

# Heritage Open Days

Once again we are pleased to have teamed up with some of the great heritage providers of Morecambe Bay to present a packed programme of events for Heritage Open Days 2016.



Piel Castle



Gleason Castle

Thursday 8 - Sunday 11 September, Tours at 11.15am & 2pm each day

### Gleaston Mill

This is a superb chance to experience the wonder of a working water-powered corn mill, restored by the owners, Mike and Vicky Brereton and have a personal tour.

This imposing watermill and site has been part of the local traditions for over 400 years. View the 18 foot (5.5 metre) waterwheel, impressive wooden machinery and many displays and artefacts. As well as a tour, there will be chance to explore the site further, ask questions and follow an information trail.

The weekend tours may be more suitable for children, but all welcome.

Tickets: Free. Booking Essential.

Saturday 10 September, 9.30am - 2pm

### Piel Island & Castle Picnic

Following last year's sell-out event Morecambe Bay Partnership once again provides an opportunity to explore the historically important but often overlooked site of Piel Island and Castle.

The event will include a light-hearted guided walk across the sands from Walney Island to Piel Island, led by expert guide John Murphy. Once on Piel Island, John will talk about the island, its castle and share some of the stories of this magical place.

Tickets: Free. Booking Essential.

Sunday 11 September, 11am & 2pm

### The History of Grange Lido

The historic Grade II listed Grange Lido was a seaside salt-water lido which was constructed in the 1930s and closed in the 1990s.

As part of Heritage Open Days, Dan Elsworth of Greenlane Archaeology, will give a short presentation about the lido. Dan's talk will include the history of Grange Lido, its construction, use and its gradual decline. The group will then take the short stroll to the Lido and have a rare opportunity to take a look around inside this popular site, which is no longer open to the public

Tickets: Free. Booking Essential.

Sunday 11 September, 11am - 4pm

### Exploring Gleaston: Talks, Tours & Drop-in Event

Drop in to Gleaston Village Hall to discover the extraordinary history of Gleaston Castle. The day includes:

11.00am - 11.45am Talk by Neil Whalley on medieval Gleaston and links to the castle (booking required)

12.00 noon - 4pm Drop in afternoon where Morecambe Bay Partnership will be sharing the exciting results of historical survey work undertaken in 2015-16 of the castle ruins and local experts will be on hand to help visitors understand this unique site.

2pm - 2.45pm Stroll around the village looking at the development of the plan and old use of houses/occupants.

Just call in and find out what's been going on.

## About Us

We are a small charity that makes big things happen for the Bay's communities. We run a very busy programme including community archaeology, beach cleans and projects celebrating and conserving our history, nature and landscape.

We have also launched the award winning Bay Cycle Way (NCN 700) which is showcasing the Bay.

www.morecambebay.org.uk



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## Booking

Please visit www.morecambebay.org.uk/events for full details about all of our events and follow the links to book (booking not required for Beach Cleans.) Any ticket prices are a contribution towards administrative costs.

You can also sign up to our newsletter to keep up to date with our other work and future events.

# Events around Morecambe Bay

## August - December 2016



Activities and events celebrating and exploring the things which are special about the Bay



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Have you ever wanted to tour the local Lifeboat Stations?  
Or wanted to explore the Morecambe Bay coast by bike?

We've a whole host of fantastic events lined up for  
Autumn/Winter 2016...

## Events around Morecambe Bay August -December 2016



Barrow Lifeboat Station



Vintage Bike Ride

Tuesday 23 August, 6.30pm - 8pm

### Tour of Barrow Lifeboat Station

Barrow Lifeboat Station, Roa Island

A rare chance to see behind the scenes of the RNLI station in Barrow.

Get up close and personal with Barrow's inshore lifeboat, tour the station and receive a talk from RNLI volunteer John Falvey and colleagues on the important work of the crew.

You'll even get the opportunity to sit in the boat!

Free (please consider a donation to the RNLI). Booking essential.

Saturday 3 September, 10am

### Vintage Bike Ride

Lancaster Millenium Bridge - Morecambe (3 miles)

Join us and Sustrans as we join in the celebrations at the Morecambe Vintage Festival 2016.

Experience the Morecambe Bay Cycle Way with a Vintage Bike Ride from Lancaster to Morecambe where you'll arrive to the festive sights of Vintage by the Sea and the wonderful views of Morecambe Bay. Bring your classic racer, sit up & beg or 60s shopper.

An opportunity to explore the natural landscape of the district with all the family and arrive at the festival in style. Don't have a vintage set of wheels? Bring your modern wonder along.

Feel free to don some vintage attire and join in. It's open to everyone.

