



# The Phoenix



July 2023

Welcome to The Phoenix.

What a busy month July has been !! We started with a visit to Kentwell Hall where we were invited to 'Step Back in Time'. What a great day we had mixing with folk from the 16<sup>th</sup> century - observing their daily pastimes and being greeted everywhere with: Good day to you Sir, or Good day to you Mistress. Many wonderful photos were taken on the day - some from member Beryl Andrew are reproduced here.



Step Back in Time





Moulin Rouge

A few days later, and firmly back in to the 21<sup>st</sup> century, many members and friends enjoyed lunch followed by an amazing performance of Moulin Rouge (see another photo, by Jeremy Procter). The following week saw many of us back in London for lunch followed by a new production of Crazy for You. Finally, on the 17<sup>th</sup> of this month, yet another full coach of SPTC members and friends went into Midsomer Murders territory. We were met by our witty and able guide, Graham, who pointed out various locations around Henley on Thames which had featured in the TV series. He continued his commentary once we were cruising along the Thames, enjoying a superb buffet lunch.

Here is an extract from an email received from Member, Jennifer Langley:

*..... just to say how much we enjoyed yesterday's trip to Henley. We had a fantastic time. Good journey, lovely weather, and a fabulous lunch on the boat. Please thank the committee for all their hard work in arranging the day. Having been on several committees myself over the years, I appreciate that things like this don't just happen !  
Thanks again, Kind regards, Jennifer*

We have added **2 new day excursions** and a **city break** to the website - and well done to the many of you that have already made bookings. You obviously keep an eye  on our website. Keep watching - there are some more unmissable dates  to be added to your diaries.

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