



# Discover King John's Palace

## Events 2015

The Sherwood Forest Trust and its partners would like to invite you to join for a summer full of celebrations. King John's Palace was the royal residence of 8 medieval kings for almost 250 years. These events have been put together for enjoyment and illumination of the story of Sherwood Forest and the Kings of England.

### LIBERTEAS EVENT

A celebration of the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Magna Carta – our freedom and equality

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

**Friday 6-11pm, Saturday 1-11pm,**

**Sunday 1pm – 6:30pm**

A three day Real Ale & Cider festival, with music and food on all three days, sideshows, events, and a historical talk and history into King John's Palace.

*Free entry and free parking.*

[www.kingsclipstonebrewery.co.uk](http://www.kingsclipstonebrewery.co.uk)

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

**2:00pm - 5:00pm**

The climax of the weekend, with inspirational talkers that will get us all thinking about what freedom, equality and democracy mean to us today. Tea and cake will be available.

*Free entry and free parking.*

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### COMMUNITY EXCAVATION

**July - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>**

Join Mercian Archaeology CIC and take part in a real archaeological dig that will find out more about the Palace site. All instruction and tools supplied.

*Free event but Booking only via Mercian please.*

[www.mercian-as.co.uk](http://www.mercian-as.co.uk)

### COMMUNITY EXCAVATION PUBLIC OPEN DAYS

**July 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>**

**10am til 4pm**

At our public open days we want you to come and see what has been happening at the dig, be entertained by Robin Hood and his outlaws, and learn about the history of the heart of Sherwood Forest. We have also laid on a special treat aboard the...

*Free entry and free parking.*

### KING JOHN'S EXPRESS

**July 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>**

Come to the open days in style on an iconic vintage RouteMaster bus, all on us! On the 11<sup>th</sup> a bus departs from Mansfield and Worksop and on the 18<sup>th</sup> from Nottingham and Newark.

*Bus and open day is free but Booking only with The Sherwood Forest Trust at*

[www.sherwoodforest.org.uk](http://www.sherwoodforest.org.uk)



### SHERWOOD FOREST BUS TOURS

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September and Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Calling at:

Rufford Abbey – Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve – King John’s Palace – Newstead Abbey

Enjoy a full guided tour with local Historian, Archaeologist and Specialist Peter Hammond and Andy Gaunt of Mercian Archaeology, all aboard the vintage RouteMaster bus. *Booking essential and via Mercian at: [www.sherwoodbustours.com](http://www.sherwoodbustours.com)*

### SHERWOOD ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRAINING FIELD SCHOOL

10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> August and 17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> August

This is not an ordinary field school - this is a ‘Training Field School’ where you will learn about all aspects of archaeological excavation and receive hands on training and learning from archaeological professionals, Mercian Archaeology, in the heart of Sherwood Forest. Visit [www.mercian-as.co.uk/fieldschool.html](http://www.mercian-as.co.uk/fieldschool.html) to book a place.

### THOROTON SOCIETY ARCHAEOLOGY LECTURE

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October

‘A Place for our Kings – A decade of research into a royal residence in the heart of Sherwood Forest’ by James Wright & Andy Gaunt

[www.thorotonsociety.org.uk/events.htm](http://www.thorotonsociety.org.uk/events.htm)

We would also like to thank James Wright, Senior archaeologist at the Museum of London, who has dedicated over a decade of research on the archaeology and history of Kings Clipstone & New Clipstone. Follow him here...

[www.facebook.com/ArchaeologyHistoryKingsClipstone](https://www.facebook.com/ArchaeologyHistoryKingsClipstone)

*King John’s Palace is located at Castlefield, Kings Clipstone, Mansfield. Close to NG21 9BT*



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