

TAYSIDE & EAST FIFE GROUP**Summer/Autumn Activities 2019**

Speaking for Scotland's Buildings

Saturday 20 July 2019, 10.45am (finish around 4.30pm)

South Fife – Burntisland and Aberdour led by Euan McCulloch & John Beaton

A study day to include visits to Burntisland Parish Church, walkabouts in Burntisland and Aberdour, the Woodside Hotel and The Murrell. Come by train to Burntisland (let us know as lifts needed thereafter) or bring your own car. Lunch is at the Woodside (pay them directly). Burntisland Parish Church 1589 is “one of the finest 16th century post-Reformation churches in Scotland”. Woodside, William Lambie Moffatt, 1872, incorporates 1913 Doune Hall and the barrel-vaulted stained glass ceiling of the smoking room of the Clyde built SS Orontes, brought here 1926.

The Murrell, 1908, is a remarkable small Arts & Crafts country house, designed by Frank W Deas as his own home. A fascinating and important ensemble: a modest house but with an extensive range of supporting facilities, attention to craft materials & detail, the influence of Lorimer (his great friend) and wonderful terraced gardens.

Meet at 10.30 for 10.45 outside Burntisland railway station, Forth Place KY3 9DR**£10**

Saturday 17 August 2019, 11.00am (finish 4.00pm)

West Perthshire 1 led by Adam Swan

A study day to include visits to Innerpeffray Library, Collegiate Church, School and Castle, and later to Cloan House. Visit based on own cars; bring a picnic lunch and supplement it with coffee and cake at the pop up café. Innerpeffray belonged to the Drummond family, the Lords Maddertie. A chapel was here by 1365, became Collegiate Church in 1508 – remarkable surviving interior. The Church loft originally housed the first free lending library in Scotland in 1680; the unique library building adjacent built 1758. The school was endowed by Lord Maddertie in the 1600s, the current school and schoolhouse building is c.1845 and has recently been refurbished and given an appropriate extension. The roofless castle is mid 1400s, remodelled 1610 by the 1st Lord Maddertie.

Cloan began as a c.1820 modest 2-bay house. Bought by Robert Haldane and extended by Andrew Heiton of Perth in 1865: an “exuberant celebration of the Frenchified Scots Baronial”. Further additions in the late C19 and 1904. Now back in the ownership of the Haldane descendants and being lovingly restored.

Meet at 11.00 at Innerpeffray PH7 3RF (includes Innerpeffray admissions and tour, bring picnic)**£15**

Saturday 31 August, 11.00am (finish around 5.00pm)

Angus Houses led by Anne Fedele & Adam Swan

A study day to include visits to Birnie House, Silvie House and Balintore Castle.

Study day based on use of own cars; a simple soup/sandwich lunch will be provided at Silvie.

Birnie is a late Scottish Arts and Crafts villa designed by WTP Bryce of Orphoot Whiting & Bryce c.1922 for Edward Harry Grogan who had married Elizabeth Clayhills-Henderson in 1920; her family gifted the site in Perthshire. Grogan's sister Meta was married to the adjacent landowner J A Wedderburn Ogilvy, who had built Silvie next door and the Grogans wanted the same architect. The Wedderburns gifted additional land for a gardener's cottage across the county border in Angus. Grogan's nephew Gwyn Grogan inherited and was deeply concerned about the possibility of a Cold War nuclear strike. He added an underground nuclear shelter in 1973. Birnie is now owned by a local conservation architect and his wife.

Silvie is a delightful and little known small Arts & Crafts country house meriting comparison with The Murrell. It was designed for John Andrew Wedderburn Ogilvy in 1910, following his marriage to Meta Grogan and inheriting the family estates (the baronetcy came in 1918 from a distant cousin thus: Sir John & Lady Ogilvy-Wedderburn). It was an early work by the young Ecole des Beaux-Arts trained Burnett N H Orphoot, a former assistant to R Rowand Anderson before setting up in Edinburgh. The practise was to become distinguished for its conservation work. Orphoot's partner WTP Bryce was replaced by Ian G Lindsay in 1933, George Hay was recruited and Ian G Lindsay & Partners (with Hay and Walter Schomberg Scott) was established after Orphoot's retirement in 1952.

