

Caley Day Visits Summer 2019

Wednesday, 22nd May

A day trip by coach trip two gardens in Perthshire. Pitcurran House, Abernethy has an interesting combination of trees, rare shrubs and herbaceous plants. The visit includes refreshments before heading for Branklyn Gardens, the two-acre hillside garden created in the 1920s with seeds collected by plant hunters. The magnolias and the feathery purple Japanese maple are unmissable in summer.

Saturday, 7th & Sunday, 8th June

Pam and Richard Whittle's Garden.

Tuesday, 11th June

East Lothian wildflower walk, led by Stan de Prato. We will have a short walk there then drive to a couple of other sites – all easy level walking. Coastal flowers notably bloody cranesbill, clustered bellflower, viper's bugloss and several orchids.

Sunday, 7th July

Holyrood Park wildflower walk, led by Stan de Prato. Gentle walk into the main grassland, slight uphill stretch. The park has a wide range of plants including rock rose, maiden pink, sticky catchfly, adder's tongue fern and whitebeam. Depending on weather we will also look for butterflies.

Sunday, 18th August

Another member's garden visit to Rona McDowall's garden in Corstorphine, Edinburgh any time between 10am and 4pm. Rona would love to get your advice to develop her mid-terrace garden to welcome wildlife, grow more vegetables and follow permaculture principles. Tea, coffee and cakes will be provided.

Thursday 22nd August

A morning tour of Craigie's Farm including pick your own, the farm shop showcasing the fruits of the team's labours as well as those of some of the finest local producers in Scotland. Have a coffee at the café.

- If you are interested in any of the above trips or would like more information, contact Rona McDowall, email: rona.mcdowall@hotmail.com or telephone: 07572 308125.
- You may book using the enclosed form or online on the website. If you do not have transport, we may be able to arrange a lift for you. The trips are also open, at no extra charge, to any friends of the Caley who are non-members.
- Day outings may be cancelled if numbers are too low.
- Refunds for bookings cancelled by members will be based on the financial commitment already incurred by the Caley.
- The coach will not wait for long, unless advised.
- For own or shared transport outings, if you do not have transport, we may be able to arrange a lift for you.
- Please confirm your booking for Pitcurran House & Branklyn Gardens by 30th April 2019.
- You will receive an email acknowledging receipt of your booking. Please only send a **stamp addressed envelope** if you don't have an email address.
- Send booking form with cheque (payable to RCHS) to Neil Woodcock, Treasurer, 3 Lennox Row, Edinburgh, EH5 3HL

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Booking Form:

| Date | Details | Cost per person £ | No. Places | Total Cost £ |
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| Wed, 22nd May | Pitcurran House & Branklyn Gardens Pick up at Hermiston Park & Ride 09.00. Refreshments provided at Pitcurran House. Return to Hermiston Park & Ride 5pm | £40.00 | | |
| Sat, 7th June | Pam Whittle's Garden. Open 10am – 4pm. | Donation on the day | | |
| Sun, 8th June | Pam Whittle's Garden. Open 10am – 4pm. | Donation on the day | | |
| Tues, 11th June | East Lothian Coast Wildflowers. Meet at Longniddry car park 6-6.30pm | Min £5 donation | | |
| Sun, 7th July | Holyrood Park Wildflowers, Edinburgh. Meet at 9am at the big car park by the palace; also accessible by public transport | Min £5 donation | | |
| Sun, 18th August | Rona McDowall's Garden, Corstorphine, Edinburgh. Open 10am-4pm | Donation on the day | | |
| Thurs 22nd August | Morning visit to Craigie Farm | TBC | | |

Your contact details:

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| Booking with (name): | |