

A SHORT MID WEEK BREAK in GLOUCESTERSHIRE Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th July 2017

We have designed a short flexible event that members can decide to join in its entirety or for just one day or part thereof. The event commences with an optional lunch at the delightfully nostalgic Flag and Whistle café at Toddington Railway Station (where there is ample car parking) followed by a trip on the 14.40 steam train of The Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway that meanders for approximately 12 miles through lovely scenery to Cheltenham Race Course from where it returns to Toddington arriving back at 16.18.





The Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway

Dumbleton Hall Hotel

Some may wish to alight at Winchcome, a charming Cotswolds village, for a cup of tea/coffee and delicious piece of cake at the 1950's style Coffee Pot café on Platform 1 and then catch the following train which arrives back at Toddington at 17.04. Following our train journey we drive just four miles to our Hotel, the beautiful Dumbleton Hall at Dumbleton, nr Evesham, set in its own extensive romantic grounds in which there are magnificent Cedar trees and woodland, plus Black swans on the lake and where participants can order full afternoon tea and still have time to relax with a drink before dinner at 7.45pm

We leave Dumbleton Hall the following morning **Thursday 27**th **July** at a leisurely 10.00 – 10.15am after a full breakfast to drive along quiet back roads for seven miles to arrive at the magnificent late mediaeval Sudeley Castle for coffee and biscuits at 10.30am. We are very grateful to the Castle's owners, Lord and Lady Ashcombe for giving us special permission to park our cars on their private North Lawn to the front of the house. Please respect this privilege!

Those members who may wish to join us at Sudeley Castle as a stand-alone day trip should also arrive at 10.30am and proceed to the North Lawn,



Set against the backdrop of the beautiful Cotswold Hills, Sudeley Castle & Gardens is steeped in history. It has a thousand years of royal connections and was home to Queen Katherine Parr, the last wife of King Henry VIII and who is buried in St Mary's Church in the grounds of the castle. It is the only private castle in England to have a Queen buried in the grounds.

The magnificent gardens are world-renowned, providing variety and colour from spring through to autumn. The centrepiece is the Queens Garden, so named because four of England's queens – Anne Boleyn, Katherine Parr, Lady Jane Grey and Elizabeth I – once walked upon the original Tudor parterre upon which the garden is based. An abundance of colour can also be seen in the secluded East Garden, which is neighboured by the Church. This is bordered by the White Garden, where Katherine Parr and her companion, Lady Jane Grey would have entered the church.

The Pheasantry houses a collection of 16 rare and endangered species of birds from around the world as part of Sudeley's programme of breeding and conservation.





Sudeley Castle

The Chandos Bedroom

Following refreshments we shall tour the castle at 11.00am, including seeing some of the family's private rooms. The tour will last approximately 1.5 hours following which participants can choose to have luncheon served in The Terrace Café in the Banqueting Hall at around 12.45pm or bring your own picnic.

At 2.00pm we shall take a tour of the stunning gardens that will take approximately 1.25 hours during which judging will take place for those who wish to enter their cars for the Concours d'Etat. Winners will be announced and trophies awarded immediately following the garden tour at 3.15pm following which an optional full afternoon Cotswold tea will be available to set everyone up for their journey home.



The key to this mini event is flexibility, participants will be able to choose as much or as little of the break as they wish. Therefore please check the different options carefully and be sure to circle the parts in which you wish to partake.

IMPORTANT ADDRESSES!

Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway, Toddington, Gloucestershire, GL54 5DT Dumbleton Hall Hotel, Dumbleton, Nr Evesham, Worcestershire, WR11 7TS Tel: 01386 881240 Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe, Gloucestershire, GL54 5JD		
To: Graham Tyson, The Old Vicarage, St Minver, Nr Wadel gtyson@outlook.com Tel: 01208 862951 Mobile: 07850 181 2		PL27 6QH – Email:
We/I wish to attend all/part of the Gloucestershire Short To $27^{\rm th}$ 2017	our Wednesday Ju	ıly 26 th and Thursday July
Name		
Address		
E-mail		
The cost <u>per couple</u> of the whole event including the following:		Please circle your preferences
Return Steam Train journey	£ 28.00	yes/no
Dinner Bed & Breakfast Dumbleton Hall (Excluding any drinks) Double/Twin Room (Delete as Appropriate)	£177.00	yes/no
Sudeley Castle and Gardens (incl. tea/coffee upon arrival)	£ 30.00	yes/no
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Total <u>PER COUPLE</u> for the whole	£235.00	
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Total PER COUPLE for the portions chosen

£

Single members wishing to attend will be charged 50% of the above apart from the Hotel where the Dinner Bed & Breakfast rate will be £95.00 (i.e. a total of £124.00 if all three options are circled)



I enclose a cheque for £135 made out to The 20-Ghost Club Limited as a non-refundable deposit to secure my/our place on the whole of the Gloucestershire Tour OR I enclose the full cost of any portion(s) of the Tour in which I wish to participate. Please contact Graham Tyson if you need any clarification.

If you wish to pay in Euros or Dollars, please advise Graham Tyson and he will arrange for details of the relevant bank account to be sent to you.

Note 1) The light luncheon at the Steam Railway and Sudeley Castle plus all drink and optional

afternoon tea on both days, will be the personal responsibility of each participant.

Note 2) Dietary Requirements (if applicable)..... Note 3) Mobility restraints (if applicable)..... DETAILS OF THE PARTICIPATING CAR Model.......Colour.......Reg No.....Colour...... Year "Off test"......Body style......Coachbuilder..... I do/do not (delete as appropriate) wish to participate in the Concours d'Etat As a participant in the 20-Ghost Club July 26h & 27th 2017 short tour in Gloucestershire and in consideration of the right and privilege to enter and participate in this tour and intending to be legally bound, I agree to release the 20-Ghost Club and all committee members and its representatives from any and all liability and injuries, damage or loss or consequential loss arising from my entry and participation in the event. I confirm that I will have public liability insurance cover in place should I be accepted for this tour/event. I also agree that information about the participating car, the names of the driver and passengers, including photographs taken during the tour, may be published in the Club's journal, News and Record, unless I inform the Editor by email that I do not wish such information and/or photographs to appear. Name...... (Printed please) Signature..... Date.....