

## Hampshire Water Festival July 16 & 17 2011 by Eleanor Yates.



Carol and John manning the HMG stand

The festival was held at Staunton Park in north Havant again this year. This is a lovely landscaped country park with a walled garden and farm and very popular with families, many of whom braved the extremely changeable weather which often accompanies the Water Festival!

Once again the Hampshire Mills Group was in the marquee with lots of craft stalls and groups promoting economical use of water. As soon as it started to rain the crowds filled the tent, eating the President's Tea Bread and the Treasurer's Fruity Gingerbread and buying our Longbridge Stoneground flour, cards and notelets and looking at the pictures of mills and milling on our information boards.

We had a site opposite the door of the marquee and our new banner was used to good effect.

The committee would like to thank the members who helped set up and represented us on our display stand: Mick Edgeworth, Andy Fish, Margaret & John Silman, Tony Yoward, Jane Yoward, Alison Stott, Peter Mobbs, John Christmas, Carol O'Shaughnessy and Eleanor Yates.