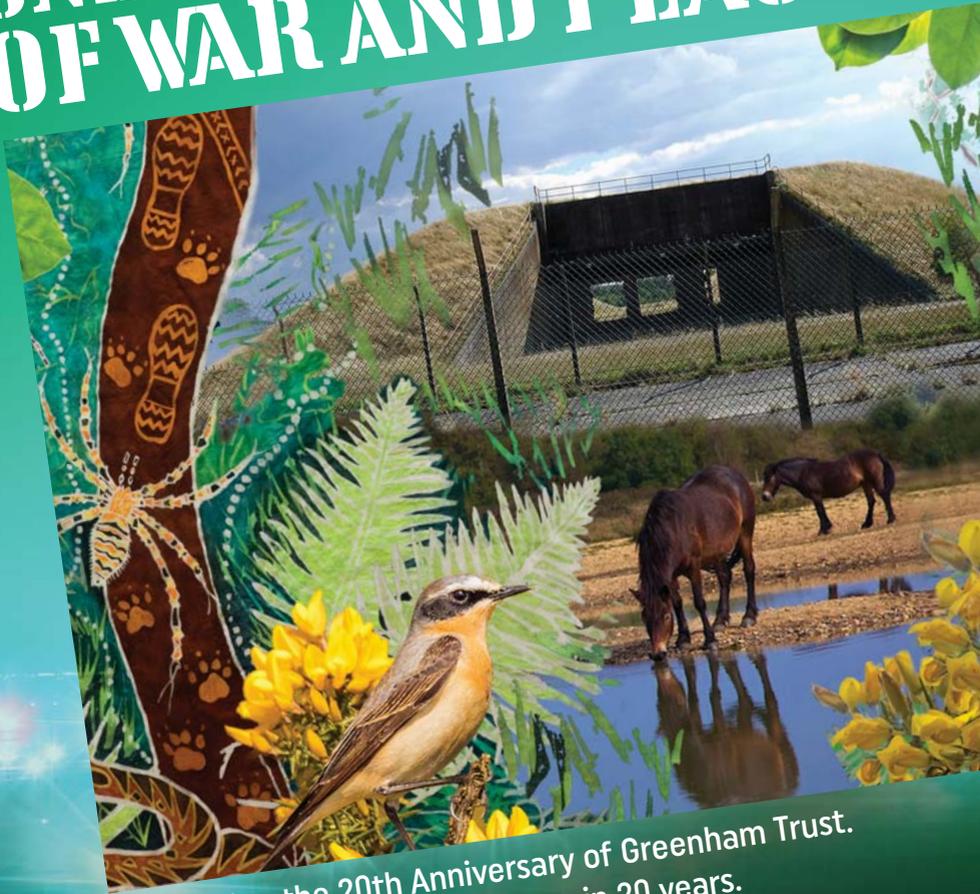


Greenham Trust 20th Anniversary programme
of Talks, Events and Exhibitions, accompanying the
Outdoor Event on Fri 8 / Sat 9 September

GREENHAM: ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF WAR AND PEACE



Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of Greenham Trust.
£40M given to local good causes in 20 years.

Greenham
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WELCOME....

On behalf of Greenham Trust I would like to encourage you to participate in and most of all enjoy the celebrations of our 20th anniversary during September 2017 and beyond. History was made 20 years ago when Greenham Trust was formed to generate charitable giving for our local community from the former airbase. I have talked to many of those who were involved at the outset and even in their wildest dreams they did not expect us to have given in excess of £40 million to over 3,000 charitable initiatives in the years that followed.

We first discussed how to mark this significant milestone over two years ago. Everyone agreed that we should seek to involve as many people as possible from the local community we support here in West Berkshire and north Hampshire. The idea of a ground-breaking free show on Greenham Common was conceived and we set about engaging with all the local stakeholders. I hope you enjoy our main event, **Greenham: One Hundred Years of War and Peace** on 8th and 9th September.

I would like to thank many organisations for making this programme of events and our main celebration event possible, in particular West Berkshire Council, The Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust and the Greenham and Crookham Commons Commission who have all been very supportive of our plans from those early beginnings.

The Trust continues to grow and strives to support our local community through our commercial property and other activities at Greenham Business Park and elsewhere. Enjoy our celebrations and thank you for being part of our story!

