



FAO: 'THE VOLUNTEER' – you.

Your team & friends at SCS!
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VOLUNTEERING YOUR TIME & EFFORT WITH US!

Dear Volunteer,

We are grateful for all help offered and are always open to your suggestions!

We would love to discuss your thoughts & wishes on contributing, so please read on to **see if the next page sparks an interest or an idea**. Even tell us what you think could or should be added. So, let's discuss anything that you'd like to do on a Voluntary basis with us.

In case you were wondering what we work towards, a summary of our registered activities follows:

OUR REGISTERED ACTIVITY'S

(as registered online at the [Charity Commission government website](#))

- To Restore, Reconstruct, Preserve And Maintain The Swansea Canal.
- To conserve its natural character as a Navigable Inland Waterway for the Benefit of the Public.
- To Advance Public Education in The History and use of the Canal.
- To Provide or Assist In The Provision of Facilities for Public Recreation or Leisure Time in the interests of Social Welfare with a View To Improving Conditions of Life.

Check out the next page to see if there's anything you fancy helping us with - Thanks for reading!

Kindest regards,

The Swansea Canal Society Team!

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IDEAS: TO-DO'S & PROJECT'S FOR VOLUNTEERS (we are all volunteers)

INDOOR	MIXTURE	OUTDOOR
We all have many interesting to-do's but as Volunteers ourselves - lack the time to follow up.	You may wish to get involved with both indoor & outdoor activities. Some ideas...	We definitely don't do enough of this – due to both physical aspect & time!
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ OUR ADMIN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Archiving, ✓ Following up general to-do's as a result of our monthly meetings. ✓ Simply attend our meetings & give your input? ✓ Making calls, Sending letters, ✓ Making grant applications, ❖ OUR WEBSITE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ From non-technical simple updates, ideas & shaping, or even technical input - you decide. ❖ OUR EVENTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Arranging social gatherings. ✓ Arranging strategic meeting with local influential authorities. ❖ You could brainstorm new ideas/projects for our Charity. ❖ OUR NEWSLETTER <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Contribution, Editing, Production, stuffing envelopes, posting/delivering – you decide. ✓ Posting on web. ✓ E-mailing of Newsletter to our Members. ❖ HELP GROW OUR CHARITY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Applying for funding, filling in funding forms. ✓ Getting letters of support ✓ Canvassing for support . Don't worry! We can teach / assist you. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ OUR WEBSITE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Don't be frightened! An increasingly key tool in achieving our Charity's goals. ✓ We've made it very simple to contribute towards our website. You may wish to create content in your own way and pass-on to us and we'll update our website! For example... you may wish to contribute by:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Taking photos ✓ Jotting notes / thoughts ✓ Recording the Canal's state/condition ✓ AND then simply e-mail or pass-on to us and we'll update onto website. ✓ Or even have a go at uploading to our website yourself – it's very easy! ✓ Heard of 'Twitter'? We need someone to do our Tweeting on Twitter!! This has many opportunities, we could train you too! ❖ MANNING OUR STALLS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ At exhibitions etc. ✓ We have a large gazebo with 3 sides so are able to keep dry in inclement weather. ✓ Help to set-up our stall at events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GENTLE WALKING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Simple Canal reporting? Taking notes perhaps on any fly-tipping you find or trees that have fallen blocking walkways/cycle paths. ➤ Sketching, Painting, Photography, Video, Poetry etc. We always need new creative to use in our promotions! ❖ LONGER WALKING (Rambling or even Hiking.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ SCS could greatly benefit from notes taking up more coverage of the canal & its surrounding environment! ➤ Different viewpoints, notes, photos & video could be achieved by hiking nearby hills. ❖ HERITAGE ASSISTANCE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Meeting individuals whom may have historic info to record of 'the canal & its communities'. ❖ PR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Nov.2008 saw our 1st creative competition launch, we could have done with someone helping us... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increase awareness. ▪ Putting posters at Libraries, Public places, Bridges, Voluntary Centres, Youth Centres etc. ▪ + any other ideas. ❖ ENVIRONMENTAL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Litter picking or perhaps just organising of Litter picks. ➤ Be our contact with Keep Wales Tidy.

Don't forget... we'd love to hear your ideas too!