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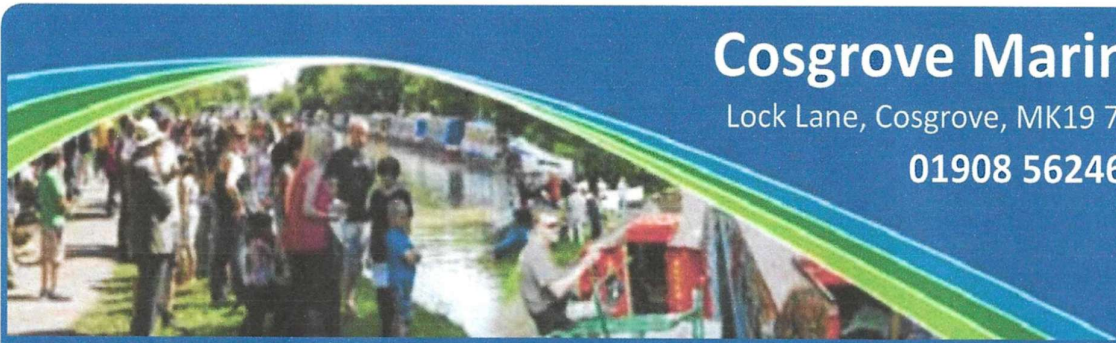
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Cover photo – the restored section of the Buckingham Arm looking towards Bridge 1
Below – Back in water, just needs some dredging [Both – Steve Morley]



Editorial



Steve in groundwork mode
[Photo: Terry Cavender]

Many thanks to Ian Matson for his sterling work in producing a high-quality magazine, keeping members up to date with BCS events. Sadly, Ian is no longer in a position to produce a quarterly newsletter, and I have added this to my other commitments to the Society.

My involvement with BCS stretches back about 30 years, under the chairmanship of Mike Freeman and then Steve Miles. I was already involved with Waterway Recovery Group, and this became my canal-related preoccupation, travelling to various restoration projects at weekends and for week-long canal camps. On retirement I rejoined BCS work parties at the time that we were building Bridge 1 and am now assisting Terry in running the various activities at Cosgrove. Somewhere along the line I was “invited” to become a trustee of the Society and have now gained the job of producing the ‘Navigator’.

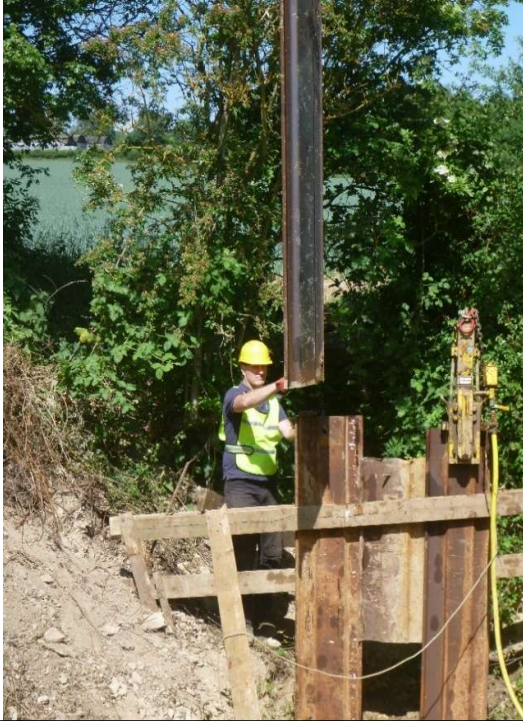
This issue is something of a ‘catch-up’, the material having been assembled in time for the 1st August copy date, and although a lot has happened over the summer I hope it will still be fresh. The presentation may not be as slick as Ian’s work as I am having to get my head round the publishing computer package, and I hope the content will compensate for any shortcomings in layout.

I am already looking towards the winter edition, so if you have ideas, suggestions or even complete articles please let me know at steve.morley@buckinghamcanal.org.uk, or hard copy to 33 Hambleton Grove, Emerson Valley, Milton Keynes MK4 2JS. Be warned that I shall also be chasing people for information and articles (this has already happened!).

