Heritage Open Days
Thursday 13th – Sunday 16th September 2018
Blackpool | Lytham St Annes | Fleetwood
Blackpool and the Fylde Coast
heritageopendays.org.uk
Welcome to Heritage Open Days 2018

Heritage Open Days is England's largest free cultural festival and one of fifty countries across Europe taking part. Each September venues across Blackpool and the Fylde Coast celebrate their heritage and bring it to life with a selection of tours, talks and exhibitions. It's the perfect opportunity to embrace our eclectic heritage, uncover our hidden histories and explore our architectural gems.

This brochure includes details of all events taking place between Thursday 13th and Sunday 16th September 2018 during Heritage Open Days weekend. For many of the events you can drop in and just turn up on the day. Those events that require pre-booking can be booked from Thursday 2nd August at 10am.

This year our brochure has been given an exciting new look with an increased number of interesting venues for you to discover. Coordinated by Blackpool Council’s Heritage Service and Fleetwood Civic Trust, there are over fifty venues taking part across Blackpool, Lytham and Wyre revealing the very best of our fantastic heritage.

We hope to see you there!

Please note: all event information is correct at time of print and is subject to change. Any changes will be clearly displayed on our website and on social media.

Please share your stories with us…

A big thank you!

We'd like to thank all the many organisations, partners and individuals who dedicate their time to make Heritage Open Days a success. Without their creativity and support Heritage Open Days would not be possible.

We'd also like to extend our thanks to the army of volunteers that come together every year for Heritage Open Days to celebrate, promote and embrace our rich and varied heritage. Their passion and enthusiasm is what keeps this festival going year on year.

Thank you to everyone who joins us at a Heritage Open Days event. We hope you discover something new and inspiring and enjoy every moment.

Collect a children’s activity sheet from the History Centre in Central Library and get the whole family embracing Blackpool’s heritage!

Heritage Open Days is coordinated by the National Trust and funded by players of the People’s Postcode Lottery.
How to use this brochure

• Whilst many of the events during Heritage Open Days welcome visitors to pop in during selected times, some of the tours have limited capacity and must be pre-booked.
• Some of these tours are very popular and tickets for these events go quickly. All tickets are on a first-come first-served basis and will be allocated as such.
• If you don’t manage to get tickets for an event that you’ve got your eye on, then please don’t feel like you’ve missed out - we have plenty of drop-in events for you to explore.
• Events within this brochure are listed by areas: Blackpool, Lytham St Annes and Fleetwood. Separated into pre-book and drop-in categories, you’ll find each section is in alphabetical order.

How to book tickets

Booking opens on Thursday 2nd August 2018 at 10am and is only available during the History Centre’s opening hours.

The History Centre Opening Times:
Tuesday 9.30am-5.00pm
Thursday 9.30am-7.00pm
Friday 9.30am-5.00pm
Saturday 9.30am-1.00pm, 1.30pm-4.00pm
01253 478090
heritage@blackpool.gov.uk

Email us with the details of the event that you would like to book. Please include the event that you would like to attend, your name, a contact telephone number and your postcode in this email.

Once your booking has been secured, you will receive a confirmation email.

You could also pop in to the History Centre and we’ll be happy to take your booking in person any time during our opening hours.

Whilst the History Centre isn’t open on Wednesday 12th September, we’ll accept any last minute bookings on this date up to 4.00pm (subject to availability). Regrettably, we’ll be unable to accept any bookings after this time.

If you are unable to attend any of the events that you have booked, please email heritage@blackpool.gov.uk or telephone 01253 478090 up to the day of the event so tickets can be reallocated to those on waiting lists.

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# Heritage Open Days at a Glance

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### Blackpool Town Centre

The map shows the location of some of the Heritage Open Days venues.

1. The Blackpool Tower
2. Blackpool Town Hall
3. The History Centre in Central Library
4. Grundy Art Gallery
5. The Grand Theatre
6. Winter Gardens Blackpool
7. St John the Evangelist
8. Masonic Hall
9. The Regent Cinema
10. Funny Girls
The Blackpool Tower
Central Promenade, Blackpool, FY1 4BJ

A unique opportunity to take a tour of Blackpool's famous Victorian Pleasure Complex. Since its opening in 1894, Blackpool Tower has entertained both visitors and residents with a fantastic line up of year-round events and activities. Uncover the history of Blackpool Tower on this guided tour.

