

Family fun at Kent's top museums and heritage sites

www.wheelsoftime.uk



2022/23



Join Roamin' Rex, our time travelling character, as he discovers Kent's fantastic museums and heritage sites.

Discover many of Kent's museums and heritage sites, whilst collecting individual badges along the way. Visit any of the museums and heritage sites shown on Roamin' Rex's map (see centre spread) and collect a different badge at each one. Badges are available to child visitors aged between 5 and 11 years. Children can collect a Lanyard with their second badge and earn Award Badges by collecting 10, 20, 30, 40 or 53 badges. Refer to wheelsoftime.uk for more information.

All visits subject to usual admission prices at the time of visit. Please check details on relevant website. Where entry is free, please make a donation to the venue. Adults accompanying children given badges will be asked to complete our record sheet. The information collected will not be passed to third parties. Please read our Privacy Policy on wheelsoftime.uk for more information.



Wheels of Time is a Kent Children's University (KCU) guality assured activity. Children and young people can earn Learning Credits at Wheels of Time sites for participating in heritage activities. Additional credits can be earned at Wheels of Time sites that are Validated KCU Learning destinations.

Visit wheelsoftime.uk and www.kentchildrensuniversity.co.uk for details.

Eden Valley Museum - TN8 5AR

Church House, 72 High Street, Edenbridge

www.evmt.org.uk • Telephone: 01732 868102

We tell the story of the Eden Valley, its people, buildings and natural environment, in a fascinating medieval farmhouse located right in the heart of the historic centre of Edenbridge.

Chiddingstone Castle - TN8 7AD

Hill Hoath Road, Chiddingstone, Edenbridge www.chiddingstonecastle.org.uk

Home of an internationally renowned collection of Ancient Egyptian antiquities. Japanese arts and crafts, Buddhist artefacts, Royal Stuart and Jacobite memorabilia and antique books.

Sevenoaks Museum - TNI3 ILQ

Buckhurst Lane, Sevenoaks

Telephone: 03000 420755

www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/history-and-heritage/kent-museums/ sevenoaks-museum

Come and see the wildcat at Sevenoaks Museum. Changing exhibitions, dressing-up, jigsaws, trails, craft activity and other family activities.



Guildhall Museum, Rochester - MEI IPY

High Street. Rochester Telephone: 01634 332900

A lively and colourful treasure trove of Medway's history, housed in the 17th century Guildhall and the former Medway Conservancy Board buildings.

Huguenot Museum - MEI ILX

95 High Street, Rochester

www.huguenotmuseum.org • Telephone: 01634 789347 Huguenot Museum was closed when this booklet was printed. Please check wheelsoftime.uk for updates about its re-opening.

Fort Amherst - ME4 4UB

Dock Road, Chatham

www.fortamherst.com • Teephone: 01634 847747

Discover how Chatham Dockyard was defended by Fort Amherst along with over 300 years of military history, an amazing network of underground passageways, historic buildings and gun emplacements all set in 20 acres of beautiful parkland.

Fort Luton - ME4 5X|

Magpie Hall Road, Chatham

www.fortluton.co.uk • Telephone: 01634 650839 Fort Luton, a Victorian Fort that played major roles in 1907 Siege Trials, WWI and WW2, has two museums from the Victorian Era up to the Cold war Era.

Royal Engineers Museum - ME7 IUR

Prince Arthur Road, Gillingham

www.re-museum.co.uk • Telephone: 01634 822839 Kent's largest military museum tells the story of the Corps of Royal Engineers and how they have helped the British Army live, move and fight for over 300 years.













Medway Queen - ME7 IRX

Gillingham Pier, Pier Approach Rd, Gillingham www.medwaygueen.co.uk • Tel: 01634 575717

Launched in 1924 for service on Thames estuary routes. She was used as a minesweeper in WWII and is famous for her seven trips to Dunkirk in 1940. She returned to her old route until 1963, after which she was a nightclub in the Isle of Wight. The ship was returned to the river Medway in 1984 and her hull has been rebuilt.

