



# Newsletter

Rivelin Valley Conservation Group

**Summer 2018 no 107**

## **Through The Chair**

The Rivelin Valley arguably looks its best in Spring with all the fresh green shoots and the increased bird activity as they enter their nesting season. The river is quite buoyant following earlier rains and there is good visibility of the geology and mill structures before the undergrowth blots it all out. The RVCG task team try to keep the passage through the valley safe for visitors and to remove unwanted trees and undergrowth that obliterate the view of the river and that could damage structures and archaeological remains. The RVCG is vying for a grant from the Heritage Fund to help improve the footpaths and with plans to turn Rivelin Mill into a proper wildlife pond.

As we move into Summer accompanied by consistently hot weather, I do wonder how the mills would have operated in these conditions. The Rivelin now has a compensation flow from Derwent that keeps it flowing whatever the weather but 100 years ago, no water would mean no turning wheels and no work. Maybe there would be other tasks in the cutlery trade they could turn their hand to during the droughts.

The RVCG AGM was once again well attended and no doubt the delicious pies and mushy peas may have something to do with that. Please see the full report in the middle pages. There will be a few vacancies coming up in the near future so please get in touch if your inner community spirit is calling. Please check out the autumn programme and I look forward to seeing you at some of our events.

Graham Appleby  
RVCG Chairman

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## **Donations**

We send thanks to the following members for sending donations to RVCG.

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Your donations to RVCG this quarter amount to £449.50 and are very welcome. You are all very generous and it will be put to good use.

Also, we have maintained the cost of this newsletter since the early days – for the first few years we charged £2.

If your name is not here, it is because your donation arrived after this newsletter was sent for printing.

Why not encourage someone else to join? Many newcomers to our area would love an introduction to Rivelin Valley.

### **Spider in the Kitchen**

Some people are scared of spiders but recently I have been fascinated by the activity of one small spider in my kitchen window. It had made a web and waited in a corner for its dinner. Then a wasp got caught in the web. The spider raced to the wasp to inject it with its venom. The spider's body was about a sixth of the size the wasp's body. It soon devoured the wasp. The annoying thing was that I found discarded wasp legs and wings had dropped into my bowl of fruit standing on the sill.

It is thought that we have around 600 species of spiders in Britain, fortunately not all living in houses. Their threads have an amazing breaking strain and have a dimension of only  $1/200^{\text{th}}$  of a millimetre in diameter. Unlike insects, they have eight legs and eight eyes. Their threads are very strong and emerge from their rear end. The purseweb spider spins a tube that is buried in the earth but leaving its top out and if an insect lands, it gets a quick stab from the spider.

If you see gossamer threads spread on fields in autumn it will be made by one of 250 varieties of money spiders.

Spiders start their lives as a cocooned egg then moult into a spider.

They are known as Arachnids and have an ancient history going back 250 million years. They get this name from Arachne of ancient Greek legends who was challenged into a weaving contest by Queen Athena of ancient Greek mythology but was changed into a spider. Some think that to kill a spider is unlucky.

Spiders can be found in Antarctica and also have given their name to the rest used in snooker.

A poem by Mary Howett 1709 - 1888

"Will you walk into my parlour?" said the spider to the fly,  
'Tis the prettiest little parlour that you ever did spy;  
The way into the parlour is up a winding stair,  
And I have many curious things to show when you are there."

If you find a spider in your bath it is considered good luck to rescue it!

(Hope no-one's got arachnophobia)

### **Badgers**

In July, Michael Gove said he wanted a badger cull to end the TB epidemic in cattle. But French research has found that foxes also carry bovine TB. No foxes have been tested in this country for at least a decade. Dogs, sheep, goats, pigs, cats and wild deer also have been found to have it.

My argument with badgers is that they like my compost bin too much and recently managed to throw out some geraniums from a container while searching for worms.

### **Moorland Fires**

So far, our area has escaped the recent moorland fire problem in Lancashire but Guillermo Rein, professor of fire science at Imperial College, London says that climate change is expected to contribute to more fires in the future.

As Wildlife has suffered, there was concern that nightjars had just begun nesting for the first time in the last two years.

Peatlands have helped to cool our climate, but fires return carbon to the atmosphere. Also, Professor Page of Leicester University says the particulates are released as toxic chemicals that contribute to respiratory problems.

Thomas Smith of the London School of economics says other moorlands are at risk. Maybe educating our young people is needed.

### **Blast From The Past**

Here are some notes from the Autumn 2003 edition of our newsletter.

