

## BIDDULPH OLD HALL & GARDENS

Biddulph Old Hall, Overton Road, Biddulph, Staffordshire, ST8 7SQ Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June: 1.45 arrival for 2pm start of guided tour of hall and gardens followed by tea & cakes in the library



This is a great opportunity to visit the wonderful, interesting Biddulph Old Hall and Gardens (<a href="www.biddulpholdhall.co.uk">www.biddulpholdhall.co.uk</a>), the public access to which is normally restricted to 2/3 days a year to ensure its fragility is not compromised.

The Hall dates back to Elizabeth times, the original garden having been grassed over with banks to the side where snowdrops, daffodils and bluebells have been planted. A sloping bridle walk goes down to woodland and the clough.

The main part of the Old Hall is in ruins containing one of a series of enclosed gardens which have been recreated around the Hall. These have been influenced by the Pre-Raphaelite artist Robert Bateman who lived at the Hall, having grown up at the nearby Biddulph Grange. These gardens include the atmospheric white garden with many rambling roses, the dark garden with darker roses, and a garden influenced by one of Robert Bateman's paintings. The views from here are wonderful.

There is a further flower garden, a small orchard and a knot garden which has had problems and needs further attention.

The enthusiastic owner, Brian Vowles, has been restoring this property for the last 20 years, currently restoring the 6 -story tower.

This is such an interesting place to visit, so **book early to avoid disappointment**. Please note that the number of places is limited to 25 places.

Whilst the deadline for bookings is **Friday 6**<sup>th</sup> **June at the latest**, it is advisable to book as early as possible

Please note however that there are uneven paths and grassy areas and are not suitable for walking aids and wheelchairs.

You may wish to make it a day out by visiting Biddulph Grange gardens (NT) beforehand and having lunch at The Biddulph Grange or the Talbot public house, both a short distance from Biddulph Old Hall.

**Directions:** Biddulph Old Hall is located just over the Staffordshire border near Biddulph Grange, south of Congleton, off the A527. More detailed directions will be sent to you on receipt of the confirmation of your booking.

**Cost**: £25 includes the owner guided tour of the hall and gardens (approximately 90 minutes) and tea and cakes in the library. There will be also an opportunity to further explore the gardens at leisure.

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## WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2025 2pm – 4.30pm Biddulph Old Hall, Overton Road, Biddulph, Staffordshire, ST8 7SQ

I would like ..... tickets @ £25 each (please note: no difference in cost for

members and non members)
Total amount enclosed £
Name/s
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If you wish to pay by bank transfer, please email <a href="mailto:carolynyardley@live.co.uk">carolynyardley@live.co.uk</a> the completed booking form full details, including your telephone number and names of any guests you are bringing, and indicate that payment is being made by bank transfer. The details of the transfer are as follows:

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