Slough Fort - ME3 9QF

Avery Way Allhallows Rochester

www.sloughfort.org.uk

The most preserved Victorian fortifications on the Hoo Peninsula. Take a trip back into the past and discover how the soldiers used to live and work. Come and see our museum where you can dress up as a soldier, do family activities and see our incredible collection from the Victorian Era, WWI and WW2.

Maidstone Museum - MEI4 ILH

St. Faith's Street. Maidstone

www.museum.maidstone.gov.uk

Maidstone Museum is home to a vast collection of fine art and historical artefacts of international importance. With 13 galleries to explore there's always something new to discover.

Lashenden Air Warfare Museum - TN27 9HX

Headcorn Aerodrome, Shenley Road, Headcorn, Ashford www.lashendenairwarfaremuseum.co.uk • Telephone: 01622 631799 One of the longest established aviation museums in the country on the only World War II advanced landing ground still in operational use.

Cranbrook Museum - TN17 3IX

Carriers Road, Cranbrook

www.cranbrookmuseum.org • Telephone: 01580 712929

Exhibits on three floors of a delightful Grade II listed 15th century timber-framed building, showing aspects of Cranbrook and district's past social, industrial, rural and family life.

Union Windmill, Cranbrook - TNI7 3AH

The Hill, Cranbrook

www.unionmill.org.uk • Telephone: 01580 714557

The tallest Smock Windmill containing all of the working machinery and equipment, maintained in working order, with flour being milled using wind power, whenever possible.

Queenborough Guildhall Museum - MELL 5AA

High Street, Queenborough, Sheppey

www.queenboroughguildhallmuseum.btck.co.uk Queenborough Guildhall Museum tells the fascinating story of this historic town, from a small saxon settlement to a wealthy borough and royal castle built by Edward III.

Blue Town Heritage Centre - MEI2 IRW

69 High Street, Blue Town, Sheerness-on-Sea

www.thecriterionbluetown.co.uk • Telephone: 01795 662981 Packed with items, memorabilia and artefacts. Once you have absorbed all of the amazing feats of history our island was responsible for, relax in our cafe and enjoy our famous Cream Teas.





Rose Street Cottage of Curiosities - MEI2 IA

10 Rose Street, Sheerness, Isle of Sheppey www.rosestreetcottage.co.uk

An intimate dockworker's cottage showing how people lived in the past. Regular changing art and history exhibitions.



Minster Abbey Gatehouse Museum - MEI2 2HW

Union Road, Minster on Sea, Isle of Sheppey

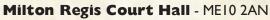
www.minstergatehouse.co.uk • Telephone: 01795 875111 Artefacts are housed in a 1000 year old Grade I listed building. The 12th century stairwell shows the Sheppey Timeline and rises to the roof where there are magnificent views.



(18

Eastchurch Aviation Museum - MEI2 4AA

Old Mill Green, HMP Standford Hill, Eastchurch, Sheppey www.eastchurchaviationmuseum.org.uk • Telephone: 07450 621217 A look at Sheppey's pioneering aviation heritage.



110 High Street, Milton Regis, Sittingbourne

www.friendsofmiltonregiscourthall.co.uk • Telephone: 01795 471876 Built as Milton's civic centre in c. 1450, Court Hall in Milton Regis still stands proudly as an icon of the streetscape after almost 560 years.



Sittingbourne & Kemsley Light Railway - MEI0 2XD

parishes.

The Wall, Sittingbourne

www.sklr.net • Telephone: 01795 424899

This unique line was built in 1905 for the transportation of the raw materials for the manufacture of paper. The line continues to use the steam engines and rolling stock that were supplied to operate the railway in its working life prior to preservation in 1969.

