



Spotlight on CVCA success: Castle Gate Path reopened

Over the last couple of months we have been working with the Countryside Volunteers to repair and reopen the Castle Gate link path. It is with great pleasure that we can now announce that the walk is now open to the public.

The walk forms an attractive detour to the Calderdale way link path along Castlegate which is the lane branching to the right, coming up the main road just past Bottoms Cottages, 200 yards past the Robin Pub.

Please send us your suggestions for any other areas/walks that you would like improving or whether you would be interested in setting up a walking group - please contact us on cvca@jsd.me.uk

Check out the CVCA notice board opposite the Robin Hood Pub for the latest and up to date community news.



Many thanks to Charlie Greenwood (pictured above cutting the ribbon) for officially reopening the footpath; also thanks to Libby Knowles (left) and Blaise Canry (right) for holding the ribbon as well as for support from Committee Members on a very wet 'Summer' day.



CVCA Factoid: Did you know.....

Books directly to you.....

Calderdale Library van visits Cragg Road and the Hinchcliffe Arms every other Friday with a wide selection of books for you to enjoy. You will see the library van between 9.30am - 10.30am on Friday September 12, September 26, October 10, October 24 etc

What does Cragg Vale have to offer?

Although Cragg Vale is a small linear village it has two pubs (*The Robin Hood Inn* and the *Hinchcliffe Arms*), a *Tennis Club*, Cragg Builders, *Cragg Vale Junior and Infant school* and a *Caravan park*, as well as many small holdings. In the last few years the village has expanded some of the new business being a children's nursery called *The Ark*, a recording studio (*Aspire Technology*), an online fancy dress retailer (*Atlantis Fancy Dress*) and the *Little Valley* brewery with its own Brewery Shop.

In addition to the businesses and services provided over 650 people call it home!

Next CVCA update coming soon....



If there's something that you'd like us to cover then send your suggestions to cvca@jsd.me.uk

CVCA Team



CVCA Progress and what's next

Well, a few of them anyway!



Marianne Hood
Secretary



Jude Hamlin
Chair



Shirley Daniel
Minutes and
Bulletins

Jokes

A man walked into a pet shop and said, 'I'd like a puppy for my son.'

*part exchange.
owner, 'we don't do
said the store
Ans: 'Sorry sir,*

The CVCA held the first Annual General Meeting on 21st June and have been working hard to complete the remaining initiatives for this year including the Spa feasibility study, improvements to the play area (where we now have 3 quotes to review) and discussions underway regarding the Eco Toilet. We are in the process of planning next year's and longer term initiatives. Coming up in the next newsletter we will share with you our proposals and plans. Our aims continue to support the suggestions from our Open Day and sum up what the CVCA is trying to achieve in stimulating a community spirit in Cragg Vale and promoting and safeguarding the character of the village e.g. road safety

The committee meets every 2nd Wednesday of the month, in the upper room of the Robin Hood at 7:30pm. If you want to find out more, please feel free to come and join us, there are always refreshments!

Cragg Vale what's on guide?



Walking!
On Sunday 26th
October there is a
Walk to Health
around Cragg Vale

Meet Jan and Chris Buckley outside St John the Baptist Church in Cragg Vale at 13.00 for a 4.25 mile walk. Suitable for anyone who has already done some walking. Some uphill stretches to be taken at a very steady pace, but not a beginners walk. Bring a light snack.

Details

- Easy walk, some climbing
 - Bus available to near starting point
- Please dress appropriately. Any queries contact Julie on 393 273 or julie.swift@calderdale.gov.uk



The Cragg Vale Local History

Group meets regularly, usually on the 1st or 3rd Thursday of each month. One of the ideas that came out very strongly from the survey of "Cragg-Valians" was a wish to delve into local history and the participation to date has been tremendous. This valley and the hillsides have so many tales to tell Our current programme is:

16th October - John Billingsley "Folklore"

6th November - "Reminiscences"

4th December – visit to Longley Hall, Huddersfield

All are welcome! Annual subscription CVCA members £10, CVCA non-members £12, retired household or in full time education £5, non-members £2 per meeting. For more details please ring 884509, 885068, 886152 or email cvca@jsd.me.uk



Announcements and Support

Save Kerbside collection – a social enterprise helping people into work through recycling is at risk. Please support Kerbside - leave a message on their message board (www.kerbside.org.uk) or return your postcards! CVCA will arrange a meeting with them if you wish.

Energy Conscious - Maggie Smallwood, from Upper Lumb Barn, would like to co-ordinate a group to investigate how Cragg Vale can work towards carbon neutral. If you would like to be involved, please get in touch with Maggie, tel 882848 or email shaun.topham@ukonline.co.uk

Support Required – Cragg folk needed to support with the Children's Park grant application and public consultation plan. Please contact Lisa.Canry@virgin.net if you can offer support

Local Food Network - anyone interested in developing one? Contact barrieboon@hotmail.com