

Boston and South Holland Wood Carvers and Splinter Group Mosaics



Report for Boston Big Local to July 1st 2021

Summary of activity

With BBL funding we have paid for our insurance again this year, which means we can once again attend the shows fully covered. The first show since lockdown will be at Sleaford on the 17th July. It's really exciting and all the Woodies intend to be there, tools sharpened at the ready.

Dereck and Jane went to collect an old felled apple tree from near Spalding last week. We didn't anticipate it being quite so hefty and the car crept back to Boston very carefully indeed with the tyres just free of the wheel arches. Dereck has managed to split the root already and is turning some bowls. Jane has asked for some slices of end grain to create some wood prints and the long grain to make some carved bread boards. No doubt Sandrae, Peter, Dan and Geoff will make some great stuff when some of them return from long awaited holidays.

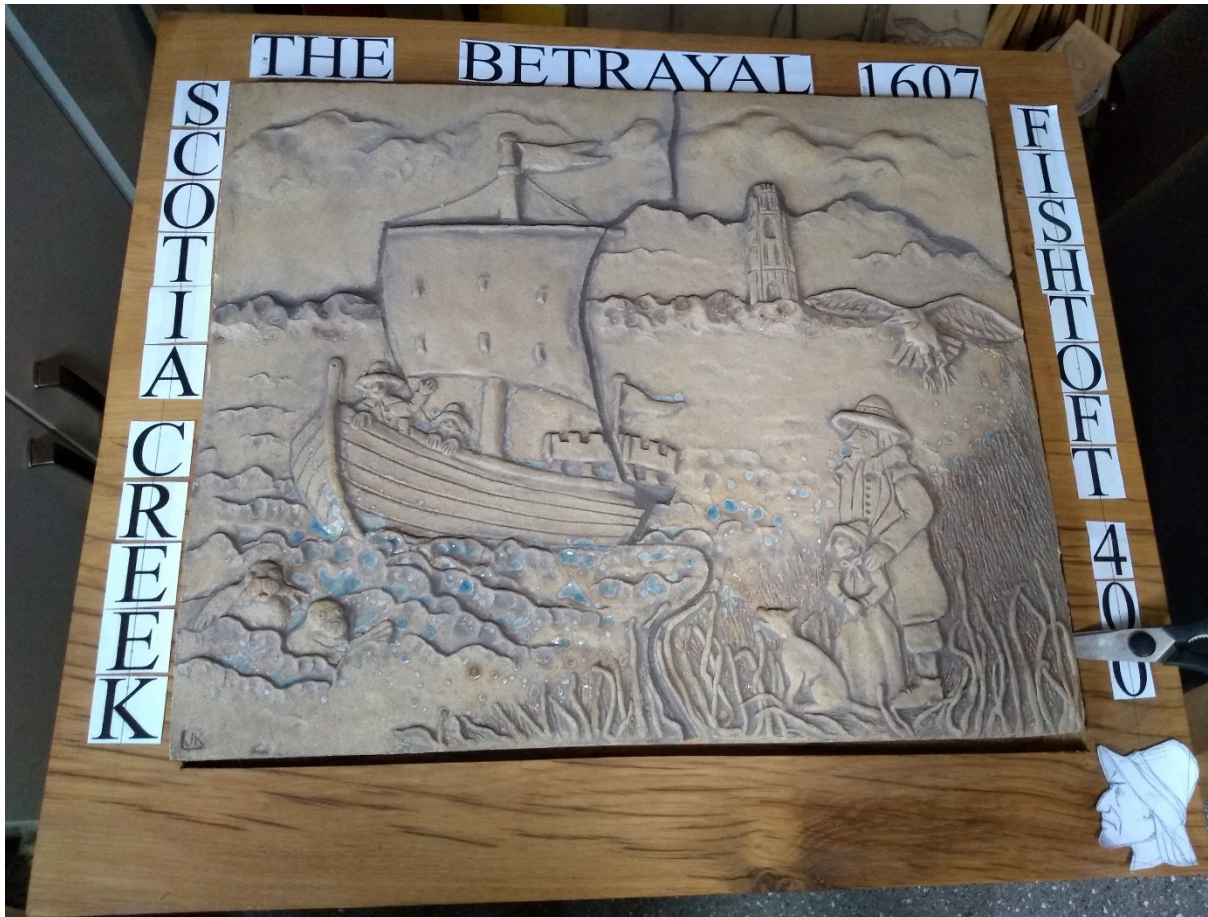
Peter and Jane took strimmers along to cut down the grass at Black Sluice so that the reclaimed timber could be unearthed. Unfortunately, all the tools quickly gave up the ghost and the grass looked like it had had a very bad haircut. The plan is to give it another go when all Woodies return from their jaunts and the tools have been repaired or replaced!

The Fishtoft project is now back on track and Jane met with some of the parish councillors to discuss designs. A picture of one of the unfinished pieces is included. Dan has been commissioned to help carve the letters because 'letters are his thing'. Dereck routed out the area ready for the bas-relief and John B was able to cut the 10cm oak side at a slight angle to prevent water ingress when sited. The bas relief-fits



snugly exactly as planned; however, the image shows it suspended over the oak and the lettering is not yet carved.

The stand will be tailor made and designed by John B from a piece of powder coated steel.



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