Steve Morley

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Progress at Cosgrove



A pile is lowered into position
[Photo: Steve Morley]

Recently we have been working on a variety of tasks rather than a single project; at times it has been like juggling balls and trying to keep them all in the air.

The land drain chamber is now almost complete; water is flowing through the replacement pipe into the correct internal chambers, the cover and safety hoist installed and the solar panel for the electric pump is in place. Piling continues on the offside bank to restore the original formation, with backfilling to follow. Then there will be the re-lining of the canal bed preparatory to re-watering of the next section of the canal.

At the Narrows, water is escaping under the stop planks where scouring occurred due to excess water in the canal in the winter; remedial work is needed here. Backfilling work has continued as materials have become available. Meanwhile, attempts continue to stem some bankside leaks, aided by a delivery of a large lorry load of Bentonite granules. This is a granular clay material which, when poured into the canal bank, is drawn by water flow into any cracks where it expands to plug the gap.



Bank repair on the main line
[Photo: Steve Morley]

Following the delivery of 'Perseverance' described in the last issue, the return journey with tug 'Shoveler' was used to bring back work boat 'Wilstone', which we had purchased from the Canal & River Trust (CRT) - see article elsewhere.

A day with civil engineering students from Milton Keynes College introduced them to canal maintenance techniques, repairing a hole in the bank of the main line near the ornamental bridge. This work was part of our partnership with CRT to look after this part of the Grand Union.

Bentonite delivery [Photo: Steve Morley]



Restoring a canal doesn't finish when the water is returned; maintenance soon becomes an issue, both with the canal itself and with the equipment we use. A tree had

fallen across the towpath and canal near the Narrows, which had been towed, first manually and then by boat, to Cosgrove Junction where it will be pulled out and hopefully sawn up into useable planks. Further towpath laying has continued, together with cutting back encroaching vegetation and removing rampant reed growth from the canal. Towpath edges have been mown using our John Deere tractor mower. Trees have been planted along the main line and the Arm. On the machinery side, work has been carried out on both excavators and the dumper, while repairs and upkeep of our boat fleet have continued, including re-fitting 'Louise's cabin.

To publicise ourselves we have attended events at Foxton and Braunston, which entailed collecting together and transporting the gazebos and exhibition materials to and from as well as actual attendance on show days. This was in addition to all the work involved in setting up our own festival.

All in all, it has been a busy time working on a variety of projects which will bear fruit in due course. As always, volunteers are needed and will be welcomed at all our work parties, whether as a regular thing or a one-off.

Steve Morley



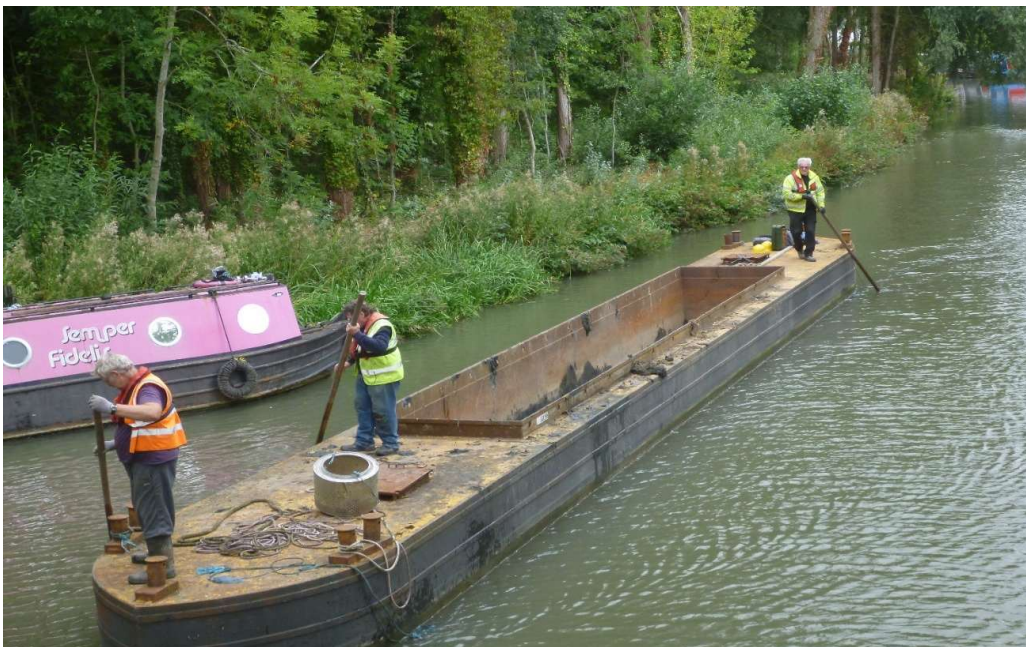
Left: Heavy lifting: BCS and corporate volunteers



