls did as much as possible.

Ken is getting quite cross about this boat. I mentioned earlier there was no stern rail and no seat. He is getting neck pains from standing in one position. The only possible relief is to sit astride the tiller, manipulating it between his legs. Looks positively disgusting!

I took his mind off it by going over his "part" with him. He is playing the very lengthy lead part in "Last of the Red Hot Lovers" in May and a daily learning session is just part of the drill. Dinner, chicken and salad, Bakewell tart. After-wards watched a bit of telly then to the "Shady Oak". No boat people in so early bed.

Day 5. Tuesday.

Destination Middlewich. 16 locks. Left at 7.50am in rain, well, heavy drizzle —not too bad by this trip's standards! Locking straight away — back beginning to feel rather tired. Took the torn "yellows" back and money returned without question, most apologetic, felt a lot better! Sarah and Marie now much more help esp. Sarah on ropes.

Didn't stop for lunch, had chicken and ham 'n' onion sandwiches. Reached Barbridge Junction (Middlewich Branch) in fine time so decided to go some of the way up the Llangollen. Did the Hurlston

Flight (four locks), met a crazy couple from Cornwall sailing a 6-berth on their own — and not v. well! Boat called Henry Palmerston seems to have a mind of its own! Front and back are quite independent of each other — at least in that crew's hands — they are having a ball though, falling about laughing most of the time.

Nearly had to go to Llangollen — all the "winding holes" had healed themselves up since Nicholson recorded them. Found one at last, hidden in some reeds — just got the stern past the "dragon's teeth" (sheet piles) at great risk to paintwork (and shins!) Set off back and ran into Henry Palmerston again (literally!) as they were trying to turn into the Middlewich Branch at Barbridge. We knew it was them, stuck broadside across the cut, from the laughter! Helped them off — feeling quite experienced — and went on our way. Weather foul so just kept going. Avoided buying woolly hats at Cholmondeston lock by buying a home-made apple pie instead. Very enterprising — lovely fella, the lock-keeper, we were to get to know him well over the next couple of years!

Moored at Stanthorpe lock, outside Middlewich; dinner macaroni and apple pie. Who should come and bump into us, two hours later, but Henry Palmerston himself (still issuing forth with gales of laughter!) We admired the boat and were welcomed aboard, where we went, armed with plenty of home brew. We tottered back, several hours later, having had a really hilarious evening with Keith and Linda from Cornwall. They were on their way round to the Cheshire Ring to pick up two friends for a second week and were on their own for a first week — to practise!

One thing came out of the evening — we are **definitely** going to try for a Premier boat next year — they are **so** well designed and equipped and **very** reasonably priced.

Sarah v. upset. Has lost a gold chain with an 'S' on it **and** the gold Australian charm godmother Peg gave her. (If anybody out there has found them please return via the Editor — end of commercial!)

Day 6, Wednesday

Destination Lymm. 7 locks, 3 tunnels. Weather mixed but generally better. Got off to a later start than hoped (8.05!) as we have a long day ahead. Did two locks, squeezed past Willow Wren moorings, then phoned Mum and Bryn to see if all OK. It is. Through the three above Middlewich Big lock and arrived in time to see a cruiser going down on its own. What a waste of time — and water. Stopped at the bottom on Anderson's mooring and went for papers etc. Nice run through lovely country — Sarah driving and v. well too (don't tell the owners!).

Stopped at Anderton to find Ken's sister Annie but not in at her bungalow overlooking Anderton Lift (some people have all the luck). Annie lives next door to an old lady with arms like Popeye who spent all her working life on the boats. Occasionally she talks but clams up tight as soon as she thinks she is being "questioned". What a pity.

Had lunch and then went on to Acton Bridge where we stopped at Premier boats, looked around a bit and talked to the v. friendly staff — then booked Henry Palmerston for next year, hoping that it is still afloat after Keith and Linda have bumped their way round the Cheshire Ring! Very impressed by Premier.

On through the tunnels, marvellous masons' marks on one portal look like Red Indian hieroglyphics. Drizzly now (esp. in the tunnels!) — at one time saw the sun and a patch of blue sky — "enough to mend a sailor's trousers" — last stretch seemed very long — its the inactivity! Lymm 6.05. Mince, carrots

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and baked beans followed by fruit loaf. Went to the Golden Fleece at Lymm to meet friends B & G but B rang pub to say G not so good and couldn't make it — had one drink and back to the boat — bed early.