Thursday 13 September 10am & 11.45am
Duration: 60 mins
Organised by Heritage Blackpool

Blackpool Victoria Hospital
Whitney Heys Road, Blackpool, FY3 8NR

A historical tour of the hospital which has been on this site for eighty-plus years. Discover the history of this hospital from its opening in 1932 to present day.

Saturday 15 September 2pm
Sun 16 September 2pm
Duration: Upto 90 mins
Organised by Denys Barber

Cinema Heritage Walking Tour
Old Imperial Picture Palace on the corner of Dickson Rd and Lansdownes Place

Discover the history of Blackpool cinemas on this enjoyable guided walking tour. Visit the sites of some of the iconic cinemas of the past whilst learning the history of cinema in Blackpool.

Saturday 15 September 11.30am
Duration: Upto 60 mins
Organised by Heritage Blackpool

Imperial Hotel
North Promenade, Blackpool, FY1 2HB

A stunning Victorian redbrick building, the Imperial Hotel is symbolic in Blackpool's political and entertainment histories and famous guests include Sir Winston Churchill and Charles Dickens. Take a behind-the-scenes look at this hotel on a guided tour, including the Turkish Baths.

Friday 14 September 10am & 2pm
Thursday 13 September 10am & 2pm
Duration: Upto 60 mins
Organised by Caroline Richardson

Lightworks Illuminations Depot
Shorebary Point, Amy Johnson Way, Blackpool FY4 2RL

Our guides will introduce you to the rich heritage of the Illuminations and the tour includes an overview of the history and development of the Illuminations, a guided walk around the workshop and a unique opportunity to view original designs dating back to the 1920s. Join us and experience where the magic happens on this enjoyable tour.

Friday 14 September 1.30pm
Duration: Upto 90 mins
Organised by Heritage Blackpool

Whitegate Drive
Number 3 Pub, Whitegate Drive, Blackpool

A unique opportunity to take a guided tour of the hospital from its opening in 1932 to present day. Discover the hidden histories of Stanley Park, created by the most celebrated architect of the Edwardian era, Thomas H. Mawson. Explore this historic, grade II* listed park on this guided tour and climb the Cocker Clock Tower to get a beautiful and unique view of Stanley Park.

Sunday 16 September 11am
Duration: 60 mins (1 mile)
Organised by Stella Siddall

War Memorials Walking Tour
Blackpool Cenotaph

Whilst we all know Blackpool’s main war memorial, there are in fact 182 memorials in the town and just beyond. Some have been hidden from the public view for many years; others often passed unrecognised. Discover Blackpool’s war memorials on this walk.

Friday 14 September 1pm
Duration: 90 mins (1 mile)
Please note: the walk will involve climbing stairs and possibly narrow spaces. It will culminate in a talk at the Salvation Army Citadel, see page 14.

Organised by Mike Coyle

The Winter Gardens
97 Church Street, Blackpool, FY1 1HL

Back for 2018
Uncover the pure fantasy of Blackpool’s past on a tour of this remarkable Victorian pleasure complex. Within one of Blackpool’s best architectural jewels you’ll find an engaging social and entertainment history. See what you can discover on this guided tour.

Sunday 16 September 11am
Duration: 60 mins
Organised by Winter Gardens
BLACKPOOL – drop-in events
All the events listed on these pages are drop-in events. No need to book, just come along!

ALL HALLOWS CHURCH
All Hallows Road, Bispham FY2 0AY

Also known as the Mother Church of Blackpool, the site of All Hallows Church was the only place of worship in Blackpool until 1821. This current church is the third church to be built on the site. Join us for a short historical talk and an opportunity to look around this magnificent ecclesiastical building.
Thu 13 Sept 1pm-2pm
Fri 14 Sept 1pm-2pm
Sat 15 Sept 1pm-2pm
Sun 16 Sept 1pm-2pm
Organised by Rev Simon Cox 01253 734024

BISHPHAM COURT
337 Norbreck Road, Little Bispham FY5 1NJ

The Roberts family will be on hand to chat about the history of Bispham’s oldest house. Learn about the stars that stayed at Bispham Court over the summer seasons between 1949 & 1984; browse photographs, newspaper articles and view their unique patio with signatures of the stars.
Sun 16 Sept 12pm-5pm
Organised by The family at Bispham Court

BLACKPOOL PLEASURE BEACH
Ocean Boulevard, South Shore

A free Pleasure Beach pass allows entry to the park for the day. With this you can enjoy the ambience of the park; ride the Pleasure Beach Express, explore the Chinese Puzzle Maze, experience Bradley and Bella’s Learning Garden and see the Spectacular Dancing Water Show.
Thu 13 Sept 11am-5pm
Fri 14 Sept 11am-5pm
Sun 16 Sept 11am-5pm
Organised by Blackpool Pleasure Beach 0871 222 1234 (charges may be incurred)