Below left: Trimming the top of the piles by the land drain chamber

Below: Not all craft have mechanical propulsion

[All: Steve Morley]



The Buckingham sites

Bourton Meadow Visit

On Wednesday 4th June we received a visit from Pippa Kirkbride, High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire and Vice President of the Heart of Bucks, and Henry Allmand, CEO of the Heart of Bucks, as part of the Heart of Bucks 25th anniversary tour in recognition of our charitable services to Buckinghamshire. They were extremely impressed with the work being carried out at Bourton Meadow by our volunteers and have promised continued support for us in the future.

Bourton Meadow Work

Work continues at Bourton Meadow but because of the bird nesting season this is mainly weed removal at present which is still in great portions in the canal bed. This is being removed and once dried is put on a bonfire and then the ashes are being recycled into the towpath. Mallard ducks and Moorhens are nesting in the canal reeds, and we think Lapwings are also nesting in the reeds as we have heard the chicks calling but all have been left in peace. As well as keeping the site looking attractive for visitors and walkers we have been maintaining the environmental and wildlife aspects of this site which is important as well.



Again, this year we have been helped by Corporate groups joining us and they have included Vetoquinol, Marsh, Mercedes and NHBC with visits planned in the future by do Terra and Audi. We continue working at this site all year round right up to December and last year we had our last Corporate groups visit which was 19th December with a visit from WD40.

Because of the recent hot weather donning waders and working in the canal bed itself has again proved to be a very popular task for both our volunteers and visiting groups in the summer months and hopefully if the winter weather is mild again like last year we will be able to continue working in this way right up till December again.

The other good news is that we now have three people taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme joining us on Sundays with the possibility to two more joining us shortly.

One of our corporate groups was from the WD40 company. They brought along a sample of their product which came in useful for curing a squeaking wheelbarrow! [Photo: Athina Beckett]

On Sunday 14th September we took part in the 'Heritage Open Day' scheme inviting people to join us at Bourton Meadow to see our volunteers at work and then take a self guided walk along the canal to

our second site at Hyde Lane.





Reed pulling at Bourton Meadow [Both: Athina Beckett]

Hyde Lane Nature Reserve

There are continued problems with access to this site by the same local farmer, but things are looking more promising for the future. We have still not been able to carry out much work at Hyde Lane as the only way to work there at the moment is to be dropped off by the BCS van. At present we are short of someone to drive said van so if any member feels they can help here it would be much appreciated.

Athina Beckett

A new recruit – In conversation with Steve Morley



From time to time, we have new volunteers join us and recently Andy Fletcher has become a valued member of the Cosgrove team. Steve interviewed him to find out a bit of his motivation and experience with us.

Steve: How did you find out about BCS work parties?

Andy: For some years I have taken regular walks along the canal and have seen the progress made. One day I came along when work was going on and I asked if people were needed to help. I was told that I would be welcome and came along the next week.

Steve: What activities have you taken part in?

Andy: In my career I was office based so I don't have building experience, but I have done DIY and gardening at home. A lot been a 'gofer', joining in where necessary and have helped out things happening.

Andy at work
[Photo: Steve
Morley]

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Steve: I believe you have had a 'pet' project since joining us?

Andy: Early on I helped Paul plant saplings along the towpath, and I took on watering them, both on work party days and on my regular walks on other days to keep them going during the hot weather. Now the next batch of trees has arrived I am busy getting them into the ground too.

