

Members, friends and family are invited to our painting days, which usually run from 10.00am to 4.00pm approx. Members provide their own refreshments and onsite facilities are indicated where available. Admission charge or contributions for charity where requested are also indicated. Please note that members attending these events do so at their own risk.

### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Davenport House, Worfield – Charity collection. A beautiful Georgian Manor with panoramic views over the Worfe valley.

Turn off the Bridgnorth Road (A454) at the Wheel Inn. The entrance to Davenport House is on the left opposite the road into Worfield Village. Bring picnic.

### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July – Ruckley Grange, TF11 8PQ

Charity contributions accepted. A striking house set in a beautiful garden and estate offering garden buildings, lake, waterfall trees and undulating landscape.
Take the A41 from Wolverhampton to Albrighton through Cosford, to junction 3 of M54, cross the motorway and take the Whitchurch exit on to A41, turn first left signposted to Shifnal, go under the motorway and turn left at signpost Ruckly/Neachley, then first right at Timlet Lodge (stone dogs on wall), follow drive keeping lake on your right to car park. Bring picnic.

## Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Himley Hall, Himley Road, Dudley DY3 4DF. Stately Hall outbuildings, tree filled park, lake, boats and streams.

Take A449 Kidderminster Road turn left at Himley traffic lights into Himley Road. £3.00 all day car park. Refreshments available at Hall and log cabin café.

# Wednesday 27th July - Stanley Hall, Astley Abbotts, Bridgnorth, WV16 4SP – Contributions accepted. Free parking and toilet facilities on site. Picturesque mansion on the edge of the Severn Gorge.

Proceed to Bridgnorth on the A454, cross the bridge, turn left following the road round past the Severn Valley Railway and turn right at junction into High Town main street. Turn left onto B473 then right after approx  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile at sewage works. Follow road for approx 1 mile past the golf course and turn left into Stanley Hall drive. Bring picnic.

# Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August – Lilleshall Hall, Nr Newport, Shropshire, TF10 9AT (if using satellite please use alternative postcode TF10 9LQ). Interesting period Hall, new buildings terraces park land and formal gardens. Free parking and café on site.

Take the A41 from Wolverhampton do not take turning to Lilleshall continue on A41 towards Newport, pass "The Fox" at Chetwynd Aston and look for signs to National Sports Centre Lilleshall on the left. The drive is 2 miles long.

## Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August – Coalport China Museum, Ironbridge, TF8 7HT – parking £1.00 per hour. A very good venue for industrial buildings, canal, river and vegetation.

The museum is working to foster connections with artists/photographers and is offering free entrance to the museum complex for Society members and have asked for images

of work from the day to put up on their website and facebook. <u>To take advantage of</u> this offer contact me to book in before 1<sup>st</sup> August.

YHA Café adjacent to site and Maws Craft centre over the river has very nice café.

# Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August – Dudmaston Hall, Quatt, near Bridgnorth, WV15 6QN. Picturesque National Trust mansion and grounds with lake and woodland. Open at 11.00. Free parking, toilets and café on site.

#### Entry £12.00, NT members free, no prebooking required.

Take A454 towards Bridgnorth, just after Worfield at Worfield Golf Club take left turn signposted Barnsley/Roughton. After two miles turn left at T junction onto A458. Take the second turning on the right signposted Quatt. At the end of this road Dudmaston Hall entrance is directly in front of you.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August – Bantock Park, Wolverhampton.WV3 9LQ. A surprising variety of buildings in and around the park/gardens. Permission has been given to sit and sketch interiors inside the arts and crafts house - very useful if the Summer weather is unkind to us. Please note that the house opens at 11.00 am. Free parking and café on site.

## Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August - Wightwick Manor, Wolverhampton. WV6 8BN Open from 11.00 am free parking, entrance fee £13.00 (NT members free) Tea room and facilities on site.

Take A454 Wolverhampton to Bridgnorth Road, <u>new car park</u> entrance between "Mermaid Inn" and Tinacre Hill off Bridgnorth Road. Refreshments are available.