

OSWESTRY

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS

11-20 September 2026



Celebrating the stories, people and places that make Oswestry special

OSWESTRY TOWN MUSEUM

Guildhall, Bailey Head | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

Explore the heritage and history of Oswestry and beyond. Drop in.



EVERYDAY HISTORIES

Guildhall, Bailey Head | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

Exploring the stories of people with a connection to Oswestry and their working lives. Each day will showcase a new story. Drop in.



THE GILBERT AND GORDON STORY

Oswestry Town Museum, Guildhall | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

The love story of Gilbert and Gordon told through a collection of queer love letters written during World War II. Hear what has happened since the letters were first discovered. Drop in.



TANAT VALLEY LIGHT RAILWAY

Nant Mawr Visitor Centre, SY10 9HW | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

Lots to see and do including nature walks, quirky railway vehicles and more. Drop in.



HISTORY OF MELVERLEY CHURCH

St Peter's Church, Church Lane, SY10 8PJ | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

A beautiful 12th Century church on the Welsh border. Open daily (not always staffed). Learn about its fascinating history at talks on 12 & 19 Sept at 11am and 2pm.



MANCHESTER SHIP CANAL DISPLAY

Guildhall, Bailey Head | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

Discover the links between the Manchester Ship Canal and the Montgomery Canal, and the fascinating story of steam boat Danny, built by the Shropshire Union Railway and Canal Company. Exhibits include a model of Danny and the bell from her sister ship, Dorrington.



PARK HALL MILITARY TRAINING CAMP & ITS STORIES

Oswestry Town Museum, Guildhall | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

A fascinating display looking at the workings of Park Hall Military Training Camp, the soldiers who trained there and their stories. Drop in.



WHEN OSWESTRY WAS UNDER THE SEA

Oswestry Town Museum, Guildhall | 11-20 Sept, 10am-3pm

A wonderful new display telling the story of when Oswestry (and Shropshire) was at the bottom of the ocean. A delight for all ages created by Shimmer Hughes. Drop in.



RESTORATION WALK ALONG THE MONTGOMERY CANAL

Saturday 12 September | Meet 10am

A popular restoration walk from Crickheath to Pant and back, 5-6 miles in total. Meet at the SUCS Crickheath Compound (parking available; what3words: coton.waltzes.replaying). Firm, fairly level paths - care needed in places. Bring a packed lunch.



LLWYD MANSION: WHO LIVED IN A HOUSE LIKE THIS?

1-3 Cross Street | 12 Sept, 9.30am-12.30pm

Join us for a morning of talks about the owners and occupiers of Llwyd Mansion. Book on Eventbrite: <https://tinyurl.com/y9d736vp>



CAMBRIAN HERITAGE RAILWAYS

30 Oswald Road, Oswestry, SY11 1RE | 12 & 13 Sept, 11am-3pm

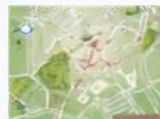
Cambrian Coach 238 - a new acquisition - on display. It was built in 1895 to specifications drawn up William Aston, Superintendent at Llwyd Mansion. Heritage Railways Trains will be running from Oswestry Station to Weston Wharf all weekend. Drop in.



OSWESTRY GUIDED TOWN TOUR

Meet at indoor market, Bailey Head | 12 & 19 Sept, tours at 10.30am

Find out how Oswestry came to look as it does, and hear about the people who lived and worked here. Tours last around 1 hour 30 minutes. Pre-book preferred but not essential - email obt@visitoswestry.co.uk or call 07536 992588 to book.



LLWYD MANSION OPEN DAY

1-3 Cross Street | 19 Sept, 10am-2pm

Join us to explore everyday life in the 15th century, with living history group the Shrewsbury Levy bringing the past to life through demonstrations and displays. Plus, enjoy free craft activities. Drop in.



HERITAGE WALK ALONG THE MONTGOMERY CANAL

Sunday 20 September | Meet 10am

Walk from Llanymynech to Pentreheylin via Carreghofa Locks and the Vyrnwy Aqueduct and back, 5-6 miles, c3 hours. Hear stories of working lives and renewal plans. Meet at Llanymynech Limeworks Heritage Centre car park, SY22 6EZ. Towpath firm and level. Bring a packed lunch.



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