

HERITAGE'99 OPEN DAYS

Friday 10 - Sunday 12 September

ROYAL &
SUNALLIANCE

"Godalming 100 Years Ago"

The Godalming Trust invites you to revisit aspects of life in and around Godalming as it was at the close of the 19th Century.



- OPEN HOUSES in the Town Centre
- COACH TOURS exploring Waverley's Heritage
- EXHIBITIONS OF GODALMING LIFE at Godalming Museum and Railway Station
- ✿ MORRIS DANCING in the High Street
- A VICTORIAN REVUE by Godalming Theatre Group
- TOWN vs GOWN FOOTBALL MATCH played by 19th Century Rules
- FIN DE SIECLE MUSIC at the Parish Church

THESE EVENTS form part of a Europe-wide initiative, under the auspices of the Council of Europe, to open to the public, without charge, interesting historic sites which are normally closed to them.

Heritage Open Days in England is co-ordinated by the Civic Trust.



OTHER ENTERTAINMENT



A VICTORIAN REVUE ... a Music Hall romp!

A Victorian Music Hall was the perfect antidote to the upright, austere and somewhat sober morals of the day. Always funny - and often somewhat risqué! - the Music Hall was given respectability by its following from the aristocracy and famous names of the day.

Presented by Godalming Theatre Group's talented touring company the revue includes music, melodrama and some very intriguing sketches!

At Rodborough School, Milford - Friday 10th September - 8.00 pm
At The Borough Hall, Godalming - Saturday 11th September - 8.00 pm

Tickets at £7.50 per person, including a complimentary glass of delightful Victorian punch.

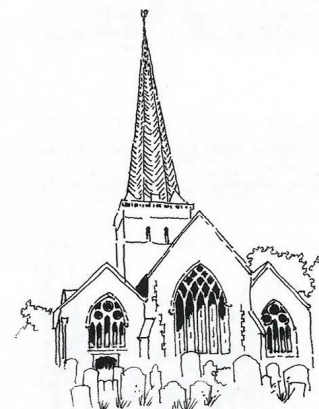
Ticket enquiries: Godalming Museum, 109A High Street, Godalming (Telephone 01483 426510).

TOWN vs GOWN: FOOTBALL 19TH CENTURY STYLE

Charterhouse and Town teams will meet at 2.00 pm on Sunday 12 September to play football by the original Football Association rules, with players kitted out in 19th Century style - celebrating the success of the Old Carthusians who, uniquely, won both the FA Cup and the FA Amateur Cup in the latter years of the Century.

The match will be at Charterhouse. Music will be provided by the Godalming Band. Refreshments will be available and there will be an exhibition of football memorabilia.

Entry to the match will be free and a souvenir programme will be on sale for £1.



MUSIC AND PRAISE AT THE CHURCH

A turn-of-the-century music recital will take place at the Parish Church on Sunday 12 September, starting at 5.00 pm. This will be followed, at 6.30 pm, by Choral Evensong, based on the Old Book of Common Prayer. Coffee and refreshments will be served in the Octagon.

Acknowledgments

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The Trust also thanks the owners and occupiers of the properties generously opened to visitors and the many other organisations and individuals who have contributed to the programme.

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**ON SATURDAY 11 SEPTEMBER
OPEN HOUSES: "OLD GODALMING FROM THE INSIDE"**

From 10.00 am to 4.00 pm you can visit some notable buildings in the Town Centre, which you will probably have seen before only from the outside:



14 Croft Road**

The house contains a remarkable collection of church and chamber barrel organs. There will be about twenty instruments on view, dating from 1770 to 1830. The owner will be on hand to give a descriptive talk and give visitors the opportunity to hear some of the instruments.

Guided Tours at 10.00 am, 11.00 am, 12 noon, 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm

The Old Vicarage, Borough Road**

The origins of this Grade 2 listed house probably date from 1195, and by 1575 it comprised "dyvers handsome rooms". Much of the present house dates from the 17th and 18th Centuries; but there were substantial Victorian additions. The house has been in "secular" ownership since 1992.

Guided Tours at 10.00 am, 11.00 am, 12 noon, 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm



The Old Post House**

This magnificent Grade 2 listed Georgian building - originally a town house, and for many years Godalming's Post Office - has been sensitively restored to provide high quality office accommodation. It won a Civic Design Award from the Godalming Trust, and more recently a Commendation from the Surrey Historic Buildings Trust.

