



Dear Friends,

Welcome to your FMNH October 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 Annual General Meeting

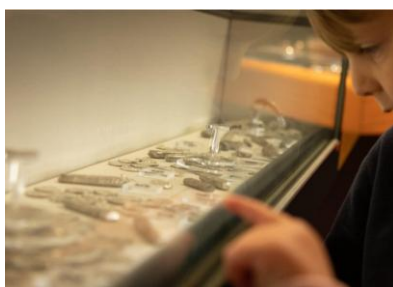
The 15th Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Manx National Heritage will take place at 11.00am on Saturday 8th November at the Manx Museum. All members are invited to attend and will receive formal notice and the agenda by email or post in due course. The agenda, accounts, Chairman's report and last year's minutes are all available now on our website: <https://www.friendsofmnh.org/events/2025/11/08/friends-manx-national-heritage-2025-annual-general/>

FMNH Member Event – October

Thursday 23rd October: Living with the Wire – Internment in the First World War. Unfortunately, we have had to cancel this event. We hope to be able to reschedule for next year – keep an eye on our newsletters and website.

FMNH Member Event – November

Thursday 20th 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 a guided tour of this brand-new exhibition at the House of Manannan. Limited tickets available.



Venue: The House of Manannan. **Time:** 11.00am. **Price:** £12 per person plus optional donation to FMNH.

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

More Member Events Coming Soon

In December, our final event for 2025 will be the rescheduled 'Watch and Ward' talk by Andrew Johnson of MNH. Unfortunately, we had to postpone this event when it was originally due to be held last year. Booking information to follow.

Follow us on social media or visit the Friends of Manx National Heritage [website](#) for updates and ticket information.

More Volunteers Needed

FMNH Volunteers play an important role in making Manx National Heritage events possible. If you would like to volunteer for Hop Tu Naa at Cregneash, we have the following roles available:

Tiny Turnip Festival: A playful Hop tu Naa celebration with silly songs, glowing turnips, magical messy play, parades, and toddler-friendly crafts.

Manx Hop tu Naa Festival: Our big annual celebration with live music, dancing, turnip carving, cooking demos, traditional crafts, and storytelling by the fire. A day of history, fun, and Manx magic.

Turn Up for Turnips: A relaxed family drop-in with turnip carving, autumn crafts, and fancy dress. No booking needed, just plenty of seasonal fun.

Manx Family Concert – The Enormous Turnip: A lively concert of music, drama, and laughter where children help pull the giant turnip. Perfect for families who love stories and songs.

| Event | Number needed | Dates | Times | Jobs |
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| Hop tu Naa Festival | 10 for am and 10 for pm | Sat 25th October | 9am to 1pm & 1pm – 4pm | Potions x 2, Crafts x 2, Salt Dough x 2, Stringers x 2 storytelling 1 and 1 marquee tidier |
| Manx Family Concert | 2 | Sun 26th October | 10:30am til 3pm | seating visitors and helping with refreshments |
| Turn up for Turnips | 1 Per Day | Mon – Fri 27th, 28th & 30th & 31 st October | 10am-3pm | helping with the crafts and keeping the marquee tidy |
| Tiny Toddler Festival | 2 | Weds 29th October | 10am till 4pm | helping with the crafts and keeping the marquee tidy |

If you would like to volunteer for any of these events, please email Victoria.Dale@mnh.im and copy me in (emma@fmnh.im)

Manx National Heritage Exhibitions and Events

New Exhibition – National Treasures: From rare Bronze Age jewellery to Viking silver and gold, discover the Isle of Man's National Treasures in this new exhibition. House of Manannan 25/10/2025 to 01/02/2026. Free, donations welcome.

Turn Up for Turnips! Celebrate Hop tu Naa with Manx National Heritage's special events at Cregneash during half term. Turn up for turnips this half term at Cregneash. Carve, craft, and celebrate Hop tu Naa fun for all the family.

Taking place Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday (the extra special Tiny Turnips Event is taking place on Wednesday!). More details: <https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/turn-up-for-turnips-2/>

Hop Tu Naa Festival - Cregneash is hosting its big annual Manx Hop tu Naa Festival on Saturday 25th October. Carve your own spooky moot (turnip) lantern, enjoy live Manx music, join a sing-along of the Hop tu Naa song with Matt Kelly and enjoy a host of other activities that bring old Manx customs to life. 25th October, morning or afternoon sessions. Tickets: <https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/detail/hop-tu-naa-festival/>

Half Term Events – There are plenty of events for children and families this October half term, from movies at the Manx Museum to ‘Tales from the Whispering Walls’ at the Grove. See [MNH website](#) for details.

Please see Manx National Heritage’s website for more events: <https://manxnationalheritage.im/whats-on/>

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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