

THE TIDE MILL

LIVING MUSEUM

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

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The Tide Mill at the Aldeburgh Food and Drink Festival 2015

For the third year running the mill has been part of the Aldeburgh Food and Drink festival which since 2006 has aimed to, "celebrate and publicise the abundance of our local produce and also to help people reconnect with the countryside and the food it provides". Over 8000 visitors enjoyed 2 days in warm September sunshine with the opportunity of meet many of the producers of local and quality food.



Bob organised the mill stand and we had the fortune to be positioned on the way back to the car park-ideal for carrying flour back to the car! We shared our stand with Anne Garratt selling her award winning marmalades , which tasted delicious on her tasty Tide Mill flour loaf samples! Anne Barratt's cake tasters were extremely popular and enticed many to buy the Tide Mill and Cake

Shop cook book.

The new pop up bakery workshop was holding masterclasses in another part of the Snape Maltings' grounds and Bee Farrell and Judy Riggs led an entertaining and informative Harvest loaf making workshop for 10 children and their families. The recent award to the mill from the Co-op green token scheme paid for the children's T shirts which they wore during the baking session and proudly afterwards for the rest of the day!

Thank you to all for their help which made it such a successful weekend in which the mill made over £300 in sales and we were able to chat about the mill to 100's of locals and tourists.



Harvest Loaf workshop

The Woodbridge Tide Mill
Tide Mill Way
Woodbridge
Suffolk IP12 1BY
www.woodbridgetidemill.org



Millers from Fulton windmill, Illinois visit the mill

Five American visitors chose to visit the Tide Mill at the beginning of September. These five are some of the volunteer team at Fulton Mill who came to pick up some ideas and share some of their thoughts and resources. The Fulton windmill is very different from the Tide Mill and not only because of the obvious difference of one mill using wind and the other power derived from the tide! Fulton Mill in Illinois was made in Holland in 1998 and shipped to America where it began milling in 2001. It has a cultural centre which is open year round and a lively programme of talks and activities. More details about this mill can be found following the link below: <http://www.cityoffulton.us/visit-fulton/fulton-attractions/de-immigrant-windmill.html>

Our visitors were looked after very well by Nigel and Anne Barratt who held a welcome party as well as Nigel organising a busy and informative itinerary for their 4 day visit. Bob Spillett and Wendy Reid took the visitors to see Saxtead Mill and the two mill

teams also enjoyed many discussions and presentations on fund raising, maintenance, education and how to keep up good visitor numbers.

It was a very positive visit, with gifts exchanged and offers of a reciprocal trip to Illinois also mentioned!



Suffolk Museum Association meeting

The Tide Mill Living Museum was invited to a meeting held by the Suffolk Museums Education Network held at Ipswich Museum at the beginning of September. There were lively presentations by Orford, Beccles, National Horse Racing, Ipswich, Museum of East Anglian Life and Leiston Longshop museums, Gainsborough's house, and West Stowe Anglo-Saxon village. Discussions centred around how to work best with schools and keep ideas fresh yet relevant to the curriculum and topics. A opening talk by *Kinetic Science* shared ideas for a range of activities which they run in schools on the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) subjects.

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DIARY

September 26th – October 11th (weekends only in October) part of Aldeburgh Food and Drink Fringe Festival

October 2nd

Mark Mitchell's lecture at Community Hall 7.30 for 8pm

October 8th-11th

Shuck Festival including a 'Shuck Shack pop up restaurant at the mill