



## SUMMER PROGRAMME 2018

**Saturday 21 April**                      **Ramsey Forest**                      Leader - **Andree Dubbeldam**

A 2 hour walk (with a 1 hour opt out) to see the project to turn Cloughbane Plantation into a native woodland looking at the rare native species programme, the bluebells of the Crossags and the rarely visited Glion ny Grawe. Wear walking boots.

*2pm Ramsey Hairpin SC449934. Note Car parking limited on site; please allow an additional 15mins if walking out from edge of Ramsey or car sharing from Ballure Waterworks car park\**

**Saturday 12 May**                      **Balladoole**                      Leader - **Allison Fox**

A stroll to Balladoole hill top with a chance to chat about places of interest on the way as well as a detailed discussion of the archaeology on the hilltop itself.

*2pm Fishers Hill car park at junction with Poolvaish Road SC240686\**

**Wednesday 23 May**                      **St. Mark's Country Park**                      Leaders - **Clare Skillen & Graham Taylor**

An opportunity to learn about sustaining wildlife, rare breeds, a pedigree Beef herd and Loaghtyn sheep in the rich and varied eco-friendly environment of small plantations, ponds and grassland initiated by the late Earl of Northesk around the small farms and crofts of Cordeman and bought and developed on by the Taylor family. Booking required by 13<sup>th</sup> May with payment of £7.50 (£5.50 concessions) including refreshments\*.

*6.30pm Middle Cordeman Farm SC291751. Follow signs for St. Mark's Country Park*

**Tuesday 12 June & Wednesday 13 June**                      **Golden Meadow Mill**                      Leader - **Jackie O'Sullivan**

A golden opportunity to see round and appreciate the relative position and links of this fully equipped, 4-storey Town mill and its associated corn kiln whose site dates from at least the 16<sup>th</sup> century. As tours involve climbing steep stairs to all 4 floors numbers are extremely limited. Booking for either day required by 6<sup>th</sup> June\*.

*7pm Golden Meadow Mill SC266681 (access off Castletown Bypass, opposite Milner Terrace)*

**Saturday 16 June**                      **Milntown**                      Leader - **Charles Guard**

Both LiDAR and archaeological excavation have sought to locate the exact position of the original house which historical research has shown existed prior to the present house site. Our tour to update our knowledge will take us through both gardens and house (combined entrance fee of £10) with tea, either full afternoon tea (additional £12) or "pay as you go" tea available afterwards. Booking with entrance fee required by 2<sup>nd</sup> June\*.

*2pm Milntown House car park SC437943 (access off Lezayre Road)*

**Saturday 7 July**                    **Scarlett to Pooilvaish - a volcanic landscape**    Leaders - **Dave Burnett,**  
**Leon Landels, Dave Quirk**

Enjoy a leisurely walk from Scarlett to Pooilvaish, stopping to look at the Scarlett Volcanics and some of the Castletown Limestone. By examining the rocks we'll try to piece together what the Island was like 330 million years ago when conditions changed from shallow, tropical seas teeming with life to underwater volcanic eruptions. Fossils, dykes, vesicles and pillow lavas will be explored to work out what they tell us about how the British Isles was changing at the time. Car sharing to be organised for return to Scarlett.\* Wear walking boots and bring picnic lunch.

*11am Scarlett car park SC258666*

**Wednesday 18 July**                    **Raby Keeill "over view"**                    Leader - **Katie Newton**

On private land the setting of this Keeill well rewards those prepared to make the steep climb to it. Initially explored on the "Keeills and Cake" survey we will walk, see and talk about the findings of Kermodé's historical research and dig around the keeill site and, on the way back, Raby farmstead. Wear walking boots.

*6.45pm Glenmoye car park SC235797*

**Saturday 21 July**                    **Crammag and Close**                    Leader - **Chris Callow**

Crammag and the Close are two of the remotest farms on the Island farmed by two branches of the Cowley family from the early 16th century. Crammag, Lezayre, was last occupied shortly after World War 1, The Close, Braddan was probably abandoned fifty years earlier. A 2+km moorland walk out to Crammag for a picnic lunch; depending on weather we may cross the steep Glen Crammag to visit the Close, finishing at Montpellier or alternatively retrace our steps to the Beinn y Phott Road. Please wear walking boots and appropriate clothing and bring picnic lunch.

*11am Beinn y Phott Road SC374863. Car sharing will be used from there as appropriate.*

**Saturday 8 September Archibald Knox Trail**    Leader - **Chris Hobdell**

Archibald Knox was an active member of IOMNHAS. On a car /possible minibus tour we will retrace places associated with his background and life in Douglas returning to the AK centre established at Braddan Church Hall to view exhibits and partake of refreshments. Booking required by 1st September\*.

*1.30pm Braddan Church Hall car park SC363768*

**Heritage Open Days** are weekends of **Friday 5 – Sunday 7**, and **Friday 12 – Sunday 14 October**. Details to follow as part of MNH combined programme.

(\* ) For walks and refreshments requiring booking, alternatives concerning transport, including car sharing, and any queries please contact Patricia Newton tel. 861560 / 366269 or e-mail [patricianewton@manx.net](mailto:patricianewton@manx.net).

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