Chris Boulton, Chief Executive, Greenham Trust

Greenham and Crookham Commons form the largest area of lowland heath in West Berkshire. They are designated as a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) due to this fragile and threatened habitat, home to some of Britain's rarest ground-nesting birds, including nightjar, woodlark and lapwing.

Berkshire
Buckinghamshire
Oxfordshire



In addition to the hundreds of local people taking part in this celebration we welcome re-enactors from Home Front History, a not for profit entity presenting aspects of life in Britain during the war years 1939-1945 with their own team and members of associated groups. www.homefronthistory.com



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3 **SEPTEMBER**
SUNDAY, 4pm-5.15pm

Corn Exchange, Newbury

Missiles, Politics and Peace – have we learned anything from the Greenham Common nuclear showdown?

A high profile public debate hosted by BBC Radio Berkshire presenter Andrew Peach with speakers including ex Guardian journalist David Fairhall, author of 'Common Ground – The Story of Greenham', vicar and former peace protestor Deborah Davies, politicians and historians. BBC Radio Berkshire will be broadcasting sections of the debate recording. Bring your questions for the panel. Also supported by the Newbury Weekly News.

The event is free but ticketed.

Please book tickets via Corn Exchange Box Office:
www.cornexchangenew.com / 0845 5218 21

4 **SEPTEMBER**
MONDAY, 7pm-8.30pm

Royal British Legion, Newbury

Memories of Greenham Common: Planes, Military, Nature, Dances, Peace

Bring and share your stories and artefacts of Greenham Common at this free memory sharing event. We will be gathering your stories of Greenham Common, from the times of World War 2 to the 1990s and sharing them with BBC Radio Berkshire and West Berkshire Museum. The session will be led by Cathy Alexander from BBC Oxford. All welcome.

No booking required. Bar and refreshments available.

Talks and Events series produced by Fete Day and Rosa Productions for Greenham Trust. Series Producer Craig Henderson, with Ameneh Enayat, John Offord and Mark Norman. www.feteday.co.uk www.rosaproductions.co.uk

5 **SEPTEMBER**
TUESDAY, 7pm-8.15pm

Corn Exchange, Newbury

The Characters on the Common

BBC Radio Berkshire presenter Bill Buckley presents a lively history chat show on stage in which we hear stories directly from the people who have helped shape the history of Greenham Common. We hear from those whose lives were transformed by events on the Common, from the Second World War right through to the present day. Note that elements of this show will be broadcast by the BBC. Also supported by the Newbury Weekly News.

The event is free but ticketed.

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6 **SEPTEMBER**
WEDNESDAY, 2pm-3.30pm

Shaw House

Exploring the History of the Common

With BBC Radio Berkshire presenter Bill Buckley, writers and historians Penny Stokes and Jonathan Sayers, and filmmaker Les Taylor.

In the splendid and historic setting of Shaw House we will explore the long term history of the Common. Penny Stokes has been commissioned by Greenham Trust to write a new history of the Common, and we will have a preview of 'In Another Time', a film about D-day and Greenham, by Les Taylor. Jonathan will talk about the Cold War period and how Greenham Common came to the attention of the rest of the world. Extracts may be broadcast on BBC Radio Berkshire.

Free event but ticketed. Please book through the Corn Exchange box office, Details below.

Refreshments: FREE Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.



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8/9 SEPTEMBER
FRI/SAT, 11.30pm-1pm

Military History Walk

Meet at Control Tower,
Bury's Bank Rd.

Colonel Mike Relph leads a walk onto the Common to explore the military history of the site and remaining USAF buildings. The walk includes a tour of the decontamination suite, and you will be guided past the outside of the Control Tower and the Cruise Missile Bunkers, and visit the centre of the runway.

Free event but ticketed. Please book through the Corn Exchange box office, Details below. Numbers limited to 30.

8/9 SEPTEMBER
FRIDAY/SATURDAY

Decontamination Suite,
Greenham Business Park

Decontamination Suite Tours

Friday 11am-2pm

Schools and groups tours by arrangement

Friday from 6pm-7.30pm

Ticketed tours

Saturday 11am-2pm and 6pm-7.30pm

Ticketed tours

You have been contaminated.

