Joining a centre or group is a great way to get more out of your membership and learn more about the work of the Trust. All groups also raise vital funds for Trust places and projects across the country.

Please note that most groups charge a small annual membership subscription, separate to your Trust membership.

The groups host a range of lectures, outings, social events and tours for their members throughout the year. For more information please contact each group directly.

**ABERDEEN AND DISTRICT MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC000109)**
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Booking is essential for events marked *
A day excursion in early May 2019 to V&A Dundee is proposed and the annual holiday in May/June will be in Dumfries & Galloway.

**NORTH EAST ABERDEENSHIRE MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024227)**
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Events are open to members and non-members. Booking is essential for events marked * and there is priority booking for members as numbers may be limited. Other events are free to members and £3 for non-members.

**Wednesday 17 April, 7.30pm:** AGM at Fyvie Castle followed by a talk by Douglas Harper – “Suspension bridges designed and constructed around the world during the late 19th century by the Aberdeenshire-born brothers John and Hugh Harper”. Free to members; visitors £2. Light refreshments available.

**May:** Bring-and-Buy plant sale (details TBC)
Further events for the rest of the year will include garden and museum visits as well as tours, concerts and talks. Details will be announced when confirmed.

**ANGUS MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024891)**
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All afternoon talks are held in the Guide Hall, Myre car park, Forfar at 2.30pm. Talks are open to everyone, not just members of the National Trust for Scotland. The £4 admission charge includes light refreshments after the meeting.

**Sunday 19 May, 1.30–3.30pm:** Members’ Centre spring plant sale at the House of Dun

**AYRSHIRE MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC000387)**
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Our talks will be held in the Education Pavilion at Burns Cottage in Alloway. Arrive at 7pm for tea/coffee, followed by the talk at 7.30pm (lasting an hour or so). All visitors are welcome. Any queries, contact John on 01292 264344.

**Thursday 21 March:** ‘Burns in Glasgow’ – talk by Chris Waddell

**BANFF & MORAY MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024693)**
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Monday 25 March: Launch of photography competition with 4 age groups. Entries can be submitted online. The closing date is 30 October.

**Friday 17–Monday 20 May:** 3-day coach trip to East Lothian visiting Hopetoun House, Preston Mill, Newhailes House, Arniston House, National Mining Museum, John Muir’s Birthplace, gardens and more

**Wednesday 19 June:** Day trip to the Highland Museum of Childhood, Strathpeffer and then to Dunrobin Castle, with high tea in Tulloch Castle Hotel, Dingwall
Saturday 7 November: purchased.

Saturday 31 August, 2–4pm: Tea and treasure (with stalls and a raffle) at Forres Town Hall; entry £2

Sunday 15 September: Book fair at Brodie Castle (more information to follow)

Friday 4 October: Quiz night with raffle at Miltonduff Hall – tables of 6 people; £10 per person. Sandwiches and refreshments included; soft drinks and wine can be purchased.

Thursday 7 November: Autumn lunch and annual grand prize draw at Mansefield Hotel, Elgin, with a guest speaker. We'll also announce the photo competition results.

Wednesday 4 December: Visit to Pitlochry Festival Theatre to see Blonde Bombshells of 1943 musical

Wednesday 22 May: 'The Turra Coo' – talk by Jim Forrest. When a farmer refused to pay for the new national insurance stamps in 1913, he precipitated the seizure and attempted sale of a small white cow, and the legend of the Turra Coo was born. A hundred years later, a statue was erected in Turriff town centre. Turra Coo was born. A hundred years later, a statue was erected in Turriff town centre. Jim will tell us about the events and more about the local area, which he knows well having grown up on a nearby farm.

Wednesday 12 June: 'Strathbraan' – talk by Ann Lindsay and John Martin. The River Braan flows east from Loch Freuchie to the River Tay at Dunkeld Cathedral. A short, broad and beautiful valley, it's full of Scottish history – from Bonnie Prince Charlie to Beatrix Potter. Ann and John will show a glorious film about the strath and answer questions. A trailer can be found on YouTube, titled 'Braan Trailer 2 HD' by John Martin.

Bearsden & Milngavie Members’ Centre (SC025422)
Laura Clow, Secretary
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Afternoon and evening talks are held at Bearsden Burgh Hall, 69 Drymen Road, Bearsden G61 3QT.

