# Surrey Heath Museum and Gallery



# **Exhibitions and Events 2024**















A unique partnership between the local societies and local museum Come and explore the history and local societies of our area in one local hub



Free admission  $\cdot$  open Tuesday–Saturday 11am–4.30pm (subject to change)  $\cdot$  closed bank holidays

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## **Exhibitions 2024**

## Sat 2 March – Sat 4 May Motocross 100

Celebrating the birth place of motocross, March 1924, Camberley.

In 1924 a historic off road motorbike race took place from Camberley on nearby military land. The 25-mile route became known as Southern Scott Scramble and the sport, motocross. Camberley is known as 'the birth place of motocross'. The exhibition covers the development of the sport and its origins in Camberley.



Wed 27 March, 6-7,30pm, £3,50

# Special Display for March & April **Your Street in Surrey Heath**



Photographic exhibition to mark the 50th Anniversary of Surrey Heath Borough Council.

## Sat 18 May – Sat 13 July **Elmhurst Ballet School**



Camberley was the home of the prestigious Elmhurst Ballet School from 1923–2004, before it moved to Edgbaston, Birmingham. Many famous actresses, ballerinas and singers

attended the school which was much part of Camberley life. The exhibition is a celebration of this one time Camberley establishment.

#### **Exhibition talk**

Thu 27 June, 6-7.30pm, £3.50

# Special Display for May Local History and Community Month

#### **Mystery Object Quiz**

Come and have a go at our Mystery Object Quiz.







An exhibition celebrating all things prehistoric in Surrey Heath – with geology, fossils, mammals and humans.

#### **Exhibition talk**

Thu 13 Aug, 6-7.30pm, £3.50

## Sat 28 Sept – Sat 19 Oct The Art Collection of Luciano Cassara



A return of our much loved local art collector and another of his carefully selected collections.
Paintings will be for sale.

## Sat 26 Oct – Sat 30 Nov Spooky Surrey Heath

Our area has many ghost stories and 'happenings'. These have been collected by museum staff and

residents over the years to create our 'ghost archive'.
Come and find out about the 'smiling nun' the out of control stagecoach and the 1700s Ostler.

#### Exhibition talk

Wed 30 Oct. 6-7.30pm, £3.50

## Sat 7 Dec – 22 Feb 2025

## The Watercolours of Professor Colonel Paterson: Scenes of War and Surrey Heath, 1850s – 1880s



A unique exhibition featuring the watercolours of Major Paterson 1700 – 1760 who was a tutor at RMC Sandhurst. His work captures the area over 250 years ago and the early days of RMC Sandhurst.

## **Exhibition talk**

Thu 20 Feb, 6-7.30pm, £3.50





## **Events 2024**

## **Activities for children**

*Drop-in sessions are £3.50, unless stated as free*We have lots of children's quizzes and activities in the museum plus run the following school holiday sessions.

### Spring Half Term Sat 10 – Sat 17 Feb

#### **Music Fun**

Around the museum, free



## Easter Holiday Tue 2 – Sat 13 April

### **Easter Bunny Hunt**

The mischievous Easter Bunny has hidden eggs around the museum. Help us find them all and claim your chocolatey

prize. While you are here, why not make an Easter bunny garland to decorate your room.

## May Half Term Mon 27 May – Sat 1 June

#### **Dance Diva**

Wed 29 and Fri 31 May, 1.30–3pm, please book in advance
Dance sessions with professionals.

## Summer Holidays Sat 20 July – Sat 31 Aug

#### It's a summer of Jurassic Wednesdays

Wed 31 Jul, Wed 7, 14, 21, 28 Aug, 11am—1.30pm, please book in advance



## October Half Term Sat 26 Oct – Sun 3 Nov

### Egyptian Mummy Water Bottles

Wed 30 Oct, 11am—1.30pm, please book in advance Make your own Halloween Mummy water bottles.

Will look great on a Halloween snack table. All ages.

