



## Morden Hall Park National Trust Christmas events

### Postcards from Christmas at Morden Hall Park

Saturday 26 November–Thursday  
5 January, 9am–5pm

Find giant postcards and learn about how different people celebrate Christmas around the world. Make your own postcard about how you celebrate at home. Free.

### Visit Father Christmas

26 and 27 November, 3, 4, 10, 11 December,  
10am–4pm. Weekdays, 19–22 December,  
10am–3.30pm

Meet Father Christmas and his elves and receive a gift personalised just for you. There'll also be a different Christmas themed craft to take home each weekend. £8 per child. Book to avoid disappointment.

### Christmas wreath workshops

Thursday 1 December, 1pm–4pm,  
Friday 9 December, 7–9pm

Learn how to make your own natural wreath with our expert instructor using materials from the park and our garden centre. Hot drink and mince pie included. £35 per person.



find out more 020 8545 6850, 0344 249 1895  
mordenhallparkevents@nationaltrust.org.uk  
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/mordenhallpark

## Health and fitness

### Headway South West London

Tuesday 6 December,  
7.30–9pm

Drake House,  
44 St George's Road,  
Wimbledon. Our  
Wimbledon support group  
offers adults with a brain  
injury and those who care  
for them information,  
activities and the  
opportunity to share  
experiences with others  
who are facing similar  
challenges. Meetings in  
2017 will be held on the  
second Tuesday of the  
month.

find out more  
www.headwayswondon.org

## Community forums

Anyone with an  
interest in the local  
area is invited to  
attend these free  
community meetings.  
Discussions about a  
range of local topics  
will be held, with  
issues being followed  
up on by the relevant  
organisations.

### Raynes Park

Wednesday 30  
November, 7.15pm  
Raynes Park Library  
Hall, Approach Road,  
Raynes Park SW20 8BA.

### Wimbledon

Tuesday 6 December,  
7.15pm Mansel  
Road Centre, Trinity  
United Reformed  
Church, Mansel Road,  
Wimbledon SW19 4AA.



### Katriona Taylor

The Singing Shack, 5  
Preston Road, Wimbledon  
SW20 0SS. Develop  
your solo voice. Perform  
with an accompanist.  
Receive guidance and gain  
experience. For all ages.

Gospel singing workshop  
Saturday 7 January  
2017, 10am–1pm

An intensive morning of  
singing gospel material  
with harmonies. Price: £38.  
Performance singing  
workshop Saturday 14  
January 2017, 10am–1pm  
Price: £38.

find out more  
www.katrionataylor.com

### Merton Monday

Wimbledon Common  
Golf Club, 19 Camp Road,  
London SW19 4UW.

Play after 10am any  
Monday for £10 a round.  
For Merton residents only.  
Offer: 12 September–31  
March 2017. Experienced  
golfers only. Present a  
recent utility bill with your  
address. Wear a red polo  
shirt (or hire one from us).

find out more

020 8946 7571  
clubhouse@wcgc.co.uk



## Family

### Foster Information Meetings

Morden Baptist Church, Crown Lane SM4 5BL.  
Could you Foster? Come along to one of our events,  
meet the team and also experienced Merton foster  
carers to get a real feel for fostering. Hear about  
fostering, the assessment process, impact on family  
life, support, training, payments and much more.

Foster Information Meetings  
are on the following days:

Wednesday 23  
November, 6.30pm;  
7 December, 10.30am  
21 December, 6.30pm  
11 January 2017, 10.30am  
26 January 2017, 6.30pm

find out more  
merton.gov.uk/fostering  
020 8545 4070  
fostering@merton.gov.uk



## Merton Active Kids

Wimbledon Park Pavilion, Home Park Road,  
Wimbledon, London SW19 7HR



Join our dramabuds for a magical Christmas  
adventure full of interactive storytelling, drama,  
play, movement and song! Getting all the children  
involved in the action.

### Magical Christmas Toys

Saturday 26 November 2016  
2–3pm for 2–4 1/2 years (parents stay);  
3–4pm for 4–8 years

Fairy Christmas Belle will get the adventure started  
by leading a warm up of toys dancing! The children  
are then taken on an enchanting adventure as we  
all become the magical toys that can only come to  
life at night time. Together we journey up to the  
moon inside a hot air balloon, then drift through  
the night sky to the North Pole.

### The Night Before Christmas

Sunday 4 December 2016  
10–11am for 2–4 1/2 years (parents stay);  
11–12 noon for 4–8 years

After a lively game of musical Christmas statues the  
children perform the first part of the tale, The night  
before Christmas, when there is a knock on the  
window from Rudolph. Oh no! Father Christmas is  
not feeling very well. He has a terrible cold and  
needs the children to gallop all the way to North  
Pole to help save Christmas. We arrive at the North  
Pole, have fun in the snow, make presents with the  
elves, and ride by sleigh through the night sky.

Each adventure costs £7.50.

find out more  
online bookings: www.merton.gov.uk/activekids

## Walks and talks



### Melanie's autumn walks

Saturday 17  
December, 12.30pm

Mitcham Junction  
(meet at bus stop on the  
bridge) Christmas Party,  
Ecology Centre, Mitcham  
Common 2–4pm.  
Preceded by a walk around  
Mitcham Common, three  
to four miles, easy, linear.

Sunday 29

January, 10.30am  
Wandle Walk along  
the Wandle Trail via  
Hackbridge and  
Carshalton, to include  
visit to Wilderness Island.  
Return to Mitcham  
Junction via Beddington  
Park and Beddington

Farmlands with a stop at  
the café for refreshments.  
Five to six miles,  
easy, circular.

### Going for a Song

Mitcham: Wednesday,  
1–2pm, Vestry Hall,  
London Road, Mitcham  
CR4 3UD. £3.50.  
Wimbledon: Wednesday,  
3–4pm, St Mark's Church  
Hall, St Mark's Place,  
Wimbledon SW19 7ND,  
£5. Choirs for the over 55s.  
Join us in either Mitcham  
or Wimbledon to learn  
some great songs and  
make new friends in a  
relaxed environment.

find out more  
020 8640 6800



## Wimbledon National Trust Association

2.15–4pm. Christchurch  
Hall, Cottenham Park  
Road, West Wimbledon  
(200 bus route).  
Members £3,  
non-members £3.50.  
Find out more:  
020 8946 4160

### Stories and Pictures From a Lifetime as a Showbusiness Photographer

Saturday 21  
January 2017

Experienced speaker,  
John McKenzie, will  
give a talk accompanied  
by the images taken  
by his late father  
throughout his 60+  
years as one of the top  
London photographers  
in his field. The images  
include Elizabeth  
Taylor, Vera Lynn and  
the Two Ronnies and  
many are accompanied  
by interesting and/or  
amusing tales.

### The Crop Circle Mystery

Saturday 18  
February 2017  
With stunning visuals,  
Andy Thomas explores  
the extraordinary  
phenomenon of crop  
circles, the intricate  
shapes which appear  
in fields around the  
world each summer  
and still defy total  
explanation despite  
media scepticism and  
ongoing debate.