

FAVERSHAM CREEK TRUST

REGENERATING FAVERSHAM'S MARITIME HERITAGE



OTTOR

We've had a love letter! This June a thousand primary-school children were thrilled to meet our replica Anglo-Saxon boat *Ottor*, aka the Graveney Boat. She visited Selling, Sheldwich, Lorenden and Davington and we explained where and how she was found, what she was used for, how she was sailed, and why it matters. This wonderful note came from Gabriella Childs from Selling Primary School.



BOAT CAMP

Students from the Abbey School are getting hands-on experience. Eight boys and a girl spent a day at Alan Staley's Shipyard learning to clenched copper nails, splice, caulk and tie knots. Two groups of ten students are sailing on *Repertor* on 6 and 7 July.

BoatCamp 2017 culminates in July with a week's work experience at Alan's yard for two, and the building of two rowing skiffs with Alan Thorne in the Purifier Building for eight students. These skiffs will be launched at lunchtime on Sunday, 23 July during the Nautical Festival.



Two great examples of how our fund raising – your money – is reaching young people

REFERENDUM AND BRIDGE UPDATE

We were delighted when the people of Faversham voted by a whopping 88% in support of the Creek Neighbourhood Plan in the recent Referendum – another hurdle crossed. KCC has invited

companies to tender for the design and construction of a replacement bridge. Subject to a satisfactory contractor being identified at an affordable price, work could commence on the design phase later this year.

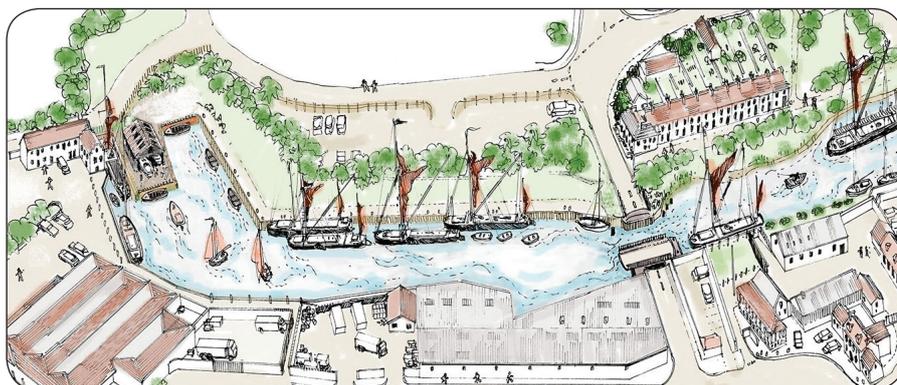
The Chairman of the Bridge Steering Group, KCC Councillor Mark Dance, said:

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includes complex issues, such as ownership of the bridge itself and of course funding for the bridge's replacement. I am grateful to all members of the steering group and I am especially grateful to the community of Faversham for its fantastic fundraising efforts so far.'

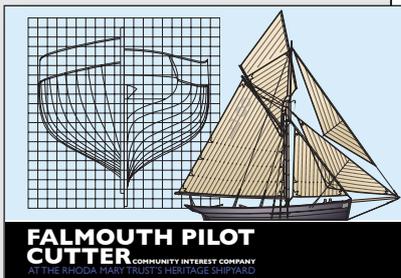
DINGHY RACE

The Creek Trust ran its annual Dinghy Race again this year, with just two competitors. Three entrants had to pull out. The winner was Alan Staley, and the prize was awarded by the Mayor of Faversham Cllr Shiel Campbell. A good time was had by all!

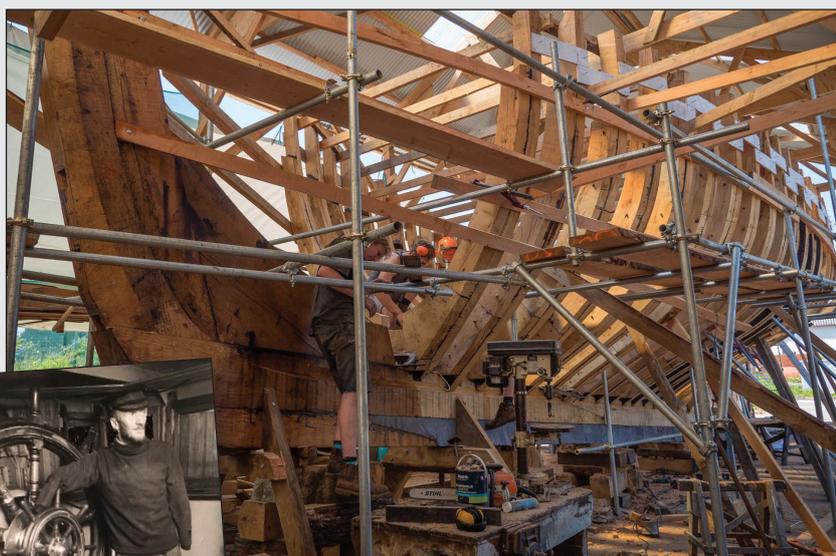


PILOT CUTTER *PELLEW*

The pilot cutter *Pellew* being built in Truro partly using shipwright trainees from Faversham, is making good progress. Trainees need the experience of such large projects in addition to the small scale *Mayhi* rebuilds. Large projects have not been possible since the closure of the scheme on Standard Quay. With the opening of the Bridge, Faversham will again become a viable centre for future projects.



FALMOUTH PILOT CUTTER
COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY
AT THE ANHODA VARY TRUST'S HERITAGE SHIPYARD



JOLLIVER

In June, Frances Beaumont repeated her talk about her friend John Oliver to a full house. Jolliver, as he was affectionately known, was a Medway tug-skipper, artist and chef who was born with no hands and only one good foot. Frances is writing a book about his life.

GARAGE SALE SAFARI

Faversham's Garage Sale Safari 2017 in aid of the Trust will be held on Sunday 6 August. The organiser, local resident Kathy West, said:

'We have more houses than ever this year. We are very grateful to Saxon Shore estate agents for sponsoring all the boards promoting the Safari.'

HELPERS COFFEE MORNING

We had a very successful, sociable coffee morning for members and supporters, inviting people to join our band of helpers. If you can help with pop-up cafés, stalls, admin or anything else, contact Debbie on 01795 227706 email dlr.lawther@gmail.com, or come to the next coffee morning on 28 July, at 10.30 in the Purifier.



The deadline for sending in forms to be part of the official map is Friday 21 July, and you can download it at <http://favershamsafari.wixsite.com/kent/booking-form>.

PLANT SALE

Thanks to support from many local plant nurseries and growers, a Plant Sale for the Trust raised over £300 in 3 hours! Special thanks to Fiona Crosfield.

DIARY DATES

As we go to press, we have the following dates for your diary. If you would like to volunteer at any of these events - and we need help! - please contact **Debbie on 01795 227706 or dlr.lawther@gmail.com**

Saturday 1,8,15 July

Open House at the Purifier with pop-up café

Weekend 22 and 23 July

Nautical Festival

Friday 28 July

Coffee Morning Social

Saturday 5 August

Whitstable Harbour Day

Sunday 6 August

Garage Sale Safari

Monday 2 October – 19.30,

Fleur Hall

An Evening with Professors Tim Stonor and Harold Goodwin

Friday 24 November

AGM. Guest Speaker is Don Cockrill MBE FNI

For Membership and Contact forms etc and for update and further information go to the website.

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