

CHRISTMAS EVENT

HISTORIC PROPERTIES OF NORTHERN TASMANIA

SATURDAY 28TH and SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2020

VAUCLUSE, PATTERDALE, CLARENDON ARMS, CLAIRVILLE, STRATHMORE

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After a year of many cancelled events, AGHS is bouncing back with a weekend of garden visits for our Christmas event. The weekend includes visits to the following historic properties.





VAUCLUSE: Situated on the banks of the South Esk River, with views to Ben Lomond, Vaucluse's first European settlers were the Bostocks. The original farmhouse was built near the river in early 1820s, but relocated after flooding to the current site and completed in its current form in 1830. The property has had a number of owners, including the Mackinnon family who developed it into a premier Corriedale sheep stud over their 80 year ownership. Subsequent owners, the Warners, redeveloped the gardens and conservatory. The garden features mature trees, a ha ha wall, old and new plantings and vistas.

PATTERDALE: Patterdale was the home of colonial artist John Glover which features in his famous 1835 painting of the artist's house and garden. Glover moved to Van Diemen's Land in 1831, aged 64 and received a land grant on the Nile River at Deddington. Patterdale farm has operated continuously since then and the landscape that Glover painted is very much intact. Most of the property is heritage listed. Owners, Carol and (the late) Rodney Westmore, have spent over a decade restoring the house, studio and garden as well as creating a Glover Walk which leads to the spots where Glover painted some of his well-known landscapes. The garden in front of the house has been recreated to close to the original as painted by Glover, and was designed by landscape designer Cathy Shields.



CLARENDON ARMS: This historic 1847 pub, recently restored, has a beautiful beer garden shaded by large trees. The pub's menu reflects local and quality suppliers, seasonal Tasmanian produce and offerings from the pub's kitchen garden. The current owners used to have the renowned Red Feather Inn restaurant at Perth.



CLAIRVILLE: Clairville at 700 acres, was originally granted to John Sinclair for his part in the capture of one of Mathew Brady's bushranger gang. Sinclair sold the property to Robert Cameron and the property remained in the Cameron family until recently. The 1820s heritage listed house with 13 acres is now owned by Robert Henley and Michael McWilliams, who previously owned the Jolly Farmer at Perth where they restored the buildings and created a wonderful garden. The Clairville garden features many old deciduous trees, conifers and hawthorn hedges and has an unusual Georgian guard house at the vehicle entry.



STRATHMORE: Strathmore's house and outbuildings were constructed by Samuel Bryan in 1823. The grounds include a convict-built 3 hectare lake and mill race connected to the Nile River. Some of the early plantings of hawthorn hedges, oaks and elms survive as well as a rare heated garden wall from 1826. Current owners Sue and Graham Gillon have expanded the garden with grand landscape gestures including an avenue of Tilia Cordata and hedges. Sue has also added a rose garden, orchard and a loggia with views over the garden to Ben Lomond.

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SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER

- 10 am
 VAUCLUSE, 643 GLEN ESK RD, CONARA

 Morning tea
 Garden visit, house tour and talk

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- **12 noon** Leave for Patterdale

12.45 pm PATTERDALE, 183 UPLANDS RD, DEDDINGTON

House and studio tour Garden visit Glover walk Picnic lunch (Bring your own) **3.30 pm** Leave Patterdale

DRIVE TO EVANDALE

Options to visit the following en route: Deddington Chapel, Deddington, where Glover, his wife and son are buried. St Peter's Anglican Church, Church Lane, Nile, historic building, now community owned. Clarendon, 234 Clarendon Station Rd, Nile. A National Trust property, (\$20/\$15), open 10am -4pm. Worth seeing from the outside if visiting after hours.

6 pm CLARENDON ARMS

Drinks and canapes in the beer garden, followed by dinner in several rooms upstairs.

ACCOMMODATION FOR SATURDAY NIGHT: Not organized by AGHS, please make your own arrangements.

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER

- 10 am CLAIRVILLE, 198 EVANDALE RD, WESTERN JUNCTION Garden visit, talk and tour of the house There are no toilets available at Clairville. Nearest public toilets are in Evandale.
 11.30 am Leave for Strathmore
- 12 noon STRATHMORE, 868 NILE RD, EVANDALE
- Garden visit, talk
- **1 pm** Lunch (boxed lunch, hot drinks and water provided) AGHS Christmas quiz

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DIRECTIONS

SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER

Allow 2 hours to travel from Hobart to Vaucluse, 45 minutes to travel from Launceston to Vaucluse.

