

# Lichfield Lines



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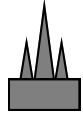
# The newsletter of IWA Lichfield Branch

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## **Branch Chairman's Report July 2016**

I know that this is supposed to be summer, but I don't think the weather has caught up with that fact yet. What have I been up to since the last time?

I went on the May walk when we visited Calke Park and the Ticknall tramway. Despite the rain it was very interesting to be walking on this historic transport system and seeing the old limeyards. This concluded with a meal and drink at the Staff of Life. This is the first walk that I have done with the branch, but I am sure it will not be the last one. The next walk is on September 6<sup>th</sup> and will take in the Rushall & Daw End Canals, for details see page 2.

Mike and I went to the Crick Boat Show at the end of May. We have not been for a long time and it was good to go and look at the new boats and at all the other interesting stands. We also worked on the IWA stand over the weekend – this is always an enjoyable experience. A chance to sell our products, promote the Association and talk to people about who we are and what we do for different aspects of the waterways. It is also great hearing stories of what others have been up to or are planning to do.

In August we are going on our first BCNS Explorer Cruise. For those of you who don't know about explorer cruises these are organised by the Birmingham Canal Navigations Society as "a gentle, fun cruise, exploring the northern reaches of the Birmingham Canal



IWA Festival of Water site at Pelsall North Common



## **Community Waterway Adoption Certificate**

This is to certify that  
**IWA Lichfield**  
have adopted a stretch of the

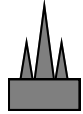
**Trent & Mersey Canal**  
**Rugeley Bridge 65 to 68**

Date 1st February 2016

  
Richard Parry Chief Executive  
Canal & River Trust

Navigation system with fellow boaters". All the people I have talked to about these cruises have said how good they are so we are really looking forward to it. The cruise ends at the annual IWA Festival of Water at Pelsall Common on the Wyrley and Essington Canal over the August Bank Holiday weekend, August 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>. We will be volunteering at this event as well as enjoying all the fun things that will be going on. Hopefully the weather will be kind! It is not too late to join us there. Contact Pat Barton if you can help out – even if it is only for a few hours, she would love to hear from you.

The branch have now got the official adoption certificate for part of the Trent and Mersey – if



you do not know about this, Lichfield Branch have adopted the section between bridges 65 and 68 at Rugeley. Our members and other volunteers will be maintaining this section with regular work parties.

Our regular indoor meetings start again in September and we are already planning the Christmas meal, which will be on a Saturday lunch this time, see page 3 for more details. There is also the skittles evening in October, come and join us for a fun night at the Stafford Boat Club. Further on in the newsletter is an item about Truman Enterprise Narrowboat Trust who run trips on a narrowboat for groups of people from the West Midlands area. If you know of a group that would be interested please do not hesitate to get in touch with them. They are also looking for more people to help out, so if you fancy getting involved please see the volunteer section on their website.

I hope that you have a good summer and look forward to seeing you at a future event.

*Denise Bending July 2016*

### Forthcoming Events

Posters for our upcoming events may be found at [www.waterways.org.uk/lichfield](http://www.waterways.org.uk/lichfield)  
If you can download these and help to publicise our events it would be very helpful.

### Festival—Pelsall Festival of Water, Pelsall Junction 27th to 29th August 2016

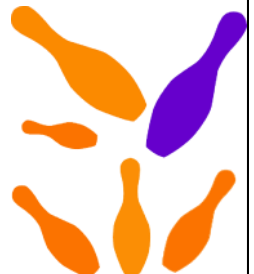
The IWA's Festival of Water comes to our area this year! Held at Pelsall Junction where the Cannock Extension canal meets the Wyrley and Essington canal near Walsall. See poster on Page 12 and the IWA web site for further details. Details of the volunteering opportunities and a volunteers booking form may be found on page 13.

