

**Stone Cross Mill Trust Newsletter March 2016 Issue No 65**

**DON'T FORGET THE AGM 10 MARCH**



Trustees owe a debt of gratitude to all the maintenance volunteers who meet weekly at the Windmill and complete essential repairs throughout the year. The drive system to the cap has been repaired with a new bevel gear in order to continue the production of wholemeal flour. The rollers that help turn the cap have been replaced with an overall cost of over £1000. Hopefully this will reduce stress on the gearing system. But these will eventually need replacing costing approximately £4000-£5000. The end shutters have also been repaired. The successful summer and winter fair saw a bumper crop of home-made cakes prepared by the volunteer bakers providing a variety of produce making the fairs a great success. A drone was used to film the Windmill and this is available on the website showing fantastic aerial views of the Windmill. On a gloomy & wet day in January this year the Windmill was used as the backcloth by a film company and will provide some publicity for this building.

Barbara Molog Chair SCMT

**Dates for your diary**

Date	Event	Location
<b>Thursday 10 March</b>	<b>AGM 7.30-9pm</b>	<b>Westham Village Hall Peelings Lane BN24 5HE</b>
Sunday 3 April	Windmill open 2-5pm	
Saturday 9 April	Spring Fair 10-12	Westham Village Hall Peelings Lane
Monday 2 May May Bank Holiday	Windmill open 2-4pm	
Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 May	National Mills weekend open 10-4pm both days	Morris Men Dancers on Sunday from approx 2pm
Monday 25 May Spring Bank Holiday	Windmill open 2-4pm	
Saturday 9 July	Summer Fair 10-12	Westham Village Hall Peelings Lane
Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 July	Wealden Food & Wine Festival	Pevensy Castle Grounds
Saturday 29 August	Tombola 9-12	Arndale Centre Eastbourne
Monday 31 August	Windmill open 2-4pm	
Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 September	Heritage weekend 10-4pm both days	
October date to be arranged	Harvest Festival	
Saturday 19 November	Tombola 9-12	Langney Shopping Centre
Saturday 3 December	Winter Fair 10-12	Westham Village Hall Peelings Lane
December date to be arranged	Carol Service	St Luke's Church Rattle Road

## 100 Club Winners March 2015-January 2016

Date	1st	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3rd
March	Mrs C Baker	Mr D Baker	Mr A Williams
April	Mr D Bennett	Mr D Baker	Mrs C Baker
May	Mr Boniface	Mr/Mrs Robinson	Mr B Richards
June	Mr A Boniface	Mr/Mrs Robinson	Mr B Richards
July	Mrs C Baker	Miss B Simkins	Mrs L Brewer
August	Mr D Sharwood	Mrs A Crittenden	Mrs C Baker
Sept	Mrs T Sandilands	Mr/Mrs Robinson	Mr/Mrs Francis
Oct	Mr & Mrs Hinton	Mrs T Sandilands	Mr A Orr
Nov	Mr & Mrs Francis	Mrs E Cole	Mr G Cole
Dec	Mrs R Plumley	Mrs T Sandilands	Mrs C Orr
Jan 2016	Mr A Orr	Mr G Cole	Mr/Mrs Smith

Why not join the 100 Club which has been established for a number of years – contact the chair if you want to join. Also enclosed with this newsletter are membership renewal forms. Please try and return them as soon as possible as this income helps towards the cost of insurance (currently £1500).

Picture taken in 1999/2000 of the original restoration of the Windmill showing the installation of the newly repaired cap.

From 2009 the Cap has required extensive repairs as some of the timber was rotten



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### National Mill Weekend 14 & 15 May

Stone Cross Windmill will be open to visitors from 10am to 4pm on both Saturday and Sunday as part of National Mills Weekend. On Sunday afternoon at approximately 2pm Morris Dancers will be in attendance National Mills Weekend is the annual festival of the UK's milling heritage, and the chance for everyone to explore their local windmills and watermills. The weekend is coordinated by the Mills Section of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings (SPAB). National Mills Weekend also marks the start of Real Bread Week, run by the Real Bread Campaign, which encourages people to bake or buy traditionally made bread. Stone Cross Windmill still produces wholemeal flour which can be purchased and is suitable for bread and cakes. Come to the Windmill and taste some of the bread (and cakes) made with the wholemeal flour.

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