FUNNY GIRLS
Dickson Road FY1 2AX

Still retaining many of its original 1930s art deco features, the Funny Girls building is a wonder to explore. Funny Girls will be giving tours of the building, which was once home to the largest Odeon cinema outside of Leicester Square, London. From the screens to the stage, this venue continues to entertain Blackpool residents and visitors alike.
Sat 15 Sept 10am-12pm
Organised by Funny Girls

THE GRAND THEATRE
33 Church Street FY1 1HT

This Grade II* listed building will open its doors on Heritage Open Day for behind-the-scenes mini tours of the theatre, including backstage. This is a unique opportunity to visit a fine example of Victorian theatre architecture. There will also be an archive exhibition which will feature this year’s Heritage Open Day focus of ‘Extraordinary Women’. In a unique exhibition the theatre will take the opportunity to celebrate the life and extraordinary career of Sir Ken Dodd who was such a great supporter & friend of the Grand Theatre.
Sun 16 Sept 11am-4pm
Organised by The Grand Theatre

LAYTON CEMETERY
Talbot Road FY3 7BD

Founded in 1871, Layton Cemetery is an atmospheric resting place with a captivating history. Discover the stories behind the graves of some of Blackpool’s most famous residents.
Thu 13 Sept 11am,1pm & 2pm
Fri 14 Sept 11am,1pm & 2pm
Sat 15 Sept 11am,1pm & 2pm
Sun 16 Sept 11am,1pm & 2pm
Organised by Friends of Layton Cemetery 01253 318075

The Roberts family will be on hand to chat about the history of Bispham’s oldest house. Learn about the stars that stayed at Bispham Court over the summer seasons between 1949 & 1984; browse photographs, newspaper articles and view their unique patio with signatures of the stars.
Sun 16 Sept 12pm-5pm
Organised by The family at Bispham Court

BLACKPOOL TOWN HALL
Talbot Square, Blackpool FY1 1AD

Discover the history of this Grade II listed building with a unique look around the building including the Council Chambers. Learn about its development and use as the centre of local and political discussion and debate.
Sat 15 Sept 9.30am-3.30pm
Organised by Joan Humble - Chair, Blackpool Civic Trust 01253 500881

THE BREW ROOM
2 Revue Street, Blackpool FY1 3HN

Explore the new micro-brewery in one of Blackpool’s iconic historic pubs. Steeped in history, former Blackpool Mayor Robert Wynne reopened this building in 2017 embracing many elements of Blackpool’s sporting and political history.
Thu 13 Sept 12pm-11pm
Fri 14 Sept 12pm-11pm
Sat 15 Sept 12pm-11pm
Sun 16 Sept 12pm-11pm
Organised by Robert Wynne

CENTRAL MOSQUE
2 Revue Street, Blackpool FY1 3HN

Take a tour of Blackpool’s Central Mosque and get an introduction to the Islamic faith with an opportunity to observe live prayer at 1.30pm. Please note visitors will be required to dress modestly and remove their shoes on entry.
Thu 13 Sept 12pm-4pm
Sat 15 Sept 12pm-4pm
Sun 16 Sept 12pm-4pm
Organised by Imam Ashfaq Patel 07939384507

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
Dean Street, South Shore FY4 1BP

Designed by Richard Knill Freeman. Completed in 1895, it is one of the finest examples of ecclesiastical architecture in Blackpool.
Thu 13 Sept 9am-12pm
(worship 11am-12.15pm)
Fri 14 Sept 9am-2.30pm
(worship 10am-11.30am)
Sat 15 Sept 9.30am-2.30pm
Sun 16 Sept 9.30am-1.30pm
(worship 11am-12.15pm)
Organised by Rev’d Tracy Charnock 01253 344773

LAWTON CEMETERY
Shaw Road, Layton FY3 7BD

Founded in 1871, Layton Cemetery is an atmospheric resting place with a captivating history. Discover the stories behind the graves of some of Blackpool’s most famous residents.
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Organised by Friends of Layton Cemetery 01253 318075