Follow the red arrows on the floor. Follow all instructions for our personnel. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO LEAVE. Our theatrical guided tour will unveil the fascinating secrets locked away in Greenham's chemical decontamination suite, part of the USAF Cold War former Wing Headquarters Building.

The event is free but ticketed.

Please book tickets via Corn Exchange Box Office:
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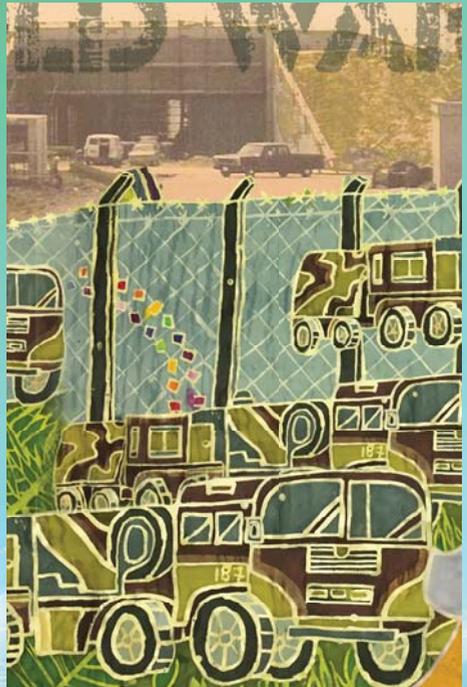
8 SEPTEMBER
FRIDAY, 1pm-3pm

Cloth Hall, West Berkshire Museum

Book Launch – The Common Good by Penny Stokes

A pre-publication book launch for *The Common Good: A History of Greenham Common* by Penny Stokes. The book charts the fascinating history of the Common over the last 100 years, from grazing cattle through two World Wars and the anti-nuclear Peace Protest of the 1980s. The author will read extracts from the book and sign copies in the beautiful Cloth Hall at West Berkshire Museum.

Free event open to public
Refreshments will be available



8/9 SEPTEMBER
FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, 6.30-9.30pm, Finale at 8.30pm

Free Outdoor Show on Greenham Common

GREENHAM: ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF WAR AND PEACE

Written by **Beth Flintoff** Music by **Nick Bicât**
Performance Director **Sophie Austin**
Creative Director & Producer **Rosa Productions**
Paola Dionisotti with a large cast of local performers, choir, musicians, artists and re-enactors.

This exciting, theatrical outdoor event takes place in the middle of the Common from 6.30-9.30pm. There will be a festival feel with performances taking place across the central runway site, culminating in a grand Finale Show from 8.30-9.30pm.



Please allow time to reach the site whether by Park & Ride or from car parks. It takes at least 10 mins from the Park & Ride drop-off and 30 mins from the car parks to reach the performance area. Details on back page. Some catering available on site but please feel free to bring picnics (no glass please). There is no seating on site so please bring any seating you require.

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9 SEPTEMBER
SATURDAY, 2.45pm-4pm

Greenham St Mary's Church Hall

How We Made The Show with Free Afternoon Tea

10am St Mary's Church open for viewing

2pm InCantata with their own repertoire

2.45pm Songs from the show with InCantata

3pm to 4pm

BBC Radio Berkshire talk with the *Greenham: One Hundred Years of War and Peace* Writer **Beth Flintoff**, Composer **Nick Bicât**, and other members of the creative team.

Come and join us to hear how *Greenham: 100 Years of War and Peace* has progressed from its initial idea two years ago, with songs from the show as you arrive.

Free event, no tickets required. Tea, coffee and cake.

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West Berkshire Museum: Post Event Talks & Exhibition

This short series of special talks ties in with the Greenham: 100 Years of War and Peace event and the Tracks Across the Common exhibition opening at the West Berkshire Museum on 27 September 2017. Tickets £5 from the Museum – (see Booking Tickets)

4 OCTOBER
WEDNESDAY, 7pm-8pm

Greenham: 100 Years of War and Peace

Scriptwriter **Beth Flintoff** lives locally to Newbury and was commissioned to write the outdoor event script for the Greenham Trust 20th Anniversary event on the Common. Beth gives an insight into her historical research and the writing of the script, and some of the unique challenges of presenting theatre in the middle of a runway with hundreds of community participants.

