

Valeways Walk and Clear activities 2022

2022 has been another busy, productive year for the Walk and Clear Team.

The highlights have been

A number of new volunteers have joined the group so weekly turnout is regularly over 15.

At the request of the Countryside Rangers Team we had a number of sessions clearing a dense area of blackthorn on the Wales Coastal Path near St Donats.

Taking part in the filming of Weatherman Walking with Derek Brockway at the Salmon Leaps. The programme is due to be aired in Spring 2023.

4 January 2022 - Cowbridge - Walk 10 East Cowbridge waymarking & clearing



11 January 2022 - Cowbridge - Walk 10 East Cowbridge waymarking & clearing



18 January 2022 – Penllyn Waymarking



25 January 2022 – Graig Penllyn



1 February 2022 - Walk 7 Cowbridge Castle Court and Wells



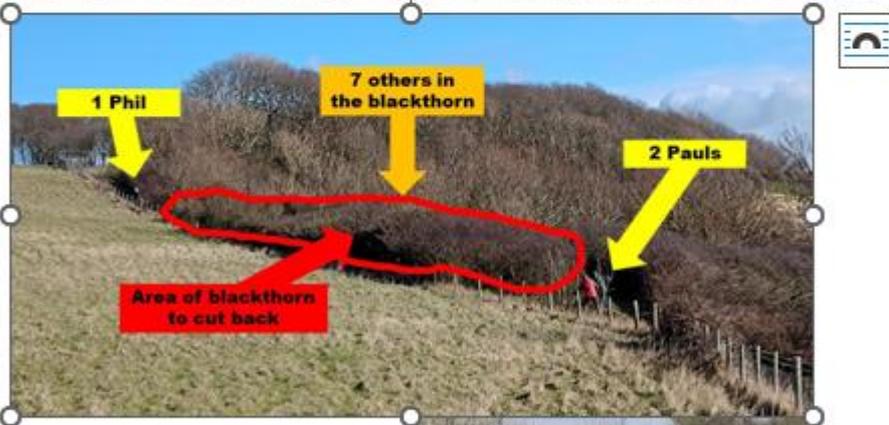
It's truly amazing that so many people are willing to volunteer their time to help keep the walks open and available. I can remember the early walk and clear days with Phil Gibbins when there were rarely more than 3 or 4 of us and we frequently got lost.

8 February 2022 – Llandough Way Marking

Making life easier for local Vale walkers. You're an inspiration - well done!



February/March 2022 – Blackthorn Clearance on Coastal Path, St Donats.





Just a little thank you for the great work you've done on the Wales Coast Path at St Donats. This is often the sort of job that we find very difficult with our small team. These areas often end up being trimmed each year to keep it open rather than the big cut back that's needed. It's amazing how quickly the vegetation grows and takes you by surprise. I don't underestimate how hard the work was to clear the blackthorn. The worst scrub to deal with! When reporting on the work undertaken on the coast path this year I'll make sure to credit you. Letting the light in and having the wind blowing through will mean the path always stays dry for walkers. We will see another benefit come the spring, summer when the sun reaches the ground there I'm expecting a range of wild flowers which will have been lying dormant to start flowering again. Maybe even some orchids if we're lucky.

1 March 2022 – St Mary Church



15 March 2022 – Llampha and Llysworney



22 March 2022 – Llancarfan



Many Thanks from an appreciative walker.

29 March 2022 – St Georges Super Ely



5 April 2022 – Tresillian Bay



Wow, awesome job! I wonder when that was last done, if ever? Now, can you flatten all the boulders on the beach a bit too please 🤔

12 April 2022 – Hensol – Tom Jones Path



19 April 2022 - Highlight Lane & Wenvoe plus Ystradowen



26 April 2022 – St Brides Major



3 May 2022 – Ysgubor y Parcau - between Llampha and Clemenstone



10 May 2022 – Hensol and St Athan/Gileston



What a mammoth task u all had. Well done for keeping our secret footpaths clear x

17 May 2022 – Llanmaes



24 May 2022 – Gileston Beach



'A good job jobbed'.....as my Granny used to say. Well done everyone. 🍌

31 May 2022 – Gileston Beach-Aberthaw



7 June 2022 – Ogmore Castle



14 June 2022 – The Downs, St Nicholas



21 June 2022 – Coed Mynydd Coch – Woods West of Bonvilston



Thank you - we struggled to walk up that path a few weeks ago

28 June 2022 – Llantwit Major lanes



Thanks everyone, we live near the pond and have several more options for our daily walk now!
Many thanks u guys make walking a pleasure 🍊🍊

5 July 2022 – Cowbridge and St Mary Church



11 July 2022 – Weatherman Walking filming, Salmon Leaps, Dinas Powys



12 July 2022 – Watery Lane, Llantwit Major



A big shout out to Valeways, well done!
I went out there this afternoon to do some clearing, however, you'd beaten me to it!

19 July 2022 – Cancelled as too hot !!!

26 July 2022 – Green Lane, Maes-y-Ffynnon, Bonvilston



2 August 2022 - Trehill and Aberthin



9 August 2022 – The Downs, Twyn-yr-Odyn, Walston



Without Valeways all our footpaths would be forgotten. U are an amazing bunch
This is fantastic what you guys are doing. Thank you

16 August 2022 – Wick



23 August 2022 – Bonvilston - with new tools from OGI



30 August 2022 – Welsh St Donats plus Marcross to Llantwit Festival Walk



13 September 2022 – St Georges Super Ely



Many thanks, certainly everything grown since the Cardiff Conservation Volunteers helped to clear the bridle way.

20 September 2022 – Church Lane, Llantwit Major – with OGI staff joining in



Many thanks.... was walking that route as usual today when you guys were in action.

Comment from one of the OGI staff Last week [#TeamOgi](#) joined [Valeways](#) volunteers, helping to clear pathways around Church Lane in Llantwit Major. Our teams love being outdoors, helping out in the local communities we serve. This time, they even got an impromptu local history lesson while they worked. 😊
A big diolch to Valeways for the warm welcome - we can't wait to join you again soon! 🧡

27 September 2022 – Siginstone



4 October 2022 – Paths either side of Port Road, West of Cwm Ciddy



11 October 2022 – City



As always - great work keeping RoW open!



18 October 2022 – Cross Common Road, Dinas Powys



Well done everyone. I do a lot of walking in the Vale and lots of stiles and paths are in a very poor state. Thank you.

25 October 2022 – Parc Bryn-y-Don and Biglis, Dinas Powys



Exceptionally well done all of you, you have done a brilliant job it's brilliant having people like yourselves around xxx

1 November 2022 – Gileston Beach and Llancadle



8 November 2022 – Treoes



Well done folks!! Everything is an uphill struggle with a lack of resources and Volunteers.

15 November 2022 – Crack Hill – A48



So good to see these stiles and pathways being brought back into use. We used to scramble over them as kids wayyyy back in the 1960's and 70's, very happy memories.

Brilliant. Will make use of that this weekend

22 November 2022 – Moulton



29 November 2022 – Ruthin, St Mary Hill



Well done, everyone ! Now to the Pub ? 😊

6 December 2022 – Fontygary Steps and Limeworks



Nice job Valeways, well done and much appreciated
Thank you SO much as I walk down these steps most days and today was a joy xxxxx

13 December 2022 – Christmas walk and Lunch – Barry Dock and Sir Samuel Romilly

Enjoying food and drink and a very interesting - but cold – talk by Oggie