Day 7. Thursday.

Destination Worsley. No locks. No tunnels. Boring! Leisurely start at 10am after doing some shopping and a leisurely stroll round Lymm. Nice day so far. Nearly sent a telegram to Simon but too expensive. Soon drove into rain. HE really is cheesed off out there — can't even learn his part 'cos the tape recorder would get wet. Almost glad to be going home tomorrow although, on the whole, we have had a good time with some super moments. Arrived Worsley 2pm, deserted, pump-out essential — put some things in the car. If there had been anybody in the office, for two mooring pins would have set off there and then!

Decided to pass the afternoon heading the other way but the yellow water and the rain and dreary, uninteresting canal-side soon turned us round again. V. miserable day. Cleaned the boat, battened the hatches, got a good fug up and all took to books, including play scripts!

Walked round Worsley after tea but no good — absolutely sheeting down.

Sausage and salad dinner with walnut butter cake. Went to the Duke of Bridgewater — poor old chap must be disco dancing on his grave! — back by 10.00 and bed.

Day 8, Friday.

Home James! Up early — would you credit it? a beautiful day. Left at 9.00am by having everything in the car and boat spotless by the time staff arrived. Glad to get home and dry out!

Post Mortem

Weather took the edge off, not helped by a cramped, less than perfect, boat. HE subsequently wrote to the hirers, as everybody is invited to do, and was informed that the boat was being taken out of service before next season. At least we know what next year's boat is like — and can't wait.

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Being der methodical type I vont to suggest der new rule to der organisers.

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On dis basis I vould have von der doggy prize by having a Prize Number of 0.46 (metric) or 11.5 (footric) against der Shandy's 0.267 (6.67).

Also, Shandy was a Golcar doggy vot knew der ground. I notice he did not turn out on der Vest side walk. Just brave me and der little Jackie Russell mit der mere handful of grown-ups. Vot ein disappointment. If I had sponsored been, I could have von!