Steve: How did you find the other volunteers?

Andy: They are immensely helpful, they know what they're about in getting jobs done. I have found them to be friendly and patient with me, explaining the job in hand.

Steve: How do you feel at the end of a session?

Andy: I feel worn out, but happy, knowing I have done something useful. We work together as a team, and it gets me out doing things. It has been extremely hot recently and the trees along the canal have given us the shade we needed.

Steve: *Would you recommend other people to try it?*

Andy: If they're happy to roll their sleeves up and help out it is a good way to get outdoors and make a difference.

Recycling old tools

As a Canal Restoration Group, we have lots of 'stuff'. It's a bit like granddad's shed, vintage tools and parts from a long-lost era. Woodworking, garden and workshop tools as well as 'parts' from boats long past, all carefully kept in case they might be useful in future. These tools and parts were built to last and are still serviceable, but the original boats are a long time gone and more modern tools do the job quicker and more efficiently.

Here at BCS we have been having a sort out and so have our volunteers. Surplus tools, spares and equipment we are, in reality, no longer likely to use have been sorted and put to better use.

A keen volunteer researches each item, offers it on eBay to convert into cash for the Restoration Fund and for vintage tools that don't sell (and many do) cleaning and transferring to Rotary who have a scheme to reuse traditional tools in developing countries.

The real surprise in all this is just how many items do sell, over 70% have gone to be reused across the world. Old cabin heaters to Australia, plastic tree protectors to Scotland and Devon; traditional chisels and handheld drills to Wales; Planes and saws to India. All releasing hundreds of pounds in cash for use in restoration, giving us a steady flow of funds and the release of space where items were just rusting away.

For items that did not sell (we leave them listed for a year) nothing has been destroyed. Rotary clubs across the UK access a reusing scheme. A kind of Tools for Change or Tools for Self-Reliance which improves the lives of African families and artisans. Any type of traditional hand or workshop tool, traditional sewing machines and even gardening tools and self-propelled chain saws/trimmers can be found a new home.

As you read this note think about the old tools and spares you have in your shed, some you will never have used. Donate them to BCS and we can put them to good use, just bring them to Cosgrove.

Geoff Lambert

Wilstone



‘Wilstone’ on the delivery trip at Apsley, being pushed by ‘Shoveler’
[Photo: Steve Morley]

Wilstone is the name of one of the reservoirs feeding the canal at Wendover. It’s also the name of the workboat we have recently acquired from CRT. Although the boat is nearing the end of its working life, its ideal for us to use as a self propelled (outboard powered) craft to access the offside, do vegetation management and move materials along the canal at Cosgrove

We have had our first successful voyage with WB ‘Wilstone’ to the narrows which is halfway along the Cosgrove Arm. We have also fitted the weed cutter to the front of the boat enabling this to be used. It was suggested we should paint shark teeth on the front of the boat 😊

Terry Cavender

Gardening

One of the aspects of our partnership with CRT is looking after the surroundings of Cosgrove, for example filling the potholes which develop on Lock Lane and clearing the debris raked up from the back pump inlet. We also look after the planters which have been erected at points along the main line and have small gardens on the lock island and near Bridge 1. This year's plants have now died back, and bulbs have been planted for the spring, but the planters need to be maintained over the summer. It strikes me that this is a fairly 'lightweight' job, perhaps on a once-a-month basis, for someone interested in keeping the surroundings around Cosgrove in a presentable condition. We have some interest in this already, is anyone else up for it? Talk to Steve Morley for further details.

We need a wet winter

The Environment Agency has outlined three scenarios for winter rainfall. If England receives an average amount of rainfall over the winter most of the country will be in a normal or recovering position, public water supplies will have recovered, and the canals will be full. There could be some residual problems for wildlife such as amphibians. If we have only 60% of the average rainfall all areas except for the northwest will be in drought or prolonged dry weather conditions. With just 60% of average rainfall all the country will be in drought, with hosepipe bans, reduced water for irrigation and the potential for permanent environmental damage, and, of course, severe canal restrictions.