THE GRAND THEATRE
33 Church Street FY1 1HT

This Grade II* listed building will open its doors on Heritage Open Day for behind-the-scenes mini tours of the theatre, including backstage. This is a unique opportunity to visit a fine example of Victorian theatre architecture. There will also be an archive exhibition which will feature this year’s Heritage Open Day focus of ‘Extraordinary Women’. In a unique exhibition the theatre will take the opportunity to celebrate the life and extraordinary career of Sir Ken Dodd who was such a great supporter & friend of the Grand Theatre.
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The Roberts family will be on hand to chat about the history of Bispham’s oldest house. Learn about the stars that stayed at Bispham Court over the summer seasons between 1949 & 1984; browse photographs, newspaper articles and view their unique patio with signatures of the stars.
Sun 16 Sept 12pm-5pm
Organised by The family at Bispham Court

BLACKPOOL PLEASURE BEACH
Ocean Boulevard, South Shore

A free Pleasure Beach pass allows entry to the park for the day. With this you can enjoy the ambience of the park; ride the Pleasure Beach Express, explore the Chinese Puzzle Maze, experience Bradley and Bella’s Learning Garden and see the Spectacular Dancing Water Show.
Thu 13 Sept 11am-5pm
Fri 14 Sept 11am-5pm
Sun 16 Sept 11am-5pm
Organised by Blackpool Pleasure Beach 0871 222 1234 (charges may be incurred)

FUNNY GIRLS
Dickson Road FY1 2AX

Still retaining many of its original 1930s art deco features, the Funny Girls building is a wonder to explore. Funny Girls will be giving tours of the building, which was once home to the largest Odeon cinema outside of Leicester Square, London. From the screens to the stage, this venue continues to entertain Blackpool residents and visitors alike.
Sat 15 Sept 10am-12pm
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BLACKPOOL – drop-in events
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LITTLE MARTON WINDMILL
Preston New Road FY4 4SS
Close to the M55 motorway, Little Marton Windmill is often the first heritage site seen by visitors coming to Blackpool.
Built in 1838, and spanning three floors, you can see original 19th century machinery, learn about its history and uncover the story of one of Blackpool’s most underrated landmarks on this guided tour.
Sun 16 Sept 11am-3.30pm
Organised by Friends of Little Marton Mill

NORTH SHORE METHODIST CHURCH
Disston Road FY1 2AP
With warm mahogany woodwork in the balcony and choir stalls, the North Shore Methodist Church is warm and welcoming. Boasting stunning art nouveau style stained glass windows, this Grade II listed building will be displaying information and photographs on the church history with an opportunity to hear an organ recital.
This will be North Shore Methodist Church’s final Heritage Open Days as the church sadly closes its doors in late September.
Thur 13 Sept 10am-4pm
Fri 14 Sept 10am-4pm
Sat 15 Sept 10am-4pm
(songs of praise 2pm-4pm)
Organised by Members of North Shore Methodist Church
01253 593725

OLD PENNY ARCADE
17 Chapel Street FY1 3AW
Visitors of all ages will get a kick out of the Old Penny Arcade inside the Crystal Cave on Chapel Street. Step up and play in the penny arcade, as each visitor will receive a free old penny to use in one of the many vintage machines dating from 1934-1972.
Thur 13 Sept 9am-5pm
Organised by Sandra Taylor

RAIKES HALL AND ROYAL PALACE GARDENS EXHIBITION
Liverpool Road FY1 4WE
Two-day exhibition celebrating the history of Raikes Hall and Blackpool’s lost Victorian Royal Palace Gardens complex. There will be a visual exhibition in the function room and guest speakers on both days covering different aspects of the site’s history – details and times will be announced on the Facebook page.
There will also be information about the newly formed Raikes Conservation Area by the conservation team.
Fri 14 Sept 1pm-8pm
Sat 15 Sept 1pm-8pm
Organised by David Slattery
Christy
facebook.com/raikeshallconservationarea

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH
Cedar Square FY1 1BP
St John’s is a Grade II listed building featuring original architecture and carvings, plus magnificent stained glass windows. The cathedral-sized building incorporates a mixture of contemporary and traditional worship areas, including a military chapel and memorial screen.
Sat 15 Sept 1pm-3pm
Organised by Audrey Rawlins

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH
181-189 Church Street FY1 3NY
A striking building on the outskirts of the town centre, the Blackpool Citadel was once home to Blackpool Grammar School. Built on the grounds of the Royal Palace Gardens between 1904 and 1906, the building still holds all of its charm.
The Salvation Army will be opening its doors for a rare opportunity for you to look around the building.
Thur 13 Sept 10am-2pm
Organised by Sandra Fisher
01253 626114