At a working party down in the valley, one of our volunteers was asked by a horseman to "just chop of that branch" (no "please"). He obviously didn't want his Sunday morning ride to be spoiled by bobbing his head down. It didn't matter to him that our working party had forsaken a Sunday morning lie-in to remove rubbish and repairing paths. Footpaths are for people not horses

Howard Smith gave us a talk on Derwent Valley. We were taken back to pre-bridge days by village names - Grindleford, Cromford and Ashford.

Member, Rita Whiteley had good success using an upturned dustbin lid as a bird bath and David Mason spotted a weasel on Stephen Hill, Canada Geese were feeding near Coppice House Farm.

### **Garden Ponds.**

Having a garden pond can be of endless fascination for children. What better way of introducing them to nature?

Big Garden Bird Watch organised by RSPB was also interested in garden ponds. It said that frog populations had dropped by 17% since 2014. My pond had plenty of frog spawn but a severe overnight frost seemed to kill off most and only a few lived on to become tadpoles.

Frogs do not live in ponds all the time but spend much time after spawning in dry stone walls, long grass or piles of wood. One lived in my dry-stone wall but the only way I knew it was there was by its croaking.

RSPB says you do not need to have a pond to encourage frogs. An old washing up bowl or something similar would do as long as the frog can reach it.

Both frogs and toads can be useful in gardens as they eat slugs, snails, ants and spiders says Daniel Hayhow of RSPB and if you grow your own vegetables they can be your friend.

### **Bumble Bees**

Bumblebees, once known as "dumbledoors", are now becoming a fragile part of our ecology. They are in decline along with wasps, moths and beetles but they are important for pollination especially of our food crops.

The government has already approved of neonicotinoids on carrots, but these are damaging to insects that we rely on for pollination of food crops. Sir David Attenborough says that if these creatures disappear, the world's ecosystem would be in trouble.

Strangely bumble bees appear to do better in villages and cities than they do in the countryside. In cities, they find more food than on agricultural land. It is thought that this is because suburban gardens and parks have a greater variety of flowers than the monoculture found in the countryside. It is said that a third of the food we eat is by courtesy of bees

So keep growing your flowers and enjoying the buzz of busy bees.

M Sanderson

### **Task Team**

At the time of writing Keith is away but by the time this newsletter reaches you, he will be very pleased to hear from anyone who would like to join his merry task team.

There are jobs for anyone. You don't have to be a navvy. See contacts list

### **Rabbits**

We all must have read as children the delightful Beatrice Potter books that have illustrations on every page such as Flopsy, Mopsy, Cottontail and Peter and the frightening Mr Mc Gregor who was angry because the bunnies ate his lettuce.

As a child, Crosspool butchers had rabbits for sale, hanging outside the shop and during the war they were popular as they were not on ration.

The tails were also useful to gardeners who used them in greenhouses to move the pollen around the tomato flowers.

But farmers don't care for them because of their disruption to the soil by digging warrens. The fields on the south side of the valley below Carver fields were once full of rabbits. They love grassland and as a child I saw them bobbing around there.

Have you seen any rabbits in our Valley? Don't forget to tell Joan Buckland, our recorder of anything you see.

They do not seem to be so popular to eat now.

M Sanderson

Do you have anything to say in this Newsletter? In the past, we have had many interesting reminiscences about the valley or things you have seen or done there, and we would like some more, no matter how large or small. We love stories of times past such as the one from Mary Richards in the last newsletter. They could be about school days or going to Sunday school or just enjoying a paddle in the river. Please contact M Sanderson (See contacts list)

### **Country Quote**

Every leaf was at rest and I heard not a sound.

But the woodpecker tapping the hollow beech tree

Thomas Moore 1779 - 1852

**Here's an interesting fact**

Once Den Bank Edge was known as "The Monkey Rack" so my father told me. This was around the 1920's. On Sunday nights after church in summer, boys and girls would walk up and down the edge hoping to find a likely person of the opposite sex. There was one on Ecclesall Road too and no doubt elsewhere though my father did not find my mother this way, but he must have known it was there!