Heritage Hub, Sittingbourne - MEI0 3DL

Unit 17, The Forum, Sittingbourne

www.hrgs.co.uk • Telephone: 07778 793079 The Heritage Hub is the home of the Historical Research Group of Sittingbourne, and is open for enquires and research relating to Sittingbourne and 24 surrounding



The Old Forge Wartime House - MEI0 4RT

26 to 28 East Street, Sittingbourne

www.oldforgewartimehouse.co.uk • Telephone: 07561 647827 We aim to bring history to life in an unique, interesting and interactive way while keeping the experience as factual and authentic as possible.



Sittingbourne Heritage Museum - MEI0 4BO

67 East Street, Sittingbourne

www.sittingbourne-museum.co.uk • Telephone: 07472 268388 The museum houses many objects from Sittingbourne and the surrounding villages over two levels and several rooms.





2







Fleur de Lis Museum - MEI3 8NS

Preston Street, Faversham

www.favershamsociety.org • Telephone: 01795 590726 The museum tells the story of Faversham and its people, from the Stone Age to the 20th Century. There are kings and queens, merchants and manufacturers - but mostly it's a story of Faversham people and their lives through the ages.

Kent Police Museum - MEI3 8AL

Faversham Police Station, Church Road, Faversham www.kent.police.uk/police-forces/kent-police/areas/kent-police/about-us/ about-us/kent-police-museum/ • Telephone: 01795433028 A free educational and fun experience for the whole family. Situated in an operational Edwardian police station, it explores the history and development of one of the UK's largest police forces.

Tenterden Museum - TN30 6HN

Station Road, Tenterden

www.tenterdenmuseum.co.uk • Telephone: 01580 764310

The Museum is housed in a two storey weather boarded building. Inside, you can explore the industrial, agricultural and social history of the town and its surrounding area.

Woodchurch Village Life Museum - TN26 3RE 28

Susans Hill, Woodchurch, Ashford

www.woodchurchheritagetrust.uk • Telephone: 01233 860240 Housed in an 18th century oak-framed barn and 17th century cart shed, the Woodchurch Village Life Museum collection traces the story of this Wealden community from the Stone Age to the present day.

Ashford Museum - TN23 IQG

18. Church Yard. Ashford

www.ashfordmuseum.org.uk • Telephone: 01233 635449

Housed in a 17th century Grade II listed building, the museum is located close to Ashford town centre and features exhibits associated with Ashford's history. The Museum holds its exhibits on two floors so there is plenty to see and learn about the town's past.

Willesborough Windmill - TN24 0QG

Mill Lane, Willesborough Ashford

www.willesboroughwindmill.co.uk • Telephone: 01233 661866 or 01233 733416

Enjoy a guided tour of the Mill followed by a delicious clotted cream tea in the Barn Café. There is also a small souvenir shop in the Barn.

Agricultural Museum, Brook - TN25 5PF

The Street, Brook, Ashford

www.agriculturalmuseumbrook.org.uk • Telephone: 01304 824969 A large collection of Kent-related agricultural items from large wagons to small tools is displayed in a superb 14th century barn and related buildings.

Romney Marsh Wartime Collection - TN29 0EE

Ivychurch Road, Brenzett, Romney Marsh

www.rmwcollection.co.uk

In addition to many artefacts from wartime aircraft, exhibits include The Battle of Britain, the home front, Women's Land Army, Civil Defence, bomb disposal, P.L.U.T.O. all housed in a former Women's Land Army Hostel.

Lydd Town Museum - TN29 9HL

The Old Fire Station, Queens Road, Lydd www.lyddtownmuseum.co.uk

Lydd Town Museum is full of items used in Lydd, Dungeness and Romney Marsh in days gone by. A fine collection of three restored horse drawn vehicles. Unique beach cart used on the shingle at Dungeness. Comprehensive exhibits of the Lydd fire brigade including a Merryweather fire engine of 1890.