Guided Tours at 10.00 am, 11.00 am, 12 noon, 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm



Church House (Barlows Solicitors)**

Church House dates from the late middle ages, and has some fine 16th Century features. It was re-developed in the 19th Century, and has been sensitively modernised in recent years. Guided tours will offer a view of, among other things, the main elm staircase, original timber framing, and Victorian fireplaces.

Guided Tours at 10.00 am, 11.00 am, 12 noon, 2.00 pm and 3.00 pm



Mill Lane Studio, Mill Lane

Period clothing will be exhibited by Ninya Mikhaila, historical costumier, whose studio occupies part of a building erected, circa. 1874, for Allan and Solly of Nottingham. It was originally used by workers in the hosiery industry, which played an important part in the economy of Godalming in the 19th Century.



The Old Town Hall (Pepperpot)

Built in 1814 to serve as Godalming's Town Hall and Council Chamber, the Pepperpot (or, as some prefer, the "Pepperbox") will be the venue for an exhibition of memorabilia - donated to or acquired by Godalming Town Council over the past 100 years - illustrating local history, and including silverware used on municipal occasions, and documents never shown before in public.

VINTAGE VEHICLES AND DANCING

On show in the High Street will be a 1902 Dennis motor car made in Guildford; and it is hoped that one or two other vintage vehicles will be on parade. With the Cyclists Touring Club situated in Farncombe it is appropriate that members of the Veteran Cycle Club will also be in attendance to display their machines.

Three Morris dancing "sides" - Fleur de Lys, Cuphill and Minden Rose - will be performing in and around the High Street and by the Phillips Memorial between 10.00 am and the late afternoon.

NB: There will be no charge for entry to these properties and no need to book in advance although in some cases numbers may need to be restricted. Please note that where a property is marked thus **, there will be Guided Tours: - from the start of a tour until the end no entry will be permitted. You are recommended to arrive 15 minutes before your selected tour begins.

**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 11 & 12 SEPTEMBER
"EXPLORING WAVERLEY'S HERITAGE": COACH TOURS TO**



Shackleford Church

St Mary's Church was built in 1865 at the wish of the Reverend Buttemer in memory of his wife. Designed by Sir George Gilbert Scott, it was constructed of local Bargate stone, and is a superb example of a Gothic Revival Church with an unusual rounded end to the chancel.

Norney Grange

A significant example of the Arts and Crafts period, this house is one of several in the area by the architect Charles Voysey (1857-1947). Although generally typical of his work, with its roughcast walls, buttressing, projecting eaves and smooth dressings, the classical entrance porch is unusual and impressive. There will be a guided tour by the owners.



Waverley Abbey House

The first house on this site - built of stone taken from the former Cistercian Abbey nearby following the dissolution of the monasteries - was replaced during the 18th Century by the present Palladian style building. It is likely that both Colin Campbell and Robert Adam had some influence on the details here, since these architects acted elsewhere for the previous owners. A fire during the 19th Century resulted in some restoration in the Regency style. Our visit will include an inspection of one of the grand salons.

There will be two coach tours on both Saturday and Sunday, 11 and 12 September.

Coaches will leave South Street Car Park, Godalming at 9.00 am and 2.00 pm, returning to Godalming by about 1.00 pm and 6.00 pm. It will be essential to purchase tickets in advance to ensure a place on the coach tour of your choice. Tickets, priced at £5 to cover the cost of transport, can be obtained from the Godalming Museum at 109A High Street (Telephone 01483 426510). There is no charge for entry to the properties.

Godalming Railway Station

With the coming of the railway to Godalming, the Town entered a new era. Godalming Station will provide the background to an exhibition of paintings by pupils of Moss Lane School, who will offer their perceptions of what the railway meant for the Town and its people. Supplementing this will be a photographic exhibition by Stephen Goddard, artist and railway enthusiast, illustrating local railway history.



Godalming Museum

People at Work exhibition, 7 - 12 September
Photographs of the Working People of Godalming 100 years ago will give a fascinating glimpse of the past plus a chance to enter a Mystery Photograph Caption Competition.

The exhibition will be open over the Heritage Weekend from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm when the Museum's computer CD of early Godalming Photographs will be launched; an excellent opportunity to browse through the past.