ST PAUL’S NORTH SHORE MEMORY LANE
Egerton Road FY1 2ND
An exhibition of photos, memorabilia and documents that show the fascinating history of the building of St Paul’s from 1898 through to the present day.
The exhibition includes information about Blackpool’s Rose Queens, the First World War and memories from the congregation.
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Sat 15 Sept 10.30am-3.30pm
Sun 16 Sept 11am-3pm
(service)
Organised by Hazel Nicholls
07575 060900

THE REGENT CINEMA
476 Lytham Road FY4 1JF
A unique surprise in urban Blackpool, the World Healing Centre is a beautiful Edwardian building built in 1911, it retains its stunning and original character.
Thur 13 Sept 10am-4pm
Fri 14 Sept 10am-4pm
Organised by World Healing Centre 01253 343701

WORLD HEALING CENTRE
76 Leatham Road FY4 1JF
Discover how the Regent Cinema has evolved over the last four years on a guided tour. The tour will include a special viewing of footage of its journey, with images of the building in its heyday. There will also be an opportunity to see the recently installed 35mm projector.
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01253 290879

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BLACKPOOL – talks
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**GRUNDY ART GALLERY**
Queen Street FY1 1PU
An introduction to the history of the Grundy Art Gallery and a chance to hear about its current and future plans. Please note the Grundy will be undertaking an exhibition changeover and will be no access to the gallery spaces.
Thur 13 Sept 3pm-4pm
Organised by Paulette Brien, Curator

**HERITAGE BLACKPOOL: PRESERVING YOUR HERITAGE**
History Centre, Central Library, Queen Street FY1 1PX
From treasured trinkets to heart-warming notes, every object tells a story. We want you to be able to share your stories for generations to come by preserving these loved possessions. Join us for a short workshop on how to look after these items.
Thur 13 Sept 5.30pm-7pm
Organised by Caroline Hall, Collections Manager for Blackpool Council

**RAIKES HALL AND ROYAL PALACE GARDENS EXHIBITION**
Liverpool Road FY1 4HE
Its popularity was once akin to the world-famous Tivoli in Copenhagen and was a firm favourite of Victorian revellers; now little evidence remains of one of the most significant entertainment venues of its time. The Raikes Hall estate has a rich history which is uncovered in this talk. Please note: this talk is part of a larger event which celebrates the Raikes history.
Fri 14 Sept 2pm-3pm
Organised by David Slattery Christy
Talk by Dave Evans for Heritage Blackpool

**SEASIDE TRADITIONS**
Solars, New South Promenade FY4 1RW
Visitors flocked to Blackpool in their thousands - this engaging talk will illustrate how Blackpool developed and will take a look at its early attractions. From paddle steamers to Uncle Tom’s Cabin to the Illuminations, find out what made Blackpool an unrivalled holiday destination.
Thur 13 Sept 2pm-3pm
Organised by Heritage Blackpool and The Solaris Centre

**SIDESHOWS**
North Gardens Café, Blackpool North Pier
Find out how entertainment on the Promenade has changed throughout the years and discover more about Blackpool’s infamous sideshows. Blackpool sideshows were anything that caught the imagination: uncouth, un-PC, but completely unmissable. From the science of phrenology to starving brides, anything went in Blackpool.
Thur 13 Sept 4pm
Organised by Heritage Blackpool

**THE PLIGHT OF THE WAR MEMORIALS**
Salvation Army Raikes Parade, FY1 4EL
Blackpool has over one hundred war memorials, some of them lost or ‘at risk’ of loss through closure, neglect, deterioration or completeness. This talk highlights our town’s memorials and the efforts to rescue, restore, refurbish and relocate those most at risk.
Fri 14 Sept 2.30pm
Organised by Mike Coyle

**PRE-BOOK EVENT**
To book please contact Stuart Newton on 01253 725958 or email stannesbells@aol.com

**NEW FOR THIS YEAR!**

LYTHAM ST ANNES – drop-in events
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**AKS LYTHAM INDEPENDENT SCHOOL**
Clifton Drive South FY8 1DT
A display of archive material from all our legacy schools. Café and musical entertainment in the main school hall.
Student-led tours of the school at midday & 2.00pm.
Sun 16 Sept 11am-3pm
Organised by Paul Crouch 01253 794100