M Sanderson

### **Butterflies and Birds**

Butterflies are acknowledged to have been in decline since at least 1976. We know that summer has arrived when butterflies appear. They are putting in an appearance but the ones I see in the garden at the moment mostly seem to be of the cabbage white variety. This is not very helpful if you grow cabbages. A butterfly survey of 2017 says that 70% are in decline except the large blue whose numbers were up 38%. Most older members will remember the colourful species that came to our gardens in the past. For example the Red Admiral is down 70%, Peacock 42%, and the Small Tortoiseshell 47%. One butterfly, the chequered skipper, is returning by being collected in Belgium and released in a secret location in Northants, financed by the Heritage Lottery Fund. The Swallowtail, our biggest butterfly could become extinct in coming years because its home in the Norfolk Broads is predicted to turn into salt marshes in coming years. Also some people are paving their gardens, using more pesticides and growing less flowers. Butterflies are not the only creatures facing the threat of extinction but also some sea birds are also under threat. The Atlantic puffin and black legged kittiwake are regarded as imperilled species. Also excessive snowmelt in the Arctic is reducing the amount of prey on which the snowy owl feeds and in particular, lemmings.

The good news is that RVCG works hard to protect our area thanks to all you members and there are many other groups like us too.

M Sanderson

**The RVCG would like to thank  
Valleyside Garden Centre for their  
continued support**

# THE RECORDER – Summer 2018

## The Recorder

What a difference from when I last wrote. Spring took its time coming but then exploded onto the scene. We had two beautiful bank holidays in May with a record-breaking temperature of 27deg in Sheffield on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> May. It has been mostly lovely since then and everything in the garden is blooming. The first batch of baby birds have fledged and my garden is busy with lots of juvenile sparrows and blue tits. I have released 18 froglets into the garden and the last 4 will be joining them soon. Please check long grass before strimming as the little froglets are hard to see.

I know the hedges are growing fast and it is tempting to trim them, but birds are still nesting, and many will have another brood. The RSPB recommends waiting until the 1<sup>st</sup> August after nesting time as it is an offence to disturb brooding birds.

Further badger culling to all remaining areas of England has been authorised, even though Sheffield and Rotherham are low risk areas for Bovine TB. The RSPB recommends vaccination of cattle which is much more effective. Some people are not happy with badgers in their gardens, but these animals have been here long before us and are supposed to be protected. They are an intrinsic part of our countryside and should be treated as such. If you object to the culling let your local MP know and ask what they are doing on this issue. We are losing too much of our wildlife, mainly due to habitat loss and industrial farming. Compared to 50 years ago, when insects and wild flowers were abundant, farmland soil is now sterile, with up to seven chemicals/fertilisers sprayed during a year so crops will grow. Some farmers are working with

nature and are successful, so it can be done.

My birthday present this year was a moth trap. So far, the most we have caught overnight is five, despite the warm nights. I have also noticed the lack of moths flying round the street lights. This is bad news for bats. For two or three days round the 12<sup>th</sup> May you may have noticed clouds of Aphids, this, at least, was good news for the birds, especially Blue Tits. We have had a report from someone who almost hit a Roe deer, one night on Rivelin Valley Road. Has anyone else had a similar experience? If they are regularly crossing the road we may be able to persuade the council to put up a warning sign, when funds are available. Please report any deer sightings so we can get an idea of numbers in the area. Although it is nice to see deer, too many in one area can be a problem. They eat the understorey in woods and that is where most birds make their nests. At one time nature would have solved the problem, but as there are no natural predators of deer they can become too numerous.

Please let me know how nature is faring in your gardens. What birds, butterflies and insects you have. Are there more or fewer than last year? It is always interesting to see how things change from year to year. In my garden I had much more frogspawn than last year even though I had a similar number of frogs. Perhaps there were more females this year.

The gardens are looking lovely at the moment and we have just had a heavy shower which is much needed as my water butts need topping up.

Enjoy this most beautiful time of year.

Thank you to the following for sending in their records:-

Susan & John Thackeray S25 – 28.2.18/1.3.18 – 30+ Fieldfares; 2.4.18 – 2 Blackcaps; Hope their hedgehogs survived the winter but no sign yet.

Sue Shaw – April – 2 Dippers at Roscoe Bridge; pair of Mandarin at Rivelin Chair; 1 male Mandarin at Havelock; lots of Chiffchaffs – heard from 8.4.18; 12 Swifts over garden on 5.6.18 in Walkley.