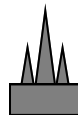
### Walk—Tuesday 6th September 2016 – Rushall & Daw End Canals Walk

This is an easy 5 mile walk along field paths and towpaths, with no stiles. The route takes in the green spaces on the eastern edge of Walsall and explores its industrial past. The walk starts from the Hay Head Wood Nature Reserve and proceeds along the towpath of the Rushall Canal where once heavy horses pulled laden narrowboats of limestone to flux mills and cement factories in the Black Country. It then turns west through recreation grounds near to Walsall's arboretum, before heading north through an urban area and passing an environmental farm and Park Lime Pits on the way. We return to the start along the contours of the Daw End Branch of the Wyrley and Essington Canal. There is an opportunity for refreshment afterwards at The Dilke Arms, Aldridge Road, Walsall. Meet at 10:15 am for a 10:30 start in the car park of Hay Head Wood Nature Reserve, Longwood Lane, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 0QQ. Contact Clive Walker on 07866 201873 or [clive.walker@waterways.org.uk](mailto:clive.walker@waterways.org.uk)

### Meeting—Wednesday 21st September 2016

"Joys, Joshers and James" Our new season of meetings starts with an illustrated talk by Phil Clayton about the history of the BCN (Birmingham Canal Navigations). 7.15 for 7.30 pm at Martin Heath Hall,





Christchurch Lane (off Walsall Road), Lichfield, Staffs. WS13 8AY

### **Saturday 15th October 2016 - Skittles Evening**

Skittles Evening & Supper at Stafford Boat Club. A social evening with games of skittles and a supper. 7.30 pm at Stafford Boat Club, off Maple Wood, Wildwood, Stafford, ST17 4SG. The evening will include a Fish & Chip supper (or alternative) and pud. The cost will be £7.50 collected on the night. This is an informal inter-Branch competition between members from IWA Lichfield Branch, North Staffordshire & South Cheshire Branch and Shrewsbury & North Wales Branch. Teams can represent Lichfield Branch, or friends and family can be recruited to make up your own team of 4 or more, If you are interested please contact Pat Barton on [pat.barton@waterways.org.uk](mailto:pat.barton@waterways.org.uk).

### **Meeting—Wednesday 19th October 2016**

"The Fens and Fenland Waterways" an illustrated talk by John Pomfret. 7.15 for 7.30 pm at Martin Heath Hall, Christchurch Lane (off Walsall Road), Lichfield, Staffs. WS13 8AY

### **Meeting—Wednesday 16th November 2016**

"Not such Idle Women" an illustrated talk by Mike Constable about the wartime women boaters. 7.15 for 7.30 pm at Martin Heath Hall, Christchurch Lane (off Walsall Road), Lichfield, Staffs. WS13 8AY

### **Branch Christmas Lunch—Saturday 10th December 12:30 for 1:00**



This years Branch Christmas Lunch will be held at Oddfellows at the Boat, Walsall Road, Summerhill, near Muckley Corner, Lichfield, Staffs. WS14 0BU. Booking details and menu will follow on the web site and in the magazine when available.



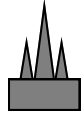
### **Recent Activities**

Unfortunately too late for this edition of Lichfield Lines but by the time you read this we will have held a Work Party at Rugeley to do some general tidying up at Brindley Bank and on the 7th August we will have enjoyed a boat trip on the Cromford canal. Reports and pictures will be published on the web site and in the next edition of Lichfield Lines.

### **Walk—Calke Park & Ticknall Tramway Walk - Tuesday 10th May 2016**

Darkening skies and the threat of rain welcomed 14 hardy walkers as they assembled in the car park of the Staff of Life country pub in Ticknall. "You should have been here yesterday, T-shirt weather!" the landlady's assistant exclaimed cheerily as she came out to take orders for our lunchtime meals.

Undeterred by the weather we set off at a brisk pace across the fields towards a gate in the hedge where we turned right to join the Ticknall Tramway. Built at the start of the 19th century it was part of a complex of tramways engineered by Benjamin Outram, that linked various brickyards, collieries and lime yards near Ticknall to the Ashby Canal at Willesley Basin. A canal



connection had originally been proposed, but this was abandoned because of water supply and cost problems. Nonetheless the Tramway was a commercial success and has been described by a biographer of Benjamin Outram as "a milestone in transport technology and a model for the modern railway systems which followed thirty years later".



We left the tramway after

No.2 tunnel and turned south-east towards Calke Abbey, passing a bluebell wood, and Betty's pond, one of several lakes on the estate that are home to the native white-clawed crayfish. Over the brow of a hill, and the NT car park and the outbuildings of Calke Abbey lay before us. At this point it had been intended to stop for a coffee break, but the rain was now bucketing down, and so we soldiered on, posing for group photos in front of the ancestral home of the Harpur Crew family.

