Isle of Man Natural History & Antiquarian Society

SUMMER PROGRAMME 2016

Saturday 23 April The Old, Old Castletown Road

Leader: Ian Burrell (IoM NHAS President)

A walk through time.

2pm Kirk Sanctain Car Park SC 311712

Tuesday 17 May

Curphey – Farrant's Ballakillingan Leaders: Mr & Mrs Julian Edwards

A guided evening walk and talk on the history of this property and its landscaped grounds, courtesy of and by its owners Mr & Mrs Edwards.

6.30pm Lezayre Church Hall Car Park SC422942

Saturday 18 June

Three "Legs" in Maughold,

Leaders: Prof Mark Noel & Tony Cain

Maughold contains many ancient sites; we will do walks over fields to three of them with Prof Mark Noel leading us to Keeill Michael & Keeill Chiggyrt and Tony Cain to Gob ny Garvan. Courtesy of the owners and farmers Michael Whipp, Edward & John Quayle, Keith, Pam and Anna Kerruish. Wear walking boots and bring picnic lunch.

Meet 10.30am Ballaglass Glen Car Park SC467898 to share cars to Barony for walk to Barony Hill, returning to the car park for picnic lunch. Depart Ballaglass Glen Car park 1.30pm to proceed to Ballafayle parking on roadside at SC480898. Participants can join the walk for morning or afternoon or both.

Saturday 2 July

Narradale - Abbeylands, Commons and Orchids

Leader: Paul Quayle

Following his talk on the formation of the commons Paul will lead us on a "gingerly" exploration of Abbeylands up the lower part of the Narradale step road to view the Commons and Cronk Sumark from a distance, visit some little known historic "pillars" whose origins are open to debate and hear about the "Black Doors". Hopefully verge side orchids will oblige en route. Wear walking boots.

2pm Meet at Ginger Hall SC394945

Saturday 16 July

The Parish Church of St John the Baptist, The Royal Chapel

Leader: Dr Patricia Tutt

Following her fascinating insight into design of stained glass, architect Dr Tutt will guide us round the architecture and stained glass of The Royal Chapel.

2pm meet at Arboretum Car Park SC279818

Tuesday 19 July The Manx Uplands Leader: Alan Jackson

In the evening when grouse and mountain hare are more likely to be visible, Alan and his helpers will lead us around Slieu Maggle explaining and demonstrating how the uplands are managed for all forms of wildlife, flora and fauna. Wear stout walking boots

7pm meet on B10 Brandywell Road at SC343866 opposite Sartfell Plantation

Saturday 10th September

Exploration of 19th century St. Marks and its North Wales material connection **Leader: Dr Pat McClure**

During his 44 year incumbency as Anglican clergyman in the first half of the 19th century John Thomas Clarke facilitated changes which had somewhat surprising consequences after his wife died in 1862. Archaeologist Pat will lead an easy level walk around the village of St Marks, returning to the church to view two memorials whose meaning is considered in relation to the permanent links created between this family and a secluded village in rural North Wales. Tea and biscuits in the church afterwards.

2.00pm meet at St. Mark's Church SC295740

Friday, Saturday & Sunday 30th September, 1,2 & 7,8,9 October **Heritage Open Davs** Saturday 8 October **Knock-e-Dhooney** – **Ice Age to the Vikings**

Leader: Dave Martin

A walk around parts of Knock-e-Dhooney farm (Andreas), including the effects of glaciation, the Keeill and the Viking Ship Burial. Wear walking boots.

10:30 a.m. – meet at Knock-e-Dhooney (NX 406 023), follow private tarmac farm road North from the coast road opposite Gat-e-Whing, parking available on the farm yard.

For any queries, including car sharing or public transport, please contact Patricia Newton, excursion Secretary 861560 / 366269 patricianewton@manx.net

> NB MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT DOGS CANNOT ACCOMPANY THEM ON EXCURSIONS