Balintore Castle is a Victorian Baronial shooting lodge built on a grand scale for David Lyon and designed by William Burn in 1859-60. It was became disused and rapidly fell into disrepair, with collapsing floors, ceilings and stonework and was highlighted in the Buildings at Risk register. The Group last visited in 2009 soon after its acquisition by restoring owner Dr David Johnston. This visit is also a follow up to his AHSS Dundee Conservation Lecture detailing progress since in March of this year,

Meet at 11.00am at Birnie House, near Alyth PH11 8NA (advise on any food tolerances)**£15**

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Friday 13th September 2019, 2.00pm (allow time to visit Verdant Works beforehand) finish around 5.30pm

For Dundee Doors Open Days weekend

Dundee - Scouringburn Walk and Group AGM, led by Mark Watson & Adam Swan

An afternoon walking tour of the jute heritage area to the west of Dundee city centre, which grew up around the Scouring Burn. Car parking off Marketgait or at Dudhope Castle (Barrack Road/Infirmary Brae entrance). Mark Watson is responsible for Industrial Heritage within Historic Environment Scotland's conservation directorate. His 1990 book 'Jute and Flax Mills in Dundee' is the authoritative work on Dundee's textile mill buildings. The walk begins at Verdant Works, a historic mill reused as a museum of the jute industry. Members are recommended to visit the museum beforehand and also make use of the museum café for lunch (other facilities nearby if busy). The walk will take in other mills and associated buildings, finishing at Edward Street Mill, now the home of Verdant Spirit Co, a small craft gin distillery based in the mill's 1895 engine house. Tastings.

Meet at 2.00pm in the courtyard at Verdant Works, West Henderson's Wynd, DD1 5BT £5

AGM at 4.30pm, Verdant Spirit Co, Edward Street Mill, Forest Park Place, DD1 5NT (no charge)

Saturday 12 October, 11.00am (finish around 3.30pm)

West Perthshire 2 led by Adam Swan

A study day to include visits to Gleneagles House and Chapel and to Colquhalzie. Visit based on using own cars. Bring a picnic lunch or café options in Auchterarder.

Gleneagles House is fascinating and has a complicated history. The original 17th century house remains as the east-part of the present elongated house. In 1750 it was proposed to build a new Palladian mansion and a pair of flanking pavilions was built but the main block was not. The east pavilion and original house were extended, altered and heightened to form the current house and are linked by a wooden veranda to the west pavilion. In 2001 Hurd Rolland added a pavilion roofed conservatory. Nearby is the early 16th century chapel, restored by Reginald Fairlie 1925-26 and reroofed 1995. The ruin of the late 15th century Gleneagles Castle is to the north of the chapel. Colquhalzie is an incredibly charming small classical country house, dating from 1729, set in substantial grounds near the River Earn. Wings were added in 1826 (by William Stirling of Dunblane) and 1929 (by Stewart & Paterson). To the west is the classical stable block of 1837, incorporating earlier work of 1697

Meet at Gleneagles House, near Auchterarder PH3 1PJ (bring picnic) £10

Sat 30 November, 11.00am

North East Fife – Cupar and Kinloch House led by Peter Davidson

A study day to include visits to Cupar's Old Burgh Chambers and Kinloch House. Lunch is booked at a local restaurant (pay them directly).

The former Burgh Chambers was designed in 1815-18 by Robert Hutchison and has a three-storey bow corner forming the west end of the grand neo-classical terrace of St Catherine Street. Changes in local government meant that it had become disused and so it has been converted into a high quality holiday let apartment as part of Fife Historic Buildings Trust's Cupar Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme and Townscape Heritage Initiative programme funded by Historic Environment Scotland and the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

The Group held its 2012 AGM in the Lorimer dining room at Kinloch House, being privileged to see over Kinloch, prior to any significant work starting. Kinloch had previously been in institutional use and a scheme of restoration and alteration was programmed. Simon Green had provided us with an account of the house's architectural development, illustrated by early photographs and to the drawings of both Charles Kinnear, who had adapted the 1691 original house for his brother in 1859, and Robert Lorimer, who reorganised the principal floor in 1921, from the NMRS collection. The owners have invited us back to show us how work has progressed.

Meet at 11.00am at Cupar Burgh Chambers, St Catherine's Street at 11.00am £10

Apply for tickets from Adam Swan, c/o DHET 19 Dock Street, Dundee DD1 3DP, tel 01382 902244/ 07711 847463
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Please send me booking confirmations & directions for the following Summer Activities:

Destination	£	Number	Cost
South Fife – Burntisland and Aberdour	10.00		
West Perthshire 1 – Innerpefferay & Cloan	15.00		
Angus Houses	15.00		
Dundee - Scouringburn Walk	5.00		
West Perthshire 2 – Gleneagles & Colquhalzie	10.00		
North East Fife – Cupar and Kinloch	10.00		

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