

## **Reports on Previous Events**

***March Floop Clean up*** - the day will be remembered for the wind. Oh the wind! Wind of course is the litter pickers worst enemy as it makes controlling the bags very difficult. We started at one of the temporary diversion barriers near Debdale and cleared all the way to Fairfield. Eight volunteers collected 29 bags of litter which were later taken away by the Council. A particular thanks to those who stayed late to finish the job (rewarded with a pint at the Hare and Hounds !).

***March Yellow Brick Road (Old Stockport Canal) Clean up*** - a number of the regulars had said they would be unable to make the litter pick this month and so I was not expecting many volunteers. As usual, I was proved wrong and we had a strong group of eight volunteers, mainly from the Manchester and Stockport Canal Society, to clear a short stretch of the path from, and including, the aqueduct down to the end of the back of the houses on Longford Street. The littering on the path was really bad (we had not done it for many months) but it was good to see that the short alleyways leading to the entrances had been cleared of vegetation (by some local residents) and were largely free of litter too. The haul was an impressive 49 bags and the path was left looking good once again. I was told that some of the residents of Longford Street were about to hold a street clean up party for local children, just the sort of initiative we all dream about.

## **Future Events**

There will be no organised litter picks planned until the pandemic has passed.

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