



Waterway	River Great Ouse - Fish and Duck	Date	14 June 2009
Weather	Sunny and warm	Engine hrs	2
Final mooring	Tiptree	Miles	6
Cruise notes		Locks	0

Crew: Brian & Ian

Short run with Ian and BrianM as crew.

The site of the Fish and Duck was a shock as we realised that the building had been demolished!

We also spotted that the rickety boat-house just south of Dimmock's Cote was now occupied. A couple were out sipping drinks on the balcony!

There was also a large barge and two narrowboats moored at Dimmock's Cote showing why it was withdrawn as a GOBA mooring last year. It's now being used for liveaboards. The barge has a high wheelhouse which can be lowered on pulleys and runners to allow passage under bridges.

Filled up with water before leaving.



Waterway	Tiptree to Bottisham Lode	Date	29 June 2009
Weather	Sunny and very warm, calm.	Engine hrs	2
Final mooring	Tiptree	Miles	5
Cruise notes		Locks	0

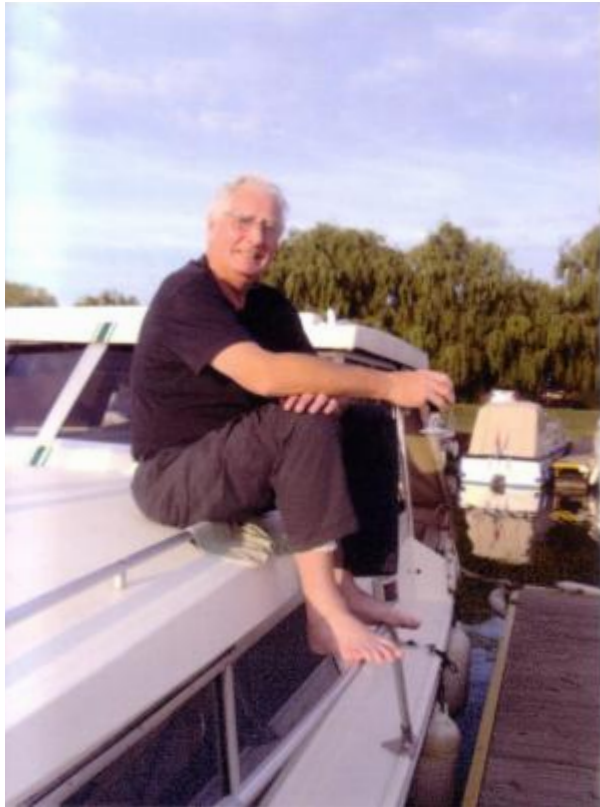
Crew: Brian & Tessa

A slow cruise by Brian & Tessa for lunch at Bottisham Lock.

Very quiet mid-week run on a completely calm water.

Moored by the lock and left the fridge on resulting in not being able to start the engine for the return. Turning the fridge off and putting the solar panel in the sunshine for about 30 minutes sorted the problem.

Note: When stopped, switch to 1 battery if you're leaving the fridge or other domestics on!



Waterway	Tiptree to Fish and Duck	Date	4 July 2009
Weather	Warm, breezy & sunny.	Engine hrs	1.75
Final mooring	Tiptree	Miles	6
Cruise notes		Locks	0

Crew: Brian & Tessa

Evening cruise by Brian and Tessa. The river was fairly quiet on a lovely evening for our trip to the Fish & Duck.

Noted that the fuel guage which has been up at full for ages now, suddenly dropped to 1/4 full. Next trip up to Ely to get fuel!

Returned to Tiptree for dinner on board and then stayed overnight in the marina. About 15 cars in the car park and about 15 boats out, but probably only one other boat occupied overnight. A very quiet and restful overnight stay and then up for a quick breakfast under overcast skies and some light rain for Sunday morning.