



National Trust (NSW) Coming Events May – August 09

Highlights:

- 8 May – 24 June
Margaret Olley: Life's Journey exhibition
S.H. Ervin Gallery
- 16 May
Jazz & Wine Festival at Norman Lindsay Gallery
- 19 May
Ray Martin presents National Trust Lecture
Sydney Maritime Museum
- 3 June **National Trust Gala Fundraising Dinner**

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May 09

8 May – 24 June

S.H. Ervin Gallery. Margaret Olley: Life's Journey

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S.H. Ervin Gallery, Watson Rd, Observatory Hill, The Rocks.

Ph 9258 0173 (Photos available.)

9 May

Sat, 2pm – 4pm

The Female Factory Old Government House, Parramatta Park

The Female Factory Parramatta is an important part of Australian women's history. It was built by Governor Macquarie as accommodation for convict women, who lived there until they went into private assignment, often returning to have their babies. Free women were also sent there as a form of punishment. With the end of convict transportation, the site was reassigned as a Lunatic and Invalid Asylum in 1847. Today the remaining buildings form part of the Cumberland Hospital and NSW Institute of Forensic Psychiatry. Join historian Dr Carol Liston as she discusses the history of the Female Factory. \$25 per person. Bookings P: 9635 8149

May 15

Fri, 8pm

Ghost Tour at Old Government House

Explore the 205 year old Georgian Mansion by candlelight and hear tales of strange incidents and psychic encounters in this property which has witnessed so many significant events in Australia's early history. Refreshments and supper included. \$28 per head. Not suitable for children. Bookings essential Ph 9635 8149



**May 16
Sat**

Jazz and Wine Festival

Norman Lindsay Gallery, Faulconbridge

A popular May Event in the Blue Mountains. Enjoy wine tasting and the lively jazz music of The Babe Magnets. Bring a picnic and settle back for an enjoyable afternoon. Gates open 12 noon.

Entry \$28 per person includes etched wine glass.

Bookings: (02) 4751 1067.

**May 16
Sat**

Valuation Day at Woodford Academy

Bring your antiques to be valued by a Fine Arts Dealer.

10 – 12 noon and 1 – 3pm. \$10 for 2 handheld items.

Great Western Highway, Woodford.

P: (02) 4758 8743

**17 May
Sunday**

Wildlife Fair at Wirrimbirra Sanctuary

Bring the whole family for this fun and educational open day at Wirrimbirra. Wildlife Shows at 11am, 12 noon, 1pm and 2pm with the opportunity for hands-on contact with the animals. Find out about some of our more unusual native animals. Hot and cold food available. 10am – 3pm Entry by donation. P: 4684 1112.

Wirrimbirra Sanctuary, 3105 Remembrance Drive (old Hume Hwy), Bargo.

(photo of a nosy wombat available) Ph 9258 0131



19 May National Trust Lecture with Ray Martin

Ray is one of Australia's most respected and popular media personalities having received 5 Gold Logies over the course of his 40 year career. Starting out as a cadet journalist with the ABC in 1965, he went on to work on Australia's most high profile current affairs programs including This Day Tonight, Four Corners, Sixty Minutes, Sunday and A Current Affair. His career has taken him around the globe to interview world leaders and the most famous celebrities of our time.

Over the past year, Ray has been sifting through 'the stories of his life' both personal and professional, and writing his autobiography. After spending time in a retrospective mood, Ray looks forward to the opportunity to share his stories at the forthcoming National Trust lecture called '**Using Fame for Good**'.

Beyond all the powerful politicians, Martin singles out two men as perhaps the most impressive he has ever met. They'll surprise you. As will his choice of the most impressive women.

Ray is also keen to share his personal convictions, including his desire to help our indigenous Australians.

This lecture is guaranteed to be a fascinating, though provoking and entertaining event.

