

Heritage Open Days 2000

Thursday 14 to Sunday 17 September



Godalming Past, Present and Future

The Godalming Trust invites you to join in this year's Heritage Open Days programme which will include:

- OPEN HOUSES in the Town Centre
- COACH TOUR to Historic Properties
- EXHIBITIONS at Museum & Pepperpot
- MORRIS DANCING by Fleur de Lys Group
- GODALMING'S FILM HERITAGE
- 100 YEARS of MUSIC by Godalming Theatre Group
- VINTAGE COMMERCIAL VEHICLES and Motor Cycles
- GUIDED WALKS around the Town Centre

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 are co-ordinated by the Civic Trust.



OTHER EVENTS



Godalming Film Archives

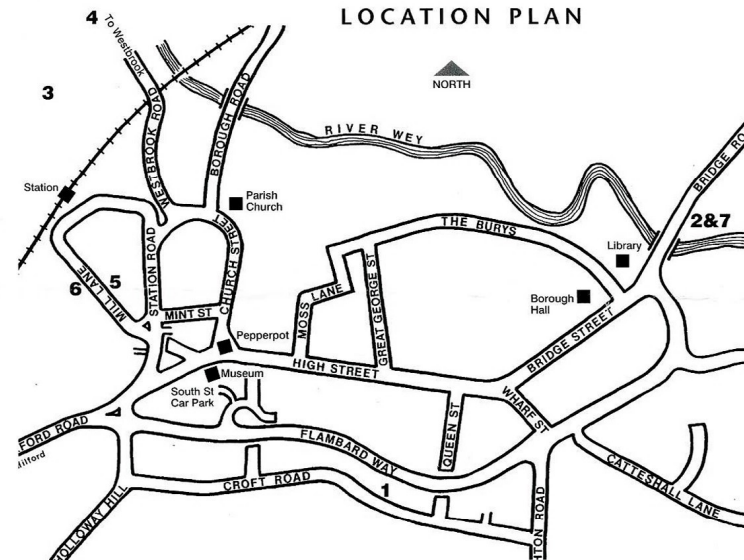
There will be an opportunity to see film depicting life and events in Godalming early last century. This was first shown on 14th March and will be shown again on Thursday 14th September 7.30pm at the Borough Hall. Tickets £5.00 available from The Godalming Museum, 109a High Street, Godalming. (tel 01483 426510)



100 Years of Music

Presented by the Godalming Theatre Group's talented touring company, the show will include music from every decade of the last century. Friday 15th September 8.00pm and Saturday 16th September 8.00pm both at the Borough Hall. Tickets £7.50 per person can be obtained from the Godalming Museum, 109a High Street, Godalming (tel 01483 426510)

LOCATION PLAN



NB
Coach Tours commence at South Street Car Park

Numerals refer to locations of open houses

Guided walks commence at the Pepperpot

Guided Walks

Historic Godalming sponsored by The Godalming Trust on Saturday 16th September 2.30pm and on Sunday 17th September 10.30am
Godalming Remembered sponsored by Godalming Archaeological and Local History Group on Sunday 17th September 2.30pm.

Evening Service at the Parish Church of St. Peter & St. Paul.

Sunday 17th September 6.30pm.
This service will mark the anniversary of the founding of The Friends of St. Peter & St. Paul.

Acknowledgments

The Godalming Trust is most grateful for the support and financial assistance from a number of local businesses and organisations including The Godalming Initiative, The Surrey Bookshop, Caprice, Alan Paine Knitwear. The Trust also thanks the owners and occupiers of properties generously opened to visitors and the many organisations and individuals who have contributed to the programme.

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OPEN HOUSES IN THE TOWN CENTRE

Saturday 16th September. From 10.00am to 4.00pm you can visit some buildings in and around the Town Centre, which you will probably only have seen from the outside. For locations of these see map on back page.



1 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. **In view of the popularity of this visit last year and the small number of people who can be accommodated, it is necessary to pre book at the Museum.**

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

3 The Meath (formerly Westbrook Place)**

Westbrook Place is famous as the home of General James Oglethorpe, the founder of the colony of Georgia, America. Much of the character of the present house was established in the late C18, and further substantial alterations were carried out circa.1850. The property, now owned and occupied as The Meath, is an excellent example of an older building adapted for modern day use as a residential home supporting people with epilepsy.

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



4 Westbrook, Westbrook Road**

Built for himself by the celebrated Arts and Crafts architect, Hugh Thackeray Turner, a contemporary of Lutyens and Voysey, in 1899. The house is built of local Bargate stone and visitors will see the main reception rooms and the splendid garden designed by Gertrude Jekyll, all remarkably unchanged after 100 years of occupation.

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



5 12 Mill Lane

A small house dating from the mid 16th century of delightful character and much photographed. Probably originally a bakery. The design also indicates that the upstairs room may have been used by hosiery outworkers.



6 Mill Lane Studio, Mill Lane

Period clothing will be exhibited by Ninya Mikhaila, historic 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.



Vintage Dennis Bus

An old time 'Bus Service' will be operated by a 1930s Dennis Dart Coach between the Museum and Westbrook, stopping at The Meath.

Vintage Motor Cycles

There will be a display in the High Street between the Old Post House and The Red Lion.

Morris Dancing

The Fleur de Lys Morris Dancing side will be performing in and around the High Street during the morning.

NB: There will be no charge for entry to these properties and no need to book in advance (except 14 Croft Road). Please note that where a property is marked **, there will be Guided Tours and no entry will be permitted after the start of a tour.

COACH TOURS

Saturday and Sunday 16 and 17 September

Both days:-

The Manor House, Huxley Close

Originally built in the 1890s for Charles Hampton Weeks, a master at Charterhouse (Weekites). It contains many period details from other locations. Now occupied by Quest Worldwide and recently extended with a new residential complex. Again an excellent example of an older building adapted for modern day use.

This visit will then be followed by:-



Saturday 16th

Tilford Rural Life Centre, Reeds Road, Tilford

Of special interest is the rebuilt Holloway Hill Cricket Pavilion, including cricket memorabilia, and the old Eashing Chapel complete with pews and organ. The Museum has one of the largest private collections of agricultural and rural artifacts in the country. Refreshments will be available at a cost.



Sunday 17th

Peper Harow Park

The original 18th Century mansion was designed by Sir William Chambers for Viscount Middleton and the grounds landscaped by 'Capability' Brown. Visitors will be able to view the Mansion itself and the Granary (both Grade 1 listed) from the outside and enjoy a tour of St. Nicholas Church, largely rebuilt by Pugin in the 1840s. Refreshments will be available in the Carriage House.



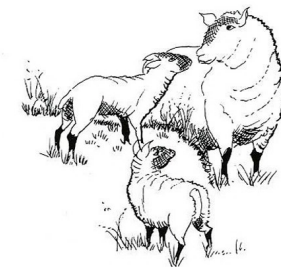
There will be two coach tours on both Saturday and Sunday, 16th & 17th September. Entry to these properties is only open to those travelling on the coach.

Coaches will leave South Street Car Park, Godalming at 9.00am and 2.00pm, returning to

Godalming by about 1.00pm and 6.00pm. It is 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 (Tel 01483 426510). There is no charge for entry to the properties for the coach parties.

Exhibitions

There will be exhibitions open throughout the Heritage Week End at the Godalming Museum and at the Peppercot, the latter organised by the Godalming Archaeological and Local History Group.



On Saturday 16th September there will be a display of the history of the Wool Trade in Godalming at The Meath with rare breeds of sheep and artifacts of the trade.