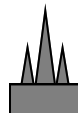
The route then took us north-east to the edge of Staunton Harold reservoir, which supplies water to Leicester and the East Midlands. After a short climb we continued northwards with a ha-ha to our right and a deer enclosure to our left. The deer park has a mixed herd of deer, including red and fallow species, and on the day of our visit, one lost-looking mute swan. Crossing a stile over a stone wall on our right we briefly left the parkland and headed northwards past White Leys farm towards the Limeyards. These have only recently been restored by the National Trust, where some of the limekilns and spoil heaps can now be visited. An information board explains that the area was once a barren industrial landscape. Today, the limeyards have been designated an SSSI, and are full of tall overhanging trees, lime-loving plants and more than 4,000 common spotted orchids.

We would have stayed here for a while but the relentless rain urged us on and we ducked under the 122 metre long cut and cover tunnel, a Grade II Listed Structure which enables the tramway to unobtrusively cross the driveway to the Calke estate. We continued a few hundred yards southwards along the tramway and arrived back at our starting point. The pre-ordered



food was efficiently served as we arrived.

We hope to return to Calke Park one summer for a shorter evening walk; there is so much variety packed into a relatively small area - the tramway, tunnels, the Limeyards and the unique wood pasture and grassland flora of Calke Park.  
(Report and photos by Clive Walker)



## Phil Sharpe, Planning Officer

This report covers the more important of about 55 planning matters dealt with from mid April to mid July 2016. They are all summarised in the monthly notes on our website Planning page, but if anyone would like further information please contact me.

The **Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal** would be affected by what is the largest and potentially most intrusive planning proposal that I have ever dealt with. This is for The West Midlands Interchange which is a proposed warehouse development of massive size between the M6, A5 and A449 at Gailey and down to Four Ashes, Vicarage Road and Straight Mile at Calf Heath. It extends along both sides of the canal between Gailey Lock and Four Ashes and across to Calf Heath Reservoir, and would also be visible from the canal between Four Ashes and Calf Heath marina. We already have an application for 3 large warehouses at Four Ashes, and are

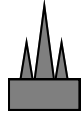


Gravelly Way Bridge on the Staffs & Worcs in the area affected by the proposed development

concerned that the previously agreed landscaping has been reduced in depth, but this would add 14 more even larger ones, many over ¼ mile long, similar to the Amazon warehouse at Rugeley. Although some landscaped mounds are shown along the canal corridor, the size and proximity of the warehouses means they could be only partly screened, and the main access road runs alongside the canal which is also crossed by a new railway bridge in one of the two layout options. Although a rail link is proposed, the

likelihood is that most of the warehouses will use road transport adding significantly to existing congestion. The land is all Green Belt which is supposed to be protected, but such large developments are now decided by the Government which in recent years has shown little regard for this status or for preserving the countryside. IWA will be strongly objecting, but also seeking maximum protection for the canal environment should this monstrosity go ahead.

On the **Trent & Mersey Canal** the application to convert The Lock House Restaurant at Great Haywood to a house was refused for reasons including loss of the café/restaurant and excessive extensions, but an Appeal has now been lodged against the decision. Lichfield District Council have been catching up recently with outstanding decisions and have given permission for several canalside developments. These include the large housing site at Handsacre to be accessed by demolishing a house for a new road alongside the canal at Tuppenhurst Lane Bridge 57. At Alrewas 8 houses have been approved in the field between Bagnall Lock and the Kings Bromley Road; and at Common Lock below Fradley Junction the 60 berth Daisy Lane marina and workshop has been agreed, conditional on no hire boats, time-



share or residential use.

Meanwhile at Burton on Trent plans have been deposited for a large warehouse off Callister Way between the canal and the A38, and we are concerned that the diversion of a stream alongside the canal leaves little room for screen planting. Marstons Brewery also want to extend their recently constructed warehouse closer to the canal and again insufficient screening is an issue.

More Lichfield Council decisions affecting the **Coventry Canal** include consent for the first phase of a large housing development on the old airfield site at Fradley Park which includes some landscape planting along the canal frontage. Development of green fields on the other side of the canal is more contentious but an application dating back to early 2014 for up to 70 houses between Hay End Lane and the canal has now been approved, the site having since been included in the Local Plan. A Reserved Matters application was immediately submitted for 69 houses but we are concerned about the loss of canalside trees, one property being too close to the canal, and the absence of any footpath link to the towpath. On the other side of Hay End Lane, further from the canal, a large site of up to 250 houses has also been approved. At Huddlesford Bridge, however, the large 3 storey block of 6 houses proposed in the small field opposite The Plough Inn has been refused.

