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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Sunday 3–Wednesday 6 June: Holiday to Yorkshire, based in Harrogate
Saturday 30 June: Day excursion to Tarves, Haddo House and the Peterhead Prison Museum

NORTH EAST Aberdeenshire MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024227)
Margaret Alexander, Chairperson
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April (date tbc), 7.30pm: AGM at Fyvie

Provisional visits: Blairs Museum; Cruickshank Botanic Garden on the King’s College campus of the University of Aberdeen

Provisional events: An event with a herbal theme at Pitmedden Garden

FRIENDS OF ALLOA TOWER (SC017733)
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The Friends of Alloa Tower act to support the property and arrange a number of events. Please contact Isobel Munro for further details.

Wednesday 25 April, 7.30pm: AGM

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. The admission charge of £4 includes light refreshments after the meeting.

Sunday 13 May, 1.30–3.30pm: Spring Plant Sale, House of Dun. Come along and replace any plants you may have lost over the winter at bargain prices. There will be a wide selection of perennials, grasses, shrubs and rockery plants grown by the Members’ Centre gardeners.

Sunday 16 September, 1.30–3.30pm: Autumn Plant Sale, House of Dun. There will be a wide selection of perennials, shrubs and fruit bushes, as well as produce grown by the Members’ Centre gardeners and other volunteers.

Friday 21 September, 6.45pm: Gala Evening at Brechin Castle. We will be welcomed by the Earl of Dalhousie to his home. Robert Lovie will compere and entertain us, supported by clarsach player Seonaid Birse and poetry recitals from Sheila Mann. There will be a glass of wine on arrival and a generous cocktail buffet with tea and coffee at the interval.

ARDUAINE FRIENDS
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For more information on the Arduaine Friends, contact Rachel Ross or call Arduaine Garden on 01852 200366.

ARGYLL MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC024786)
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AYRSHIRE MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC000387)
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Our talks take place in the Education Pavilion next to Burns Cottage in Alloway. Tea/coffee is available from 7pm, with talks starting at 7.30pm and lasting around an hour. All visitors are welcome.

Thursday 19 April: ‘Jean Armour’ – talk by Sheona Cameron. Sheona will introduce us to Jean Armour, Robert Burns’s wife, true love and most faithful companion.

Thursday 17 May (members only): AGM
followed by ‘The Eglinton Tournament’ – talk by Stanley Sarsfield (followed by cheese and wine). Stanley will tell us about the 1839 Eglinton Tournament, a re-enactment of a medieval joust, funded and organised by Archibald, Earl of Eglinton. Many distinguished visitors took part, including Prince Louis Napoleon, the future Napoleon III.

BANFF & MORAY MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024693)
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Thursday 12 April: Spring lunch, AGM and speaker – held at the Mansfield Hotel, Elgin
Friday 18 – Monday 21 May: Spring tour to Falkirk and Fife
Provisional June: Coach outing (tbc)
Saturday 14 July, 10am–12 noon: Coffee morning – Forres Town Hall
Provisional August: Coach trip to Pitlochry Festival Theatre

FRIENDS OF BRODICK CASTLE & COUNTRY PARK (SC033817)
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The Friends of Brodick Castle & Country Park organise a number of events and support the property through fundraising and volunteering. For more details contact Marion Melvin.

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 to avoid disappointment. Talks are £5 for Friends; £6 for visitors.
Thursday 5 April, 7pm for 7.30pm: ‘A Walk through Paradise – historic artists working in Kirkcudbrightshire and the New Kirkcudbright Galleries’ – talk by Hildegarde Berwick, Arts Officer
Thursday 3 May, 7pm for 7.30pm: ‘Project Reveal: a study of the artefacts of the Hornel Collection’ – talk by Wendy Turner, National Trust for Scotland
Thursday 7 June, 7pm for 7.30pm: ‘Hornel’s Family & Genealogy’ – talk by Maggie Torrance, Visitor Services Assistant at Broughton House
Thursday 6 September, 7pm for 7.30pm: ‘The Treasures of the Burns Collection, Broughton House Library’ – illustrated talk and viewing of some of the Burns Collection by Russell Bryden, Librarian and Mike Duguid, former World President of the Burns Federation

CAMBRIDGE FRIENDS OF THE NTS
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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 25 April: ‘Six Scottish Cheeses’ – talk and tasting by Jacky Sutton-Adam from the Cambridge Cheese Company. She plans to bring six of the best for us to taste.
Wednesday 23 May: ‘John Buchan’ – talk by Dr Kate Macdonald. Journalist, diplomat, president of the Oxford Union and Governor General of Canada, this Perth-born man is best remembered as a master storyteller, especially for The Thirty-Nine Steps. Kate will tell us about his life and times and his last short story collection The Runagates Club. Kate is a Visiting Fellow at the University of Reading and has taught in universities across Europe. She has published many works on Buchan and other authors.
Wednesday 27 June: ‘Scottish Whaling’ – talk by Malcolm Archibald. From 1750 until 1914, Scottish ports sent ships to hunt whales. It was a time of huge profits and terrible losses as ships vanished under the ice and men died of frostbite. It was a time of heroes such as Captain William Adamson who freed an ice-bound ship, of mutiny at sea, and of flourishing friendships with the Inuit.

