



TR Register Shropshire Group's Turkey Trot Saturday 9th December 2023



This year's Turkey Trot will take us on a visit to Attingham Park, decked in its Christmas glory, and then onto The Horseshoes Inn, Dorrington for our annual Christmas Meal.

Attingham Park is one of the most visited National Trust properties in Country. The estate is formed by land confiscated from Haughmond Abbey during the Henry VIII's Dissolution of the Monasteries. The Hill family (later the Lords Berwick) built Tern Hall in about 1700. They prospered, making money from politics, acquisition of land, money lending and mining. Indeed, their motto was "Let wealth be his who knows how to use it".

The parkland was designed over 200 years ago by Humphrey Repton and in 1800 it was extended by the demolition of the village of Berwick Maviston. For Christmas 2023, the National Trust has decorated around 50 trees along with other "peculiarities" around the park. A walk around the grounds will be a visit to a festive wonderland. Refreshments are available at The Courtyard Café and at the Mansion House Tea Rooms. There is also a shop in The Stables and a second-hand book stall.



This year there will be an innovative Skating Rink in the Outer Courtyard behind the Mansion using a synthetic acrylic "ice" surface. Costs are £8 per adult for 30 minutes. Booking is advised. For more details and to book see:

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/shropshire-staffordshire/attingham-park/events/e39ee359-a4fb-4b82-86c1-744e2709c953

Tern Hall was replaced by the current mansion, Attingham Hall, in 1785. The Berwicks lived here until the estate was handed over to the National Trust in 1947. Once again, the Trust will be decorating the house for Christmas with themed trees in each of its rooms. Enjoy the glitz and glamour of Attingham at Christmas. **Entrance to the mansion will be by ticket which must be pre-booked. If you wish to visit the mansion, PLEASE BOOK YOUR OWN TICKETS DIRECTLY WITH THE NATIONAL TRUST (see their website). Tickets for Saturday 9th December will go on sale on Thursday 16th November.**

National Trust members may book for free. Non-members will pay the admission fee at the time of booking.

For more details see:

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/shropshire-staffordshire/attingham-park/christmas-at-attingham

Please see the itinerary below for the times that we will be at Attingham.

Our Christmas Meal will be at The Horseshoes Inn, Dorrington and menus have been distributed. **The deadline for food orders is Tuesday 21st November.** Please pass your food order and payments to Stuart and Diane Heaton:

smheaton55@btinternet.com

Normally, we do a "Secret Santa" exchange of presents. However, for this year, members have voted to make anonymous donations to a Cancer Charity. Please do donate a similar amount to that which you would have spent on presents. Envelopes will be provided.

If you are not going to Attingham Park and are meeting us at The Horseshoes Inn, please do let Roger Critchley know:

trshrops@gmail.com

Itinerary:

These times may vary slightly if they have to be fine tuned to allow for you to visit Attingham Hall

10:30	Meet at Battlefield Services, Shrewsbury, SY4 3EQ (earlier if you want coffee etc)
10:45	PROMPT start of run
11:30	Arrive at Attingham Park, Atcham, Shrewsbury, SY4 4TP Admission £15 per person (£16.50 with Gift Aid). National Trust members free
13:30	Depart Attingham Park
14:30	Arrive at The Horseshoes Inn, Dorrington, Shrewsbury, SY5 7JD
15:00	Christmas Meal

This is a non-competitive Social Run and is organised under the latest instructions of the TR Register. It is necessary to sign the TR Register's disclaimer before the start of the run.

Please do decorate your cars appropriately!

Attingham Park's main website:

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/shropshire-staffordshire/attingham-park

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