

# Welcome to Cotswold Canals Connected Opportunities!

Contact us for more information about access and facilities. Everyone is welcome!

Share your ideas and feedback at every event to inform our activities plan. This will be submitted for a Stage 2 Heritage Fund application in November.

More info on Cotswold Canals Connected website & facebook page about activities and project updates.

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# COTSWOLD CANALS

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## Opportunities

**A collection of taster events and activities to engage, enthuse and excite everyone about the canal project.**

**Something for everyone, on and off the water – walks, talks, boats, wildlife and creativity -and it's all free!**

## Barge Pulling

**SATURDAY 16 MARCH**

Help the hoppper & Tug crew pull the barge & see floodgates in action. Hear the Navy's story of building the canal. Bring a picnic. 11am -2pm at Ebley Mill, GL5 4SR. Watch or have a go!

## Orchard Day

**SATURDAY 30 MARCH**

Get involved in restoring a community orchard. Bring a picnic, family and friends. 10am - 1pm. Meet at Whitminster Village Hall GL2 7NN. Unmade footpath, sloping uneven ground.

## Construction Talk

**THURSDAY 4 APRIL**

Motorways, train lines & the missing mile - hear the engineering challenges from Ken Burgin, CEO & engineer for CCT. 7:30pm, George Room, Subscription Rooms, GL5 1AE. Fully accessible.

## Meet the Volunteers

**THURSDAY 25 APRIL**

Chat about opportunities along the canal for wildlife, construction & restoration. Meet the volunteers & find out what's in it for you. 11am-2pm, Queen Elizabeth II Park, GL5 3HQ.

## Canal Trail

**SATURDAY 4 MAY  
SUNDAY 5 MAY**

Grab a map at Stroud train station to find storytellers, boating, local history, wildlife & fun activities all the way to Stonehouse. Food stalls or picnic on route. 11am-4pm. Train times: [thetrainline.com](http://thetrainline.com).

## Visit a Mill

**SATURDAY 11 MAY  
SUNDAY 12 MAY**

See the waterwheels power textile machinery and historic looms at the Gigg Weaving Shed GL6 0JF 10am - 12pm and Dunkirk Mill GL5 5HH 2pm - 4pm. More info: [www.stroud-textile.org.uk](http://www.stroud-textile.org.uk).

## Bug Bioblitz

**SATURDAY 30 MAY**

Look for otters, dragonflies, kingfishers & mammals' tracks along the banks of the canal & River Frome. Meet at Fromebridge Mill, GL2 7PD. 10am - 1pm. Great for families, unmade path.

## Green Spaces Walk

**SATURDAY 1 JUNE**

Circular walk along the Long Ground, Canal, Capel's Mill, to Park Gardens & back. Meet local eco experts at Stratford Park GL5 4AF at 9:30am, back by 1:30pm. Mostly accessible - quite far!

## Nicer on the Water

**SATURDAY 1 JUNE**

SUP Stroud, Boatmobility, Stroud Canoe Club & CCT's trip boat meet for a day floating on the water. Bring a picnic, towel, friends & family. 11am-4pm at Ryeford. Accessible location & boats.

## Photography Walk

**WEDNESDAYS 5 & 12 JUNE**

Slow down along the canal & you might see kingfishers, otters or herons. Meet at Wallbridge GL5 3JS, opp. CCT Visitor Centre at 1.10pm, back by 1:50pm. Gentle walk, bring lunch.

## Museum in the Park

**SUNDAY 9 JUNE**

Find out why John the Navy ties up his trouser legs, share canal stories, dye wool & make a map. Lots to see, touch & hear. 11am- 4.30pm. Museum in the Park, Stroud, GL5 4AF. Fully accessible.

## Places and Buildings

**SATURDAY 22 JUNE**

Locks, bridges & railways. Peter explains the built canal. Meet at 9:30am at CCT Bookshop, Brimscombe Port GL5 2QG, walk to Wallbridge by 12.30. Parking at Brimscombe & return shuttle . Rough ground.