

# Members Events Programme Apr - Oct 2019

## MAY

**Tuesday 14th**

### **Lord Byron: Mad, Bad and Dangerous to Know**

Lord Byron has never failed to cause a stir, in whatever capacity, in his own period and in the modern day. Suzi Heslan, MNH Librarian, will cover Byron's life in London from his birth, his rise to fame, his infamous affairs, his disastrous marriage and scandalous liaison with his half-sister.

**Time: 2pm**

**Venue: SR1 Manx Museum**

**Max 50**

**FREE**

**Tuesday 21st**

### **Devotion, deemsters and disco – 900 years at Rushen Abbey**

There are plenty of stories to tell about Rushen Abbey, from monks searching for a more simple life to tea-dancers finding true love! Come along for a walk round and hear from Allison Fox, MNH Curator, how important the site has been for the people of the Island.

**Time: 2.30 – 3.30**

**Venue: Rushen Abbey**

**Max 30**

**FREE**

## JUNE

**Saturday 15th**

### **Visit to The Centre for WW1 Internment, Knockaloe**

Six years of incredibly hard work associated with The Centre for WW1 Internment (Knockaloe Visitor Centre) and Internee Database, collating and detailing information on the experience of enemy aliens interned in the British Isles, comes to fruition when the Visitor Centre opens to the public in early summer. We are invited to have an exclusive look around the exhibition, hear about the project and explore the site with the use of the new Knockaloe App.

**Time: 10.30**

**Venue: Centre for WW1 Internment, Knockaloe**

**Max 50**

**FREE**

## **Tuesday 18th**

### **Old Onchan**

Join MNH Southern Site Manager, Helen Ashcroft, for a guided tour of Old Onchan (Kiondroghad) culminating in Mollie Corrooin's cottage. The tour will encompass Onchan Village Green, St Peter's Church and the site of the former Parish Church, Onchan School's original site and the residencies which formed early Kiondroghad.

**Time: 2pm**                      **Venue: Meet by St Peter's Church**      **Max 20**                      **FREE**

## **Saturday 22nd**

### **'Manx Marine Megafauna'**

Talk by Bryony Manley from Manx Whale and Dolphin Watch. Learn about the species of whale, dolphin, and porpoise (cetacean) which visit Manx waters each year, how to identify them, the best places to spot them. Find out how Manx Whale and Dolphin Watch, the only organization on the island conducting cetacean research, study these animals and what we have learned about them over our 12 years of work.

**Time: 2pm**                      **Venue: House of Manannan**                      **Max 50**                      **£3**

***Save the Date! Sunday 30th June to Saturday 6th July 2019 IOM Flower Festival. FMNH volunteers will be putting their magic touch to Cregneash Village and the Church florists will be decorating the Church as well, so a venue definitely not to be missed.***

## **JULY**

### **Tuesday 2nd**

#### **Remembering Remedies.**

Jane Prestcott, Herbalist, will take us on a tour of Cregneash and show us what teas can be made from infusing locally picked herbs. With a talk on the benefits to health. Followed by tea and cake.

**Time: 2.30pm**                      **Venue: Cregneash**                      **Max 16**                      **£10**

## **Sunday 7th**

### **Tour of the Round Mounds of the Isle of Man Project.**

The Isle of Man is home to over 160 round mounds but very few have been excavated using techniques that have left a detailed and reliable record. Round mounds are earthen mounds built over human burial sites. They are found throughout the British Isles and in Continental Europe. First appearing in the Neolithic Age around 3500 BC, their use continued in some form into the Bronze Age. The current project led by Dr Rachel Crellin and Dr Chris Fowler, aims to investigate these sites and their associated burials. FMNH has been offered an exclusive site tour with one of the staff, who will also show us around the mounds and talk to us about the finds. Meet at Kirk Michael School at 3.30pm, from there we will group people together to form a car pool to drive the 5mins to the site. From the car park it is a short but steep walk up to the site (it takes 10-15mins).

**Time: 3.30pm      Venue: Meet at Kirk Michael School      Max 30      £3**

## **Tuesday 16th**

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**Time: 2pm      Venue: Meet by St Peter's Church      Max 20      FREE**

## **AUGUST**

### **Saturday 3rd**

#### **Guided walk at Ballachurry with Karen Griffiths**

Originally a piece of arable farmland, the area was first established as a nature reserve in 2007 when work began to convert the land to encourage wildlife.

**Time: 2pm      Venue: Meet at the New car park at Rushen Church      Max: 20      £3**

## **Saturday 3rd**

### **Betty's Pies**

Are going to be opening a café in the former Murray's Motor Museum at the Bungalow on the Mountain Road. Come along and see the changes and taste the pies. Vicky Quirk will tell us about her pie making and perhaps even show us some of the secrets of her delicious pies.

Complimentary cider from Benn at the Manx Cider Co on arrival.

2 course meal, BYO wine. *Any special food requirements or allergies please let me know.*

**Time: 7pm**

**Venue: The Bungalow**

**Max 70**

**£25**

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**Time: 12noon**

**Venue: Meet by St Peter's Church**

**Max 20**

**FREE**

## **SEPTEMBER**

## **Saturday 7th**

### **Sheep and Wool in the Past, Present and Future**

Jim Middleton, from Knockaloe Farm, will give us a guided walk around the farm.

*Meet by the Farm house. Please wear sensible footwear*

**Time: 11am**

**Venue: Knockaloe Farm**

**Max 25**

**£3**

## **Tuesday 24th**

### **The problem with egg collections**

Laura McCoy, MNH Curator: Natural History

Laura McCoy is repackaging the MNH egg collection. Not an easy task when some of the specimens are kept in chocolate boxes and biscuit tins, as they were originally collected.

**Time: 2pm**

**Venue: iMuseum1**

**Max 40**

**FREE**

## **OCTOBER**

### **Mon 14th**

#### **Talk and Gallery Tour**

William Hoggatt: Capturing the Light and Shadow

**Time: 12noon** **Venue: Temp Exhibition Gallery Manx Museum** **Max 20** **FREE**

### **Saturday 26th**

#### **Love Gin!**

The co-founders of The Fynoderee Distillery will give a talk about how the business has evolved from launching in the garage at the back of their house, the production process used to create their range of Seasonal Manx dry Gins and other products and also reveal future plans for expanding their range and an update on new premises. Hopefully with samples!

**Time:2pm**

**Venue: HOM**

**Max 50**

**£3**