Excellent Boats on a Beautiful Canal

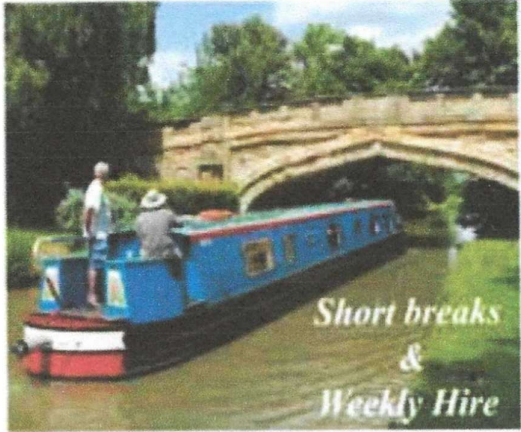
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Community spirit shines through at the Cosgrove Canal Festival and Crafts Fair

Despite the grey skies and persistent rain, the Cosgrove Canal Festival and Crafts Fair 2025 brought colour, community, and canal heritage to life over the weekend of 19th and 20th July.

The event, which has always been a part of the Society's annual activities, welcomed around 500 visitors over the two days, with families, dog walkers, boaters, and craft lovers braving the weather to support a cherished tradition along the Grand Union Canal.

While the turnout was understandably lower than in previous years due to the damp conditions, the spirit of the festival remained high. The towpath came alive with friendly faces and colourful boats, and the nearby village hall offered a warm, dry refuge where visitors could browse handcrafted goods, sip hot drinks, and enjoy delicious pieces of cake.



Among the highlights were:

A damp towpath didn't dampen spirits [Photo: Steve Morley]

Daisy's

Bakin Butty – The Floating Café, which served up hearty hot meals to grateful guests. Star Crafts, the Three Sheep Cheese Boat, and the ever-popular Beer Boat Company.

Friends of Raymond were in attendance with their historic duo, Raymond and Nutfield, offering a glimpse into canal heritage and life aboard two of the oldest working narrowboats in canal history.

The festival was also supported by representatives from the Canal & River Trust (CRT) and the Inland Waterways Association (IWA), adding depth and conversation to the celebration of our waterways.

While the weather prevented the scheduled live band from performing, festivalgoers were treated to impromptu karaoke courtesy of the ice cream truck vendors. This was quite an unexpected twist that added more colour and fun. On Saturday evening, a generous visit from Howe & Co Fish and Chips lifted the spirits of vendors and volunteers with delectable portions of cod and chips.

Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with many praising the friendly atmosphere and wide variety of stalls. Local lifestyle blogger Victoria even featured the event in a glowing Facebook review, helping to spread the word about this hidden gem of a weekend.

While the weather may have tried to put a damper on things, the true spirit of Cosgrove and BCS shone through.

A great shoutout goes out to all the BCS volunteers, as well as to the corporate groups who worked tirelessly to plan, arrange and set up the event. Their dedication ensured that the festival remained a safe and welcoming experience for all.

We'd like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who came, helped, and supported this year's festival.

Edima Inwang

Sea Scouts
demonstrating their
skills at the Festival
[Photo: Steve Morley]



Cosgrove Festival Craft Fair

As part of the annual celebration, we again joined forces with the local craft group to hold the craft fair in the village hall on the same weekend as the canal festival. This creates more of an event and benefits both organisations. It also provides toilet facilities and somewhere to go if gets wet. That was a blessing this year, after the sweltering heat of the previous week. The soggy Saturday saw very few visitors in the morning. Things improved slightly in the afternoon, but numbers were down by about half on last year.

Sunday was a better day weatherwise, mainly light showers, until a sudden downpour late afternoon drenched a few unlucky visitors caught out in the open, but overall visitor numbers were well up on previous day.

The usual happy crowd of crafters were here again this year, together with a few new faces, as can be seen in the photos. Thank you to craft fair organiser Sharron for providing the text below.

A huge thanks to everyone who braved the rain and joined us at the craft fair element of the canal festival this year! Your enthusiasm, purchases and all the compliments we had on our work, makes all our efforts feel so worthwhile. We met some lovely people and had some great chats!

