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Dear Friends,

Welcome to your FMNH August newsletter. I am delighted to bring you updates and news of FMNH Member exclusive events. As always, you can find a full list of Manx National Heritage sites and their opening times on the MNH website.

## **FMNH Member Event – August**

**Thursday 21**<sup>st</sup> **August** - **The 1961 TT Races.** Relive a legendary chapter in motorcycling history. Curator Matthew Richardson introduces key personalities from the 1961 TT before a special screening of a 30-minute documentary, recently supplied by Honda's own archives. A must for racing fans and history lovers alike.

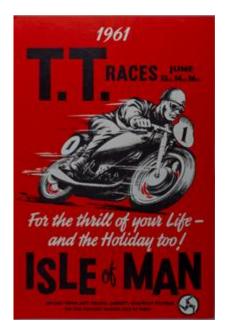


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**Venue:** The Manx Museum. **Time:** 11.00am. Price: £10 per person plus optional donation to FMNH. \*\*\*LAST FEW TICKETS REMAINING\*\*\*

To book: email info@fmnh.im or call Emma on 07624 243806.

# **FMNH Member Event – September**

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September - Bride and Jurby Gems.** Archivist Wendy Thirkettle delves into the unique histories of Bride and Jurby, using materials from the MNH Library's collections to illuminate the past of these fascinating northern parishes.



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**Venue:** The Manx Museum. **Time:** 10.30am. Price: £10 per person plus optional donation to FMNH.

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### **More Member Events Coming Soon**

October: Living With the Wire – Internment in the First World War. Following the success of last year's WW2 session, Yvonne Cresswell returns to guide us through the stories, conditions, and human experiences of WW1 internment on the Island.

**November:** The Isle of Man's National Treasures – Join Curator Allison Fox to learn the hidden stories behind some of the Island's most stunning archaeological artefacts in this brand-new exhibition at the House of Manannan.

Follow us on social media or visit the Friends of Manx National Heritage <u>website</u> for updates and ticket information.

### **Membership Renewals**

If you are renewing your membership and need your card for a trip, please ensure you allow plenty of time for the post. We will send out your card as quickly as we can, but we're a small team and sometimes the post isn't very speedy. We work from home, so in-person collection of cards isn't available. Please don't leave it until the day before your trip.

## Can You Help Manx National Heritage Tell the Story of the Isle of Man?

Do you have a map or plan that helps tell the story of the Isle of Man? The Manx Museum is looking to expand its collections with maps and plans that capture the changing face of the Island - whether realised developments or ambitious 'dream schemes' that never quite came to be. They're especially interested in items of historic or architectural significance that shed light on built environments, community planning, or imagined futures. Your contribution could help enrich the Library and Archives for generations to come.

If you have something you think might be of interest, please get in touch with the team at <a href="mailto:library@mnh.im">library@mnh.im</a>

Can You Help Manx National Heritage with Intern/Student Accommodation?

Manx National Heritage have visiting students or interns working with them each summer, and they often struggle to find somewhere to stay on the Island. MNH would like to help students find a room for them to stay in for a reasonable fee. This would be for about a month or so once a year. There is a student coming in September, and we may be too late for this, but if you think you may be able to help either this year or in the future, please get in touch with Emma (emma@fmnh.im)

## **Manx National Heritage Exhibitions and Events**

**Events for Children** – MNH has a series of upcoming children's events to keep your little ones entertained in the summer holidays. See MNH website for more details <a href="https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/">https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/</a>

**Event – A Whale of a Tale - A Century of our Sei Whale 14/08/2025:** Join Manx National Heritage, Manx Wildlife Trust and Manx Whale and Dolphin Watch for a fun, family-friendly afternoon celebrating 100 years of the Museum's iconic Sei whale skeleton. Book on the MNH website: https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/celebration-of-the-sei-whale/

**Event – Create & Capture; A Fairy Garden Experience 10/08/2025:** Step into a world of wonder inspired by the famous Cottingley Fairies hoax of 1917 as we bring a touch of magic to The Grove's beautiful gardens. Book on the MNH website: <a href="https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/create-and-capture-fairy-garden/">https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/create-and-capture-fairy-garden/</a>

**Events - Archibald Knox (Various Dates):** To complement the Archibald Knox Exhibition at the Manx Museum, a series of events. Walk in Knox's footsteps and see the places and landscapes that inspired him. See MNH website for more details <a href="https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/">https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/</a>

**Exhibition – Knox: Order & Beauty:** Celebrating the extraordinary legacy of Manx designer and artist Archibald Knox, whilst exploring how the Isle of Man's unique cultural heritage inspired his work. Manx Museum until 01/03/2026. <a href="https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/knoxorder-beauty/">https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/knoxorder-beauty/</a>

**Exhibition - 'No Limit at 90':** An exhibition marking the 90th anniversary of the release of one of the Isle of Man TT's best loved tributes. The 1935 film 'No Limit' stars Britain's top comedian at that time, George Formby, as aspiring TT rider George Shuttleworth. Manx Museum until 14/09/2025. <a href="https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/no-limit-at-90/">https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/no-limit-at-90/</a>

**Exhibition - Leonard McCombe: Through the Lens of War:** Leonard McCombe was one of the Isle of Man's most successful photographers, producing some of the 20th Century's most iconic images. To mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day, explore his war photography; many of the images have never been seen before, and all are a testament to the reality of war. House of

Manannan until 05/10/2025. <a href="https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/leonard-mccombe-through-the-lens-of-war/">https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/leonard-mccombe-through-the-lens-of-war/</a>

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact me. I work part-time, but I will always answer your queries as soon as I can.

Kind regards,

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