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Shop up a storm at the Lindesay Christmas Gift Fair

Now in its ninth year, and with over 80 stalls, the National Trust's "Lindesay Christmas Gift Fair" promises an even better shopping experience with amazing gifts, food, jewellery, clothes, handbags, shoes, homewares, stationery, antiques, linen, garden items and more.

For that all-important Christmas feast, stock up on a wide selection of fine food - from Christmas puddings and cakes to quality oils and olives from regional producers.

For early-planners, order a pine Christmas tree on the day and grab the designer Christmas cards, gift-wrap, bonbons and stocking fillers before they go!

Get an insight into the early life of the pioneers with an exploration of Lindesay, the historic 1830s mansion with its elegant drawing rooms, stately dining room with a stunning chandelier, the stone-flagged kitchen and the charming music room. Restored to its former glory, this impressive villa is usually only open one day a month.

To make the shopping experience even easier, there will be a complimentary shuttle bus from Edgecliff station to Lindesay, running constantly between 10am and 4pm on each fair day.

The Women's Committee Special Events Panel said: "The Christmas Fair is run and staffed entirely by volunteers and we rely on the proceeds from the fair to help with the continual upkeep of Lindesay."

The Courtyard Café will offer a range of delicious homemade lunches as well as morning and afternoon teas.

Lindesay is one of 38 properties owned and managed by the National Trust of Australia (NSW). It is one of the few remaining harbourside villas of early Sydney. Built in 1834 by the Colonial Treasurer, it was the first house on Darling Point and the first in NSW to be designed in the picturesque Gothic manner. Walter Pye gifted Lindesay to the National Trust in 1963 and since then it has been painstakingly restored, housing an important collection of European and early colonial furniture.

Where: "Lindesay", enter via Lindsay Avenue, Darling Point

When: Thursday 19 – Saturday 21 November 2009

Time: 10am – 4pm

Cost: \$5.00 with proceeds going towards the upkeep of Lindesay

Getting there: Bus 327 from Circular Quay or Edgecliff Station to Darling Point.

Complimentary shuttle bus from Edgecliff Station Bus Interchange (Stand H). First bus leaves Edgecliff at 10am and last bus departs Lindesay at 4pm.

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