Hythe Local History Room - CT21 6BG

www.elhamvalleylinetrust.org • Telephone: 01303 273014

Elham Valley Railway Museum - CT18 8AZ

Elham Valley Line Trust Countryside Centre, Peene, Folkestone

Oaklands, Stade Street, Hythe

the picturesque Elham Valley.

Taking visitors through the history of Hythe from Roman times and then as a Cinque Port, with maps, furniture, costume, military equipment, commercial, civic and social objects.





Folkestone Museum - CT20 IDY

Town Hall, 1-2 Guildhall Street, Folkestone www.folkestonemuseum.co.uk • Telephone: 01303 257946. Folkestone Museum tells the area's human story; from Romans to its wartime years right through to the present day.

Created to capture the history of the Elham Valley Railway Line which ran through



LHAM VAL

Folkestone's Fishing Heritage & Museum - CT19 6AQ

2. Radnor Street, Folkestone

f:@FFHHMuseum • Telephone: 01303 252567 Folkestone's fishing heritage presented as a 'hands on' display of pictures and artefacts related to those involved, their fishing boats, and equipment depicting methods used.



Whitstable Community Museum - CT5 IDB

Forester's Hall, 5A Oxford Street, Whitstable

www.whitstablemuseum.org • Telephone: 01227 264742

Showcasing the history of Whitstable and the surrounding area. See the word's first steam powered passenger locomotive the Invicta and learn of the invention of the diving helmet by the famous Whitstable divers.



King Street, Fordwich, Canterbury

www.fordwichtown.org

38

The smallest and oldest in the country in use today; it houses a jail, a small garden, an under croft and the old crane used to unload boats bringing goods for the City of Canterbury. There is a ducking stool, a tiny jury room and a small loft. Steep stairs take you up to the Main Hall or you can use the lift from the garden.





6















P.M.W.C

The Seaside Museum, Herne Bay - CT6 5E

12 William St., Herne Bay

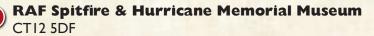
www.theseasidemuseumhernebay.org • Telephone: 01227 367368 Explore the history of Herne Bay, from prehistoric straight tusked elephant tusks to the amazing Barnes Wallis Bouncing Bomb prototypes from World War II. Look at our fascinating collection of fossils from local beaches or get to know what the Romans did for us locally. Find out why the Pier and seaside were so crucial to the town's development.

RAF Manston History Museum - CT12 5DF

Manston Road, Manston, Ramsgate

www.rafmanston.co.uk • Telephone: 01843 825224

Covering the history of the airfield from 1916 to the present day including the outer units, St Margarets Bay, Sandwich, Ash, Dunkirk under its parenting, together with **RNAS** Westgate.



The Memorial Building, Manston Road, Ramsgate www.spitfiremuseum.org.uk

The home of a Mk XVI Spitfire & Mk IIc Hurricane and over 1000 objects that tell the stories of the men and women who flew these fighters during the WWII of the many civilians affected by the conflict.

Margate Museum - CT9 IER Market Place, Old Town, Margate

www.margatemuseum.org • Telephone: 01843 231213 Dating from 17th Century to late Victorian Civic, legal and Police buildings in one plot. Houses 3,500 years of artefacts.

Tudor House, Margate - CT9 IDA

Kings Street, Margate

www.margatemuseum.org • Telephone: 01843 227996 A 1525 Gentleman Farmers residence with many original features including a lacobean dated ceiling, and restored gardens, the building is a fine example of an early style Tudor Building.

Ramsgate Tunnels - CTII 8FH

Marina Esplanade, Ramsgate

www.ramsgatetunnels.org • Telephone: 01843 588123 Ramsgate Tunnels is a mix of two tunnels. A Victorian railway tunnel built in 1863 to serve Ramsgate Harbour Station, and a 1939 wartime Air Raid Precaution.