Tuesday 23 April, 7.30pm: AGM

Friends of Broughton House & Garden (SC012686)
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All events are held at Broughton House, 12 High Street, Kirkcudbright. Please book tickets on 01557 330437 or email broughonhouse@nts.org.uk to avoid disappointment. Talks are £5 for Friends; £6 for visitors.

Cambridge Friends of the NTS
Jim Stewart, Chairman
Donald Douglas, Membership Secretary
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All talks are held at Newnham College, where there is usually ample parking nearby. The ticket price is £7 if pre-booked or £8 on the door. Arrive at 7.30pm for wine and conversation, followed by the talk at 8pm.

Wednesday 22 May: The Turra Coo’ – talk by Jim Forrest.

East Five Members’ Centre (SC024846)
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West Five Members’ Group (SC025426)
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Tuesday 16 April, 7.30pm: Annual General Meeting in the Abbey Church Hall, Dunfermline followed by a talk by Richard Williams (General Manager, Glasgow) – ‘The Big Box, Protecting and Conserving the Hill House’

Monday 13 May: Outing to the V&A Dundee and Kellie Castle
Tuesday 11 June: Outing to Dunkeld Cathedral and Blair Castle

Tuesday 9 July: Outing to Bowhill House, Selkirk

Thursday 1 August: Outing to Drumlanrig Castle

Monday 2–Friday 6 September: Members’ Annual Holiday to Argyll

Tuesday 1 October: Provisional date for talk in the Abbey Church Hall (speaker tbc)

Saturday 26 October: Provisional date for coffee morning in the Abbey Church Hall

East Lothian Members’ Centre (SC026085)
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Wednesday 24 April: Trip to Jedburgh, Roxburghshire. This wee gem of a town is closer to England than Edinburgh, sitting just 10 miles from the border. You can choose to visit a number of attractions including the 12th-century abbey (Historic Scotland members go free with membership card), Mary, Queen of Scots’ House (free entry) and Jedburgh Castle Jail (free entry).

Monday 20 May: Trip to Howick Hall Gardens & Arboretum, Northumberland. Wander through the beautiful gardens created by the 5th Earl Grey and his family. The gardens are deliberately aimed at garden lovers and offer a stunning variety of unusual plants throughout the seasons.
Monday 10 June: Trip to Marchmont House, Berwickshire. Marchmont House is one of Scotland’s grandest mansions of the mid-18th century, with impressive contributions from the Edwardian era, and yet it remains largely unknown. Large parts of the house are furnished in the spirit of the Arts & Crafts movement.

Thursday 11 July: Trip to Blair Castle, Perthshire. The castle stands in acres of attractive parkland and grounds – discover the huge walled garden, the Hercules Garden, an 18th-century folly and the sculpture trail.

Tuesday 13 August: Trip to Belsay Hall, Castle and Gardens, Northumberland. Immerse yourself in the architecture of ancient Greece in Belsay’s Greek-Revival mansion, marvel at the view from the top of the 14th-century defensive tower, then lose yourself in the vast Grade I listed gardens.

Wednesday 4 September: Trip to V&A Museum, Dundee. Free to enter, the Scottish Design galleries showcase around 300 objects pulled from the V&A collections, as well as from numerous private collections and museums across Scotland. Any special exhibitions will incur an extra cost.

EASTWOOD & DISTRICT MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024601)
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Illustrated talks are held in Clarkston Halls at 7.30pm. Talks are free to Centre members. Non-members pay an admission fee, which is refundable on joining the Centre.

For Holmwood events please check nts.org.uk

Thursday 11 April: ‘The archaeology of the Great Escape – 1944’ – illustrated talk by Professor Tony Pollard

EDINBURGH MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC025732)
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All talks (and AGM) are held at Augustine United Church, 41–43 George IV Bridge, Edinburgh EH1 1EL. Free to Centre members. Visitors are welcome with a £3 donation at the door. A hearing induction loop is available.

Thursday 28 March, 7.30pm: The making of a mansion house: How Hill of Tarvit was designed to impress the best – talk by Dr Antonia Laurence-Allen (Curator, Edinburgh & East)

GALLOWAY MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC026207)
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Wednesday 1 May, 11am–3pm: Visit to John Paul Jones Cottage, Arbigland. After the visit there’ll be a walk through the gardens at Arbigland House (courtesy of Alister Alcock, Wayne Whitaker and John Welch) followed by a soup and roll lunch at the House on the Shore, home of jamie and Sheri Blackett. We’ll then walk on the beach and enjoy a talk from Nick Coombey explaining the shells and fossils.

