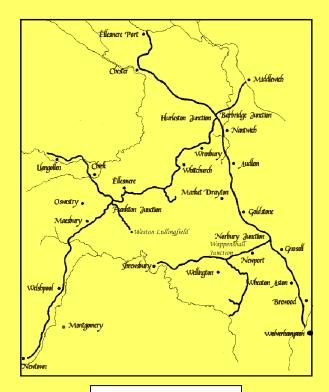
The Shropshire Union Canal system was a network of over 200 miles which emerged as an entity in the 1840's following a series of mergers. Today, its surviving parts are known as the Shropshire Union main line, the Middlewich Branch, the Llangollen Canal and the Montgomery Canal.





The Shropshire Union Canal Society was formed to protect and enhance the canals of the historic Shropshire Union system in England and Wales, and since 1969 we have been actively engaged in the restoration of the Montgomery Canal.

Our volunteers have a string of projects to their credit, including:

Pool Quay, Bank and Crowther Hall Locks: 1974 - 1979 Carreghofa Locks and pound: 1979 - 1986 Burgedin Locks and pound: 1987 - 1998 Brynderwen Lock: 1998 - 2002 Newhouse Lock: 2002 - 2006 Bridges 83 - 84 channel: 2008 - 2014 The Society has also installed mooring rings and other facilities at numerous locations around the SU system.

We are currently working to restore the channel between Bridges 84 and 85, part of the 2.75 miles of dry canal that separates the isolated part of the Montgomery from the national network.

To find out more, please visit the Society's website: www.shropshireunion.org.uk

If you would like to join the Society, please see the website or contact our Membership Secretary on 01630 656525.





Restoring and Enhancing the Shropshire Union Canals



Newhouse Lock after restoration by the Society. The project won the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors' Welsh Project of the Year award.



Channel excavation between Bridges 84 and 85. The current project is about 800 m but will extend navigation by 2 km. A grant from the HLF means that this project is already fully funded.



Hedge-laying on a frosty morning. We have laid about one mile of hedge over nine winters.



Our volunteers in 2014, celebrating re-watering between bridges 83 and 84. Over 400 m of channel was excavated and lined and over 40,000 concrete blocks were used to cover the waterproof lining.



A fundraising 'lock-wind'.



Maintenance at the Weston Arm picnic area. The work included re-surfacing the towpath, constructing new approaches to allow wheelchair access, painting tables and repairing brickwork.