Neil Porter S6 – 16.4.18 – frogs arrived at Third Coppice Wheel; Treecreepers built a nest behind loose bark at Second Coppice but this did not survive; University Long-tailed Tit researchers found 65 nests down the valley; Neil also has a nest in his garden; 11.5.18 – saw first Roe deer near Wolf Wheel; 11.5.18 – 4 Blackcaps between Wolf Wheel and Upper Coppice; 10.5.18 – Dipper feeding juvenile; 11.5.18 – Orange Tip Butterflies very evident along the valley; 22.4.18 – Pied Wagtail with White (Alba) species on Oak farm fields, which is a popular spot for them in Spring and Autumn passage. 19.4.18 – Comma butterfly. 6. 18

Colin Best S10 – 24.4.18 – early riser Colin saw a pair of Roe deer below Carver Fields at 6.45am.

Roger Kite S10 – 5.6.18 – Nuthatch; 15.5.18 – Tawny Owl at Jacky Bank wood.

Joan Buckland S10 – highlights – 13.4.18 – 2 male/1 female Greenfinch; 19.4.18 – 3 Buzzards circling over valley going downstream;(this was the hottest April day in Sheffield since 1882); 19.4.18 – Bat; 6.5.18 – Holly Blue, male Orange Tip, Speckled Wood butterflies; 9.5.18 – 8 screaming Swifts above house; 13.5.18 – pair of Dippers flying up river near Third Coppice; 27.5.18 – lots of bee activity on Cotoneaster; 2.6.18 – 3 fledged Blue Tits; 16.6.18 – 2 male Bullfinch; male Tawny Owl regularly. Small weevil which develops in the galls of a wasp on oak trees, a stray from a neighbour's garden in transit. A large sawfly which usually lays its eggs on birch was also a passing visitor.

16.6.18 Joan Buckland

For a number of years, I have had a wren trying to nest in my garden hut; entering through a small gap between the top of the door and the frame. It makes its mossy nest around a few canes I have resting in the corner just inside the door. So just as the gardening season is bursting into life I have the dilemma of not being able to enter my garden hut or use the canes to support my tomatoes. This precarious nesting position has failed in previous years, but I understand wrens can make a number of nests and will choose to lay its eggs in the best one. So not all may have been lost. To try and compromise with the wren this year, I installed an open fronted wooden bird box above the original nesting position in early spring. However, the wren still chose to build its nest amongst my canes. I was particularly careful to cause minimum disturbance and the wren successfully raised a brood. This must be about the fifth year this has happened so not sure if it's the same parents or whether previous years siblings are using the same location.



**Figure 1** A wren fledgling looks out warily from its nest



**Figure 2** The open fronted bird box failed to tempt the wren into a more secure location

Graham Appleby

most of that time and was also the membership secretary for many years. Margaret also provides support for many RVCG events.

**Joan Buckland: Wildlife Recorder**

Joan has a fondness for wildlife and has a good general knowledge of nature. She would like to thank everyone who has donated articles of local wildlife and would like more reports from you to keep us in the picture. This is important because we need to know as a conservation group, what we are trying to conserve. Joan also supports the RVCG at its public events providing interesting specimens for children to observe.

**Sue Shaw: Publications / Botanist**

Sue has made a major contribution to many aspects of the RVCG. She initially produced the RVCG leaflet describing the group's activities and helped make major improvements to the very latest edition of Keith Kendall's 'Walking the Rivelin' which has now sold over 1500 copies. Sue has been a major contributor to our campaigns regarding the Rivelin Trees and particularly the Councils Flood Prevention proposals. She is a task team regular and often supports our events.

**Helen Beardmore: Publicity**

Helen is a very enthusiastic and dependable committee member taking care of our advertising using the local media to promote the group's activities. She is also an active member of the task team and often supports our local events. She has also been very active in our flood prevention campaign.

**Roger Kite MBE: Conservation advisor**

Roger is the ex-chairman of the RVCG and received an MBE award in 2006 for his contribution to local conservation. He continues to be a guiding light for the RVCG and is still very active in giving walks and talks for the RVCG and other organisations. He often supports the task team and other RVCG events

**Christine and Graham Roe - Membership**

Christine sits on the committee as both the membership secretary and minute secretary. Graham helps maintain the membership database from which he creates the newsletter distribution list. Both Christine and Graham work together seamlessly and often support our RVCG events. They have recently taken a lead to investigate the new General Data Protection Regulations which became law in May 2018 to ensure the RVCG fully complies.

Other key roles:

**Irene Harrison: Speaker Organiser**

Our Open Meetings continue to attract increasing numbers of people who have been enthralled by some very entertaining speakers. This can be quite a challenging role in identifying and booking suitable speakers to meet the expectations of a very discerning RVCG audience. Irene has achieved this very successfully and we look forward to the next series of talks.

