

ACRES OF SPACE FOR A GREAT DAY OUT



# GRESSENHALL FARM AND WORKHOUSE MUSEUM OF NORFOLK LIFE



# Welcome to Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse

Enjoy a fascinating journey through the story of rural Norfolk with a thrilling woodland playground, historic workhouse and traditional farm.



Take a cart ride across the fields, discover the country trails, enchanting gardens and the historic orchard, set in a timeless and unspoilt landscape.

Stroll through the museum's galleries and discover a treasure trove of household objects, fascinating tools and mind boggling paraphernalia from times gone by.

Browse around the old village shops and the lovingly re-created cottage garden. Visit "Land Girls and Lumber Jills", a new gallery celebrating the Norfolk Women's Land Army and Timber Corps.

Gressenhall is the perfect setting for the perfect day out, whatever the weather.





## On the Farm

Gressenhall's farm is everyone's idea of a traditional Norfolk farm. See Suffolk Punch heavy horses, East Anglian breeds of sheep and cattle and piglets galore.

It's a real working farm where you can discover a different aspect of rural life with each change of season.



## Life in the Workhouse

Experience the world of the Victorian Workhouse, its people and their stories. Discover the drudgery of daily life, the food, the work and punishments for minor misdemeanours. Unearth the truth about this dark, forgotten history.



# The Great Outdoors

Wander through the orchard, explore the farm and follow the trail around the fields. Our fantastic woodland playground is a world of treehouses, walkways and adventure.



## Mardlers' Rest and Museum Shop

Call in for coffee or a delicious lunch from our choice of hot meals, fresh salads, sandwiches and snacks.

You will find an excellent range of gifts in our shop. Treat yourself to something unusual as a memento of your wonderful day out.

### **Visitors with Disabilities**

may bring one companion into the museum free of charge. The museum is accessible to wheelchair users. Assistance dogs are welcome.



## Event Days

Special days when we transform the museum with costumed characters, stalls, demonstrations, music and lots and lots of fun.

### **Monday 25 April** **Easter Fair**

Celebrate Spring with music, crafts, fairground rides, hands on activities and the ever popular hat parade.



### **Sunday 29 May** **Norfolk History Fair**

Join 'The Mannered Mob' recreating 18th century life; costumed re-enactors portraying some famous Norfolk characters and the Norfolk and Norwich Medieval Association toiling in their encampment.

### **Sunday 28 & Monday 29 August**

### **Village at War**

Join our Home Guards and Land Army girls to step back to the 1940s with re-enactors 'The WWII Royal Norfolk Regiment' and 'Allied Assault 44'.



### **Sunday 23 October** **Apple Day**

A festival of apples and the best of autumn - pressing, tasting, buying and naming.

# Days with a Difference

Enjoy the museum and its collections on days when we focus on a traditional aspect of rural life or occasion for celebration.

## **Sunday 3 April**

### Spring Working Day

See horses preparing the fields for sowing new crops.

## **Sunday 1 May**

### May Day Celebration

A touch of May tradition with music, dance and garlands for the hair.

## **Sunday 19 June**

### Father's Day Special

See the "big boys toys" down on the farm, explore the great outdoors and try a new craft activity.



## **Friday 8 July**

### A Day to Remember

A nostalgia trip for the over 55s. Rediscover your past and get inspiration for your future. All for a special low admission price for over 55s.

## **Sunday 7 August**

### Harvest Day

Watch heavy horses bringing in the harvest, see traditional farming techniques in action and join in the celebrations.

## **Sunday**

## **9 October**

### Horse Power!

Hear horsemen's tales, meet experts and enthusiasts and see heavy horses at work.

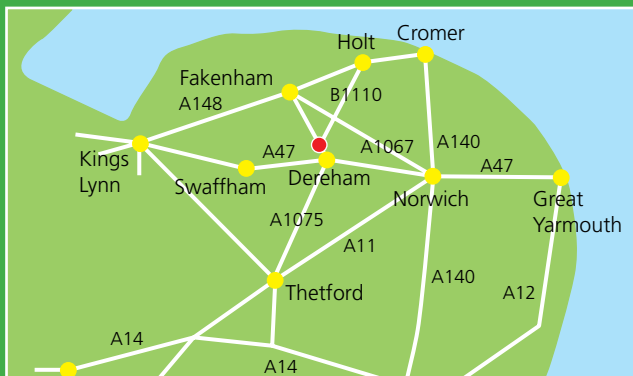


## School's Out!

Gressenhall is great for kids every day but even better in the school holidays when there are lots of fun activities for families.

Most activities are free with museum admission. Art Attack! sessions £1.00, Museums Pass holders 50p.





## Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse

Gressenhall, Dereham, NR20 4DR.

Follow the brown signs from Dereham and A47.

For more information call 01362 869263 or visit [www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.museums.norfolk.gov.uk)

## Open

Sun 13 March - Sun 30 Oct 2011 10am - 5pm

## Ticket Prices

**Adults** £8.90, **Concessions** £7.70

**Children** (4-16) £5.90

Discounts for families and groups

(concessions for visitors with disabilities, over 60s and students.)

**Free admission** for Museums Pass, Friends of Gressenhall and children under 4yrs.

**Free admission** to museum shop and café.

**Free car park** for visitors. Please do not bring pets, we only allow assistance dogs onto the site.

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