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Civic Parade & Picnic in The Park made for a very busy Sunday

In the morning the Mayor, Cllr Julie Kerr, and Town Councillors marched behind the RAF Wyton Area Voluntary Band and The 42 Engineer Regiment before taking the salute in Market Hill. In the afternoon several hundred people picnicked in Warner's Park and celebrated to 10th anniversary of this popular event. More pictures on page 6.





Despite a brief change in the weather, as winds were predicted, the slightly cooler conditions saw a large audience enjoy their picnic and danced until the end to some great music in Warner's Park.
Tucked away at the end of Park Road, less than 500 metres from the town centre, Warner's Park is one of the town's fantastic outdoor spaces.

DIARY OF EVENTS

Please email: editor@theriverporter.uk

JUNE 2025

Friday 27th - Chapel Arts concert with Lexie Green and Johnny 'Magic Boy' Wright - Play Americana. St Ives Corn Exchange 7.30pm. Tickets £10 from the Bar or www.ticketsource.co.uk/cexevents.

JULY

Every Sunday in July and August - **Music on The Waits** - 2.30pm.

Wednesday 2nd - **Engage: Cambridgeshire During the Civil War** - 2pm, St Ives Library - Donations Encouraged. Discover details of local sieges and skirmishes that took place during the rise of Oliver Cromwell and his victory over the King. Sample 17th century food and view replica weapons and costumes.

Saturday 5th - **St Ives Community Choir 'Rock and Pop Icons'** in the Free Church at 7.30 pm. Tickets £9/children £5 at the door or in advance .

Sunday 6th - **Flea on The Quay** - 10am to 1pm The Quay St Ives.

Sunday 6th - **COSI Summer Concert - Across time and imagination** 7pm St Ives Free Church Tickets £10 (u16 free) from www.ticketsource.co.uk/chamber-orchestra-of-st-ives or on the door.

Friday 11th - **Four Winds Sax Quartet** Music from the past 6 centuries.. Tickets available for the 7pm and 8.30pm concerts. At the Bridge Chapel. A free event but tickets must be booked from **www.ticketsource.co.uk/eventsstives**.

Saturday 12th/Sunday 13th - **Carnival and Music Festival -** Hill Rise.

Sunday 20th - **WOW** - A series of events and walks along the Ouse Valley Way. For details of what is happening see page 2.

Sunday 20th - **600 Anniversary Celebrations** - Toll Games Day. Instead of paying a Toll to cross the bridge - play a game. Hence 'Toll Games Day'!

Saturday 26th - **600 Anniversary Celebrations** - Civil War re-enactment blowing up the bridge. Town centre 11am and at Hill Rise Park from 2pm.

Saturday 26th - **600 Anniversary Celebrations** - Ceilidh with ***Catch The Pigeon*** at St Ives Corn Exchange 7pm. Tickets £5 from the venue or www.ticketsource.co.uk/cexevents.

Sunday 27th - **600 Anniversary Celebrations** - Living History Display, troop displays and full scale battle. Hill Rise Park from 10am.

AUGUST

Sunday 3rd - **Flea on The Quay** - 10am to 1pm The Quay St Ives.

Wednesday 6th - **Fairtrade and the History of the Co-op** - 2pm St Ives Library -Donations Welcome. Discover the history and background to Fairtrade products, and how they are linked to the Co-operative movement. This in turn has influence on the way that the Co-op trades.

Friday 29th - Chapel Arts concert with Johnny 'Magic Boy' Wright and Ranjan Vasudevan - Two great guitarists play blues , jazz and more. St Ives Corn Exchange 7.30pm. Tickets £10 from the Bar or www.ticketsource.co.uk/cexevents.

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 6th - **Autism and ADHD today: Pathology or Personality?** - 2pm - St Ives Library -Donations Welcome

Are autism and ADHD disorders? Or are they part of natural human variation? In this presentation, Dr Kevin Bryant takes a critical look at some of the evidence in an attempt to shed some light on this controversial area.

Thursday 11th - Sun14th - The Old Riverport Jazz & Blues Festival - A FREE to attend Festival. Details from **www.stivescambridgeshire.co.uk**

OCTOBER

Saturday 11th - **The Old Riverport Ukulele Festival.** St Ives Corn Exchange 9.30 am. Tickets £10 - **www.ticketsource.co.uk/eventsstives.**

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St Ives Green Week roundup

'We need nature more than nature needs us'.

This quote from Iain Webb of the Wildlife Trust, who spoke at the St Ives Green Week celebration evening on Thursday 12th June, summed up the feelings of participants in the St Ives Green Week.