**FAIRHAVEN UNITED REFORM CHURCH (THE WHITE CHURCH)**
22a Clifton Drive FY8 1AX
An Open Church Event for visitors to view the interior of the White Church built in the Byzantine style and completed in 1912. It is a local landmark dominating the skyline adjacent to Granny’s Bay in Fairhaven. The Church contains beautiful stained glass windows that depict biblical scenes plus other characters and events that have played an important role in Christianity. The archivist and church members will be present to give more information during Heritage Days.
Thur 13 Sept 10.45am-4pm
Fri 14 Sept 10.45am-4pm
Sat 15 Sept 10.45am-4pm
Sun 16 Sept 1pm-4pm
Organised by Fairhaven United Reform Church

**ST ANNES-ON-SEA PARISH CHURCH AND BELL TOWER**
Church Road FY8 3BB
Built in 1873 St Annes-on-Sea Parish Church was one of the first buildings in the new town of St Annes and gave the town its name. In 1890 the tower was added and fitted with a fine peal of eight bells. Join us for a rare opportunity to see the bells and training equipment, and even give it a go!
Sat 15 Sept 10.30am-4pm

**TO BOOK!**
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LYTHAM HERITAGE CENTRE
2 Hanley Street FY8 6LE

“Illusions” by Mill Barn Artists.
An art exhibition by a group of North West artists – an eclectic
group who provide lots of variety; art works are for sale.
Thur 13 Sept 10am-4pm
Fri 14 Sept 10am-4pm
Sat 15 Sept 10am-4pm
Sun 16 Sept 10am-4pm
Organised by Lytham Heritage Group 01253 730787

LYTHAM WINDMILL AND OLD LIFEBOAT HOUSE
Promenade, East Beach

The Windmill and Old Lifeboat House houses a permanent cultural museum. During a tour you can observe the wonderful interior of the buildings, including the workings of the mill, as well as learn about the local lifeboat service and local history. There is also a full size wooden Victorian lifeboat on display.
Thur 13 Sept 10.30am-1pm & 2pm-4.30pm
Fri 14 Sept 10.30am-1pm & 2pm-4.30pm
Sat 15 Sept 10.30am-1pm & 2pm-4.30pm
Sun 16 Sept 10.30am-1pm & 2pm-4.30pm
Organised by Lytham Heritage Group 01253 794879

ST ANNES-ON-SEA PARISH CHURCH WORLD WAR I & II GRAVEYARD MEMORIAL TRAIL
Church Road FY8 3BB

The St Annes Parish Church Graveyard Memorial Trail comprises 44 WW1 and 11 WW2 memorials in the churchyard honouring men who died in service of their country in the two world wars. Each memorial gravestone has a marker board with information about the man, his background and the circumstances of his death. A Trail Guide is available from the Parish Office (open weekdays 10am-12pm) or from the parish website, stannesparishchurch.org, but is not essential to walking the trail. The Laura Janet Lifeboat memorial and the grave of Sir Charles Macara, recently awarded Grade II listed status, are also of interest and have marker boards.
Thur 13 Sept 10am-6pm
Fri 14 Sept 10am-6pm
Sat 15 Sept 10am-6pm
Sun 16 Sept 10am-6pm
Organised by St Annes-on-Sea Parish Church

ST PAUL’S CHURCH ANSDELL & FAIRHAVEN
Lake Road North FY8 1AG

Join us for a chance to tour our beautiful church building. Delicious refreshments available in the hall. Short organ recitals during the morning. Children’s trail available. Opportunity to mark the ‘Extraordinary Women’ in your own lives by posting on our ‘Extraordinary Women known to me’ board.
Sat 15 Sept 10am-1pm
Organised by St Paul’s Church, Ansdell and Fairhaven 01253 732939

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NORTH EUSTON HOTEL
The Esplanade, Fleetwood, FY7 6BN

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Sun 16 Sept 10am-1pm, 2pm & 3pm
Booking: Please contact the North Euston Hotel to book your place: 01253 876525 or reception@northeustonhotel.com
Organised by North Euston Hotel

CLEVELEYS COTTAGE EXHIBITION WALKING TOUR
Corner of Cleveleys Avenue and West Drive, Cleveleys

A walking tour investigating the houses built in 1906 for a competition to establish Cleveleys as a ‘garden city’.
Thur 13 Sept 11am
Fri 14 Sept 11am
Duration: 75 mins
Booking: Tickets must be booked in advance. Booking information can be found on page 4 of this brochure.
Organised by David Evans for Local History Tours

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AUTUMN BIRDWATCH
Rossall Point Picnic Area and Car Park

