

Dear Friends,

Welcome to your FMNH October newsletter. I am delighted to bring you updates and events exclusive to FMNH members. As always, you can find a full list of Manx National Heritage sites and their opening times on the <u>MNH website</u>.

Friends Events to Book Now



Illustrated Talk – From Harvest to Hollantide: Join former MNH Curator Yvonne Cresswell to discover more about the traditional (and some more recent) Manx customs to be found around the Island in the autumn months - basically how to get good luck, stop bad luck AND have a good time as well! If you've attended any of Yvonne's previous talks, you'll know that she is always an entertaining and informative speaker.

Date: Thursday 17th October 2024, 10.30am. Price: £10

Venue: The Manx Museum

To Book: Email info@fmnh.im or call 07624 243806

For those of you who had a place booked on our postponed **'Watch and Ward'** talk on 11th July – I still do not have a new date, but I will email or call you as soon as I know. Thank you for your patience.

FMNH Annual General Meeting



The FMNH AGM will be held at the Manx Museum on Saturday 9th November 2024. Full details to follow in due course.

More Volunteers Needed

Would you like to help with Hop Tu Naa at Cregneash? If so, please email <u>di.williams@mnh.im</u> and copy me in (<u>emma@fmnh.im</u>)



The Details: Sunday 27th October 2024 at Cregneash. The event runs from 10am to 3pm and a lunch will be provided for volunteers. Volunteers are needed to assist with things such as car parking and stewarding individual events around the site. If you would like to volunteer, please email <u>di.williams@mnh.im</u> and copy me in (<u>emma@fmnh.im</u>).



I'd like to extend enormous thanks to all the Friends volunteers who are helping at the 2024 Heritage Open Days. We have provided almost 20 volunteers to assist with stewarding at these hugely popular events over two weekends this month and Manx National Heritage are really grateful for our volunteers' assistance.

Early Christmas Shopping?

The 2025 Manx National Heritage Calendar is available now!



Featuring full colour images of a selection of Manx National Heritage sites, this 2025 A4 calendar features all Bank and Manx holidays. Every purchase of the 2025 calendar helps to look after Manx National Heritage historic sites, countryside and treasures.

Purchase your copy here: https://manxnationalheritage.im/.../2025-manx-national.../

Manx National Heritage Exhibitions and Events

52 Manx Things to Make and Do by Felicity Wood book launch: Join Manx National Heritage to celebrate the launch of Felicity Wood's new book '52 Manx Things to Make and Do' and make your own Babban ny Mheilla. 12th October 2024 at the Manx Museum, tickets free, donations welcome.

<u>Turn Up for Turnips!</u> Head to Cregneash and carve your turnip lantern in time for Hop tu Naa. 28/10/2024 - 31/10/2024. Standard admission applies (free to FMNH members), small additional charge for turnips.

<u>Tales from the Crypt – Children's Tour:</u> This half term, enjoy a children's tour of Peel Castle with a twist and learn the myths and legends of St Patrick's Isle. 29th October 2024, 11am and 1pm. £8, price includes 1 adult free per ticket. SOLD OUT

<u>Mini Musicians at the Manx Museum</u>: Come and explore music and sounds inspired by Manx Fairy Tales, folklore and legends using instruments, dance and song. Suitable for children aged 0-4. 1st November 2024 at the Manx Museum. Tickets £8 per child, accompanying adult free.

<u>Manx Folklore – Rare Sightings and Urban Faeries:</u> Step into the realm of Manx fairy tales, myths and legends in a unique exhibition by artist and illustrator Julia Ashby-Smyth. 26th October 2024 until 23rd February 2025 at the Manx Museum. Free, donations welcome.

Labyrinth – All at Sea: A new promenade performance at the House of Manannan. Two hundred years ago, Sir William Hillary founded the RNLI, motivated by witnessing losses of ships and lives around the Isle of Man. Around 2,000 shipwrecks have been recorded in Manx waters, but their stories have not been lost. Inspired by historical events, come along and hear maritime tales of tragedy, bravery, survival, and a little looting! Come aboard and embark upon an immersive and thought-provoking journey through our maritime heritage. 14th November 2024 to 16th November 2024. Tickets £18 – book here

<u>Manx Olympians</u>: An exhibition celebrating athletes from the Isle of Man who have achieved success at the Olympics – and future rising stars. Manx Museum until 23rd February 2025. Free, donations welcome.