Commemorations

Bicentenary of Napoleon's arrival on St Helena  [07/10/2015 - 18/10/2015]

Details
On the 7th October a delegation from France including members of the Fondation Napoleon, the Souvenir Napoleonienne and a representative of the French Minister of Foreign affairs arrives on St Helena for the anniversary of Napoleon's arrival on that island 200 years ago, on board Northumberland.

Among the celebrations is the official re-opening of Longwood house and in particular the "Generals' quarters" after the program of renovations there that has been funded by the international appeal coordinated by the Fondation Napoleon. Read more about the work that has been achieved here.

Below is a selection of events taking place on St Helena Island. For more details see http://sthelenatourism.com/what-to-do/events/napoleonic-bicentenary/

Wednesday 7
9.30 am Island Tour to all the Napoleonic sites. The tour also includes visits to the Millennium Forest, the Boer Graves at Knollcombes and Plantation House grounds, finally on to the Ladder Hill fortifications and Jacob's Ladder before returning to Jamestown. To book, contact Mr Hensel Peters on Tel:22701

2.30 pm- Historical Town Walk
Meet at the Cenotaph. A guided walk around lower Jamestown as an introduction to the Island, its people
and its history. The tour concludes with refreshments at one of the old Georgian Town Hotels (10 places available). To book, contact Mr Basil George on Tel No: 24525
Cost: £8.00 per person

**Thursday 8 October**
9.30 am – Island Tour (3.5hrs) Visit the Napoleonic Sites, then onto Stitches Ridges overlooking Sandy Bay. Driving to Plantation House Grounds, Ladder Hill Fortifications and Jacob's Ladder before returning to Jamestown. To book, contact Mr Hensel Peters Tel: 2270
7 pm - Prince Andrew School Movie Night – Projection of “The Man on the Rock” by Kenneth Griffith
Entrance fee £1.00 for adults and 50p for children under 16 years. First come, first seated basis.

**Friday 9th October**
4.30 pm – At the Museum: Napoleon Inspired Art Exhibition by artist, Aine O'Keeffe

**Saturday 10th October**
8 pm- Regency Ball. The St Helena Cancer Support & Awareness Group Regency Ball, including finger buffet snacks and cash bar. Dress code: early 1815 or formal dress.

**Sunday 11 October**
8 am Service at St Paul's Cathedral
9.30 am Service at St John at Jamestown
10 am- Food Festival, Longwood GreenFood demonstration, local food on sale, St Helena Distillery, Crafters Market and local produce.
3 pm- Ceremony at the Tomb.

**Monday, 12 October**
9.30 am – Island Tour (3.5hrs) Visit the Napoleonic Sites, then onto Stitches Ridges overlooking Sandy Bay. Driving to Plantation House Grounds, Ladder Hill Fortifications and Jacob's Ladder before returning to Jamestown. To book, contact Mr Hensel Peters Tel: 22701
10.30 am – Guided walk to Bank's Battery.
To book, contact Mrs Rebecca
Cairnswick, National Trust on Tel: 22190

**Tuesday, 13 October**
10 am Royal Navy ship arrives  
6:30 pm-Classical Music Recital St James.  
First come, first seated basis,  
Donations Welcomed.

**Wednesday, 14 October**
9.30 am Island Tour Travel to Longwood House. The tour also includes visits to the Millennium Forest, the Boer Graves at Knoll combes and Plantation House grounds, finally on to the Ladder Hill fortifications and Jacob's Ladder before returning to Jamestown. To book, contact Mr Hensel Peters on Tel: 22701

Launch of the General's Quarters, Note - *by invitation only*, Longwood House, Longwood

**Thursday 15 October**
10 am Military March by Navy and Local organisations. Grande Parade, Jamestown

3.30 pm -“1815-2015” Come along and help plant 200 endemic trees at the Millennium Forest where you will be helping re-establish a lost landscape, one that Napoleon would have known. Bring along a spade if you have one and suitable clothing and footwear. For further information contact Mrs Rebecca Carinswicks, National Trust on Tel: 22190

7 pm – Healing Services, St John's Church, Jamestown

**Friday, 16 October**
10.30 am – Guided walk to the Peaks.  
To book contact Mrs Rebecca Carinswicks, National Trust on Tel: 22190

3.30 pm - Kite Flying competition. Join the Scouts and Cubs in flying kites at Francis Plain.

**Saturday, 17 October**
6 pm - Re-enactment of Napoleon stepping ashore on St Helena. As portrayed by the 1970s BBC film by Kenneth Griffiths. Replication of the BBC's 1970 rendition of Napoleon
Bonaparte's arrival at St Helena. Please note period dress is not necessary. It is hoped that people who might have participated in the original documentation a few years ago may come forward to recreate the line up. Bring your candles and lanterns. Followed by live music in the Mule Yard.

**Sunday, 18 October**
10 am – Opening of Longwood House and General Quarter (Public opening)

2 pm - Pink Walk in Longwood. Hosted by the Cancer Awareness and support Charity. Followed by tea in Longwood house gardens.