Fifty people came together in the Corn Exchange to discuss next steps: A request for solar panels to be installed on all new buildings will be taken to our MP, concerns over green bins and recycling and improving green spaces will be taken to our District and Town Councillors, and other ideas and commitments will be added to the tree of pledges at the Library to be followed up by the St Ives Green Week team.

If you would like to look at all the ideas, please go to the Green Week page on the St Ives in Bloom website:
www.stivesinbloom.co.uk/st-ives-green-week

If you would like to join the team to discuss further how to achieve some of them, please get in touch with Hattie and Ann through St Ives in Bloom, or through stivesecocafe@gmail.com

In the second half of Green Week, a Community Day at the Coop and the Burleigh Hill Community Centre on Wednesday 11th was extremely successful, with over 20 bikes repaired and marked, lots of seeds given out, the eco-friendly Coop funerals and flowers displayed, a litter pick and talk on litter, sewing and mending, and fantastic new planters, donated by the Coop and designed and planted up by the children of Wheatfields School eco-council.



Then the Hunts Ramblers and the St Ives Electric Riverboat had a glorious evening for their trips along the Ouse Valley Way and the river itself.



On Friday and Saturday, over 30 people took advantage of guided walks being run on Holt Island (above), with many more having visited the island during its special weekday opening, including visits from schools and guide groups. Local schools took part in a range of activities, with the Ivo organising a whole school litter pick.



Events at the Library and the Norris Museum, the St Ives Repair Café and the Pilgrimage Walk to Holywell (below) on Sunday 15th completed the week.

There have already been requests for the week to be run again next year – but its success will be measured in how many of the desired changes can be followed up in the other 51 weeks of the year.



GOVT might achieve its aim after all

One of The Great Ouse Valley Trust's aims was to get this wonderful area designated as an official Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. An aim that seemed unlikely a while ago, partly due to changes in Government policies.

But this aim may have moved a step closer thanks to a collaboration with Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC).

HDC and the Great Ouse Valley Trust (GOVT) are pleased to announce a new partnership to commission a study exploring the potential benefits of establishing a self-designated landscape for the Great Ouse Valley in Huntingdonshire.

This collaborative initiative aims to assess the environmental, community and economic value of a designated landscape, enabling us to value the Valley's unique character and ensure it is protected and cherished for generations to come.

The partnership is an important step towards delivering the vision set out in Huntingdonshire Futures, with a particular focus on achieving 'Pride in Place' by 2050. It forms part of HDC's broader commitment to improving quality of life for residents and shaping a better future for Huntingdonshire.

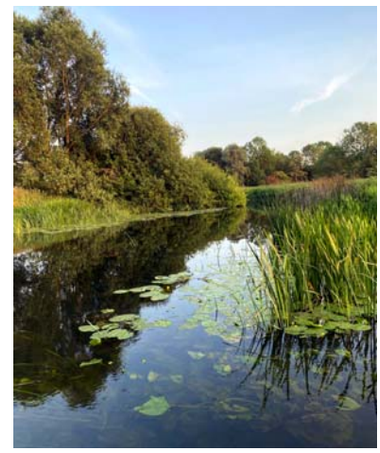
Graham Campbell, Chairman of the Great Ouse Valley Trust, said: *'We are delighted to be partnering HDC in this opportunity to put the Great Ouse Valley firmly on the map, so that we can ensure the landscape remains our landscape for life now, and for the generations to come.'*

Are you free on July 20th for our brand new initiative WOW!

Could you get up a team or teams to walk your section of the Ouse Valley Way and claim their specially designed T shirts?

On 20th July we hope that as many people as possible will walk some of the Ouse Valley Way Long Distance Footpath through Huntingdonshire to celebrate the path's 35 year history.

We have 9 'hubs' along the route: Earith, Holywell, St Ives, Houghton, Godmanchester (the mid point), Brampton, Buckden, Paxton Pits and St Neots.



Why not get a group of friends to walk from St Neots Riverside Park to Godmanchester (around 12 miles) or from Earith to Godmanchester (also around 12 miles)? Or perhaps do the whole walk from St Neots to Earith. Wouldn't that be great! At least there are no hills.

You could raise money for your own charity, make a donation via the QR code to our charities, Hunts Blind and the Great Ouse Valley Trust or just walk for the sheer fun of the challenge. The scenery on the route is great.

Take a selfie at each of the hubs that you visit and, when you arrive at Godmanchester Chinese Bridge, just show your phone to the volunteer at the gazebo and you will receive your award of a 'WOW' T shirt specially designed for the event. (You have to show that you have visited at least 3 'hubs and T shirts are available while stocks last)

There will also be shorter circular family walks starting from each of the hubs. Maps are available on our web page and at each hub.