A lovely young lad bought an item from my stall telling me it was a gift for his teacher who would love it so much "she'll wet herself"! I take that as a truly wondrous compliment...

Gratitude also to our talented stall holders whose creativity and passion shone through with displays of fabulous handcrafted items that visitors to the village hall enjoyed.

Last but by no means least - The Kitchen Team... their hard work preparing lots of scrumptious food, in advance and on the day was very tastily received. Utterly delicious, pulled pork rolls, quiches, salads and coleslaw, freshly made sandwiches and highly calorific cakes (in huge variety) kept us and our visitors very happy indeed...it was of course a shame about the rain but despite the weather we enjoyed the weekend with lots of laughter, tea and those cakes!

Everyone's presence during the festival weekend made the event truly special.

Looking forward to the next one already...but for now a well-deserved rest is in order.

Sharron Commerford

Partnership with Hanslope Sea Scouts

Wednesday 11th June saw the inauguration of Hanslope and Castlethorpe Dreadnought Sea Scouts in one of the UK's most landlocked places. The official launch of the group took place at Cosgrove, recognising their ongoing partnership with Buckingham Canal Society. The launch 'Fiona Marie' has been renovated by the sea scout leaders and us and is painted in the Scout colours of purple and white. It will be used by BCS for moving materials (and volunteers) along the restored canal and by the sea scouts for their various activities. The sea scouts have already acquired a number of kayaks and canoes, which are stored near Bridge 1, for their activities.

James Dickens, Group Lead Volunteer, started the troop in memory of his late wife Fiona Marie who supported him with encouragement, moral support and invaluable assistance during her illness during the early phase of the troop's formation. The troop started with Beavers, Cubs and now Sea Scouts and currently 56 young people take part on a weekly basis.

The investiture of two new Sea Scout leaders, John (known as 'Skip') and Aaron, was followed by the 16 new members, aged from 10 to 14, lining up on the bridge to give the Scout Promise and be presented with their neckerchiefs and badges. There was then the official launch of 'Fiona Marie', by Fiona's parents, Phil and Mary, while James and his daughter Lilliann, a volunteer with the group, looked on.

The partnership between BCS and the sea scouts will bring knowledge of the canals to a group of young people, providing leisure activities and skills which will benefit them in the future. We are bringing an appreciation of the world of the waterways to a new generation whose interest could well provide new members for our cause into the future.

Steve Morley, with additional material from MK Community Hub



The Sea Scouts on parade at the Investiture [Photo: Steve Morley]



Launching 'Fiona Marie' [Photo: Steve Morley]

Gerry Millard, 1954-2024

Gerry Millard, a staunch supporter and trustee of the Society, had asked for his ashes to be laid near Bridge 1. This was most appropriate in the light of his work in progressing the restoration and in particular his contribution to the construction of the bridge. Gerry's ashes were laid beneath a green slate memorial stone just next to the top course of brickwork which he had laid on the bridge wing wall.



On 12th July Gerry's family and BCS volunteers gathered for the unveiling of the stone, which has now had a message engraved on it, followed by a toast and refreshments on the lock island. Unveiling the stone, Steve Morley related how Gerry took an interest in other people and was always willing to lend a hand to anyone who needed help. Our Chairman, Paul Rodgers, reflected on Gerry's impact not only on the restoration but also on bringing the waterway community together. He was an example of how we live and work together and Paul expressed the wish that we continue to support Ruth and the family in the future.

Gerry was born in Tipton in the Black Country and was familiar with canals because as a child one ran past the bottom of his garden. After leaving grammar school he worked for an electrical company in the Black Country fitting TV aerials. He told tales of having had a 'skin full' on a Sunday night and then clambering over house roofs fixing aerials on the Monday morning.

He moved to Buckinghamshire at the time that Milton Keynes was first expanding, working for a TV and white goods company in Wolverton. He was later involved in maintaining the company's old building and built up a network of contractors. He gave up the job when the company moved to Cambridge.

