



**We are open every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday
1:00pm to 5:00pm
until 30th October 2022**

Even on the days when we're not open, you are more than welcome to visit the mill grounds to enjoy the peace and quiet of the surroundings and see nature at its best for yourself - the wild flowers will be at their best during the next couple of months and the duck families are increasing week by week..

Guided tours start from 1:00 pm and last about 40 minutes.

Tour prices for **2022** are:

Adult £5.00

Child £2.50 (aged 5 to 11)

Child Free (aged under 5)

Family £12.00 (2 adults + 2 children)

Currently, the cafe will be serving tea, coffee and soft drinks together with, of course, scrummy cake slices and scones.

**We now accept payment by
Credit/Debit card, cash and cheque.**

Check our website for updates - www.bunburymill.com

Additionally, bookings for private and group events at the visitor centre are now possible - further details are on the 'Visit Us' tab on the website or please email to discuss your requirements at [event-](#)



The woodwork wizard has been busy on his lathe, again!

The old-fashioned mangle in the Victorian room was in need of a spruce-up. New timber rollers were turned on his lathe. A few deft coats of paint on cleaned metal parts brought the machine to life again and is a welcome inclusion to show visitors what life was like over 100 years ago. On your next visit, ask the tour guide what it was used for - you'll be surprised!

Meet the team!

During the last few months, the Trust has welcomed many people who wanted to join our band of willing and hard-working volunteers to help keep a part of the village heritage alive. A volunteer's work at the mill can take many forms, from tending the grounds to painting roof gutters, helping in the visitor centre to guiding visitors around the mill, helping with school educational visits to renovating machinery, or greasing the cogwheels to sweeping the floors.

In this issue, we'll introduce you to our millers and guides.

Although the building looks quite small from the front, there is a large amount of Victorian milling machinery to see! The way the machinery works is not complicated to understand, but requires a good knowledge of how each part interacts with others and affects the quality of the end product - flour. On a tour, the process of milling is explained step by step, and visitors are given a chance to operate some of the equipment.

A miller is fully versed in the workings of the mill and how the various controls affect the running of the machinery which not only requires a full understanding, but the control of the water through the mill is also an important part of the process. The miller determines the quality of the flour produced by using the optimum settings on all of the controls.

A tour guide will accompany a group of visitors around the mill, following the path of grain through the process until it becomes flour, and will initially give a brief introduction to the location of the mill and its history whilst outside the building, and will ascertain the 'type' of tour to present to the visitors - "technical", "good fun" or "not too complicated" (with one or two anecdotes or a few surprises for any younger members of the group!) When inside the mill, as the grain works its way through the milling process, the guide may invite a member of the group to operate a particular part of the machinery for a hands-on involvement in the tour.

A new guide team member is given a copy of a tour 'script' to learn and will begin by 'shadowing' an experienced guide or miller for several tours. When fully confident in their understanding of the mill and its presentation, the guide will be able to take a tour group around the mill by themselves.

Fancy volunteering?

The Trustees are always very happy to see new faces as volunteers who may like to join the various teams in the upkeep of the mill in whatever way they can. No experience is necessary - just an enthusiasm for the Mill, its surroundings and the Bunbury village heritage.

We require help with: Gardening, Building maintenance, Engineering, Visitor Centre, Demonstrations, Tour guiding and Milling

See "How Can I Help" on our website www.bunburymill.com, contact us at info@bunburymill.com or, better still, just pop in at the mill to see us on a Wednesday morning (after 10.00am!) ... we will be down there; even if it's too miserable to work - we just have a chat over a cuppa!



Things are going swimmingly on the mill pond.

Roll call before breakfast on the pond. Mum makes sure that there is the correct number in her brood - count the legs and divide by two!

Unfortunately, we have lost a few ducklings to predators or natural causes, but those which survive are doing very well.

Some of the ducks are getting used to people being around to feed them, and are taking advantage of what is offered to them!

We're good for another 5 years.

The Mill buildings recently underwent their 5-yearly electrical safety inspection, not long after we had new powered hand-driers fitted in the toilet facilities. All of the electrical appliances in the mill and visitor centre were PAT tested, along with the mains-power circuitry within both buildings.

Some problems were identified in the mill and corrected to remove the risk of water ingress into the sheathing on the meal (bottom) floor circuit of the mill.

The inspection and certification is a costly but necessary expense for the Trust - 400+ adult visitor tours around the mill would just about pay the bill. If you want to help to keep the lights on in the mill and the kettle boiling for a brew in the cafe, do come and visit us soon.

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