Norfolk Gardens Trust

NOVEMBER TALK REMINDER : SATURDAY 17TH NOVEMBER at 2pm

Venue: BAWDESWELL VILLAGE HALL, REEPHAM ROAD, NR20 4RU

An illustrated talk by Kate Felus based on her ground-breaking social history book published in 2016, 'The Secret Life of the Georgian Garden'

The Georgian garden has been hailed as the greatest British contribution to European Art, seen as a beautiful composition created from grass, trees and water - a landscape for contemplation. Scratch below the surface and history reveals these gardens were a lot less serene and, in places, a great deal more scandalous. Kate will reveal previously untold secrets from early morning rides through to evening amorous liaisons explaining how by the eighteenth century there was a desire to escape the busy country house where privacy was at a premium, and how these gardens evolved aesthetically, with modestly-sized, far-flung temples and other eye-catchers.

Kate Felus is a garden historian and author. In her freelance consultancy she has researched and written restoration plans for a wide range of designed landscapes from Elizabethan water gardens to Edwardian seaside parks and include several sites closely connected to Jane Austen. She is particularly interested in the Georgian and Regency period, especially the work of 'Capability' Brown and Humphry Repton and what people actually got up to in their landscapes.

An experienced public speaker her talks are laced with the same lavish illustrations and entertaining detail.

Talk starts at 2pm followed by Tea. £5 for Members and £6 for Guests.

In the past months our membership has increased significantly and we now have over 600 members. To ensure that we can accommodate all who may wish to come to the November Talk - *which is also our 'Christmas' social gathering* - the venue has been changed to *Bawdeswell Village Hall.* Please apply in advance giving your name, email address and telephone number together with a cheque payable to the NGT to Karen Moore, Point House, Back Street, Litcham PE32 2PA. Tickets will not be issued but all applications will be acknowledged by email and your name will be checked against our list on arrival. If you are not on email and would like an acknowledgement please include a sae with your application.

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