Date: 19 May 2009
Time: 6:30pm
Venue: Australian Maritime Museum, Pyrmont
Cost: N'Trust Members \$28, non-members \$38.
Bookings: 9258 0181 or ngross@nationaltrust.com.au



**23 May
Sat**

Cox's Road Walk

Join the National Trust for a walk down the historic Cox's Road from Mt York to Hartley Vale. This is the most significant remnant of the road which Cox and his band of convicts built in 1814. The walk will take 2 hours and the climb is steep in parts. Comfortable walking shoes recommended. Cost \$25 adults, \$5 children includes fortifying hot soup and bread rolls at the conclusion, and a return bus trip to Mt York.

Bookings (02) 4639 6769.

JUNE 09

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**3 June
Wed**

National Trust Gala Dinner

'A Night Among The Stars' at the Star Room, Darling Harbour. Enjoy a wonderful evening of fine food and entertainment and help the National Trust raise much needed funds for its vital work in heritage advocacy, conservation and education.

Bookings Ph 9258 0181



**7 June
Sunday**

Views of Kurrajong Heights

Join the National Trust for a tour of historic Kurrajong Heights. Hear about the townships beginnings in the 1820s through its heyday as an orchard district, and as a retreat from the city during its guest house period. See buildings dating back to the 1820s as well as a former pleasure garden and lookout, and a property where Louisa Atkinson, 'botanist of the Kurrajong' and pioneer woman novelist, once lived. 1 – 5pm

Cost: \$20. Bookings 4573 1381.

13 June Organic Gardening Workshops

The National Trust is running a series of Saturday gardening workshops at the [Norman Lindsay Gallery](#), Faulconbridge.

Learn about weed control without chemicals, mulching, composting, native bush regeneration, and organic pest control. Participants will also be taken on a guided tour through the Norman Lindsay Gallery, the landscaped garden estate (adorned with Norman Lindsay sculptures) and surrounding bushland.

The workshops will be held 10am – 5pm on Saturdays 13, 20, 27 June. Lunch available at Lindsay Café.

Workshop cost \$50 p.p. Places limited. Ph 4751 1067

<http://www.nsw.nationaltrust.org.au/properties/nlg/>

**19 June
Friday, 8pm**

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17 June

St Marys Historic Tour

Join the Blue Mountains Branch of the National Trust NSW for an historic bus tour visiting Mamre House, the 1820s home of colonial chaplain, magistrate and pastoralist, Rev Samuel Marsden. The tour will also visit other historic homes, churches and graveyards in the St Marys district. Tour departs from Moore st, Glenbrook. Cost \$30 includes entry fees, morning tea and lunch. Bookings Ph 4739 6769

20 & 27 June

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21 June

Children's Story telling at Everglades Leura. Part of the Blue Mountains Winter Magic Festival. 10am – 2pm. Food available. Ph 4784 1938.

28 June Sun

Tour of Ahimsa, Cheltenham

Visit the National Trust property Ahimsa and enjoy a brief talk on the history of Cheltenham followed by a bush walk through the Lane Cove National Park led by Historian, Dr. Joan Webb. From 1.30pm. Cost \$30 includes afternoon tea. Bookings 0414 702 677.



JULY 09

4 July

Sat

Wirrimbirra Christmas in July

Wirrimbirra Sanctuary, Bargo. P: 4684 1112.

Wirrimbirra Sanctuary, Remembrance Drive, Bargo

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26 July

Sun

National Trust Christmas in July

Join the National Trust's After Hours Committee for a walk through the historic Rocks, visiting markets along the way. Then up to Observatory Hill for Christmas fare at the National Trust Centre.

Walk commences 1:30pm. \$35 p.p. Bookings 0414 702 677

August 09

2 August

Sun

Birds n' Bugs at Wirrimbirra Sanctuary

Remembrance Drive, Bargo

8 August

Sat

Six Foot Track Walk

Join the Blue Mountains Branch of the National Trust to walk the historic 1884 Bridle Trail, between Katoomba and Jenolan Caves. A reasonable degree of fitness will be required. Bookings 4739 3003



22 August

Sat

Murder Mystery Dinner at Everglades, Leura

Jake Texas, a wealthy oilman, is requesting the pleasure of your company at his birthday party along with Hollywood sirens Marilyn Monroe, Rita Hayworth and Mae West. It promises to be a memorable evening but take care as something sinister is likely to happen. From 6:30pm. \$65 includes a 3 course meal.