VAUCLUSE, 643 GLEN ESK RD, CONARA (AGHS contact Mary Ramsay 0428595701)

From Hobart, 13 km north of Campbell Town, turn right onto Glen Esk Rd (C416). (If you've reached Cleveland, you've gone past the turn off.)

From Launceston, 35 km south of Perth, turn left onto Glen Esk Rd (C416).

Vaucluse is 6.4 km on left.

PATTERDALE, 183 UPLANDS RD, DEDDINGTON (AGHS contact Antonia Dunne 0418500305)

Leaving Vaucluse, turn left and head north-east on Glen Esk Rd (C416) for 7.6 km.

Turn left onto Nile Rd (C416) for 17.5 km with some gravel surfaces.

Turn right at sign to Deddington onto Deddington Rd (C420) for 12.1 km.

Continue beyond Deddington Village and soon veer right onto Uplands Rd.

Continue on for 3.2 km to Glover House at Patterdale. Glover House is on left. Internet reception is poor.

PATTERDALE TO EVANDALE VIA OPTIONAL VISITS TO DEDDINGTON CHAPEL; ST PETER'S CHURCH, NILE; AND CLARENDON

Leaving Patterdale, turn right onto Uplands Rd and return 3.2 km to Deddington. The Deddington Chapel is on the left in the village.

From Deddington, continue west on Deddington Rd (C420) for 7.5 km.

Turn sharp right and continue 450m to Nile village to visit the historic St Peter's Anglican Church, now community owned. Turn right into Church Lane at the Cenotaph.

From Church Lane turn right onto Nile Rd (C416) and either continue straight on to Evandale or detour to visit Clarendon.

To visit Clarendon, continue on Nile Rd for 3.7 km.

Turn left onto Clarendon Station Rd (C48) and continue for 2 km.

Turn left onto Clarendon Lodge Rd and continue for 350 m to reach Clarendon.

Leaving Clarendon, follow Clarendon Lodge Rd for 2.9 km to Nile Rd (C416).

Turn left onto Nile Rd (C416) and head north for 5.2 km to Evandale.

CLARENDON ARMS, 11 RUSSELL STREET, EVANDALE (AGHS contact Rosie MacKinnon 0408922601)

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER

EVANDALE TO CLAIRVILLE, 198 EVANDALE RD, WESTERN JUNCTION (AGHS contact Mary Ramsay 0428595701)

From Evandale, travel straight on Evandale Rd (B41) towards Launceston for 4 km. Destination is on left, opposite Launceston Airport at the eastern end. (Look for very tall eucalypt and turn into driveway beside gatehouse, continue up the driveway to the carpark.)

CLAIRVILLE TO STRATHMORE, 868 NILE RD, EVANDALE (AGHS contact Lynne Paul 0438147516)

Leaving Clairville, turn right onto Evandale Rd (B41) and head south east to Evandale.

Continue straight on as name changes to High St, then Nile Rd (C416) and continue towards Nile. South of the Clarendon sign post (on right) and approx. 400m past Bryants Lane (C419) (on left), turn right onto gravel road beside a long row of large old conifers. There are two signs (one brown, one white) indicating Strathmore.

Continue for 2 km along gravel road to reach Strathmore.

NOTES:

Glover house tour includes steep and slippery stairs and polished floors. Shoes are to be removed before entering and foot covers are provided.

Glover Walk involves walking over rough paddocks.

No toilets are available at Clairville on Sunday morning. Toilets will be available at all other venues.

Due to COVID, do not join this event if you have fever, runny nose, cough, sore or itchy throat or shortness of breath. All guests will be expected to practice social distancing, hand washing and sanitizing.

COST:

The cost will be \$165 for members, \$190 for non-members. This covers:

- garden visit fees,
- morning tea at Vaucluse,
- drinks and canapes in the beer garden at Clarendon Arms,
- 2 course dinner at Clarendon Arms, (Note that drinks during dinner will be an additional cost),
- boxed lunch at Strathmore.

WHAT TO BRING:

- Picnic lunch and folding chair for Patterdale.
- Refillable water bottle AGHS will provide water at each garden.
- Keep cup for hot drinks at Strathmore.
- Sturdy shoes, for walking across paddocks on Glovers Walk.
- The usual clothing suitable for all-season Tasmanian weather.
- Paper map phone service is patchy and Google Maps app on phones is not reliable.

GUESTS NEED TO ARRANGE THEIR OWN ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORT.

BOOKING: As numbers are limited, this event is for members who may be accompanied by one nonmember. The booking site has the option of being added to a waiting list.

Additional accompanying non-members are able to go on a waiting list for unfilled places by contacting Prue Slatyer, <u>prueslatyer@gmail.com</u>

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