

# Friends of Kirkley Hall



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## FRIENDS OF KIRKLEY HALL – EVENTS PROGRAMME 2022

Date	Title	Presenter
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> March @ 2pm	<b>Afternoon Tea and tour of the Gardens</b> <b>2pm</b> Meet and Welcome <b>2.15pm</b> Tour of the gardens with Paul who will answer gardening questions <b>3pm – 4pm</b> Back for afternoon tea with an update of future events	Paul Morrison / Friends of Kirkley Hall Committee
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> April @ 7pm	<b>The National Open Gardens Scheme</b> This scheme was set up in 1927 to raise funds for district nurses, 20 years before the foundation of the NHS. It now raises monies to be donated to nursing and health charities. This talk will enlighten us as to how gardens are selected for the yellow pages booklet, which is used for reference purposes by the public as a guide, listing which gardens are open to raise funds. Today more than 3,600 gardens open annually and raise more than £3.5 million.	Liz Reid
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> May @ 7pm	<b>The Tyne Rivers Trust</b> We all enjoy a stroll beside a river so hard to imagine that the Tyne was once a badly polluted, toxic river, but thankfully no more. The Tyne Rivers Trust is the only environmental charity which acts as a guardian, looking after the River Tyne. A small team of experts look after waterways which make up the 1,000 square mile Tyne catchment area. The Tyne is thought now to be the best salmon and trout river in England. The Trust works with people and communities to protect and enhance the river and it's tributaries, so they are healthy and bio-diverse. The work is vital to tackle the effects of climate change.	Jenny Dowden Volunteer Co- ordinator
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> June @ 7pm	<b>Beautiful Northumbria</b> This is your chance to see some of the most beautiful photographs of different parts of Northumbria and try to work out where they were taken	Geoff Hughes
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> July @ 7pm	<b>Morpeth Nature Reserve created from disused farmland</b> A Man's vision and how he has managed to create a wildlife sanctuary on the outskirts of Morpeth known locally as Clarks Bog. A 12-acre site has been transformed into a magical nature reserve. Woodland, marshland and of course the bog, now converge to form a wonderful habitat for 1,000's of birds, animals, and plants. The success of the reserve shows what is possible and should inspire each member of the community to take care of their piece of the planet, no matter how big or small.	Peter Mathewson