



# SALTSCAPE

Summer Update 2016



## The latest news from the Saltscape Landscape Partnership.

*Working together to protect, enhance, celebrate and restore the salt landscape of the Weaver valley.*



The Saltscape Landscape Partnership's **COMMUNITY ARCHAEOLOGY PROJECT** is taking shape. Volunteers have now been trained by Salford University's Archaeology Department and will be able to assist us in excavating the site of the Old Adelaide Salt Works off Ollershaw Lane near Marston, Northwich from 15-19 August.

[Email us](#) or ring 01606 723 160 if you'd like to be involved.  
[Read more here](#)

**THE SALTSCAPE TRAIL** devised by Friends of Anderton and Marbury and funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund, was launched last month. It links Anderton Boat Lift and Lion Salt Works passing through the beautiful surroundings of Northwich Woodlands. Visitors can choose the Orchid trail or the Dragonfly trail (3 miles each), both of which link existing and upgraded footpaths to create a full figure-of-eight walk.



Photos by Nick Jones

Above right : Rachael Maskill from the Saltscape Landscape Partnership, David James, from Cheshire West and Chester, Alan Redley from FoAM and John Boundy from Inovyn unveiling the new interpretation board. [Click here to read more](#)

**OUR RANGE OF WALKS, TALKS AND EVENTS** have been more popular than ever. Our new events booklet is now available. Check the website for more events coming up



*Making string from Greater Reedmace on our Natural Fibres course*



*Nosey Nature Day*



*Stone Carving on the Saltscape Monument at Middlewich Folk and Boat Festival*



*Below: Hay rake making course*



*Scything course on National Meadows Day*

## VOLUNTEER DAYS

Now you see it, now you don't! Before and after a spot of Himalayan Balsam bashing with Fiona Megarrell, new trainee on a volunteer tak day at Hazel Pear Wood. [Read more](#)



**BEAVERS FROM CUDDINGTON AND SANDIWAY** enjoyed a pizza the action during their overnight stay at Forest Camp Activity Centre at Oakmere near Sandiway. The group munched their way through the first 12 pizzas ever to be cooked in the new cob ovens on the site, run by the Scouts Association. The ovens were built by volunteers earlier this year as part of Saltscape's programme of heritage skills courses. Liam Watson, Lead Outdoor Instructor for Cheshire Scout Campsites said: "There is a real excitement and buzz around this fantastic addition to the site, with numerous groups working with young people already expressing an interest in using the ovens as an activity when they visit."



*Photos Nick Jones*



**AS PART OF OUR DIGITAL MEDIA PROJECT** run by Mako Digital, students from Mid Cheshire College's Foundation Degree in Graphics developed a range of design concepts in response to a brief. This gave them the opportunity to work with a 'real life' brief from Saltscape as their 'customer'. Work produced was of an extraordinarily high standard. [Read more here.](#)

**Can you find me? Saltscape Campaign**

The promotional materials to promote the campaign are:

- Direct Mail
- Activity Book
- Web page
- Animation

All of the promotional material for the campaign all link together and look similar in order to make it instantly recognisable to a child. The campaign has been aimed at children as they are the ones who will be preserving the landscape and the history for future generations.

**Kirsty Buckley**  
**Saltscape Activity book**

**Graham P. Ryan**  
**FD Graphics Yr 2**

**Animation**

The brief was to design an advertising campaign that would entice people to use the area of Cheshire known as the Saltscape.

The "On Your Doorstep" concept literally came about because this fascinating landscape is here, all around you...

**On Your Doorstep... Saltscape.**

## HERITAGE OPEN DAY 8-11 SEPTEMBER

This year events will be running all over the Saltscape. **Winsford** will launch a new church trail and leaflet featuring beautiful hand-drawn illustrations. **Northwich** will be running town tours, with Lion Salt Works Museum, Weaver Hall Museum and Workhouse and Anderton Boat Lift all open FREE once again. There will be special tours and exhibitions at local libraries, and St Helen's Church, Witton.

In **Middlewich** the Heritage Trust will be opening Murgatroyd's Brine Pump (the last intact pump in the UK) for the first time since 1977. To book onto a guided tour contact Kerry Fletcher 01606 833434. For more information visit [www.heritageopendays.co.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.co.uk) or visit the Saltscape website.



Salts cape's **EDUCATION PROJECT**, delivered by [Cheshire Wildlife Trust](#) and Lion Salt Works, is now in its second year.



Since last Easter, Key Stage 2 pupils from all over Cheshire have been learning about the history of the salt landscape ; how it has affected people and their surroundings. Sessions are run in school, at Anderton Nature Park and at the Lion Salt Works museum. The project continues next year when we will be able to reach even more pupils

[Read more on our website](#)



Our arts project '**ANIMATE**' run by Manchester Metropolitan University kicks off in September. We're looking for any groups who would like to raise their profile by being part of a group who will contribute towards a programme of performances at local festivals next summer

If you are part of a group who might be interested in joining in do contact us 01606 723 160 or email [info@saltscape.co.uk](mailto:info@saltscape.co.uk).



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