Further down the canal at Polesworth an Outline application for up to 40 houses would be very visible up the hillside at Pooley Lane, in open countryside outside the development boundary and in the 'Meaningful Gap' intended to maintain separation from Tamworth.

Another, more welcome, Lichfield decision concerns the **Lichfield Canal** at Tamworth Road where consent has been given for the 54 berth marina, or "community water activity centre", including amended plans for the facilities building with a pitched roof, roof tiles and red brick facing as we requested. The same restrictions on hire boats, time-share and residential use apply as at Daisy Lane, although this is somewhat academic here pending completion of the canal restoration through to Huddlesford.

On the **Ashby Canal** at Hinckley development of the industrial estate opposite The Lime Kilns continues with an application for another 4 small units, although well screened by the existing hedge. However, the change of use of an existing unit close to the canal to a gas-fired power station has been very controversial. The generating facility would only operate intermittently, but unpredictably, and cause noise on the canal akin to a jet airplane taking off. No consideration was given to the effect on canal and towpath users



Moorings on the Ashby Canal near the Lime Kilns pub.



or wildlife, with this section of canal being popular for visitor moorings and with several permanent offside semi-residential moorings. We objected in the strongest possible terms and CRT also called for more assessment and noise mitigation so it is extremely annoying that this has been permitted without any attempt by the Council to make it more acceptable.

### **HS2 High Speed Rail Update – July 2016**

**Phil Sharpe, Planning Officer**

#### **Phase I.**

IWA's petition to the House of Lords was deposited in April seeking commitments to better noise protection for all affected sections of canal and an alternative route away from the canal for the Wood End Lane diversion at Fradley, both matters that were not satisfactorily resolved by the House of Commons Select Committee. In total over 800 petitions were deposited and this time more than half were challenged by HS2 Ltd, but not those of IWA, CRT or Lichfield Cruising Club. The Lords Select Committee visited Staffordshire privately in May and many of their early hearings were to resolve who would be allowed to appear, with IWA's petition hearing not now expected before mid-September.

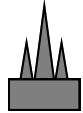
CRT petitioned about the design of the viaduct at Curdworth but a subsequent agreement to provide extra spans to maintain a more open outlook has enabled them to withdraw. The concession is covered in a comprehensive Side Agreement which has been the subject of prolonged negotiations but has finally been signed. This also covers such matters as minimising stoppages outside the "Stoppage Season", design principles for bridges and viaducts, minimum headroom, acoustic barriers, advance mitigation planting, etc. An appendix gives detailed design, access, protection and mitigation requirements for each of the canal interfaces as appropriate.

CRT are also proposing to engage consultants to report on Wood End Lane in an effort to prompt some action from HS2 Ltd on their agreement to review this in conjunction with the Trust, Staffordshire Highways and other affected parties.

Lichfield Cruising Club petitioned to obtain more certainty about which replacement facilities would be funded, as the Commons report referred only to the slipway and hardstanding. In their very clearly presented case to the Select Committee on 14 July they explained that they needed certainty that this included the replacement 16 moorings and a legal agreement to incrementally fund the design, management and construction work to enable this to be completed before HS2 work starts on site in 2018. But having dragged their feet since January, necessitating LCC's appearance, HS2 Ltd had confirmed, typically at the last minute (overnight), that the moorings were included. They then promised the Lords that a legal agreement would be concluded as a matter of urgency before the committee recess the following week. They publicly acknowledged the force of LCC's solicitor's arguments about Equivalent Reinstatement and agreed to replacement facilities at least as good as the present ones. LCC are to be congratulated on achieving such clarity and a satisfactory outcome; all they have to do now is get planning consent and then build their replacement moorings and slipway !

Meanwhile, I have attended several meetings including the HS2 Working Group at Measham, a Community Meeting at Lichfield and a meeting with CRT at Milton Keynes, which all help to





exchange information and co-ordinate our responses.

### **Phase 2a.**

A draft Environmental Statement for the extension from Fradley to Crewe is expected in September with a Bill in 2017. However, there have still been no proposals for community engagement and HS2 Ltd seem now to only be providing information through road shows rather than proper consultation. We remain concerned about the noise impact on Great Haywood Marina in particular.