As part of WOW Day, St Ives Town Team will be showing an exhibition about the history of the river in the Norris Community Room.

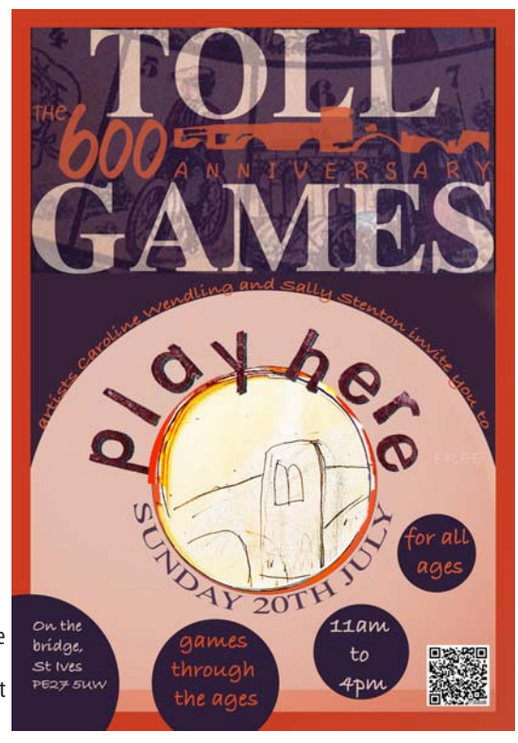
On the same day as WOW day . . . Celebrations for the 600 Anniversary of our Bridge will feature the fun of Toll Games Day

On Sunday 20th July anyone crossing the bridge will be asked to pay a toll. But you needn't worry as the toll is not a payment of money but the playing of a game.

It could include any game played over the past 600 years. Sally Stenton and Caroline Wendling have been engaging with our local schools and asking students to invent new games.

Tolls played an important part in the history of the bridge and were in place for several hundred years, only ceasing in 1920, following lots of complaints. This must have been quite a relief at the time as the bridge was the only way in and out of St Ives for all traffic.

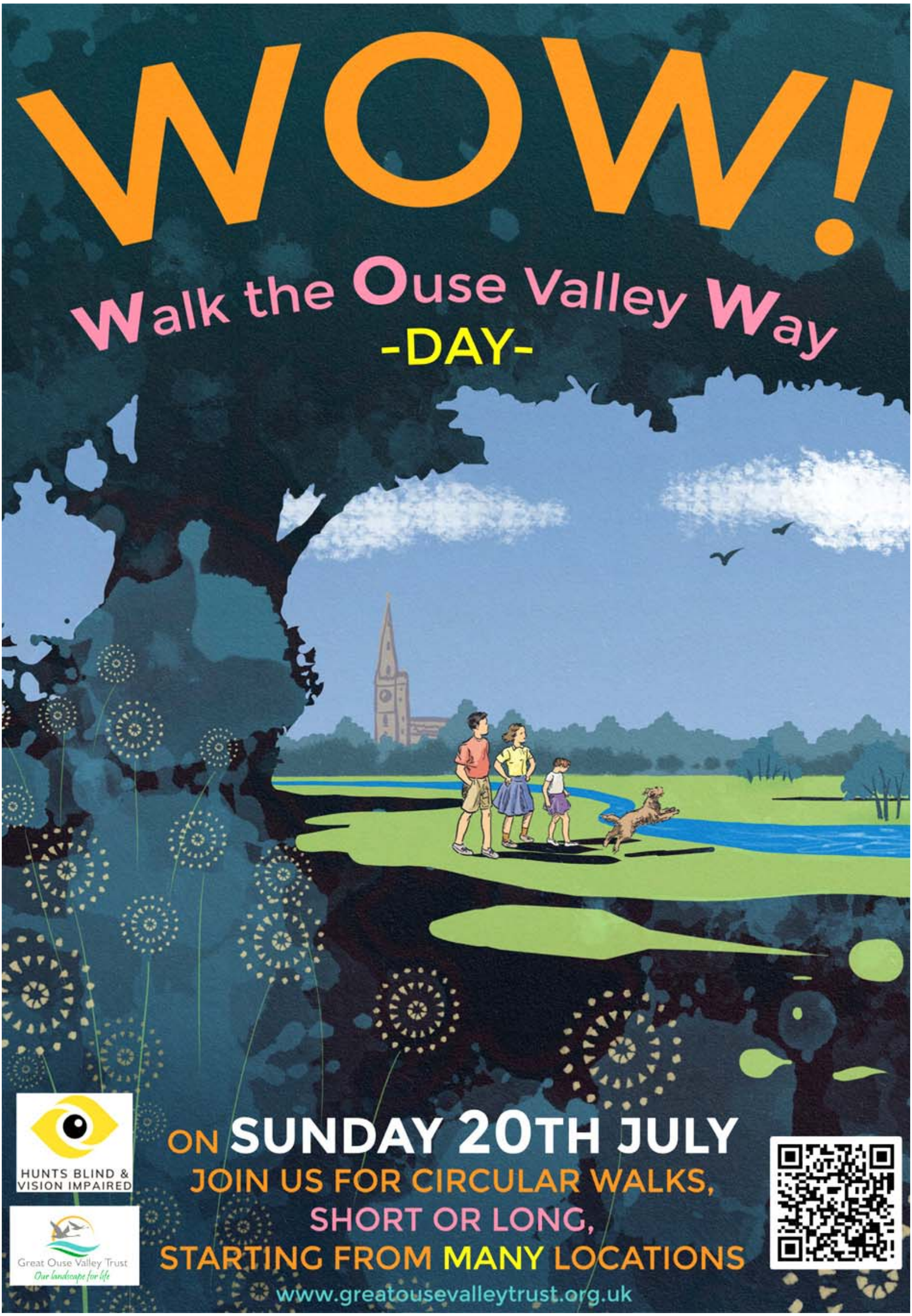
Sally and Caroline hope that the public will join in with the fun and would like to assure them it will not be compulsory.