Join the Rangers as they watch the last of our summer and first wintering birds migrate over Rossall Point. Meet at Rossall Point picnic area and car park.
Sun 16 Sept 9am-10am
1 mile walk
Grade: Easy
Bring binoculars
Organised by Wyre Council 01995 602125

CEMETERY HISTORY WALK
Main gate, Beach Road, Fleetwood, FY7 8PH

A chance to find out about the heritage of the cemetery and who is buried there and how they shaped the town and its culture including: boat builders, fishermen, architects and investors.
Thur 13 Sept 10am-12pm
Organised by Wyre Council
**EMMANUEL AT THE MOUNT CHURCH**
Mount Road, Fleetwood FY7 6RE
The church was built on the lines of a traditional Methodist church, the first of which is in the centre of Bristol where John Wesley regularly preached and his brother Charles had an apartment above. The tour will consist of a walk around the church taking in the various parts. The Main Sanctuary can hold up to 300 people, including the balcony areas. Sadly the balcony will be out of bounds for the tour for health and safety reasons. The Wesley Room, Fisherman’s Chapel and Memorial Hall are all part of the original 1908 building with the Community Hall opening in 1975. Presently owned by Emmanuel Church, a refurbishing programme is commencing in July 2018 to keep it in good shape for the church, taking in the various parts.

**SAT 15 SEP 11.30AM & 1.30PM**
Sun 16 Sept 1.30pm
**DURATION: 45MINS**
Organised by Fleetwood Civic Society

**EUSTON PARK GARDENS**
The Esplanade, Fleetwood
The seafront area around the landmark North Euston Hotel is steeped in history, and played an important role in the development of the town. Find out more about the interesting history of this park and its surrounds, including the new statue of Sir Peter Hesketh Fleetwood.

**SAT 15 SEP 11.30AM & 1.30PM**
Sun 16 Sept 1.30pm
**DURATION: 45MINS**
Organised by Fleetwood Civic Society

**FLEETWOOD MASONIC HALL**
32 The Esplanade, Fleetwood
Although freemasonry has flourished in Fleetwood since 1863 when the first lodge, Hesketh Lodge, named after Fleetwood’s founder, was formed, it was not until March 1956 that local masons moved into the Masonic Hall on the town’s Esplanade. Formerly a 17-bedroom orphanage, it has been transformed into a building which visitors are welcome to enjoy as part of the Heritage Open Days tour.

**SUN 16 SEP 10AM-4PM**
**DURATION: 45MINS**
Organised by Fleetwood Masonic Society

**FLEETWOOD MUSEUM**
Queens Terrace, The Esplanade, Fleetwood
From 1st April this year Fleetwood Museum became an Independent museum, run by Fleetwood Museum Trust with volunteers and supported by Fleetwood Town Council. Why not take this opportunity to view the displays and learn about the history of Fleetwood, from the time of sand hills and rabbit warrens, through the years of being an important fishing port, to the present day?

**SAT 15 SEP 10AM-12PM & 2PM-4PM**
**SUN 16 SEP 2PM-4PM**
Organised by Emmanuel Church

**FYLDE COUNTRY LIFE MUSEUM**
Farmer Parrs, Wyrefield Farm, Rossall Lane, FY7 7FB
Farmer Parrs Animal World is a popular tourist attraction in Fleetwood. It is also home to the 'Fylde Country Life Museum', a large museum arranged over two floors containing thousands of local artefacts. Run by volunteers from the Fylde Country Life Preservation Society, it plays a vital role in keeping local history alive. A real hidden gem, so why not take a walk down memory lane? The museum also has a small section dedicated to WW1 which includes a re-creation of ‘The Somme’ trenches.

**SAT 15 SEP 10AM-5PM**
**DURATION: 45MINS**
Organised by Fylde Country Life Preservation Society

**LIFEBOAT STATION**
The Esplanade, Fleetwood
Take a look at the lifeboats, equipment and station facilities. There has been a Lifeboat Station in Fleetwood since March 1859. View inshore and all-weather lifeboat.

**SUN 16 SEP 10AM-3PM**
**DURATION: 45MINS**
Organised by RNLI
Please contact the venue directly for accessibility information

**MARINE HALL**
The Esplanade, Fleetwood
Enjoy a trip to the seaside and call into our beautiful art deco theatre. Our doors will be open for you to come and have a look around our magnificent ballroom with its stunning glass-domed ceiling. See how the venue retains the charm and character of its 1930s art deco heritage and find out what’s on as we continue to entertain audiences 80 years on from when we first opened.

