

From the Chattering Damsel at the Editor's Desk

Botley Mills featured in an article, *Bygone Botley*, in the July issue of the magazine, *Hampshire Life*. A potted history was brought up to date with the news of hopes to open a museum within it and a small, full colour photograph showed the mill entrance today. The same writer, Liz Barnett, also wrote about Twyford, stating how the River Itchen's flow to the water meadows was governed by sluices and hatches but, disappointingly, did not mention **Hockley Mill**.

Calbourne Watermill over on the Isle of Wight, hosted a music festival which exceeded all previous gate figures and was voted a great success. Ever devising ways to help keep the mill going, Tony and Sally Chaucer have just completed a small group of holiday let cottages built to 'eco home' standards. Just the thing for a holiday not too far from home. Milling takes place every day at 3 p.m. producing a wide range of flours. Go on, give yourself a treat with a day out on the Island.

Crux Easton owners, Carol O'Shaughnessy and Lyn Peet, hosted the June HMG meeting in the paddock beside the wind engine. The American Supper, the wonderful weather, superb clear views across the valley plus the assembled company created a thoroughly enjoyable evening. New displays inside the engine house were duly visited and the deep, deep well duly peered down. Thank you, Carol and Lyn for allowing us to be there.

Warnford Waterwheel Remember we couldn't put names to all the people in one of Nigel Smith's photographs accompanying John Silman's report? Pam Moore has come up trumps with: John Vear (the older gentleman) and Jay Inge (the lady). Many thanks Pam.



Trewey Watermill & Wayside Museum, Zennor, Cornwall

Trewey Watermill has been restored in 2010 after disastrous floods, the mill is now running again after 150 years. The wheel measures around 12 feet in diameter and has been made from Douglas Fir. It has 40 buckets, each of which will hold about 14 litres. The mill is now producing 'double milled' organic wholemeal flour, which is sold at the museum and at farmers markets around Cornwall. I visited the Museum and Mill whilst on holiday at the beginning of August with my grand daughter and we both had an enjoyable morning. Definitely worth a visit. **ANDY FISH**

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On B3306 coast road, 4½ miles W of St Ives.