WOW!

Walk the Ouse Valley Way

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Riverport Radio's Day Out

As we reported in RP185 the team at *Riverport Radio* decided to have a day out at the seaside and take the Whippet coach to Hunstanton.

On Sunday 15th June, Ron, John and Milly accompanied by John's wife Sandra and friend Caroline, caught the 8.30am Whippet coach from St Ives Bus Station, along with a dozen other passengers for a day out at the coast.

The bus was comfortable, air conditioned (with facilities?!) and after picking up two more passengers at Ely, we enjoyed the journey to Hunstanton.

En-route we interviewed the passengers to find out what they hoped from the trip and we later interviewed them on the way home, just to find out if they had enjoyed their day.

Being a little higher up than in a car we could see the full beauty and majesty of the landscape, which it has to be said is flat, but none-the-less quite pretty and interesting as we crossed the river Great Ouse several times.

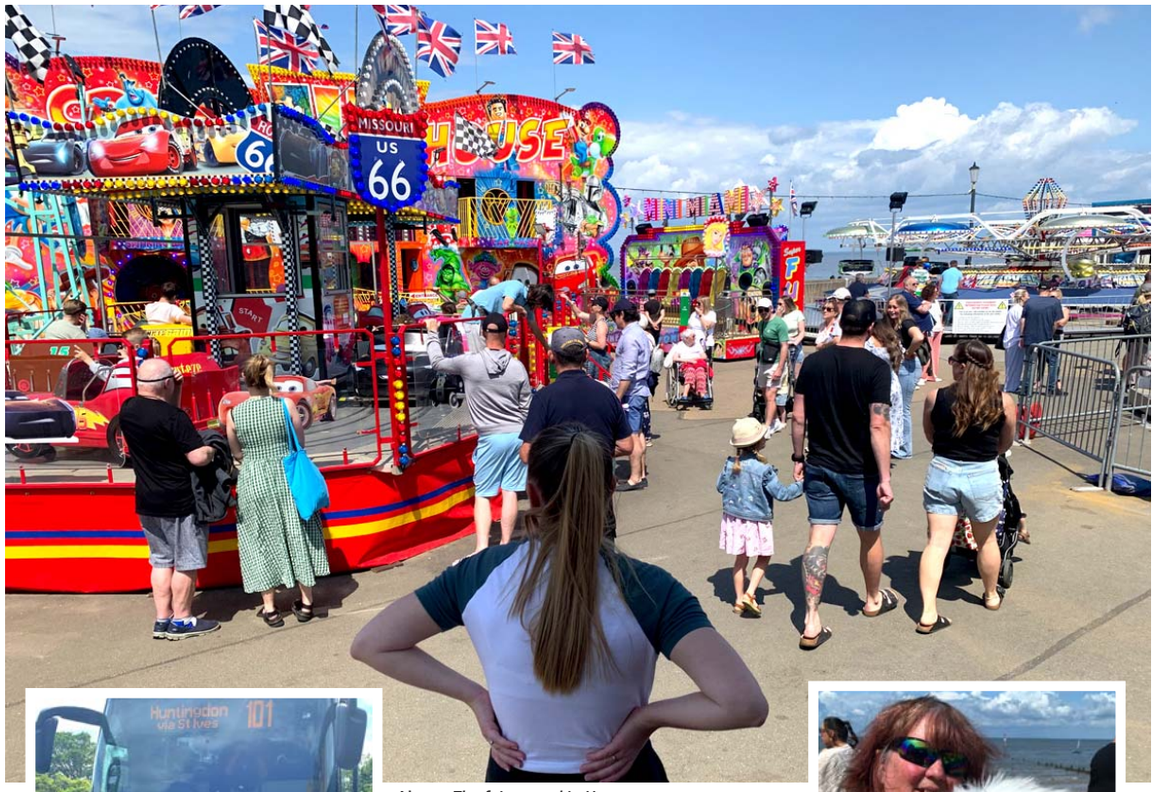
At Heacham, by Norfolk Lavender, Milly, Sandra, Caroline and another passenger, Sue, from St Ives, got off the bus to walk along the coast to Hunstanton. This turned out to be a nice easy walk, which Milly enjoyed as she met lots of other dogs.