Funds raised support the National Trust. Bookings 4784 1938

23 Aug

Sun

Glebe and the Glebe Estate Walk

Join the National Trust for an historic walking tour of Glebe.

Fringed by Blackwattle and Rozelle Bays, Glebe was first settled in the late 1820s. Modern Glebe has retained many of its grand Victorian homes, Federation houses and modest workers' cottages.

These contribute to the unique character of the suburb.

Cost \$30 includes afternoon tea

Commences 1:30pm. Bookings 0418 112 018.

30 Aug

Sun

Jazz at Experiment Farm Cottage, Parramatta

From 12 noon Ph: 9635 5655



National Trust NSW Regional events

New England

17 April – 14 June

Photographic Exhibition of historic New England.

Saumarez Homestead New England Highway, Armidale

The exhibition is drawn from the 29 photo albums (1910 – 1930) compiled by the White family, the original owners of historic Saumarez Homestead. The collection focuses on pastoral gardens of the New England district, documenting outdoor living and leisure pursuits during a period when the New England area was particularly affluent. Details Ph 6772 3616.

Hunter

**22 May
Fri**

The fascinating art of Cartography

Claire Philip is Australia's only estate cartographer and her work is in demand around the world. Claire will display some of her intricate work, describe her methods and explain how she became involved in this rare profession.

From 6:30pm, Brough House, Church St. Maitland.

\$20 admission includes refreshments. Bookings Ph 4933 6452

23/24 May

Sat/Sun Art through Quilts

Exhibition features work of passionate patch worker Jenny Bain, and the beautiful embroidery of Lucy Ralston. Also view display of exquisite handmade miniature antique furniture, made by Antique Dealer, Arthur Bignell. \$5 entry, \$4 concession.

Funds raised support the National Trust. Ph 4930 1471

10am – 4pm both days of weekend.

Tomago House, Tomago Road, Tomago.



**24 May
Sun**

Southern Highlands

Berrima Coach Trip.

Join the National Trust for a trip to the Historic town of Berrima. Founded in 1831 as the intended centre of the County of Camden, Berrima was designed to be a major provincial town in the English tradition. Grand buildings (including the Gaol) were erected using convict labour, with many still standing today. Enjoy a visit to two National Trust properties : Wirrimbirra Sanctuary, with its Dingo Sanctuary and fauna enclosure; and Harper's Mansion, with its magical maze and cottage gardens. Wander through Berrima with its beautiful old buildings, village green, restaurants and interesting boutiques, and be tempted to take home a souvenir of your visit. Tour will include a visit to the Berrima Court House and the Museum. \$75 price includes lunch and afternoon tea. Coach departs Gordon 7.30am, Beverly Hills 8am. Returns 6pm. Numbers limited Bookings 0414 702 677.

**30 May
Sat**

Hunter

Miss Porter's Centenary Fair at Newcastle Grammar School Park Campus, cnr Union Street and Parkway Avenue, Cooks Hill. 10am – 5pm.

More than 70 stalls. Great range of arts, crafts, clothes, homewares and bric-a-brac. Also exhibitions of historic pharmacy collectables and historic bricks from the Newcastle area. A jewellery valuer will be on site, as well as a cafe serving first-class Devonshire teas, coffee, tea and soft drinks.

Cost: \$5 adults, \$4 concessions and children over five.

Ph 02 4976 4273

Photo c 1913 of Porter's available



Hunter

14 June & 12 July

Sun

Open House at Miss Porter's 434 King St, Newcastle.

This National Trust Property is celebrating its centenary in 2009. The freestanding Edwardian terrace was built by Herbert Porter in 1909, and reflects the lifestyle of two generations of his family with displays of clothing, linen and domestic appliances from the past century. Open 10am – 4pm.

Entry \$6 Adult \$5 concession. Ph 4927 0202

4-6 Sept **National Trust Historic Maitland Weekend.**

For more information ph 47571033

For further information please phone the numbers listed or call the Trust Communications Unit on 9258 0123 / 0131