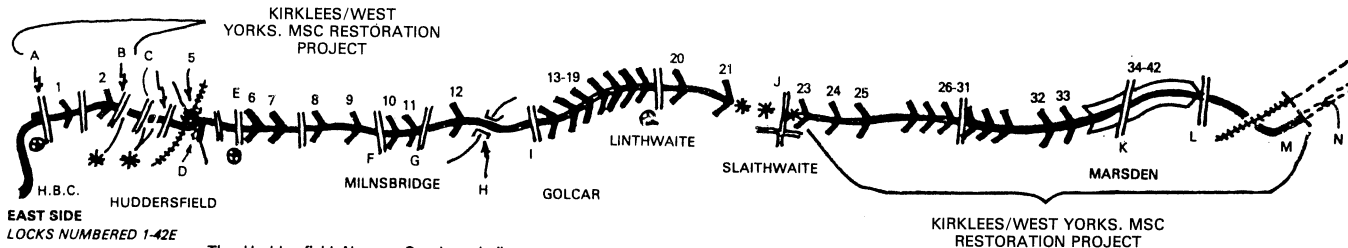
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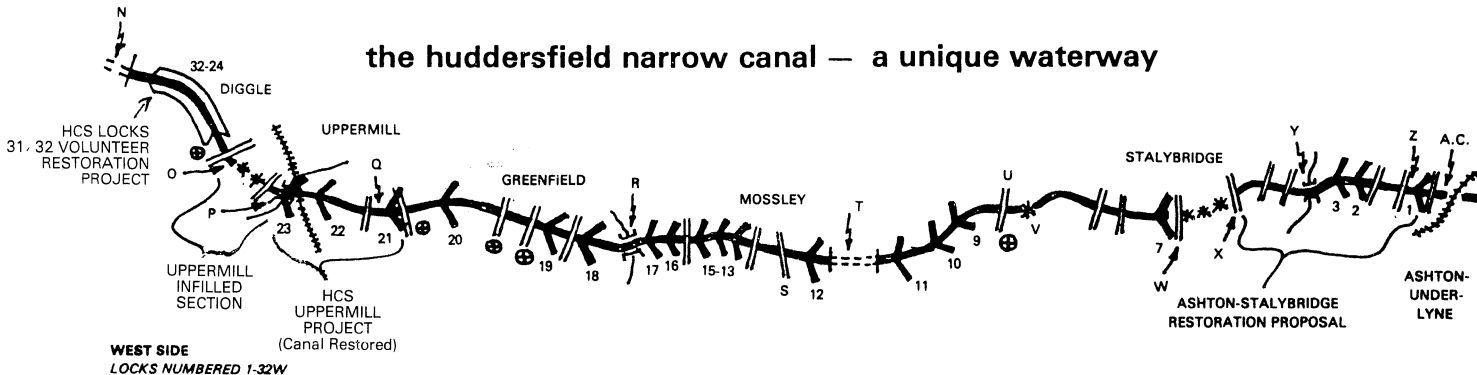
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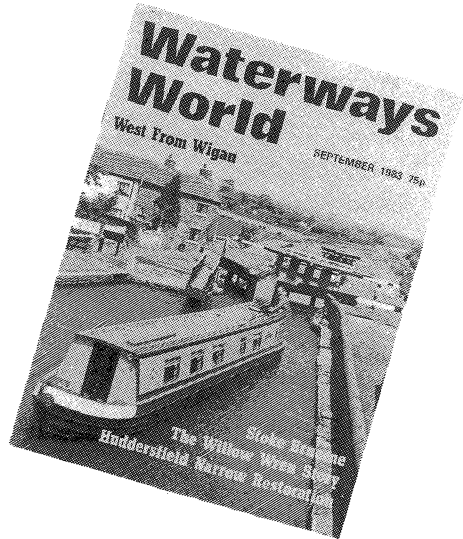
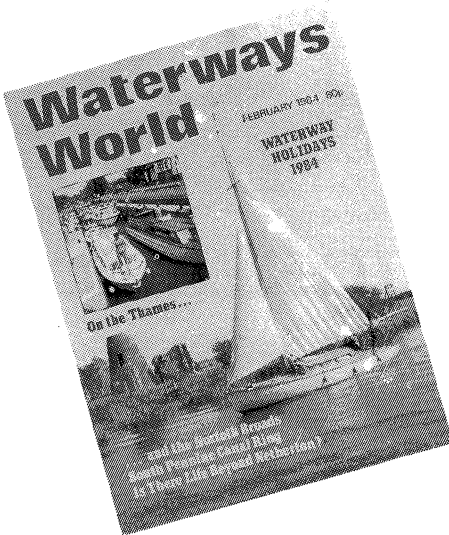
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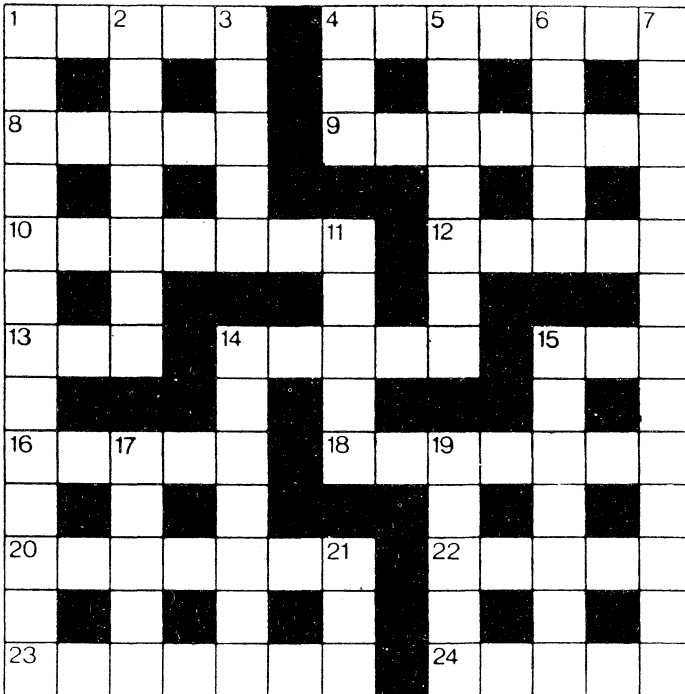


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For details of Activities etc

Tel: Huddersfield 846062

Programme of Events

July

Exhibition, Corn Dollies.