6 OCTOBER
FRIDAY, 7pm-8pm

Plants and Wildlife on Greenham Common

Nature and wildlife experts guide us through the natural world of the Common and its status as a Site of Special Scientific Interest. They have depicted the creatures and plants on a silk banner, made as part of the Greenham outdoor event and featured in the Museum's exhibition, which takes us on a virtual path through the gorse and grass and up close observing the creatures.

13 OCTOBER
FRIDAY, 7pm-8pm

Flight from Uganda: No Sense For What The Future Held

Pragna Hay was a small child when she arrived at Greenham with her family as refugees from Idi Amin's Uganda. She will give us an insight into the months she spent with Asian refugee families in 1972 at Greenham Common Camp and relate the story of her family's experiences when expelled from Uganda with just 90 days' notice.

20 OCTOBER
FRIDAY, 7pm-8pm

Living with the Americans

Claire Burdett talks about growing up alongside the social whirl of the USAF during the 60s, 70s and 80s. Daughter of Arthur Burdett, Head of Transportation at RAF Greenham Common & Welford Airbases, Claire remembers barbecues at 'The Manor' (Greenham Lodge), bowling, baseball, dances, Christmas, Halloween and parties, and explores the cultural benefits she experienced living between the two worlds of close-knit West Berkshire villages and the glamorous lifestyle of the American military.

Tracks Across the Common: Exhibition

West Berkshire Museum

Opens September 27th 2017. Celebrating Greenham Trust's 20th anniversary since the former RAF airbase was returned to nature. This exhibition looks back at the unique heritage of Greenham Common, from 1199 when the manor of Greenham was granted to the Knights Hospitaller; through to tank testing during World War I; its time as an RAF/USAF airbase in World War II; the Cold War missile base, the famous peace protests of the 1980s and more recently, its transfer back to common land.

BOOKING TICKETS

The main outdoor event on 8/9 September is free and not ticketed.

Some events require free ticket reservations (indicated in brochure).

Tickets for free talks (where reservations are required) are available via the Corn Exchange Newbury Box Office.

Web: www.cornexchangenew.com

Tel: 0845 5218 218

Free booking can be made in person.

Online and phone booking, fees apply.

Booking Fees: Calls cost 2p per minute plus your telephone company's Access Charge.

Museum Talks Booking

Tickets: £5 each – from West Berkshire Museum (01635 519562) or at www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on (*booking fee applies*)

Outdoor Free Event 8/9 September

No tickets/reservations required

Note: there is a charge for parking on Greenham Business Park on event nights (£5 in advance, £10 on night). Free disabled parking must be reserved in advance. Free parking available at Newbury College - a bus charge from Newbury College of £3 is payable in advance or on the day. Event Shuttle bus from Town Centre is free and requires no reservation. Details below.

CAR PARK AND BUS TICKETS, BOOK VIA EVENTBRITE...

For Business Park and Control Tower Car Parks, and for bus tickets for Newbury College parking, go to www.eventbrite.co.uk, and search for Greenham 100 events.

TRANSPORT, PARKING AND PRACTICAL INFORMATION

GREENHAM: 100 YEARS OF WAR AND PEACE

Location: Outdoors at centre of old runway on Greenham Common

A theatrical event and installation staged in the middle of the old runway area.

Event is free, no tickets required.

Bus and Car Parking bookable on eventbrite.co.uk

If you do not have online access please call 01635 813900 to reserve disabled parking.

Pedestrian and Bicycle Entry onto the Common

Gates will be open at Control Tower, Business Park and at Pyle Hill (RG19 3BX). Note: no parking at Pyle Hill car park on event evenings. Control Tower and Business Parks parking are restricted access – see below. Bicycles can be parked at car parks at your own risk.

No dogs or bicycles in main event area.

Please note that dusk is just after

7.30pm and tracks are not lit until you reach the central event area so you are responsible for your own safety. Please bring torches and wear walking shoes.

The tracks are good but are unmade and are not smooth road surfaces.

BUS SERVICES

Free Town Centre Bus Service

From Cheap Street between 5.30-8.30pm at 5 to 10 minute intervals. Just turn up.

A bus service will run from 5.30pm from **Cheap Street bus stop in Town Centre** (close to Newbury bus station and Railway Station) dropping off at the **Control Tower on Greenham Common**, with a pick up stop at Newbury College where there is free parking but a ticketed bus charge of £3 (please pre-book or pay on night). No outbound journeys from town centre to Event Site after 8.30pm. Journey time from town centre – 20 to 30 minutes.