### Christmas Holidays Sat 21 – Tue 24 Dec

### **Crazy Christmas Crafts**

11am-4pm, drop-in, free



**Prince of Wales Walk** 

## **Activities for all ages**

#### **Exhibition Talks**

Special exhibition tour and talk 6–7.30pm, £3.50, please book in advance

Wed 27 March – Motocross 100
Thu 27 June – Elmhurst Ballet School
Thu 13 Aug – Jurassic Surrey Heath
Wed 30 Oct – Spooky Surrey Heath
Thu 20 Feb (2024) – Professor Colonel
Paterson

### **Historic Walks**

6-7.30pm, £3.50, please book in advance

Wed 22 May – Camberley

Wed 19 June - Bagshot

Wed 17 July - Frimley

Wed 21 Aug - York Town

Tue 10 Sept - Chobham

Thu 12 Sept - Windlesham

## **Heritage Open Days**

Fri 6 – Sun 15 Sept
Programme to be confirmed.
Please see our website
nearer the time







## **Heritage Supporter's Group Programme 2024**

Surrey Heath Museum's Heritage Supporter's Group organises an annual programme of local trips and talks with a heritage or artistic theme. We began in 2019 with the mission to work together with our heritage partners to promote and support the local heritage and work of Surrey Heath Heritage Services, through engaging and entertaining events. To find out more about the Heritage Supporter's Group please email museum@surreyheath.org.uk or telephone 01276 23771.

#### Membership

Adults £10, couples or families £15, under 18s free For this you will receive:

- 20% discount at the museum shop
- free entry to our annual programme of exhibition talks and historic walk
- special invitation to private exhibition events
- an exclusive programme of historic local trips



#### Tour of RMA Sandhurst and The Sandhurst Collection

#### Wed 16 April, 1.30–3pm, £18, non-members £20 (incl entry and refreshments)

A return trip to RMA Sandhurst; the first part is the tour of the grounds, the second part focussing on the Sandhurst Collection, their display within the Old College and some unique treasures. We currently have material from their collection on display.

#### The Camberley Mosque, London Road (M.A. Al-Kharafi Islamic Centre)

Sat 25 May, 2–4pm, £10, non members £12 (donation to the centre)

## www.camberleymosque.org.uk

A special visit to the Mosque with our own personal tour of the buildings and their past and present use. The site was a school from the 1860s until 1996 – latterly known as St Augustine's Catholic School until it was bought by the Al-Kharafi Islamic Centre.

#### Odiham Heritage, Roman Villa and Pest House

Wed 26 June, 2–4.30pm, £10, non members £12 (donation to the Odiham Society) www.odiham-society.org/projects

Local Historian, Mary Bennett, has created a special Odiham experience for our group; in her words "a trip to the Pest House (1625), the old alms-houses (1623) and the Odiham Society Heritage Room. Complimented with tales from the Civil War, the 200 listed buildings (one of the oldest continuously lived-in houses in Hampshire) plus Bridewells (Houses of Correction) and the stocks & whipping post. We will have a coffee break before walking to King John's Castle.

#### **Rural Life Living Museum, Tilford**

Fri 12 July, 1.30–4.30/5pm, £18, non members £22 (including entry and tour) www.rural-life.org.uk

A visit to 10 acres of buildings surrounded by woodland. There are 30 in all, one being the Frimley Green Cycle Workshop at which we will have a special talk on the Deeks family business and the technological and social changes made over the last century; from blacksmith shop, to sale and repair of bicycles, to garage and petrol pumps.

#### **Minley Manor, Minley**

Wed 7 Aug, 1.30–3pm, £10, non members £12 (including tour and refreshments)

## www.minleymanorevents.co.uk

Minley Manor is a Grade II listed mansion house dating from 1850s. It passed to the War Office in 1934 and today is a wedding and event venue, not usually opened to the general public. We will have a tour of the garden and 18th century Orangery where 'picnic' refreshments will be served. Access to the Manor House thc.





## **How to find Surrey Heath Museum and Gallery**

- We are based in The Square Shopping Centre, just down from Boots.
- The nearest car park is The Square Shopping Centre.
   Knoll Road car park is a 10-minute walk away.
- There is a coach drop-off point in Knoll Road (opposite the Civic Offices) with a 5-minute walk to the museum.

### **Other local museums**

#### **Chobham Museum**

Benhams Corner, Bagshot Road, Chobham, GU24 8BP Tel 01276 857868

Web museum.chobham.org/

Open April – November, seasonal opening times, please check before visiting.

#### **Museum of the National Rifle Association**

Bisley Camp, Brookwood, GU24 0PB Open Tuesdays 9am–2.30pm Email museum@nra.org.uk

Tel 01483 797777 (ext 127)

Web nra.org.uk/about-the-nra/museum