



THE NATIONAL TRUST



## Oxford Centre

We hope you will want to join the Oxford Centre, which is probably one of the most active in the country, in this our 40<sup>th</sup> year. Membership is open to members of the National Trust, affiliated organisations or holders of current National Trust Volunteer Cards.

The annual fee is £10 for single membership. Family membership is £10 for the first member and £5 for each additional member at the same address. As a member you will receive full details of our programme three times a year. You can also attend lecture meetings at a cost of £3 each, which includes tea/coffee.

We have illustrated talks from October to April covering a wide range of subjects, including National trust topics, conservation, heritage, travel and items of local history. Existing National Trust members can join us at any of the lecture meetings, which are advertised in the Oxford Times on the Thursday previous to the meeting, and in the Oxford Mail - just turn up at St Aldates Parish Centre, Pembroke Street and introduce yourself to a member of the committee at the door.

During the summer monthly local walks are arranged (contact Val Collier 01865 245002). We also offer regular outings throughout the year to places of interest such as National Trust properties and other houses and gardens, the theatre, museums and exhibitions.

Social events include a winter and summer jolly - often a meal at one of the Oxford Colleges, and holidays in this country and abroad. Departure points for coach outings are normally outside the Taylorian and Water Eaton Park & Ride.

To find out more, telephone Betty Couldrey, Membership Secretary, 01865 512475 or Email [bettycouldrey123@btinternet.com](mailto:bettycouldrey123@btinternet.com) - we would be delighted to hear from you.

Here is our programme of forthcoming events – we hope it will encourage you to join us.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Type of event</b>	<b>Subject</b>
2 August	Holiday	Six days in Mid-Wales
21 August	Walk	Stonesfield - 4 miles
5 September	Visit	Clarence House
17 September	Visit	Harvington Hall
21 September	Walk	Farmoor - 3 miles
26 September	Visit	BBC Television Centre
13 October	Talk	The History of the BBC Pronunciation Department Speaker - Graham Pointon
20 October	Walk	Harcourt Arboretum - distance optional
24 October	Visit	Maharajah Exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum
2 November	Visit	Sheffield Park for the Autumn Colours
5 November	Talk	Historic Milestones and Other Waymarkers Speaker - Derek Turner
19 November	Talk	Life and Times of a Polymath - Christopher Wren Speaker - Muriel Passey
1 December	Talk	Blenheim in World War Two Speaker - Karen Wiseman
9 December	Visit	Christmas at Basildon House (half day)
16 December	Lunch	Christmas lunch at Manchester College
14 January	Talk	Eating in the National Trust through the ages Speaker - Judith Plante Cleall