

SUMBA passes the screen test

SUMBA Shropshire Union Middlewich Branch Adopters volunteers were recently filmed by BBC North West at Cholmondeston Lock.

Footage shot by the Canal & River Trust of a SUMBA work party was also used as part of item which was designed to raise



awareness of the CRT's media launch of its '500 Miles of Canals Up For Adoption' initiative, which is intended to result in a quarter of all canal mileage to be adopted by volunteers by 2025: see our news story on page 5.

SUMBA's volunteering work was seen as an ideal showcase for the scheme and CRT's local press officer and a cameraman filmed a maintenance party when it visited the 48-hour moorings at Sykes Hollow picnic area and Brickyard Bridge 6. The workboat Gowy also featured.

The BBC North West filming took some five hours, while the finished package featuring SUMBA's work lasted for three minutes, but those involved felt the publicity had been well worthwhile.