Sue it turned out was on her second trip having taken the Whippet the previous weekend and had enjoyed it so much she had returned again. The bus wasn't full, although it had been much busier the day before and this was probably because it was also Father's Day.

Ron and John armed with their phones went of along the prom to record some of the people enjoying a sunny Sunday by the sea, and there were many as the spell of good weather continued. Businesses were doing well this year, due mostly to the weather and even the Fair was busy quite early on.

It seemed a trip to the seaside isn't complete without fish and chips, which Ron and John enjoyed but not before John had tried the winkles, welks and mussels still available. John noticed that the pots did seem smaller than when he had been there in the 1960's and at £4 each not so cheap. However the Fish and Chips were good and more than filling.

Hunstanton also has a bandstand (below), and although not quite as glamourous as ours in St Ives there was a band entertaining visitors in the afternoon. There was also a lot of bikes as it's a good rendezvous place for bikers.







Above: *The fairground in Hunstanton.*

Left: The *Whippet crew with (right) Ron, sporting a 'new' hat as he forgot to bring one.*

Right: *Pixie from Holbeach with her breeder, who is the only 5 Star breeder of pure white Shih Tzu dogs in the country. Pixie is in fact a dwarf Shih Tzu, which is the smallest of the breed and has to wear a guinea pig harness and even that is too big for her!*

Who knew you can get a guinea pig harness?

Back on the bus after 5½ hours in Hunstanton everyone seemed to have had a great day including Milly who had walked/run miles to Old Hunstanton and back.

Sue and one or two other passengers were contemplating coming again next week as Hunstanton Carnival would be on.

We arrived back in St Ives just after 5.30pm, refreshed after the relaxing journey, although one or two of us had slept a little after a day in the hot sun. We can't recommend the trip more highly and at just £12 return with a bus pass it's amazing value.

You will be able to listen to our day out on Riverport Radio soon at:
https://riverportradiopodcast.buzzsprout.com





Whisky Café shortlisted for prestigious award

The Brick development Association, which is responsible for the Brick Awards have shortlisted The Whisky Café in their Craftsmanship section

Yes believe it or not there are awards for the best examples of brickwork and St Ives own Whisky Café is competing against Clare College, Cambridge; Pine Cottage, Cheshire; 247 Wimbledon and Silvertown Tunnel in London in the Craftsmanship section of the Brick Awards 2025.



About the Whisky Café

The building is a listed Grade 2 property dating back to the 15th century. When work started, it was classified as a derelict building at risk with serious structural problems. The main roof structure is a Tudor oak frame, which is non-load bearing and a new roof was built above this on the feature brick walls to carry the load.

The conservation officer insisted that only reclaimed bricks to match the existing ones could be used, so 18,000 reclaimed bricks were salvaged from a demolition job next door. The bricklaying contractor, Dean Haywood was responsible for all internal and external brick construction.

Working with the owners, Mr & Mrs Purchas the team were able to build some amazing detail into the brickwork, for instance, the intricate detail to rebuild the gable ends.

The circular gable (below) is particularly stunning.

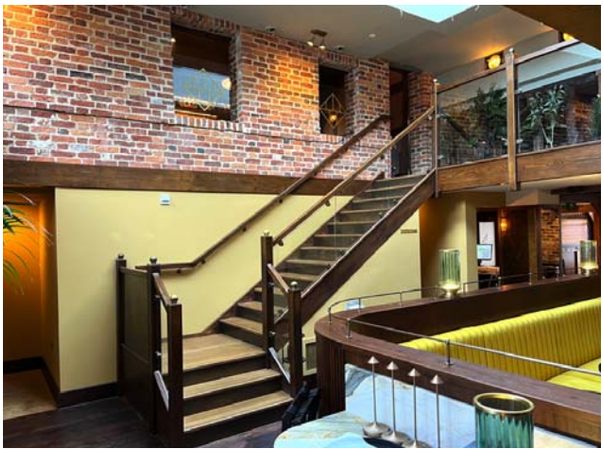






A part of the original wall was discovered behind a cupboard, and this was saved within a feature brick detail to be put on public display. The building is now a busy restaurant, admired by its customers, and the team are very proud of what's been achieved.