His wife Ruth was working as clerk to various parish councils and was having difficulty finding contractors for small works. Gerry was able to help with the contacts he had built up and also did some work himself. Working on his own account he never advertised but was always busy carrying out building repairs locally, specialising in heritage properties. He insisted on doing a good job and could be critical of previous builders' work if he felt it had been 'bodged'.

At the time Terry Cavender was a parish councillor and he suggested to Ruth that Gerry might be interested in volunteering for BCS. Gerry went along to 'do a bit of pointing' and he never left, carrying out brickwork, plant maintenance and many other activities. He and Ruth bought a narrowboat which is moored at Cosgrove and Gerry became friends with the boating community there, always willing to help out with any problems other boaters had. He was a valued member of the BCS team and is greatly missed by all those who knew him.

Gerry's memorial
near Bridge 1
[Photo: Steve
Morley]



We cut them down and then we plant new ones

All along the line of the canal, both in-water and yet to be restored sections, is a row of trees representing the overgrown remains of the original towpath hedge. In fact, along some of the countryside sections this is the only way in which the line of the canal can be traced. Many of these trees are now in extremely poor condition, either through old age or disease, such as Ash die-back.

Over last winter we have had visits from the Waterway Recovery Group's forestry team to address some of the more dangerous and diseased specimens. Just past Bridge 1 on the towpath there were three clumps of dead and diseased trees, one of which fell down across the towpath just before their

visit. On the offside, Cosgrove side of Bridge 1 a group of trees was overhanging the canal, all of which could have given way at any time; their height being such that they would have fallen on moored



Timber!
[Photo: Steve Morley]

boats. Also, a willow on the offside at the Narrows was trimmed to give safer access to the work site. Later, another tree near the Narrows fell across the towpath and into the canal, which we have floated down the Arm for eventual disposal.

Wrg Forestry have members fully trained in chainsaw work, have all the relevant safety gear and work in an entirely professional manner.

Their equipment includes a small, but powerful, motorised winch which they used for hauling trees out of the canal onto the bank for logging. Duly cut into manageable chunks, the logs were loaded into two

hoppers and transported by canal to near Stoke Bruerne for sale to a farmer who has a firewood business. The money from this offset some of the cost of weekend accommodation for the volunteers in a local village hall. Complaints about cutting down the trees (even though patently diseased and

dangerous) have been quickly countered by almost immediate regrowth by plants which were previously shaded by the tall trees.



Wrg Forestry line up for a group photo
[Photo: Terry Cavender]

Meanwhile, the first batch of new trees to be planted have arrived, courtesy of CRT. Hedgerow plants, mostly Blackthorn, are on their way to the Bourton Meadow site while native cherry trees have been planted along the main line at Cosgrove. More cherries have been planted in the area of Bridge 1, including where the diseased trees were removed, together with two new fruit trees. Work has been done to tidy up the community orchard planted in 2023; the fruit trees are now thriving; some even bearing fruit for the first time this year.

First fruits
[Photo: Steve Morley]



The logs awaiting loading [Photo: Terry Cavender]

The latest news is that 240 plants have arrived from the Woodland Trust; a selection of native species including Buckingham Navigator Autumn 2025

Hawthorn, Blackthorn, Hazel, Rowan and English Oak. These are being planted along the Buckingham Arm, the main line and in other suitable areas at Cosgrove and Bourton Meadow.

This is all part of our continuing work to maintain a thriving natural corridor along the waterway, enhancing the habitat for the many plants and animals which live alongside our canal. The arrival of the second batch of trees for planting demonstrates our commitment to planting more trees than we cut down.

