

DISCOVERY DAYS



Explore your crafty side whilst learning more about the New Forest in our Discovery Day drop in sessions.

Booking is not required and activities run from 10am to 4pm with just a small charge towards the material costs. We are a Children's University scheme Learning Destination and the Discovery Days count towards hours of learning.

Love the New Forest
Tue 16 Feb & Thu 18 Feb

New Forest Wildlife: Birds
Tue 29 Mar

New Forest Wildlife: Bats
Thu 31 Mar

New Forest Wildlife: Mammals
Tue 5 Apr

New Forest Wildlife: Insects
Thu 7 Apr

Royalty and the New Forest
Tue 31 May & Thu 2 Jun

New Forest Champions
Tue 26 Jul & Thu 28 Jul

New Forest Tradition: Commoning
Tue 2 Aug & Thu 4 Aug

New Forest Wildlife: Nocturnal Animals
Tue 9 Aug

New Forest Animals
Thu 11 Aug

New Forest Artists
Tue 16 Aug & Thu 18 Aug

New Forest Trees and Flowers
Tue 23 Aug & Thu 25 Aug

My New Forest
Tue 30 Aug & Thu 1 Sep

Autumn New Forest
Tue 25 Oct & Thu 27 Oct



Find us just off Lyndhurst High Street in the main car park. Follow the brown Visitor Information Centre signs. Accessible for wheelchair users and wheelchair available on request.

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Visitor Information Centre



Visit the Visitor Information Centre to find out about walks and bike rides, accommodation, the New Forest Tour and a host of other things to see and do in the National Park. Their friendly staff will be delighted to help you with any enquiry about the New Forest to help you make the most of your visit.

Tel: 023 8028 2269

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MUSEUM



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GALLERY



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NEW FOREST CENTRE

Welcome to the New Forest Centre – whether you're new to the New Forest or want to explore your local area, the New Forest Centre is a great place to start.

We're conveniently located in the centre of the New Forest National Park, right next to Lyndhurst's main car park.

Free admission but donations welcomed (suggested donation £2). Gift Aid envelopes available.

Opening Hours 2016

10am to 4pm - 1 January to 24 March and 31 October to 31 December.
10am to 5pm - 25 March to 30 October.
Last Museum admission 30 minutes before closing
Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and 31 January
Please see our website or call for library opening times.

Facilities and Accessibility

Seating and wheelchair available. Full wheelchair access, lift to first floor, nappy changing facilities, large printed versions of printed materials and display labels available. We would like everyone to get the most from their visit to the New Forest Centre so if you feel we have missed something that would have improved your visit, please let us know.

Dog Friendly Building

Well behaved dogs are welcome in the centre but must be kept on a lead.



MUSEUM

Walk through our interactive displays and family fun tree, and learn about the New Forest: Why is it called New? Who owns the ponies? Why are the animals allowed to run free? You'll find all the answers here.



NEW FOREST GALLERY

Come and enjoy our exciting new season of gallery exhibitions. From local WWI projects to the ever-popular New Forest Open Art Competition, there's something for everyone.



SHOP

If you're searching for the perfect gift for someone special, or just want to treat yourself, then look no further than our fully stocked gift shop. Many of our ranges are locally sourced and carry the New Forest Marque.



REFERENCE LIBRARY

The Christopher Tower Reference Library houses the largest public collection of books, maps, reports and ephemera on the New Forest. There's a wealth of information waiting to be discovered. See website or call for opening times.

THE ECADAMY PROJECT

The Ecademy project, New Forest Knowledge, is funded by the Heritage Lottery as part of the Our Past, Our Future project and will establish an internet based gateway through which information about the New Forest can be retrieved by researchers of all levels.

GROUP VISITS AND EDUCATION

From school visits to special interest groups and informal family outings, our education team can provide a range of bespoke sessions either in the museum, out in the forest or at your own location. Give us call on 023 8028 6153 or email education@newforestcentre.org.uk for further information and booking.

ROOM HIRE

We have a variety of rooms available for hire at reasonable rates. Check our website, call 023 8028 6151 or email office@newforestcentre.org.uk for details.



EVENTS

New events are added throughout the year. See our website for further information:
www.newforestcentre.org.uk/whats-on/ or call 023 8028 3444 to book.



TALK

Coppicing and Conservation in Pondhead Enclosure with Dave Dibden

Wed 10 Feb 2pm-4pm
Refreshments from 2pm
Talk at 2.30pm
Q&A from 3.30pm

Come and hear about the volunteers who are keeping traditional woodland management methods alive at the New Forest's first community woodland.

£6 (£4 MEMBERS)
BOOKING REQUIRED



TALK

The New Forest Remembers World War I Project

Wed 9 Mar 2pm-4pm
Refreshments from 2pm
Talk at 2.30pm
Q&A from 3.30pm

This National Park Authority talk brings together commemorative projects and memories from across the New Forest.

£6 (£4 MEMBERS), BOOKING REQUIRED



WORKSHOP

Top 10 Herbs for your Medicine Cupboard

Sat 7 May 10am-1pm
Refreshments at 10am for a 10.30am start

Join Medical Herbalist Rachel Heathcote (BSc Phytotherapy) on this plant medicine workshop.

This hands on talk and demonstration will teach you about essential herbs to keep at home for treating common ailments.

£30 PER PERSON
BOOKING REQUIRED



EVENT

Discover your National Park Day

Sun 29 May 10am-4pm

A day of fun and activities helping you to discover the New Forest National Park.