It was worth the wait

It took a long time to transform the building, something *The Riverporter has* commented on in the past. You can hear an interview with Mike and Sam Purchase on ***Riverport Radio*** about the process, but clearly it was worth it and the attention to detail has provided a stunning new facility in St Ives. As the pictures show the brickwork is exceptional and it needed to be to provide the support for and a backdrop to the ancient exposed timbers.

New for 2025

The Piano Man, Paul Dodson, popular singer songwriter based in St Ives, will delight us with well-known hits from Billy Joel, Elton John, Queen and more.

Brooks Williams with fiddle player **Aaron Catlow**. Soaring transatlantic melodies and bluesy-folk melody brilliance. True stars.

Manea Town Band is a fresh innovative group of Fenland musicians determined to bring the rich heritage of brass bands in the Cambridgeshire Fens into the 21st Century!

*Please note that this concert will take place inside the Methodist Church, opposite the band stand.

St Ives Musical Theatre Members of the local 150 strong choir with songs from the West End Shows.

Denim Roses

Expect country and western classics, featuring songs from legends like Johnny Cash, Dolly Parton and Garth Brooks through to modern favourites.

Some chairs are provided, but please bring your own if you can.

Thank you to our sponsors: St Ives Town Council, St Ives Civic Society, the Rotary Club of St Ives and Wellington Wise Estate Agents.



Sunday 22nd June - The Civic Parade





Below:
The Mayor, Councillor Julie Kerr, inspects the troops.



Pictured left to right: *Deputy Mayor, Alex Thompson; Mrs Herriot; Major Dominic Andrew RE; Town Clerk, Libby White; Colonel Roger Herriot OBE DL and the Town Mayor, Julie Kerr enjoy a conversation prior to marching back to Market Hill where the Mayor took the salute.*



New Rotary President takes up her role



Another Rotary Year has gone by and their new year begins with the inauguration of a new President. Outgoing President Fiona Stocker reflecting on her year in office commented that the Club continued to be friendly and vibrant with over thirty members working to raise money to help in the community and abroad in the world's troubled areas.

She said that during the past Rotary year over £27,000 had been distributed to local and international organisations and charities. Fiona also expressed her gratitude to all non Rotarians, including the then Mayor and Deputy Mayor, who helped make sure Santa's Sleigh yet again toured the area. Fiona ended her presidential year wishing her successor Sandra King (left) a successful and happy new Rotary year.

Sandra said she felt honoured to take over as President of the St Ives Rotary Club, which was respected and valued for its work in raising funds and in giving practical help within the community. Money raised was used not only for donations, but also to fund projects which benefit the development of young people, the care of our community and environment and the support of those in third world countries who face terrible hardship.

In her presidential year Sandra's aim is to promote the Club's resilience and sustainability whilst embracing the Club's fun-loving and welcoming nature. The Club is always seeking new members with new ideas and if you feel that applies to you come along to one of our Tuesday evening meetings: 6.15p.m. at the St Ives Golf Club.

THE 600 ANNIVERSARY

As well as the Toll Bridge Games Day and the 'blowing up' of the bridge you can also now buy a 600 Anniversary T-shirt for just £10. A great souvenir of the event.



Also you can buy Prince Rupert Ale at The Snug and bottles of Conehead Bitter from Papworth Brewery in Earith or from their farmer's Market stall, both brewed especially for this year's celebrations.

And that's not all folks

For just £2 you can buy a raffle ticket for three great prizes:

- **1 hour Self-Drive Hire boat trip** - courtesy of St Ives Electric Riverboats
- **A meal for two including wine** - courtesy of The Oliver Cromwell Pub
- **Afternoon Tea for two** - courtesy of The Golden Lion Hotel

Tickets can be bought from St Ives Electric Riverboats, The Oliver Cromwell Pub or The Golden Lion Hotel.

Grove Medical Practice holds first Open Day



Pictured are Grove Medical Practice Partners with St Ives Mayor, Cllr Julie Kerr.
L to R: Dr Jo Pritchard, Dr Judith Somers Heslam, Dr Kate Moffat, Cllr Julie Kerr, Dr Aaron Mendoza, Practice Business Manager Simon Stitson.