### **Phase 2b.**

On 7 July HS2 Ltd published a report proposing a changed route for part of Phase 2 in South Yorkshire, avoiding Sheffield, which would also avoid the major threat to the Chesterfield Canal restoration, subject to Government acceptance.

At the time of writing a new Secretary of State for Transport has just been appointed and has yet to confirm or review the future timescale of the project.

## **Navigation Report – July 2016**

### **Mile Bending—Navigation Officer**

#### **CRT Meetings**

##### User Forums

Committee members attended the CRT Central Shires User Forum in April. Unfortunately the User Forums no longer include presentations from CRT but merely provide the opportunity for one to one discussions with CRT managers. We explained our concerns about Rugeley (see overleaf) to Sean McGinley the acting manager of Central Shires replacing Darren Green who has left CRT.

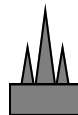
##### Winding Hole Project

Also in April, I and representatives from other local branches attended a meeting with Ian Lane, Manager of the West Midlands Waterways to kick off CRTs Winding Hole Project in that region. The main objective of the meeting was to check winding holes in the West Midlands area identified by IWA members as having problems against the official CRT records. It was of interest to hear that across the country about half of the reports on the IWA list referred to winding holes not listed at all in the CRT records.

Sean McGinley mailed the branch to say that CRT have provided a report form and a list of known winding holes at <https://form.jotformeu.com/53123405848353>. I believe they are requesting boaters to supply detailed information.

#### **Canal Maintenance**

We try to keep ourselves informed of places on the canals in the branch area which require attention. Our two main areas of interest are covered here. If there is anything else we should be discussing with CRT please let me know.



## Barton Turn Lock

The downstream canal bank at Barton Turn Lock has finally been repaired and the obstruction in the waterway has been removed. As can be seen in the photograph on the next page the new lock moorings look very good. CRT have also been dredging the canal in this area.



New lock moorings at Barton Turn

## Rugeley

We have been talking to CRT for many years about repairing the canal bank through Rugeley, in particular along the section west of Bridge 66 which is signed as visitor moorings. These are rarely used as the state of the bank makes it difficult to moor. The result has been that many visiting boaters moor the other side of the bridge near Tesco creating congestion as the canal is very narrow there. Our discussion with Sean McGinley appears to have had little effect and we are still not aware of any plans for the work.

The congestion by Tesco is being made worse by vegetation growing out from the offside. I have reported this to CRT who have said that they are about to start surveying all trees on the waterway and that those in that area will be assessed in detail.

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## Elsan facility hosepipes

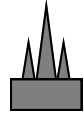
IWA's Navigation Committee has been monitoring CRT's installation of short hosepipes and non-return valves on the taps in all CRT Elsan disposal facilities which should now be complete - see picture. Please could you let me know if you find any facilities where these are absent. This may not be CRT's fault as it seems that some hosepipes and valves have been stolen.



## Editorial Notice

**Lichfield Lines** is the newsletter of IWA Lichfield Branch, it is produced 4 times a year to keep members informed about our forthcoming public meetings, walks, work parties and other activities, to provide reports on recent meetings and events, and to include articles of general interest to our members.

The editor, Peter Gurney, welcomes articles, letters or photographs of waterway activities in our Branch area which can be emailed to [pete.gurney@waterways.org.uk](mailto:pete.gurney@waterways.org.uk) (Please note there is a



10MB limit for emails with photos as attachments sent via this address).

The copy date for the next newsletter is 15th October 2016, for publication in November.

## **Advertising**

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The IWA has a range of corporate members some of whom offer discounts to members. The discount details can be found on the IWA website at [www.waterways.org.uk/support\\_us/corporates](http://www.waterways.org.uk/support_us/corporates).

Corporate members in our area are—

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Ashby Canal Trust	Ash Tree Boat Club
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	Fingerpost pub Pelsall

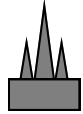
A new addition to this list is the Clifford Arms in Great Haywood near the Trent & Mersey Canal which is offering 10% discount to IWA members on food purchases.

Please mention the IWA when contacting any of these Corporate Members.

## **Truman Enterprise Narrowboat Trust (T.E.N.T.)** **Registered Charity No. 1037914**

This Trust has been in operation since 1968 and has been through many changes. You may have seen our boats about and wondered what we do. There are many ways in which you, your friends and family could benefit from services provided by the Truman Enterprise Narrowboat Trust. We have a lot to offer!

