Morpeth Northumbrian Gathering Committee



Continuing Northumberland's Traditions

A Standing Committee of Morpeth Antiquarian Society Registered Charity No. 507640 www.northumbriana.org.uk

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ANNUAL APPEAL FOR PATRONS

Each year we invite members of the public to become Event Patrons, to help us stage the weekend's events and so that they may receive discounted tickets. Such help is greatly appreciated and acknowledged. In return, following a minimum donation of £50, or £85 for two people at the same address, Patrons receive one pass per patron. This will give free entry to any of the events listed on the programme sheet, though we cannot guarantee a seat at smaller venues. Those who do not wish to attend events may simply support the Gathering in its aims through donating.

For a smaller donation of £20 we also have our Plaque Patrons scheme, designed to help support the craft, performing and writing competitions which are an important part of the Gathering. £20 would cover one competition award, the small engraved shield which goes to the first prize winner.

THE 2022 GATHERING 22nd to 24th April – mainly online!

After the pandemic caused the cancellation of the 2020 Gathering, the donations and discount entitlement of Patrons who subscribed in advance have been held over to 2023 or whenever "live" events can resume.

In April 2021 with restrictions on physical meetings continuing, it was decided to stage a virtual version of the Gathering online, via YouTube, Zoom and Facebook, in a series of non-ticketed, free access events. However, this came at some considerable expense to prepare the range of professional and amateur videos and sessions. We didn't cover all costs but are determined to keep going with a further **online day on 23rd April 2022**, with a very limited number of in-person events over the wider weekend.

The Gathering therefore welcomes direct donations towards the costs of producing these online events and enabling the annual festival to continue into the future.

Please donate online through **gofundme.com/f/morpeth-northumbrian-gathering** or send a **cheque made out to M.N.G.C.** to

Gathering Office, Westgate House, Dogger Bank, Morpeth, NE61 1RE (queries 01670 513308) E-mail: <u>enquiries@northumbriana.org.uk</u>

If you wish to give through Gift Aid, please ask us for more details first as this requires a different process via our parent body, Morpeth Antiquarian Society.

Many thanks!