Grove Medical Practice in St Ives held its first Open Day for patients On Tuesday 17 June. The Open Day ran between 2pm and 6pm and was designed to welcome patients in to the very heart of the surgery, offering them a chance to see how their GP practice runs and to meet the teams who deliver their services.

The event was opened by the Mayor of St Ives, Cllr Julie Kerr, who spent the afternoon meeting patients and staff and talking with many of the community partners.

Alongside displays from each team, the practice also welcomed stands from local support organisations including Alzheimers UK, P3, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, Huntingdonshire Community Care Care Network, Parkinsons UK and HAY Hunts.

Each of the practice teams created displays and posters to help explain what they do to help and support patients and staff spoke openly with patients about the complexities of modern primary care, and how they work to help patients navigate and access the services and support available.

The Patient Group was also on hand, talking to patients about their role in sharing and discussing patient feedback with the practice and providing insight and support with new ideas and service developments.

Commenting on the Open Day, Simon Stitson, Grove's Business Manager said:

'We were delighted to welcome so many patients. The event began as a great opportunity for patients and members of the local community to visit the practice, meet our team and learn more about the services and support we provide, but became so much more.

We really valued the contribution of the many support organisations who attended the event, their information and expertise is an important reminder that healthcare doesn't stop at the surgery door, but reaches into the very heart of the community.

The afternoon was also a great opportunity to meet with our patients and to learn more about what matters to them.

We would like to extend our thanks to everybody who took part in the event and to Cllr Julie Kerr for all her time and support.'

Grove Medical Practice is on Cromwell Place, and provides GP services to over 15,000 patients registered within the local community.

The Riverporter



See the moon!

Milly 'Moon Dog' has just enjoyed the longest day with a Midsummer Concert with The Lightwaves!

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Dear Millie & Tilly,

Subject electric scooters

Yesterday, as I was on my way to Floods Tavern for lunch, I crossed the road via the pedestrian crossing, and was immediately met by the sight of two, (repeat, two) young girls aged about 11, travelling towards me from my left at about 15mph on an electric scooter.

My instant response was to shout 'STOP', and tell them that riding the scooter was illegal on the footpath, and riding 2 up was dangerous.

My voice was that of my primary school teacher of 78 years ago, an Inspector of the Special Constabulary, and the school had been opposite from where I was speaking in North Road, part of The Busway.

The scooter was being ridden on the footpath, only some half metre away from the normal bus tyre track.

I was immediately admonished by my three grandchildren (on vacation from university), for the harsh way I had spoken to the children.

This was quite natural for them to have done so, as they had, due to the overseas contract of their father, spent 8 years living and being educated in Shanghai PRC.

A country where, whether you agree with its politics or not, the boundaries of safety and security are tightly controlled. This enabled them to travel and enjoy the freedom of Saturday nights out in the city, from an early age, independent of their parents.

They had been educated into the responsibilities required, in order to enjoy their rights of passage safely.

Should a fence now be considered along The Busway through St Ives ?

To protect the risk takers, who, as one correspondent put it to me 'be just naturally fooling about', OR, spend the money on ensuring that parents at least, know the consequences that may ensue by not considering ALL the risks that confront their children.

Perhaps my action may have ensured safer passage for my fellow elderly residents of North Road, St Ives. **Philip Noble**

Dear Millie & Tilly,

I know your correspondent Steve Puttick was looking to obtain her own copy of 'A Sinclair Story' but, just in case any one else wants to read this fascinating book, there is one in the Library in the local history section.

Jonathan

Dear Jonathan,

Thanks for that info. Fortunately Alan, another Riverport Reader, contacted us to say they had a digital copy that Steve could see and she has now seen that. **Ed.**

Dear Millie & Tilly,

Subject the River Millsite

Thanks so much for sending the Sinclair Story, it's quite a read isn't it.

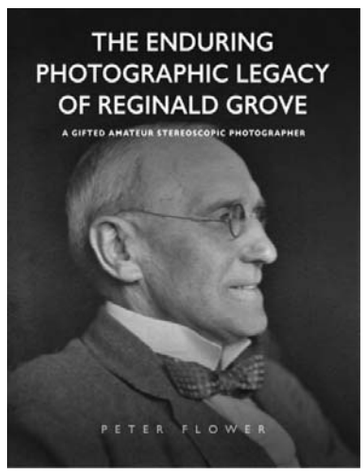
Do any Riverport readers have any knowledge of what else besides Sinclairs was happening on the River Mill site between 1968 and 1987? If anyone has memories I'd love to have a chat, please. **Steve**

ED: If anyone would like to contact Steve about this matter please let *The Riverporter* know and we will put you in touch with her**.**

Dear Millie & Tilly,

Your readers will be interested, I'm sure, to read this latest book about a son of St Ives. The Enduring Photographic Legacy of Reginald Grove contains 150 photographic images. It tells the story of my grandfather's skill as a stereoscopic photographer in the 20's and 30's.

