



NORTHUMBRIAN CAMBRIDGE ASSOCIATION
Calendar of Events (2019)—Programme

Winter Outing, Lit & Phil/University Training College, Stephenson Quarter, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Saturday, February 9, 2019

Following on from last year's Winter Outing to the Institute of Mining and Engineering and the Stephenson Engineering Boiler Shop on South Street, we are once again revisiting one of Newcastle's most remarkable areas. We shall begin with a visit to the historic Lit & Phil, the largest independent library outside of London, where we shall be given a guided tour. From there, we shall walk the short distance to the exciting Stephenson Quarter, presently being developed by the Clouston Group. We shall have a tour of the recently opened University Training College, and this will be followed by lunch at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, courtesy of David Clouston.

Annual Dinner, Northern Counties Club, Newcastle.

Wednesday, March 13, 2019

For our annual dinner 2019 we return to a venue which has proved to be very popular with members. The Northern Counties Club, situated in the centre of Newcastle, a short distance from the Monument Metro Station, offers an elegant venue, excellent service and splendid food. This year our after-dinner speakers will again be members of the Committee (our new Treasurer, Sue Austin, and Colin Dunnighan) who will reminisce about their years at Cambridge. And, of course, there will be the traditional quiz!

Spring Outing, Bowes Museum, Barnard Castle.

Saturday, April 27, 2019

After morning coffee at 10.00 am, and a greeting from the Friends of the Bowes Museum, we shall be treated to guided tours of the Museum's ceramics and fashion and textile collections. The tours will be followed by lunch at the Museum and time for members and guests to explore the Museum on their own, as well as to see the famous silver swan performance at 2 pm.

Spring Walk, Chillingham Castle & Wild Cattle.

Sunday, June 2, 2019

Our spring walk this year will be to Chillingham Castle in Northumberland, which is famous for its centuries-old wild cattle. After a ranger tour to see the wild cattle, we shall have lunch in the Castle's Victorian Tea Room. After lunch, there will be a choice of two walks, a shorter walk that will include the Italian Garden (laid out in 1829 by Sir Jeffrey Wyattville), led by Bill and Andrena Telford, and a longer walk (no longer than two hours) led by Gilbert Cockton that will take in the perimeter of the estate. Members who opt for the short walk in the afternoon may also opt to visit the Castle itself afterwards.

Summer Outing, Tyne River Cruise.

Sunday, June 16, 2019

Our Summer Outing on Sunday, June 16, will be a river cruise down the Tyne to Tynemouth and back, with lunch on board the ship, and a commentary en route. An opportunity for a relaxing afternoon on the river, and to catch up with NCA friends. Not to be missed!

Freshers' Party, Mincoffs Solicitors, Newcastle.

Monday, September 16, 2019

Again we will be welcoming freshers from the North East just before they go up to Cambridge. As last year, Tim Gray and Mincoffs will be our hosts, and the freshers, as well as having the opportunity to meet fellow undergraduates, will be introduced to the NCA.

AGM and Annual Lecture, Royal Grammar School, Newcastle.

Friday, September 27, 2019

The AGM and Annual Lecture will take place again at the Royal Grammar School, with a buffet supplied by Boldon Farmhouse Pantry, and wines by Michael Jobling. Professor Tony Badger, Emeritus Paul Mellon Professor of History at Cambridge and Master of Clare College, and now holder of a Chair in American History at Northumbria University, will give the lecture (The Kennedys and the Gores).

Pre-Concert Dinner and Musical Event, Sage, Gateshead.

Sunday, November 24, 2019, 8 pm.

Join us for dinner and an evening of music, song and spoken word, with 'The Pitmen Poets', celebrating the triumphs, tragedy, humour and hard times of North-East England's coal mining tradition.

Christmas Lunch, County Hotel, Newcastle.

Friday, December 6, 2019

Christmas lunch at the County Hotel has become a fixture in our calendar – a testament to the food, the ambience and the efficient and welcoming service. Join us for a delicious meal and good company in the lovely Mozart Suite.

Pre-Christmas Freshers' Reunion, Revolution, Newcastle.

Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 17.00-19.00.

An invitation will be sent out to freshers as usual, along with the offer of free associate membership. This will follow up the contacts made at the Welcome Party in September.

Festive Afternoon Tea & Film, Tyneside Cinema, Newcastle.

Saturday, December 14, 2019

Another tradition which has now established itself is the Festive Afternoon Tea and Film at the Tyneside. With the Digital Lounge all to ourselves, a scrumptious afternoon tea and a film of our choice, this year, the classic Samuel Goldwyn romantic comedy, 'The Bishop's Wife' (1947), what better way to spend a winter afternoon in the run-up to Christmas!