I would also like to give a special thank you to **Jonathan and Emma Paragreen** for their contribution and support of the group. Jonathan continues to maintain the RVCG website to a very professional standard. Both Jonathan and Emma are active task team members and provide valuable support for our events and helped contribute to the production of the 'Walking in the Rivelin' book.

**RVCG Vacancies**

The RVCG has been blessed with ten, long serving, committee members who have given their valuable time and knowledge freely and professionally. This eclectic mix of skills and experience has been immensely valuable in guiding and helping the RVCG provide an effective service to its members and the community. However, a number of committee members have decided to stand down in next 18 months, having either run their natural course or due to a change of personal circumstances. etc.

**Planning** – (Derek Hastings) Monitoring for planning notices and responding to the authorities on behalf of the RVCG

**Treasurer** – (David Lyon) keeping the RVCG accounts up to scratch and providing an annual report

**Recorder** – (Joan Buckland) Capturing and reporting on local wildlife

**Task Team Leader** – (Keith Kendall) organising our monthly task days and negotiating with the local authorities

**Group Visit organiser** – this is a new role to help organise visits to places of interest for its members.

If you are interested in any of the posts above, please write to [rvcg.chair@btinternet.com](mailto:rvcg.chair@btinternet.com) or contact me or the current role holder for a chat.

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## Rivelin Water Treatment Works Update

We reported earlier that the new water treatment plant at Rivelin had entered supply in December 2017 and a start had been made on the landscaping to cover the new building.

Anyone who has either driven past the site or viewed it from Lodge Moor will have noticed that the mountain of earth has disappeared (as have the site cabins) and the land has been reprofiled and the works is now covered with earth – as can be seen from the attached pictures. The actual works is effectively marked out by the black ventilators.

The site works were not scheduled for completion until August 2018 (excluding final hard planting) so the work was completed ahead of programme. In view of the weather conditions that the contractors endured, particularly this last winter, they have done very well to get the work done.

A mesh fencing has been erected around the site, but we have been advised by Yorkshire Water that the bulk of the planting will take place in the Autumn.



**Figure 1 At RWTW the new two-storey building is almost invisible; just picked out by the green square in this picture**



**Figure 2. In this wider view the new building is completely invisible thus achieving our desire to minimise the disruption to the scenic view.**

Simon Balding, Senior Project Manager with Yorkshire Water told us that they have had some success in awards so far – the job was shortlisted for the Regional RICS (Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors) awards, but didn't win. They have another shortlisting for the regional construction industry awards in Leeds in July. They have also had a shortlisting for the national British Construction Industry Association awards and have been summoned to London to present a profile of the scheme.

David Lyon

Yorkshire Water have gone to great lengths to enter into consultation with local groups on this project and previous projects. The RVCG committee has been privileged in being invited along on a few occasions during construction to see the new buildings from a unique perspective prior to the water being allowed in. I would like to thank Yorkshire Water and particularly, Simon Baldwin and his colleagues for their hospitality and community spirit. Not only do we now have some of the best drinking water in Britain driven by new environmentally friendly technology, but also installed efficiently and sensitively into the beautiful Rivelin Valley.

Graham Appleby



## **RVCG AGM 2018**

The AGM was held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at Stephen Hill Church and again, very well attended. This was designed as a fun evening to celebrate the previous year's achievements and to thank its active and non-active members for their valuable support. The existing committee was re-elected, and members were given the opportunity to comment on the running of the RVCG. This was followed by a pea and pie supper, thank you to S10 Butchers of Broomhill, and a quiz whose winners were given vouchers for Café Nest at Crosspool.

### **Chairman's Report**

This is my 8<sup>th</sup> term as chairman since taking over from Roger Kite in 2010 and is the 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Rivelin Valley Conservation Group. I remain committed to the task of leading a voluntary group with over 600 members and an active and effective committee. We have over 70 active members who keep the RVCG ticking like clockwork including a group of over 30 task team volunteers who make such a huge difference to the Rivelin Valley. The group is financially sound and well positioned to take on future challenges. I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to the RVCG this year and a thank you to the partners and families of those volunteers. The group maintains a strong bond with the Sheffield City Council and Yorkshire Water and is the envy of many other voluntary organisations.

