

# ASHBY CANAL ASSOCIATION

## Volunteers

The Association has an established group of “Waterway Wardens” who cover the whole of the Ashby Canal and Volunteer Groups who are tackling various projects along the waterway.

The Waterway Wardens each have a specific section of canal which they patrol and oversee. They report on the condition of the towpath, any trees or vegetation which has become a danger to walkers, boaters or cyclists etc., the state of fences and any issues which are a potential problem. A listing of these Wardens is below and anyone who would like to join in on a particular section should contact the appropriate e-mail address. With additional assistance the Wardens may be able to tackle more issues and make good the problem.

The Volunteer Groups are currently taking on three projects and the details and contacts are below. They would welcome more volunteer helpers so if you are willing please make contact with the appropriate leader. ***Please join us if you can!***

### Are you good at brickwork?

We have a need for volunteers with experience of brickwork pointing (in particular using Lime Mortar.) If you have this capability and would be prepared to help we would be very pleased to hear from you. Please e-mail [volunteers@ashbycanal.org.uk](mailto:volunteers@ashbycanal.org.uk)

### Could you help with our publicity?

In particular we would like to recruit a volunteer who would publicise our social meetings, work parties, events, etc. by contacting local newspapers, waterway magazines, etc. every few weeks, by e-mail or telephone. If you

can help, contact Audrey Boston on 01455 290462 or e-mail  
volunteers@ashbycanal.org.uk

## **Register of Ashby Canal Waterway Wardens and their Sections**

(to contact, please e-mail volunteers@ashbycanal.org.uk)

Marston Jabbet Junction to Br12	John Beasley
Br12 to Br21	Steve Rhodes
Br21 to Br32	Martyn Plant
Br32 to Shenton Aquaduct	Ian Reid
Shenton Aquaduct to Br42	Rick Jones
Br42 to B47	Cyril Blackford

Br47 to Br 53	Peter Oakden
Br53 to Snarestone Tunnel Sth	David Everett
	John Litchfield
Snarestone Tunnel Nth to Cut End	John Roddis

## **Leaders of volunteer teams**

a) Milepost Renovation - Leader Clive Walker [clivejbwalker@O2.co.uk](mailto:clivejbwalker@O2.co.uk)

This group are going to attend to each of the Ashby Canal Mileposts. They will cut back offending vegetation, straighten up the post – many are leaning, and re-paint both the column and the lettering.

b) Notice Board Renovation - Leader Roger Grimsley [roger.grimsley@ntlworld.com](mailto:roger.grimsley@ntlworld.com)

This group is assessing each of the notice boards along the canal and carrying out repairs and treatments as necessary. Some are in a quite poor condition.

c) Tree Lopping - Leader Martyn Plant [martyn.mjp@btinternet.com](mailto:martyn.mjp@btinternet.com)

Here the object is to tackle and remove problem overhanging tree branches which are either a danger to navigation or to towpath users. It is known that this is an extensive problem and will be an ongoing project. In some cases BW will provide a boat and equipment to enable difficult areas to be accessed particularly on the off-side banks.

We would like more volunteers for these groups - please contact the leader of each team for further details, or e-mail volunteers@ashbycanal.org.uk.