Drystone Walling Workshop

The August Workshop was Drystone Walling. On one of the hottest days of the year, having amended the Risk Assessment to include 'Exposure to the sun', we met at the designated gate at Kinninvie and were led across a field to where Adam Staley was already expertly re-doing a wall (he has thousands of metres of wall waiting for his expert work). After a short introduction and realising (well me, anyway) that the walls stay standing due to the fact that the base is much wider than the top, it was 'hands on'. Everyone set to work clearing the base of existing stones or trying to find the perfect stone to fit where the wall was already part built. Some worked away all the morning, whilst others felt the need for a few breaks and lots of chatting ensued. As we walked back across the field, dusty and tired, all agreed it had been a good morning, with one person saying "It was the best fiver I have spent in ages"!

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