### **Recent Campaigns:**

Rivelin was threatened with the loss of many mature trees alongside Rivelin Valley Park and adjacent the fire station. Following some strong protests, the Council and Amey appear to have reconsidered the situation and reduced the number of trees to be felled in Rivelin. So far 5 trees around the fire station have been felled and 27 new trees have been planted along the Valley. The RVCG's main objection was the loss of any trees just to help achieve a nice neat curb line although Keith Kendall reported that he had recently seen Amey repairing a curb that had been dislodged by a tree. So things are looking up although the exact number of trees to be felled is still a bit of a mystery.

Sheffield City Council plans to dam the Rivelin between Roscoe and the playground are still on the cards but on hold for the moment. A leaflet summarising the situation has been prepared by Sue Shaw and posted around the Valley.

The RVCG has been extremely lucky to have 10 long serving committee members who have provided effective and valuable support throughout 2017 as follows:

### **Graham Appleby: Chairman and newsletter production.**

I have been with the group since 1997, originally recruited as group recorder and eventually as chairman from 2010. I help co-ordinate the group activities, liaise with other groups and organisations, represent the group in the media and help promote the group at events. I am a regular task team member and occasionally cover as task team leader. I provide the final editing of the newsletter and print it ready for distribution.

### **Keith Kendall: Vice chairman, Task Team leader and Group Administrator.**

Keith is a major contributor to the group and has been a member for over 20 years. He has written two books, produced a DVD, organises and leads the task day events. Keith is also the main contributor to obtaining grants for the group. He successfully won a quarterly volunteer award scheme with Tesco and obtained another grant from the Don Catchment Rivers Trust both used to purchase new benches which have now been installed by the task team.

### **David Lyon: Treasurer**

David maintains a tight grip on the purse strings and protects a healthy bank balance that is kept topped up with membership fees and generous donations. Money from grants is generally spent early as usually a receipt is required to prove the use of the money. Some items like tools and benches remain quite expensive and can very quickly absorb our funds. The RVCG was forced to buy a new computer, colour printer and projector as they all failed in the last 12 months.

### **Derek Hastings: Planning**

Derek is an ex-Barnsley Council planning officer and uses his knowledge and experience to keep the RVCG committee and membership abreast of planning submissions and submits the views of the RVCG to official bodies. He is one of the longest serving committee members and actively supports our events when available. He would like to take on a new apprentice to train in the planning role.

### **Margaret Sanderson: Newsletter**

Margaret Sanderson has served the full 27 years as an RVCG committee member. She has been chief editor of the RVCG newsletter for

## RVCG Contributors 2017

Thank you to the following for their valuable contribution and support throughout 2017

Graham Appleby	Committee Chairman
Margaret Sanderson	Committee
Keith Kendall	Committee
Joan Buckland	Committee
Derek Hastings	Committee
Sue Shaw	Committee
David Lyon	Committee
Helen Beardmore	Committee
Roger Kite	Committee
Christine Roe	Committee
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Roe, Graham and Christine	Newsletter Deliverer
Hastings, Derek and Linda	Newsletter Deliverer
Appleby, Graham & Liz	Newsletter Deliverer
Albans Helen & Keith	Newsletter Deliverer
Cooper, Martyn and Evelyn	Newsletter Deliverer
Shaw, Dr Sue	Newsletter Deliverer
Lewis, Gareth	Newsletter Deliverer
Robertson Noel	Newsletter Deliverer
Horsfield, Christine & Ian	Newsletter Deliverer
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Moorhouse Leslie & John	Newsletter Deliverer
Paragreen Jonathon & Emma	Newsletter Deliverer
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David Mason;	Task Team
Derek Hastings;	Task Team
Graham Appleby;	Task Team
Graham Wheatcroft;	Task Team
Greg & Hannah Isherwood;	Task Team
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Julie Lawrence;	Task Team

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Ken Rutter;	Task Team
Jenny Ryan;	Task Team
Scott Berg;	Task Team
Helen Beardmore	Task Team
Irene Harrison	Speaker Organiser
Mavis Roadhouse	Refreshments
Sally Turnbull	Refreshments
Margaret & Bob Townrow	New Member Packs

Richard Jackson	Tool Store
Ken Shail & Sue Thompson	Garden Party Hosts
Tony Davenport	Auditor
Jonathon & Emma Paragreen	Website/posters/events

I feel it is important to thank everyone individually for their time and effort. I have put the list above together to the best of my knowledge and I apologise if you have been accidentally missed and please do let me know if this is the case.



**Figure 3** Volunteers from Virgin Media remove rotting boards from Rivelin Mill dipping platform in preparation for the RVCG Task Team to replace the boards on the following task day on the last Sunday in May