Free Return journey buses

From Control Tower Car Park at 5-10 minute intervals after 9.30pm when the event finishes. Buses will shuttle to and from the town centre via Newbury College until all audience members have reached their destination.

PARKING

Parking at Greenham Business Park (ticketed)

Parking charges:

£5 per car in advance, £10 on the night.

Car parking opens at 5.30pm for event.

Pre-booked spaces will have priority but

some parking may be available on the night for £10. Signage at entry points will make it clear when car parks are full. (*Regular Business Park Users – please follow the appropriate business park event entry signage. You may be requested to give details on entry from 5.30pm*)

Free Disabled Parking Control Tower Car Park

Burys Bank Rd, Thatcham, Berks RG19 8BZ Disabled Parking must be pre-booked.

Please be prepared to show reservations and Disabled Parking ID.

Please note that there is a walk of approx. 5 minutes from disabled parking and that the event has no seating (although you can bring your own). Once on the Common the tracks are reasonable for wheelchairs but are tracks not made up roads. It is possible to make prior special arrangements to drop off people with mobility issues a little closer to the site. If this is required please phone 01635 813900. The site is more like a mini-festival site with a central stage rather than an outdoor classical concert or play.

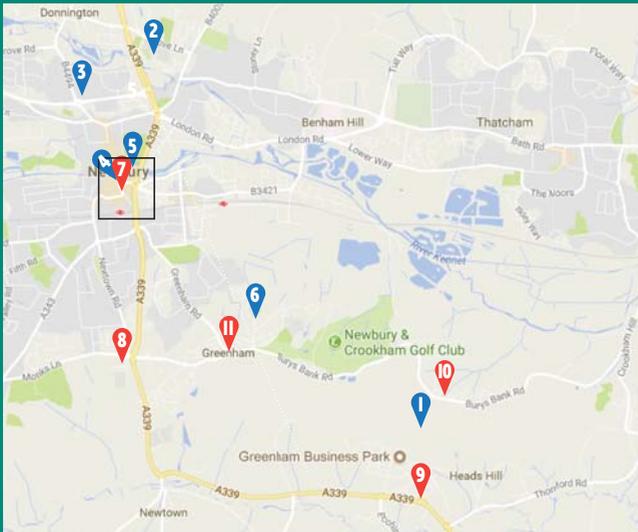
Free Drop-off Only at Control Tower Car Park

For drivers who are not parking/stopping you may drop off and pick up event visitors at the Control Tower car park. No need to book.



GREENHAM COMMON

1. Entrance: Main Greenham Business Park Car Park from A339 Basingstoke Rd (£5 in advance, £10 on night)
2. Entrance: Control Tower Car Park from Bury's Bank Road RG19 8BZ Grid Reference SU499651 (disabled parking and drop off only)
3. Entrance: Additional Pedestrian Entrance (unlit in dark bring torches) via Pyle Hill gate RG19 8BZ Grid Reference SU499651 – no vehicle parking on event nights
4. Business Park pedestrian gate from car park onto Common next to Venture West/English Provender buildings
5. Decontamination Suite, at far end of Venture West Building.
6. Event Site at central cross area of runway.



VENUES

1. Outdoor event site, middle of Greenham Common runway
2. Shaw House, Church Rd, RG14 2DR
3. Royal British Legion – Haig House, Pelican Ln, Newbury RG14 1NP
4. Corn Exchange Newbury, Market Place, RG14 5BD
5. West Berkshire Museum, The Wharf, Berkshire, RG14 5AS
6. Greenham Church Hall, St Mary's Church, New Rd (upper), RG19 8RZ

PARK & RIDE/PARKING

7. Free Shuttle Bus Stop, town centre Cheap Street, RG14 5DB (opposite Old Post Office)
8. Newbury College event night Park & Ride - Free parking, £3 bus charge, pre-bookable
9. Greenham Business Park – Event night parking (Pre-book £5, on night £10 – from 5.00pm)
10. Control Tower Disabled parking and drop off (pre-book, no charge) – Event nights
11. Pyle Hill entrance to Common, RG19 3BX – Pedestrian and bicycles only – no parking.