Saturday 18 May, 7pm: Quiz night at Threave Visitor Centre. Teams of 10 – bring your own picnic/drinks for the interval. Wine, soft drinks and hot drinks on sale. £7 per person

Wednesday 29 May: Visit to Craichlaw Gardens, near Kirkcowen, Wigtownshire. Admire this formal garden (home of Andrew and Mary Gladstone) with herbaceous borders, a water garden and an arboretum in the old walled garden. We’ll then travel to Cumlodden Estate in Minnigaff for a picnic lunch in the conservatory of Andrew and Christine Stewart, set in a beautiful park.

Thursday 12 September: Visit to Little Sparta Garden at Dunsyre, (near Biggar). It was created by artist and poet Ian Hamilton Finlay and his wife Sue Finlay in the 1960s.

GLASGOW MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024399)
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All lectures are held at 2pm in the Quaker Meeting House, 38 Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow G2 4PS. Free to Glasgow Centre members; visitors pay £2 per lecture.

Wednesday 10 April, 2pm: ‘Shop Fronts of Glasgow’ – talk by Iain Wotherspoon (Chairman of AHSS)

FRIENDS OF GREENBANK GARDEN

The Friends support a number of events at Greenbank. The full list is available by contacting the garden on 0141 616 3368 or visit facebook.com/GreenbankGarden.

LANARKSHIRE MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC024465)
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Saturday 23 March: Visit to Callendar House and the Falkirk Wheel

Friday 5 April, 2.30pm: ‘Boys Who Made Good – the Holmwood House Boys’ – talk by Jean MacDonald at Guide Hall, Orchard Street, Hamilton

LONDON MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC027207)
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Charles Hope, Membership Secretary
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Thursday 11 April: Spring walk – London Wetland Centre

Provisional date in April: Theatre visit

Wednesday 8 May: AGM, lunch and lecture by Ben Buxton – ‘Mingulay, an island and its people’

Monday 20 May: 40th anniversary reception at the House of Lords
Wednesday 5 June: Exhibition and lecture – ‘Van Gogh & Britain’ – at Tate Britain

Thursday 13–Monday 17 June: Spring tour – Shropshire

Wednesday 3 July: Lloyds of London

Wednesday 17 July: Henry Moore’s house and garden, Hoglands

Provisional August: Visit to the Massey Shaw fireboat

Tuesday 20 August: Foster + Partners – architects

Provisional September: Chelsea Physic Garden

Provisional September: National Army Museum

PERTH & KINROSS MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC011062)
Mary Willington, Chairperson
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All talks are held at the William Soutar Theatre, A K Bell Library, 2–8 York Place, Perth.

Admission is £5 for group members; £6 for visitors. To book outings, please contact Mary Willington.

Thursday 21 March, 2.30pm: Talk by Jill Carrick (National Trust for Scotland Trustee)

Thursday 18 April, 7.30 pm: AGM followed by talk by Dr Sarah Easterby-Smith

Wednesday 15 May: Day trip to Cowden Japanese Garden and Broomhall House

Tuesday 11–Thursday 13 June: Two-night holiday with visits to Beamish Museum and Wallington (NT)

Thursday 11 July: Day trip to Robert Smail’s Printing Works and Newhailes House & Gardens

Wednesday 18 September: Day trip to Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Riverside Museum

FRIENDS OF ROBERT BURNS BIRTHPLACE MUSEUM (SC043931)
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For ticket information and the latest information on our events programme, please visit friendsofrbbm.org.uk/future-events

STIRLING MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC025499)
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All events take place in St Ninian’s Church Hall, Stirling. All day trips start from Forthside car park near Gabe’s Diner.

Timings are approximate.

Thursday 16 May, 10.30am–5.45pm: Day trip to Arnlston House, organised by Sandy Wilson.

Wednesday 17 July, 9am–6pm: Day trip to Monteviot House and Gardens, organised by Bob McKean.

Wednesday 18 September, 10.15am–6.30pm: Day trip to Pitlochry Festival Theatre to see Blithe Spirit, organised by Sandy and Margaret Moreland.

ST KILDA CLUB (SC034266)
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You can also find out more at nts.org.uk or find us on Facebook at facebook.com/memberscentresNTS.

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