Tickets: Free. Booking required via Sustrans. [www.sustrans.org.uk/events/vintage-bike-ride-sea-morecambe](http://www.sustrans.org.uk/events/vintage-bike-ride-sea-morecambe)



Creative Writing Workshop

[morecambebay.org.uk/events](http://morecambebay.org.uk/events)



Family Bike Ride

Saturday 8 October, 10am - 4pm

### Writing The Flotsam & Jetsam of the Bay - Creative Writing Workshop Part 2

Bardsea, The Malt Kiln

Morecambe Bay Partnership invites you to the second in a series of creative writing days with poet Sarah Hymas.

Bring along an object or photograph related to Morecambe Bay and spend the day working with Sarah to capture the spirit of the Bay in words. Write a short story, poem or piece of autobiography to contribute to the living history of the area.

Open to all adults, regardless of writing experience.

You are welcome to attend whether or not you attended the Part 1 workshop at Sunderland Point in February.

Tickets: £15 (£10 concessions). Pre-booking essential.

Saturday 22 October,  
12 noon - 3.30pm

### Family Bike Ride guided by Sustrans

Ford Park, Ulverston

A great family day out.

Discover part of the new Bay Cycle Way (Route 700) and other routes to Scales and onto the beautiful Birkrigg Common, where you'll find glorious views of the Bay. The ride does contain some hills so riders must be confident on a bike - but there's no shame in doing a bit of pushing if needs be!

Ages 10+ only - all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Bikes should be road-worthy and participants should be carrying a drink, snack and a suitable spare inner-tube.

Tickets: £3 per person. Pre-booking essential.

Tuesday 25 October, 12 noon - 2pm

### Fishy Tales with storyteller Jeff Wallcook

Morecambe Library

Join storyteller Jeff Wallcook for entertaining and enlightening stories inspired by fishing histories of the Bay, your landscape, and you.

Jeff will have you laughing, listening and even joining in as he regales you with local stories, and helps to weave a brand new tale - your tale, ready to be cast and told far and wide.

Suitable for ages 6+. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets: £2 per person. Pre-booking essential.

Wednesday 16 November,  
10am - 11.30am

### Tour of Morecambe Inshore Lifeboat Station

Morecambe

Your chance to get up close and personal with Morecambe's inshore lifeboat, tour the station and receive a talk from RNLI volunteer Colin Midwinter on the work of the crew.

Free (Please consider a donation to the RNLI.) Booking essential.



Fishy Tales

### Work Days and Beach Cleans

Would you like to get out into the fresh air, meet like-minded people and make a big difference to your local environment?

Why not join us for one of our work days or beach cleans? Equipment provided!

#### Morecambe Lodge Beach Clean

• Sat 20 August, 10am - 12 noon

#### North Walney Nature Reserve

• Sun 28 August, 11.30am - 1.30pm  
• Sun 11 September, 9am - 11am  
• Sat 17 September, 3.30pm - 5.30pm

#### Hest Bank

• Sat 3 September, 10am - 12 noon

#### Potts Corner, Middleton

• Sat 10 September, 10am - 12 noon

#### New Barns

• Sat 10 September, 10am - 12noon

#### North Walney

• Sun 25 September, 10am - 12 noon  
• Sat 1 October, 3.15pm - 5.15pm  
• Sun 9 October, 9.30am - 11.30am  
• Sat 15 October, 2.15pm - 4.15pm  
• Sun 23 October, 9.30am - 11.30am  
• Sat 29 October, 2.30pm - 4.30pm  
• Sun 6 November, 8am - 10am  
• Sat 12 November, 12 noon - 4pm  
• Sat 26 November, 12.30pm - 2.30pm

#### Far Arnside

• Wed 19 October, 10am - 12 noon

#### Sunderland Point

• Sat 22 October, 10am - 12 noon

#### Holgates

• Sat 19 October, 10am - 12 noon

No need to book, please just turn up. For full details and additional dates [www.morecambebay.org.uk/events](http://www.morecambebay.org.uk/events)

"Expand your horizons - be inspired by the  
Bay's heritage and nature to try new things"



Beach Clean volunteers



Birkrigg Common Bracken Clearance

### Training Opportunities

Would you like to learn how to carry out a breeding wader survey, and use your new skills to help us to find out more about the Bay's breeding birds?

We'll be running some training on this soon. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Annabelle at: [annabelle@morecambebay.org.uk](mailto:annabelle@morecambebay.org.uk)

Work parties Thursday 25 August & Tuesday 27 September 10am - 4pm

### Birkrigg Common Bracken Clearance Near Ulverston

Join us to help clear bracken from important scheduled ancient monuments on Birkrigg Common, near Ulverston. Working with Cumbria Wildlife Trust.

**Volunteer registration required.**

**Please contact us if you are interested in helping.**

**Email [Louise@morecambebay.org.uk](mailto:Louise@morecambebay.org.uk)**