SOCIAL EVENTS AND TRIPS

Our Social Events and Trips Schedule for 2027 has now been sent to every member. Please make sure your personal favourites are written into your new diary!

Once again, the Social Team would like to say a big thanks to all those who participated in our members' consultation and returned completed tick lists to help build us a fabulously varied and exciting programme. We've received lots of positive comments for which we are very grateful. But really, it's marvellous to have such clear feedback – all we have to do now is make sure we successfully fulfil your top ten choices as we work through next year!

Just a reminder of what to look out for:

January – we'll be visiting Hartlepool Nuclear Power Station and Historic Quay

The power station tours are already fully booked, but Elaine is keeping a waiting list just in case!

February – our first home grown Cinema Night

Sue Eley is already working hard on the details, and we look forward to sharing those with everyone as soon as possible. ***March – A Candlelight Concert***

Another of Sue's projects – the concerts for 2027 are steadily being announced and she is on the look out for the one we are all sure to want to see. Details in due course.

April – 2 great trips to watch out for:

The first will be a visit to the newly refurbished ***Hull Maritime Museum*** in the morning, with an afternoon visit to ***Burnby Hall Gardens*** where their famous tulip displays will hopefully be at their best.

The second will be an ***overnight trip to Northumberland*** – Phil Shorey has some great plans ready to share before Christmas 2026. Keep your eyes peeled!

May – Himalayan Gardens

At this time of year, the rhododendrons at the Himalayan Gardens are simply stunning, so we do hope you'll join us to enjoy them.

June – Bempton Cliffs and Flamborough

Thousands of sea birds flock to our beautiful Yorkshire Coast cliffs each spring – gannets, fulmars, razorbills, and puffins all waiting to meet us!

July – Pendle Witch Trail

We'll be crossing the border into rural Lancashire and visiting some of the key places to find out more about the infamous witch trials.

August – Magical Mystery Tour

Our lips are sealed! But we promise a fabulous day.

September – Salford Quay and the Lowry Centre

This is our day to dabble in the arts, and in an iconic setting too.

October - Bradford Alhambra Theatre: Billy Elliot the Musical

Phil will be sharing plans and taking bookings for this one very soon - we have 40 tickets waiting to be claimed!

November – Haddon Hall and Twilight Christmas Market

Something special we believe – combining a historic house and gardens tour with a fairy-lit festive shopping opportunity!

December – RHS Harlow Carr Glow

An annual favourite evening of stunning illuminations together with plans for a Betty's afternoon tea!

A FINAL THOUGHT

Our trips now regularly sell out – and fast. We make sure letters are sent to those of our members without email 48 hours before we send out email notifications. We do what we can to make sure everyone receives timely information together on the same day, but sadly we have no control over the post or when it is delivered.

If there is a trip or event that you have ear-marked from our schedule above, we urge you to make your booking request as soon as you receive your letter or email to avoid disappointment. We're keeping our fingers tightly crossed that all our members secure places on the trips and events which most appeal.

With our best wishes

Your Social Team