14th Discovery Walks.

18th 7.30pm talk, Duncan McIlroy, Tame Valley Countryside Warden Scheme.

20th Clean-up Campaign.

21st Adventure Day.

August

Exhibition, photos of Old Marsden.

15th 7.30pm talk, Bob Dewey, HCS.

18th Discovery Walks.

September

Exhibition, Ceramics by Ted Underhill.

8th Discovery Walks.

14/15th Tunnel End Canal Festival and Craft Day.

19th 7.30pm talk, Geoff Frost, Ranger Service in Peak Park.

22nd Adventure Day.

Solution to Crossword No.24

ACROSS: 1—Scrawls; 5—Barge; 8—Expel; 9—Resists; 10—Festivals; 12—Our; 13—Sponge; 14—Copied; 17—S.O.S.; 18—Rectangle; 20—Abridge; 21—Grape; 23—Nudes; 24—Suspect.

DOWN: 1—Sheaf; 2—Rip; 3—Walking; 4—Spread; 5—Basis; 6—Restoring; 7—Ensured; 11—Sponsored; 13—Sustain; 15—Oranges; 16—Access; 18—Rides; 19—Elect; 22—Ape.

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:

- 1354 Mr and Mrs A. Hellewell, [REDACTED]
1355 Richard E. Bussey, [REDACTED]
1356 Mark Mullany, [REDACTED]
1357 I. G. Whitehall, [REDACTED]
1358 Simon Corner, [REDACTED]
1359 Mr and Mrs H. Tennant, [REDACTED]
1360 C. T. Hayman, [REDACTED]
1361 Mr and Mrs Kenneth Whitehead, [REDACTED]
1362 Christopher Slater and Family, [REDACTED]
1363 Kevin J. Moutell, [REDACTED]
1364 John R. Sykes, [REDACTED]
1365 Mr and Mrs P. J. Wood, [REDACTED]
1366 Michael Kilner, [REDACTED]
1367 Charles and Anna Hampson, [REDACTED]
1368 Mr and Mrs S. Kershaw, [REDACTED]
1369 Mrs Lesley Whitaker, [REDACTED]
1370 John D. Kent, [REDACTED]
1371 Robert K. Turner, [REDACTED]
1372 Shane Andrew Wilkinson, [REDACTED]
1373 Margaret Fletcher, [REDACTED]
1374 Slaithwaite & District Angling Club, [REDACTED]
1375 Duncan I. Horncastle, [REDACTED]

VAL DEWEY, Membership Secretary

- 4th July 8.00pm Social Meeting at the Royal Oak, Linthwaite, Huddersfield.
10th July 8.00pm Social Meeting at the Tollemache Arms, Manchester Road, Mossley.
12/13/14th July Ashton Canals Festival, Portland Basin, Ashton-under-Lyne. Details from Brian Minor, 061-789 4867.
27th July 9.30am Coffee Morning at Huddersfield Town Hall. Volunteers needed for cake stall and Bring & Buy stalls. Contact please Anne Crosland on Hudds 659748.
- 1st Aug. 8.00pm Social Meeting at the Albion Hotel, Longroyd Bridge, Huddersfield.
14th Aug. 8.00pm Social Meeting at the Black Horse Hotel, Manchester Road, Oldham.
24/25/26th Aug. National Rally, Milton Keynes
- 6th Sept. 7.30pm Evening cruise on Princess Mary from Mirfield, see page 8.
11th Sept. 8.00pm Social Meeting at the Diggle Hotel, Diggle.
14/15th Sept. Tunnel End Festival, Marsden. Contact David Wakefield on Hudds 510781.
- 6th Oct. Toepath '85 sponsored walk, contact Alison Fisher on Hudds 842963.
9th Oct. 8.00pm Social Meeting at the Farrars Arms, Grasscroft, Oldham.

Working Parties

2 day working parties the first and third weekends of each month. Tel: Trevor Ellis on Hudds 34666.

Please note: the first working weekend in September is to be 7/8th.

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