

# Ewell History Day returns to Bourne Hall

11 September 2023



**Bourne Hall** in **Ewell** is hosting a celebration of local history on Saturday 16 September. Ewell History Day will take visitors on a journey from the Bronze Age up to World War II.

The public will be able to see blacksmith **Dr James Dilly** cast a bronze axe head, watch as Iron Age folk make offerings to their gods in Bourne Hall lake, witness a gladiator fight, meet Henry VIII, try their hands at some brass rubbing, learn about the Ewell witch and listen to wartime stories from the Hampshire Regiment.

Councillor **Clive Woodbridge**, Chair of Epsom & Ewell Borough Council's Community and Wellbeing Committee, said, "Last year's Ewell History Day was sadly cancelled following the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, so I am pleased to see it return this year.

"What better way to learn about the interesting and varied history of this area, than to see it come to life before your eyes? It's sure to be a fun day out for all the family."

The Programme:



<b>10am</b>	Opens to the public
<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Romans march down Ewell Village from the Grove to Bourne Hall</b>
<b>11am</b>	Mayor opens History Day. Iron Age folk throw gifts in the lake
<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Witchhunter tells the true story of Joan Butts - the Ewell witch</b>
<b>12pm</b>	Fight to the death between a local Iron Age warrior and gladiator
<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Bronze Age metal smelting</b>
<b>1pm</b>	An audience with Henry VIII
<b>2pm</b>	<b>Children learn a Roman Army drill</b>
<b>2.30pm</b>	Witchhunter tells the true story of Joan Butts - the Ewell witch
<b>3pm</b>	<b>Bronze Age metal smelting</b>
<b>3.30pm</b>	Children learn a Roman Army drill
<b>4pm</b>	An audience with Henry VIII
<b>4.30pm</b>	Fight to the death between a local Iron Age warrior and gladiator
<b>5pm</b>	<b>Finish</b>

Ewell History Day runs from 10am to 5pm, and entry is free.

The Flying Saucer Café will be open for refreshments.