FREE EVENT (SMALL CHARGE FOR CRAFT ACTIVITIES)



TALK

Walk & Talk to St Michael and All Angels Church

Tue 14 Jun 2pm-4pm

Join local historian Angela Trend in a walk from the New Forest Centre to the nearby Victorian Treasure House - St Michael and All Angels Church. Discover stories of Topsy, Ned and Alice and many others who created the art and architecture in this Grade 1 Listed building. Part of the New Forest Arts Festival.

£6 (£4 MEMBERS)
BOOKING REQUIRED



EVENT

A Celebration of Frank Whittington: New Forest Toymaker

Sat 18 Jun 2pm-5pm

A celebration of the New Forest's own toymaker, with talks, film and displays. Why not bring along your own Frank Whittington toys and information. Part of the New Forest Arts Festival.

£6 (£4 MEMBERS)
BOOKING REQUIRED



CHILDREN'S EVENT

Alice's Tea Party

Sat 2 Jul 2pm-4pm

An afternoon of fun celebrating Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland with a Mad Hatter's Tea Party. Why not come dressed as your favourite Alice character?

SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS AND PRICES.



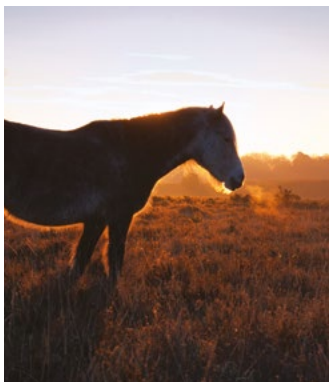
TALK

Romsey Remount

Wed 14 Sep 7pm-9pm
Refreshments from 7pm
Talk at 7.30pm
Q&A from 8.30pm

Learn about the real life WWI war horses in this illustrated talk on the Remount training centre at Romsey.

£6 (£4 MEMBERS)
BOOKING REQUIRED



TALK

Our Past, Our Future

Wed 12 Oct 7pm-9pm
Refreshments from 7pm
Talk at 7.30pm
Q&A from 8.30pm

See how the forest has changed over the centuries and the challenges that the historic working landscape of the New Forest faces in the future.

£6 (£4 MEMBERS)
BOOKING REQUIRED



WORKSHOP

Pumpkin Lantern Carving

Fri 28 & Sat 29 Oct
10.15am-11am
& 11.45am-12.30pm

Bookable sessions, pumpkins supplied.

£7 PER PUMPKIN
BOOKING REQUIRED

1.30pm-3pm

Drop in sessions, bring your own pumpkin.

£5 PER SESSION
BOOKING NOT REQUIRED



WORKSHOP

Wreath Making with Liz Wyatt

Wed 30 Nov 12.30pm-3pm
& 6.30pm-9pm

Why not make your own fresh seasonal wreath or table decoration this year? All materials supplied but bring your own decorations for that personal touch.

£30 PER PERSON
BOOKING REQUIRED



WORKSHOP

Children's Christmas Crafts

Sat 3 Dec 10.15am-11am
& 11.45am-12.30pm

Have some festive fun with our Christmas 'make and take craft' sessions.

£5 PER SESSION
BOOKING REQUIRED

EXHIBITIONS



The New Forest Remembers WWI

6 Feb - 1 May

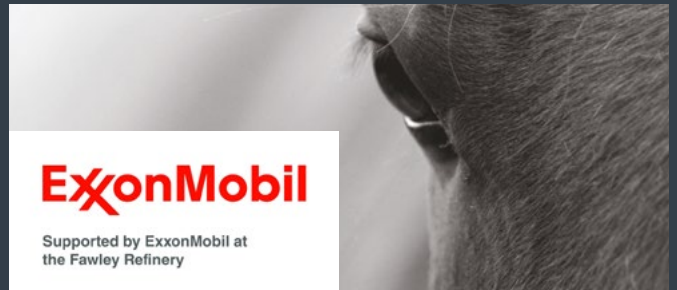
Curated by the New Forest National Park Authority, this exhibition draws together WWI projects from across the forest.



Curiouser & Curiouser

7 May - 10 Jul

Learn about Alice in Wonderland's Lyndhurst connection in this historical exhibition by local historian Angela Trend. Part of the New Forest Arts Festival.



New Forest Open Art Exhibition

16 Jul - 3 Sep

Don't miss our fourth Open Art Exhibition showcasing the best art from the New Forest. In partnership with the National Park Authority and sponsored by ExxonMobil.



Our Past, Our Future

10 Sep - 13 Nov

Explore how the forest has changed over the centuries and the challenges the historic working landscape of the New Forest faces in the future.

*"Excellent museum, so much to see,
so many interesting facts."*



Colin Merrin & Nicky Exell

19 Nov - 9 Jan

Two of our most popular artists return for a joint exhibition. Colin is an established oil painter, focussing mainly on landscapes, and this year he has turned his attention to the New Forest. Nicky is an accomplished fused glass artist, whose atmospheric use of coloured glass lends itself to the unique landscape of the New Forest.



NEW FOREST
CENTRE

SUPPORT US

The New Forest Centre is run by a charity and relies on your support and donations. There are many ways in which you can help from Gift Aiding your donation or leaving a legacy to buying items in our Gift Shop or volunteering for one of the many rewarding roles we have available. Call us for a chat on 023 8028 6151 for donations or 023 8028 6153 for volunteering.