Our mission is to provide safe, fun and affordable day and overnight boat trips for community groups on the canals around the West Midlands. We also offer a range of volunteering opportunities.



We are regulated by the NCBA (National Community Boats Association: [www.national-cba.co.uk](http://www.national-cba.co.uk)) and are an NCBA accredited training centre with our own trainer.

We operate two boats from Hatherton Marina at Queen's Road, Calf Heath WV10 7DT:

**Narrowboat Enterprise** is a wheelchair-friendly boat that offers day trips in the beautiful countryside of the Staffs & Worcs canal for groups of up to 12. Visitors can either visit a pub for a meal, have fish and chips delivered to the boat, or bring a picnic if they wish. This boat is for community groups of all sorts & families who have elderly or disabled members or those with health issues.

**Narrowboat Felgate** is a residential boat used for community groups and training. It can sleep groups of up to 12 people and can take you further afield to offer a more in-depth experience of the waterways including operating locks, steering and self catering.

Both of our boats come with a skipper and crew to ensure that your trip is safe, educational and fun. We cater for uniformed organisations, youth groups, residential care homes, day centres, schools, church groups, clubs, carers' groups, support groups, residents' associations, and more.

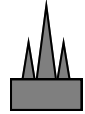


As well as offering day and residential trips, we provide training through NCBA courses and 'Have-a-go' days where groups and individuals may experience handling a full length narrowboat for the first time or brush up on skills and techniques with a qualified trainer and crew.

We are operated entirely by volunteers and always welcome new volunteers in a variety of roles e.g. bookings & admin, website, Trustees, fund raisers, publicity work, boat maintenance, skippers and crew, etc.

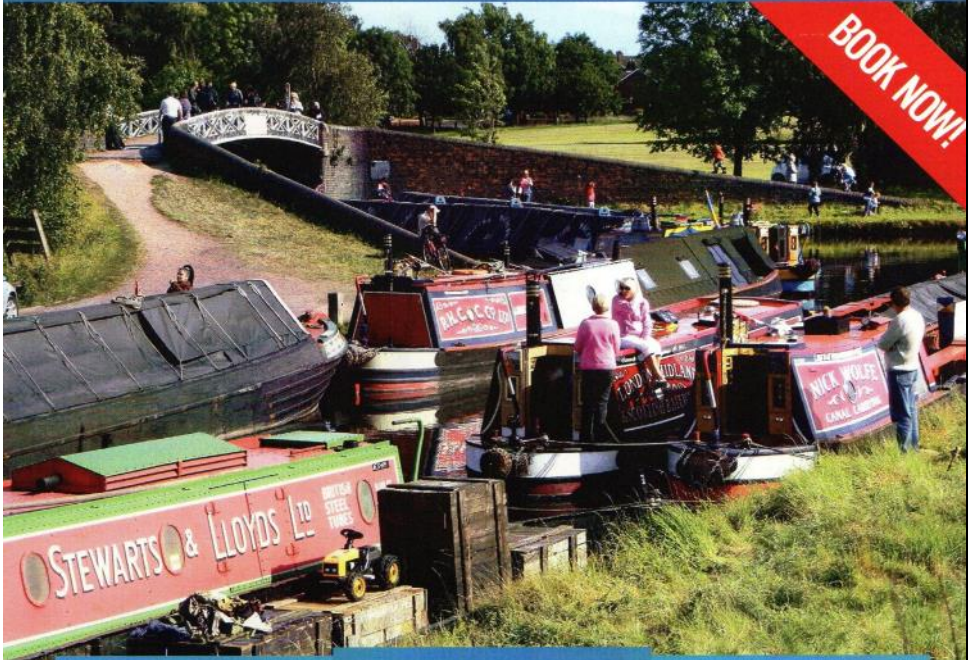
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# Pelsall Festival of Water

27th – 29th August 2016 | Pelsall Junction, West Midlands



## Pelsall Junction

There will be attractions for all the family and boats lining the canal at Pelsall Junction on the Birmingham Canal Navigations.

# Fun for All the Family!

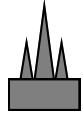
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**IWA Festival of Water—Pelsall 27th to 29th August 2016**

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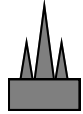
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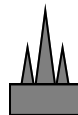
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