**SUN 16 SEP 11AM-3PM**
Organised by Marine Hall, Fleetwood
Fleetwood www.marinehall.co.uk

**MEMORIAL PARK HERITAGE WALK**
Pavilion, Memorial Park
Join Dick Gillingham and Kate Baird for a heritage walk around this Grade II listed Fleetwood Memorial Park.

**FRI 14 SEP 2PM-3.30PM**
**SAT 15 SEP 11AM-3PM**
Organised by Wyre Council 01995 602125

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**THE MOUNT PAVILION**
The Esplanade, Fleetwood

A chance to admire the fantastic views of Morecambe Bay and the Pennine Hills from the balcony, even the Isle of Man on a clear day. See what you can pick out from the direction finder. The clock on top of the building was presented to Fleetwood in memory of those who lost their lives in the First World War. The internal workings of the clock are on view upstairs and the mechanism can be seen as it strikes every quarter of the hour.

**Sat 15 Sept 10am-4.30pm**

**ST MARY’S CHURCH**
Lord Street, Fleetwood

Come and look at this beautiful Grade II listed Catholic church. Designed by Edward W Pugin with many stunning stained glass windows, it celebrated the 150th anniversary of its opening last year.

**Thur 13 Sept 8am-6pm**
**Fri 14 Sept 8am-6pm**
**Sat 15 Sept 8am-6pm**
**Sun 16 Sept 8am-6pm**

**Mass: 8.30am & 10.30am**

**Organised by Rev Michael Murphy, St Mary’s Parish Church**

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**TEMPLE MILLS**

**ROSSALL POINT HERITAGE WALK**
The Esplanade, Fleetwood

Learn with the Rangers about coastal environment and the creatures that thrive in the dunes, the natural sea defence abilities of the sand dunes and help us record the wildlife along the coast.

**Sun 16 Sept 1pm-2pm**

**Grade: Easy**

**Bring binoculars**

**Organised by Wyre Council**

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**ROSSALL POINT OBSERVATION TOWER**
The Esplanade, Fleetwood

Take a look at one of Fleetwood’s newest buildings and find out about the heritage of Fleetwood’s coast and Morecambe Bay. Enjoy spectacular views, meet the Wyre Coast and Countryside volunteers and take a short walk up the steps to the top of the tower. Take part in our Heritage Open Day semaphore activity when you visit.

**Thur 13 Sept 11am-4pm**
**Fri 14 Sept 11am-4pm**
**Sat 15 Sept 11am-4pm**
**Sun 16 Sept 11am-4pm**

**Organised by Wyre Council**

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**TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH**
Poulton Road, Fleetwood, FY7 7LB

Trinity Baptist Church was established in Fleetwood in 1925. The church is currently led by the Rev. George Ayoma, who has been pastor here since 2007, combining that role with his work for the Fishermen’s Mission, as the local superintendent since 2008. The church is commonly seen by many as the spiritual home for many local families who are linked to Fleetwood fishing history. The Fishermen’s Mission is a national maritime charity, still looking after the welfare of career fishermen for over 137 years.

**Thur 13 Sept after 10.30am service**

**Organised by Trinity Baptist Church 01253 878234**

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**For all Heritage Open Days event information including events across Lancashire and the UK, visit heritageopendays.org.uk**
Uncover the eclectic heritage of Blackpool in one of our community-based talks, perfect for associations, clubs and societies or for venues looking to embrace their local heritage. Talks are delivered by a knowledgeable speaker and last one hour with time for questions and cost £30.

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Blackpool Tower
Stanley Park
The Winter Gardens
Raikes Hall Gardens
Cinema Heritage

Reminisce with then and now images of Blackpool and the surrounding area:
Blackpool in the 1920s
Bispham – Then & Now
Cleveleys – Then & Now

Discover Blackpool’s hidden histories and learn something new:
Sideshows
Banned Postcards

Uncover what made Blackpool the nation’s favourite resort:
Seaside Traditions (Part 1)
Seaside Traditions (Part 2)

To book a heritage talk please contact the Community Heritage Coordinator on 01253 476633 or email heritage@blackpool.gov.uk
UPCOMING HERITAGE EVENTS IN BLACKPOOL

BYGONE DAYS
All Bygone Days events take place in the Brunswick Room, Central Library

Thursday 27 September 2018 2pm
Jack Southern – 1930s Cotton Queens

Thursday 26 October 2018 2pm
Tony Sharkey – Blackpool Tower and Tower Circus