FRIENDS OF CRARAE (SC033244)
Fiona Rice, Secretary
friendsofcrarae.com
Please visit the What’s New section of our website to find out more details about our upcoming events.
Tuesday 17 and Sunday 22 April, 10am: Chance to see the National Plant Collection of Nothofagus (southern beeches) held at Crarae Garden

FRIENDS OF CULZEAN (SC037983)
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The Friends of Culzean act to support the property and arrange events for volunteers. Please contact John Rattenbury for further details about this group.

EAST FIFE MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC024846)
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Monthly coffee mornings: second Monday of the month at 10.30am, Kellie Castle tearoom (9 April, 14 May, 11 June, 9 July, 13 August, 10 September and 8 October). All welcome; booking not necessary.

Wednesday 18 April, 10.30am: Annual coffee morning at The Scores Hotel, St Andrews with ‘A Sculptural Heritage’ talk from Alan Beattie Herriot, DA MRBS (sculptor). Please book in advance.

Tuesday 22 May: Outing to Glasgow to visit two Alexander ‘Greek’ Thomson buildings. Booking is essential.

June (tbc): Talk from Susan Thores, Head Gardener at Falkland Palace, followed by a tour of the garden. Booking is essential.

Thursday 26 July: Guided tour of Hospitalfield, Arbroath, including visit to Mortuary Chapel and Western Cemetery. Booking is essential.

Monday 10–Thursday 13 September: Residential trip to Aberdeenshire castles and gardens

WEST FIFE MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC025426)
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Tuesday 17 April, 7.30pm: AGM in the Abbey Church Hall, Abbey Park Place, Dunfermline followed by a talk on ‘Alexander Thomson and his Buildings’ by Mark Baines (Chairman of the Alexander Thomson Society)

Thursday 10 May: Outing to Glenkinchie Distillery in Pencaitland and Lennoxlove House

Tuesday 12 June: Outing to Abbotsford

Thursday 12 July: Outing to Rosslyn Chapel and Newhailes House and Gardens

Wednesday 8 August: Outing to House of Dun

Monday 3–Friday 7 September: Members’ annual holiday to Liverpool and Merseyside

East Lothian Members’ Centre (SC026085)
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Wednesday 18 April: Outing to the Devil’s Porridge Museum, Earlistrie

Tuesday 15 May: Outing to the Georgian House, Charlotte Square, Edinburgh

Thursday 21 June: Outing to Paxton House, Berwick-upon-Tweed

Tuesday 10 July: Outing to Scone Palace, Perth

Tuesday 14 August: Outing to Manderston, Duns, Berwickshire

Tuesday 11 September: Outing to Culzean Castle, Maybole, Ayrshire

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 of £2, which is refundable upon joining the Centre.

For Holmwood events, please check nts.org.uk.

Thursday 12 April: ‘A Heritage in Stone’ – illustrated talk by Ian Davidson telling of people and places encountered during 33 years with the National Trust for Scotland, where he worked in various roles but chiefly as Surveyor.

Wednesday 18 April: Visit to Chatelherault Hunting Lodge, with afternoon tea served in the Banqueting Hall

Tuesday 15 May: Outing to Geilston Garden, with lunch at Rosslea Hall Hotel, Rhu

Thursday 7 June: Visit to the Kelpies, with dinner at the Gallery Restaurant, Stirling

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 for a £3 donation at the door. A hearing induction loop is available. Provisional visits: Aberdeen area (4 days), Floors Castle, Loch Katrine, Monteviot House, Alloa Tower, House of the Binns and Bo’ness, the frigate HMS Unicorn and V&A Dundee

Galloway Members’ Group (SC026207)
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Booking is essential for events marked *

Friday 13 April, 7pm: ‘Gardeners’ Question Time at Threave Visitor Centre. Tickets: £8 for members; £12 for non-members.

Wednesday 16 May, 3pm: *Bluebell talk, walk & tea at Carstramon House, Gatehouse of Fleet DG7 2BL – hosted by Mr & Mrs Neil Hoyle. Tickets: £10 pp.

Wednesday 13 June, 11.30am: *Orchid Lunch at Kirkland, Cowlend DG5 4QE.

Tickets: £15 pp.

