

Friends of Croome Events Summer 2022

June 2022

Hello Friends

I hope that this information about our forthcoming events finds you in good health and enjoying the start of summer weather. With new found freedoms and enthusiastic support for this Jubilee month of June, we are all looking forward to some sunshine and opportunities to visit family and friends. We have enjoyed several events together already this year and what a joy it has been to be about and about with Friends again. The long holiday in May has been a huge success and, despite the previous cancellation, went ahead to the Liverpool area in May and was enjoyed by all. Pictures, on the Friends of Croome Facebook page, will give a taste of the holiday and the varied, interesting days out. We are already working on the long holiday for next year, watch this space!

As ever, the events team has been working to compile an interesting list of events for this summer and autumn and we so hope that many of you will join us to enjoy these trips both close to home and further afield.

Please note:

We are now able to send an email as receipt of your booking onto an event, so if you have access to email there is no need to send a stamped addressed envelope with your booking slip and payment. If you do not have email, a stamped addressed envelope is still required.

If you are interested in any of the events, please complete the appropriate reply slip(s) and return them with your cheque(s) to the named person by the dates given. We would appreciate one cheque per event please.

You may also like to explore our website friendsofcroome.org.uk which has details of present and future events exclusive to Friends of Croome members, plus copies of our newsletters.

If you wish to bring a friend there will be an additional charge of £2 per event for non-members, if space permits after the closing date. We are, of course, still accepting new members if you have family or friends wanting to join our group.

Polite request please: when on a coach trip from Croome we ask that you park at the top right-hand side of the car park, behind the ambulance garage, thus freeing up spaces for visitors. Please make sure that you provide an **emergency contact number** not only for your peace of mind but ours should it be necessary to get in touch with anyone should anything amiss occur whilst attending an event.

Take Care
Linda Nash
Chair, Friends of Croome Events Committee
lindanashatwork@gmail.com

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A Message from our Membership Secretary:

Many thanks to all those members who have now renewed their Friends of Croome Subscription. It has been lovely to have your continued support.

A few members still have not paid their sub(s) and, if they don't contact me within the next few days, I will assume they are not renewing this year. They are very welcome to re-join in the future and I am aware that some may have been advised to stay safe at home.

Due to Covid, for the last two years I was happy for some members to take longer to renew their subs, but it would be very helpful if all future subs are paid during April, if possible! (It also helps if members advise me if they are not renewing). I am looking forward to seeing some of you at our next two events.

Jennie Brown
Membership Secretary

Events List

Tuesday 21st June : Visit to Brunel's SS Great Britain, World's first great ocean liner

Cost £29.00 pp

Depart Croome 9.00am Depart Bristol 3.30pm

See Brunel's SS Great Britain, the ship that changed the world, "float" in dry dock, descend under the glass "sea" before stepping back in time in the Dockyard Museum and boarding the ship as Victorian passengers. The Harbourside Kitchen offers a wide range of drinks and refreshments. Browse in the gift shop which is situated in the Visitor Centre.

**** A few spaces only left for this event ****

Wednesday 6th July: Croome Walled Gardens Walk, Talk, Explore Buffet evening

Cost: £20.00 pp

Arrive Walled Garden entrance at 6.30pm.

Parking attendants to advise parking on arrival at London Arch.

Join us at the beautiful Croome Walled Gardens where we will enjoy a Walk and talk by Chris Cronin, followed by free flow wander through these beautiful gardens, enjoying the summer foliage and exploring the ongoing work that has been undertaken in the gardens. There will be a glass of wine and delicious buffet to enjoy with friends.

Friday August 26th at 2pm: RAF Defford Walk and Talk by Nick Hubble, followed by Cream Tea in Sergeant's and Orderlies' Quarters building at 4pm

Cost £7.50 pp

Join us for an update on what is going on at the RAF Defford Museum both now and what is planned for the future. We will take a walk over to The Rotunda where we can see where the Officers' Quarters were and imagine what it might have been like during the war while the radar was being tested and the new planes were landing at Defford Airfield. We will come back to the Sergeant's and Orderlies' Quarters for a cream tea, some chat and a Q and A with Nick.

Meet at Croome by RAF at 2.00pm

Wednesday 7th September Superbloom Jubilee visit to The Flowers at Tower of London

Cost £30.00 pp

Leave Croome at 8.30am Depart London at 4.00pm

Celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen at The Tower of London, where a spectacular, vibrant field of flowers will fill and transform the Tower's famous moat. From June to September over 20 million seeds will erupt into a dramatic floral display for visitors to enjoy. Wander along the weaving path among the flowers and enjoy specially commissioned soundscapes with sculptural elements to make you feel at home amongst the bees and butterflies.

Monday 17th October: Visit Bletchley Park, once the top-secret home of WW2 Codebreakers

Cost £33.00 pp

Leave Croome at 9.15am Depart Bletchley at 3.30pm

Bletchley Park is a vibrant heritage attraction, once the top-secret home of the WW2 codebreakers. Step back in time to learn about the extraordinary achievements of the women and men that worked there. A media tour with headphones, brings the stories of Bletchley to life, (bring your own headphones if preferred). Lunch, cream teas, snacks are all on offer on site, or bring a picnic to enjoy in the plentiful outside space, so many different areas to explore whilst uncovering some surprising stories.

Booking Forms :

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Please reserve.....places at £ 29.00 Cheque(s) enclosed for.....

Name\s.....

Tel NoEmail

Address.....

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Emergency contact Name..... Tel no.....

**Cheque payable to The Friends of Croome, Email address OR SAE and booking form to:
Linda Nash, 62, Gardens Walk, Upton Upon Severn, Worcs WR8 0JE Please make your
booking by 12th June. Please make sure that your cheques have no amandments**

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**Cheque payable to The Friends of Croome, Email address OR SAE and booking form to:
Linda Nash, 62, Gardens Walk, Upton Upon Severn, Worcs WR8 0JE Please make your
booking by 25th June. Please make sure that your cheques have no amendments**

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Cheque payable to The Friends of Croome. Email address OR SAE and booking form to:

Sue Lloyd, 29, Hillview Gardens, Rvall, Upton Upon Severn, Worcs WR8 0QJ

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Cheque payable to The Friends of Croome, Email address OR SAE and booking form to:

Angela Conway, House 1, 14 Old Street, Upton Upon Severn, Worcs WR8 0HA

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Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 15 November: Oxford and Guided Tour of the Bodlean Library

Tuesday 15 December: Festive Themed Quiz, Sergeant's and Orderlies' Quarters at Croome and Christmas Teatime Spread

January 2023 TBC

Festive Lunch at Eckington Manor

February 2023 TBC

Behind the Scenes at Croome Court