

Hello from us at the Pier

Regrettably Covid stopped us in our tracks from February 2020, and various interruptions have kept us from our fundraising efforts, and with little to report, we allowed our newsletter to fall silent.

Now we are back for 2023.

We kept adding to our Facebook page last year and gained new viewers there. We operated the food trailer at the Pier last summer and will be there again when the weather improves. Plank plaques and railing plaques continued to be installed, with another batch due to be made shortly. In May 2022 Festival of Suffolk had a stop at the pier with our own local heroine Wendy Sadler, welcomed by local supporters.

In December 2022, we held our second carol singing event at the Pier, with over 50 singers of all ages enjoying the atmosphere.

Andi from local firm Werm Waste Disposal very kindly provided another Christmas tree, the second year running - this year's was particularly tall! The day he delivered it was so cold we could not decorate it !

Re-Launch of Red Lion Coffee Mornings

The Red Lion, Main Road, Chelmondiston, IP9 1DX

Pier Fund Raising Coffee Mornings 2023

Each month, a different artist displays their work at the coffee morning.

£6 ticket includes Tea/Coffee and a large slice of delicious cake !

Original Art and Pier memorabilia for sale

10.15 am -11.45 am



Weds March 1st

Weds April 5th

Weds May 3rd

Weds June 7th

Weds July 5th

Weds August 2nd

Weds September 6th

Weds October 4th

Weds November 1st

Sat December 9th

Events kindly donated by the Red Lion so all funds raised go to help the Pier

Wonderful news, the new owners of the Red Lion in Chelmondiston have agreed to re-launch the regular coffee mornings. When we approached them, we found them most friendly and sympathetic to our cause. They have very kindly agreed to donate the venue and the teas and coffees for the monthly meetings this year, a big commitment that we are very grateful for.

With some minor changes to the event, we will be there on Wednesday 1st March from 10.15am - 11.45am, with the entry price of £6 including a hot drink of tea or coffee and a delicious slice of home-made cake. We will hold a raffle, and our bespoke rum will also be on sale as well as pier memorabilia and original art.

We hope you will attend and renew friendships. It will be our pleasure to see you again, and to renew the ideas and suggestions for fund raising to start again.

Xmas at the Pier



Photo: June Lawford-Randall

Festival of Suffolk passed by

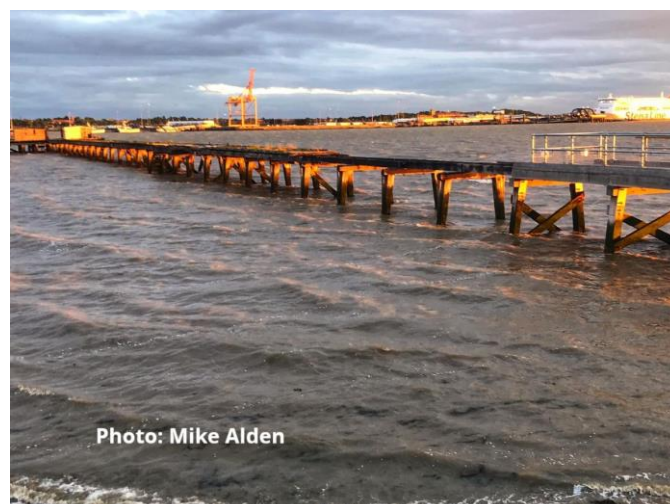


We know that progress with the pier has cheered a lot of people up so we are keen to continue, but we must be realistic and expect that grants won't be as available while other problems are so pressing.

So, we will fundraise to instal the next section of decking from Bent 6 to Bent 10. This is the section that you can see on the drone footage - the skeletal platform where the concrete slabs have been removed and the pilings prepared. It doesn't look very long from the shore, but it actually extends a further 20 metres from the recently completed 30 metres of decking.

Views of the Pier

The sheer variety of images is so wonderful, the pier never gets boring



[Click here for drone footage of the pier and surrounding foreshore - absolutely amazing from Steve Trumm](#)

[Click here to see stunning dawn at the pier and the haven by Suffolk Air Adventures](#)

Please help our fundraising by sharing this newsletter

No sooner had we installed our new Totaliser than the cost of living crisis hit, and our volunteers felt it would be wrong to fundraise with the incredible insecurity of rocketing energy prices and inflation. It doesn't feel much better now and, for some folk, it feels worse, so we never want to pressurise people to donate.

Our volunteers continue to seek grants and donations, but we understand the demands on people's savings and the continued worry about the world.

We feel that the pleasure of walking on the pier can help cheer people up, and contribute to feeling positive about our community, so if you can donate, please help.

We can accept donations by BACS, cheque, Paypal and cash, and debit card donations when we have the card machine with us at events

If you can help in other ways, do contact us at shotleypier@gmail.com



Thank you to our Volunteers

A huge thank you to our volunteers, in particular the gate opening team. They help all year, on weekdays and weekends, public holidays and by appointment for visitors from afar. If you live nearby, could you join our gate opening rota - as a regular volunteer or even as an occasional back-up?

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