Friday 6 July, 5.30pm: Reeling practice – Anwoth House, Gatehouse of Fleet DG7 2EF

Saturday 7 July, 7.30pm: *The Galloway Fling! – Supper & Reeling at Anwoth House, Gatehouse of Fleet DG7 2EF. The night will be hosted by Major Willy Peto, and the dress code is Black Tie/Highland Dress. Tickets: £50 pp.

Glasgow Members’ Centre (SC024399)
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Day excursions leave from North Hanover Street.

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 11 April: ‘Restoration of the Willow Tearooms’ – talk by John Sanders, architect

Wednesday 25 April, 10.30am: Coach tour to Lomond Shores and Ross Priory

Tuesday 22 May, 8.45am: Coach tour to Bo’ness & Kinneil Railway and Rosslyn Chapel

Wednesday 20 June, 8.45am: Coach tour to Blackwell, Bowness-on-Windermere

Thursday 19 July, 9am: Coach tour to Melrose and Monteviot House

Thursday 16 August, 8.45am: Coach tour to Berwick-upon-Tweed

Friday 14–Tuesday 18 September: Autumn holiday based in Chester

Friends of Greenbank Garden (SC024113)
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The Friends support a number of events at Greenbank. The full list is available by visiting nts.org.uk/events. For more details, please contact the garden on 0141 616 2266. Your involvement at any of our events would be most welcome.

Highland Members’ Centre (SC006203)
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Thursday 5 April, 7.30pm: AGM at Culloden Visitor Centre followed by a talk from Derek Alexander, archaeologist for the National Trust for Scotland

THE FRIENDS OF HUGH MILLER (SC037351)
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The Friends of Hugh Miller act to promote the legacy of Hugh Miller and support his birthplace cottage and museum in Cromarty. Contact Martin Gostwick for more details.

Saturday 16 June, 10.30am: AGM, followed at 2pm by the Hugh Miller Writing Competition Prize Giving at the Scottish Poetry Library, 5 Crichton's Close, Canongate, Edinburgh EH8 8DT

FRIENDS OF INVEREWE
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To find out more about our events, contact the Friends using the email address above. You can also contact the garden directly on 01445 781229 or visit facebook.com/InvereweGarden

LANARKSHIRE MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC024465)
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Saturday 21 April: Outing to Dumfries House
Saturday 19 May: Outing to the Tenement House and the National Piping Centre
Saturday 16 June: Outing to Aberfoyle and Loch Katrine for a sail on the Sir Walter Scott steamship

LONDON MEMBERS’ CENTRE (SC027207)
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Wednesday 18 April: Visit to West Norwood Cemetery
Tuesday 24 April: Visit to Charterhouse
May: Spring walk – City of London Gardens & Squares (provisional)
Wednesday 16 May: AGM, followed by lunch and ‘Shetland’ talk by Alexander Bennett
Wednesday 6–Monday 11 June: Spring tour to Shetland

Thursday 21 June: Theatre visit (production yet to be decided)
Provisional June: Visit to Kneller Hall
Tuesday 17 July: Visit to London Transport Museum
Provisional August: Summer walk – Brunel’s London
Provisional September: Visit to Massey Shaw

PERTH & KINROSS MEMBERS’ GROUP (SC001062)
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All talks are held at William Soutar Theatre, A K Bell Library, 2–8 York Place, Perth. Admission is £5 for group members; £6 for visitors.

Thursday 19 April, 7.30pm: AGM followed by talk
Wednesday 16 May: Outing to Monzie Castle Garden and Innerpeffray Library, near Crieff (day trip by cars)
Sunday 10 June–Tuesday 12 June: Visit to Inverewe House and Garden (NTS) and House of Gruinard Garden (2 night holiday by coach)
Wednesday 11 July: Outing to Floors Castle, near Kelso (day trip by coach)
Wednesday 12 September: Outing to Pollok House (NTS) coffee shop, followed by Dumfries House tour (day trip by coach)

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

Saturday 26 May, 7–9.30pm: Spring Ceilidh – an evening of live music with Scottish country dancing and songs, complete with a dance caller (complete beginners welcome!) Advance booking is essential – tickets £10pp (light refreshments included).
Tickets can be purchased at the museum or at burnsmuseum.org.uk nearer the time.

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

Thursday 19 April, 8.45am–5pm: Visit to Scotland’s Secret Bunker
Thursday 31 May, 1.20–4.40pm: Visit to Kilsyth Gardens
Wednesday 13 June, 1.10–4.40pm: Visit to Queensferry Centre & Crossing
Tuesday 7 August, 9am–6pm: Visit to Bowhill House and Gardens
Thursday 20 September, 10.15am–6.30pm: Outing to Pitlochry Theatre to see Cabaret

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.

This information is correct at the time of publication but all events are subject to change. Visitors are welcome although some events are for group members only and prior booking may be necessary. Please check before attending.

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