

Boston and South Holland Wood Carvers and Splinter Group Mosaics



Report for Boston Big Local to July 1st 2022

Summary of activity

We have continued carving the Hesperus, although there has been dissent over the final name as the Hesperus was rather a doomed ship. We have been able to find a section to cut and polish for the Environment Agency to give as an award to someone who helped with the Boston Flood Barrier and is about to retire. Geoff made a great job of the base and Dereck has turned a piece of the timber to attach to a large bolt which will be attached as decoration – well that's the plan. Sandrae has been meticulously carving a shell with barnacles and a little pearl. It is amazing and has taken hours and hours of painstaking work. The reclaimed timber has plenty to offer if we dig deep enough.

The Woodies have been with Transported and our wonderful mentor, Peter Tree, carving on Saturdays right through until the end of July. We are endeavouring to engage the locals in learning to carve hoping that they will want to be involved in making perches and benches and way markers along the river. The Woodies have been so well supported by BBL that we are determined to share our skills with as wide an audience as possible across the entire county of Lincolnshire. Colin finished his bird box and it's stunning. He's now onto another project and hopes to join us at Sutton Bridge on Saturday. We have asked Peter Tree to teach us the art of letter carving. Many of us do carve lettering but to have a master guide us is tremendous and we are very grateful for the opportunity through BBL funding.

We are still working on the Fishtoft project. The base has been delivered and is waiting to be installed near the Pilgrim Fathers' memorial. Unfortunately, the dear chap who was going to carry out this work is seriously ill in hospital, so it is on hold for a while.



The Hanse day and the Fishtoft Fun Day were great ways to network and meet new people who are interested in joining our group. We make sure we offer help and advice whenever we are approached. People need to know we are listening.

We also hope to attend the Heritage Skills and Craft Day on the 5th of November.



The award plaque Peter and his spoon



Jane's three fish



Sandrae's pearl



Three fish again

Jane Kay
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The Bird House