Steve Morley



Demonstrating
the potential for
damage to
moored boats
[Photo: Steve
Morley]

Funders

We are very grateful for the financial support from all of our funders. Listed below in chronological order, beginning with the latest, are our most recent funders:

- Co-op - Local Community Fund
- Heart of Bucks Community Foundation - Veolia Water Technologies Fund
- Buckingham & Villages Community Board
- The Woodroffe Benton Foundation
- Heart of Bucks Community Foundation - B P Collins Fund
- The Skinners' Company - The Lady Neville Charity
- Waitrose & Partners
- Moto in the Community Trust
- Arnold Clark Community Fund
- The National Lottery Awards for All England
- Heart of Bucks Community Foundation for Buckinghamshire - Bucks Coronavirus Stabilisation Fund
- HDH Wills Charitable Trust - Martin Wills Wildlife Maintenance Fund
- Buckinghamshire Council - Local Authority Discretionary Grant
- Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust - Thriving Communities Fund

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- Berkshire, Buckinghamshire & Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust
- Buckinghamshire Council
- Buckingham Town Council
- Canal & River Trust
- Deanshanger Parish Council
- Environment Agency
- Inland Waterways Association - Corporate Member
- The Conservation Volunteers
- West Northamptonshire Council

We are very grateful for the ongoing support of:

- Inland Waterways Association - Milton Keynes Branch
- Inland Waterways Association - Northampton Branch
- Waterway Recovery Group and their regional volunteers

We have been recognised by the following:

- Cosgrove Parish Council
- Foscote Parish Meeting
- Maids Moreton Parish Council
- Old Stratford Parish Council
- Thornborough Parish Council
- Thornton Parish Meeting

Corporate & External Volunteer Groups

We are very grateful to all of the organisations that have ever assisted us with their volunteer groups. Listed below in chronological order, beginning with the latest, are our most recent attendees:

- WD-40 Company Ltd
- JNP Group Consulting Engineers
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- Gatehouse Bank Plc
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- HSBC UK Bank plc
- British Telecommunications plc
- The Royal Latin School
- Milton Keynes College

Work party Dates

Cosgrove: contact steve.morley@buckinghamcanal.org.uk:

Every Tuesday and Thursday. Meet at 9:00 am at the white cabin in the field behind Lock Lane, Cosgrove MK19 7JR. /// samples.unable.sniff

Buckingham: contact athina.beckett@buckinghamcanal.org.uk:

Alternate Thursdays – 20th November 4th & 16th December etc and 2nd Sunday of the month – 9th November 8th December etc. Currently working at Bourton Meadow; please meet at 10:00 am; park on Burleigh Piece (off the A413) MK18 7HX,
/// goods.erupt.briefing.

Note: there may be different arrangements over the Christmas/New Year period; please check.

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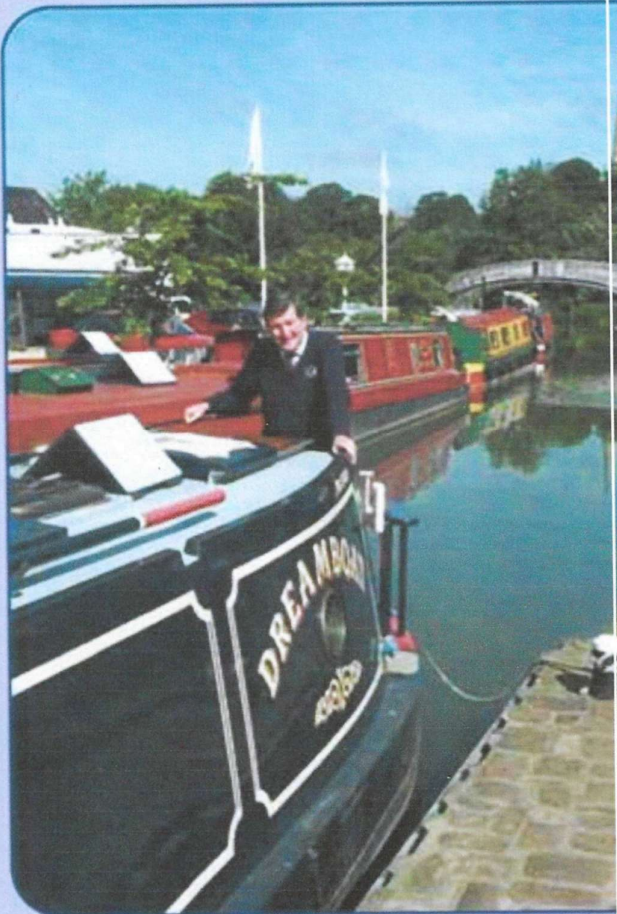
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