Sandwich Guildhall Museum - CT13 9AH

Cattle Market, Sandwich

www.sandwichguildhallmuseum.co.uk • Telephone: 01304 617197 Tells the story of Sandwich from the Mesolithic period to the current day with eye catching displays and unique artefacts. Boasting its own Magna Carta and Charter of the Forest, children's activities, historic Tudor Court Room and temporary exhibitions.



22 St Georges Road, Deal www.dealmuseum.co.uk • Telephone: 01304 372098

Our eclectic museum celebrates Deal's incredible past and its importance in maritime history. Highlights include Hooden horses, seafarer's art, Deal's own

Kent Museum of the Moving Image - CT14 6AD

Kent MOMI is an "Aladdin's Cave" of cinema and pre-cinema history,

currency, a massive shoe and a stuffed Victorian flute-playing rat.





Prince of Wales Terrace, Deal

intriguing, quirky and explorable.

4| Stanhope Road, Deal

www.dealtimeball.co.uk • Telephone: 01304 362444

Timeball Tower, Deal - CT14 7BP

www.kentmomi.org • Telephone: 01304 239515

Learn about signalling and time keeping, life in he Royal Navy and smuggling from the four floors of exhibits housed in this iconic Grade II listed tower.

East Kent Railway - CT15 7NT

(50 Station Road, Shepherdswell

www.eastkentrailway.co.uk • Telephone: 01304 832042 Heritage site with multiple attractions. These include steam trains (undergoing restoration), other running stock, 2 miniature railways, a model railway coach and World War Two trenches and vehicles.



Dover Transport Museum - CT16 2|X

Willingdon Road, Whitfield, Dover

www.dovertransportmuseum.org.uk • Telephone: 01304 822409 Memories of old Dover, many forms of vintage transport, old shop fronts and fun activities for children are to be found at Dover Transport Museum along with a café and ample parking.

Crabble Corn Mill - CT17 0UY (52

Lower Road, River, Dover

www.ccmt.org.uk • Telephone: 01304 823292

One of the most complete and working examples of a Georgian watermill in Europe. Six floors of exhibits and milling machinery describe the process of turning wheat into flour.

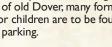


Dover Museum - CT16 IPH

Market Square, Dover

www.dovermuseum.co.uk • Telephone: 01304 201066 Dover Museum houses a large collection of historical artefacts relating to the local area, including the world's oldest known seagoing boat













Roamin' Rex is setting his sights beyond the Garden of England.

Thanks to a grant of £47,460 from the Arts Council England for a three year project titled 'Time to Change', the Wheels of Time badge scheme will be able to develop its governance and operating model to enable the scheme to be replicated across museum and heritage networks outside of Kent.

Watch our website and Facebook page for news from our partners at Weymouth and Portland Heritage Group who will be piloting this expansion.

We would like to thank South East Museum Development, for supporting our application, and everyone who plays the National Lottery, without whom we wouldn't be able to do this.

Earn E-badges when you can't visit our sites

You can now explore Kent's heritage, if you are unable to visit our sites. Earn digital E-badges by visiting some of their websites and completing activities provided.

Unlike the Wheels of Time (physical) Scheme you don't have to be between 5 and 11 years of age to participate in the E-badge Scheme; it is is open to all.

To get started:

- visit wheelsoftime.uk/e-badge-scheme/
- register to participate
- visit a website linked to one of the e-badges in our gallery
- complete the marked Wheels of Time activity to collect a code
- enter the code on your My E-badges page on the Wheels of Time website

Share memories of your visit with us on



Register to receive news about Wheels of Time at: http://eepurl.com/dOGUgH



Wheels of Time is supported by













'Wheels of Time[®], 'Roamin' Rex' and the 'Roamin' Rex' logo are registered trademarks of Ashford Borough Museum Society.

Designed by Arts Incorporated, Tenterden - 01580 766988 - trevor.bingham@artsincdesign.com