



# Bunbury Mill



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## Spring is on the way!



The attractive mill grounds are already showing signs of spring, with delights such as aconites flowering, and the ducks and moorhens in fine breeding plumage.



The mill will be open to the public from Sunday 1st March onwards (see website for details). Our schools programme has already started, with visits on 6th and 7th February.

**Bunbury Mill was still in commercial operation when WWII ended in 1945. The Trust will be recognising the 75th anniversary of the armistice by opening to the public free of charge on the special bank holiday, Friday 8th May, from 1pm to 5pm. Voluntary donations will be invited in aid of the British Legion.**



Our volunteer team has been working hard to prepare the mill for the coming season.

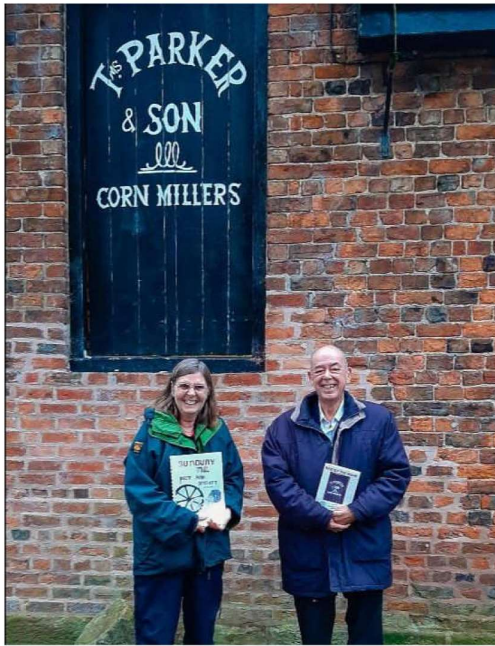
One major project has involved lifting the half-ton runner stone to repair the leaking neck seal, which was allowing grain to fall to the floor below.



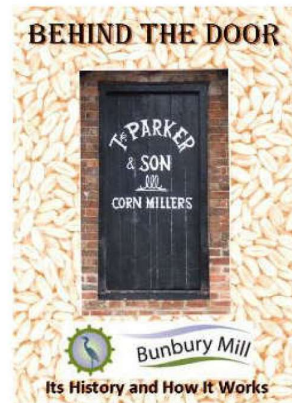
The pentrough has been cleaned out and given a protective coat of bitumen paint, and a rotting section of the main vertical shaft has been cut out and new sections pieced in.

Outside, a further length of hedge has been re-layered, improving the aspect of the White garden, and a safety fence is being fitted around the dipping pond.

# Mill history updated



After the mill was restored in 1977, Diana Smith (left) produced a history and technical description of the mill, which has been an invaluable information source for over 40 years.



Diana recently visited the mill, to meet Eric Elson (right), who has just completed 'Behind the Door', a booklet which builds on Diana's work, including further historical research, and adding a detailed description of events from the 1977 restoration up to the present time, all supported with a wealth of printed and anecdotal information. 'Behind the door' will be on sale in the visitor centre, price £4.00.

## A date for your diary

**The acclaimed Rain or Shine Theatre Company is coming to Bunbury again, to present their no doubt scurrilous version of 'She Stoops to Conquer', on Sunday 14th June. Ticket arrangements will be announced later.**



If you are not already a Friend of Bunbury Mill, please consider signing up. The minimum subscription of £5 gives you free entry for a year - go to [www.bunburymill.com](http://www.bunburymill.com) for details.

**YOU could have some fun helping us to maintain and run our unique heritage! All forms of help are welcomed.**

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