Peter Flower



It was published last Saturday, 21 June, which happened to be World Stereoscopic Day. This year is also the centenary of his election as the President of the Stereoscopic Society in 1925. He was also elected a member of the Royal Photographic Society and a regular exhibitor at their annual exhibitions up to the Second World War, becoming well known for the quality and composition of his work.

Examples of his photographic work are now held on both sides of the Atlantic: in the USA at the George Eastman Museum, Rochester, New York, the J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, and in the UK at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London.

This is a charming biography of a highly skilled exponent of stereoscopic photography. Reginald Grove's photographs not only show his artistry with light and careful composition, but also his empathy for his sitters, his unwavering Christian faith as he captured the awe of medieval church buildings and his evident enjoyment of fun and sport along the river in Huntingdonshire.

The extent and quality of his photographic work is superb and is an important historical archive... a book to be enjoyed again and again.

Bridget Flanagan, historian, and author of Artists along the Ouse and A Commanding View. Copies can be ordered via most booksellers online.

OTHER NEWS

AUDITIONS • AUDITIONS • AUDITIONS

The Centre Theatre Players will be holding open auditions for their forthcoming seasonal production of **SLEEPING BEAUTY,** which they will be holding in the Drama Studio of One Leisure St Ives on Thursday the 10th and 17th July commencing at 7.30pm.

The Centre Players have gained an excellent reputation for their seasonal productions winning several NODA awards for best pantomime in the district so If you would like to join this enthusiastic, friendly group then why not apply for an Auditions pack by emailing **www.sleeping.beauty@writeme.com**

Two successful events held lately



On Saturday 14 June the Town Team, organisers of The Old Riverport Jazz & Blues Festival held a fundraising concert with The Quo Experience. Over 130 people enjoyed a night of Quo and helped raise nearly £800 for the Festival.

These funds are essential to continue to book the very best musicians and keep The Old Riverport Jazz & Blues Festival free to attend. The Town Team would like to thank the Corn Exchange, the band and everyone who attended.

The following Saturday saw the first fundraiser for the Mayors Charities with a Drag Queen Bingo session, also in the Corn Exchange.

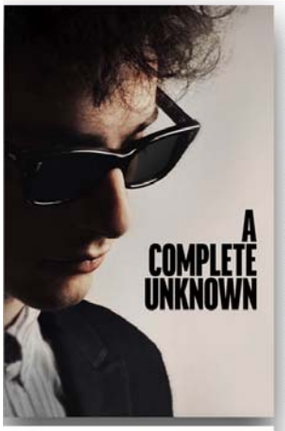
More of an adult entertainment evening than a serious bingo night!





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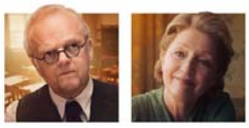
A Complete Unknown

Thursday 3 July 2025 at 7:30pm
Doors open 6:30pm. Tickets £7
Director: James Mangold, 141m, Cert: 15

Synopsis: *A Complete Unknown* (2024), directed by James Mangold, follows a young Bob Dylan (*Timothée Chalamet*) as he arrives in New York City in 1961, seeking folk legend Woody Guthrie. Under Pete Seeger's guidance, Dylan rises in the Greenwich Village folk scene, forging key relationships with Joan Baez and girlfriend Sylvie Russo. As his fame grows, he struggles with artistic expectations, culminating in his controversial electric performance at the 1965 Newport Folk Festival. The film captures Dylan's transformation from folk troubadour to rock icon, showcasing his early career and musical evolution.



MR. BURTON



Mr Burton

Thursday 7 August 2025 at 7:30pm
Doors open 6:30pm. Tickets £7
Director: James Mangold, 141m, Cert: 15

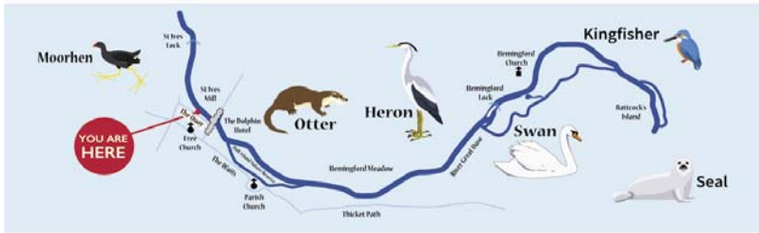
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