



**Jane
Austen**
Regency
Week

*Celebrating the time Jane
spent in Chawton & Alton*

19th-27th June
2010

PROGRAMME

A week of events taking place in Alton and Chawton, including singing, open day, talks, walks, film, fashion show, town centre activities & market, gambling & supper.

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Introduction

The Jane Austen Regency Week 2010 is a full week of events offering a wide range of things to do and see relating to Jane Austen and the period she lived in.

The events are organised by different local groups under the auspices of the Alton Chamber of Commerce and Industry, East Hampshire District Council and Alton Town Council are contributing funds.

All the events are run on a not-for-profit basis to enrich the local community and to enhance Alton's reputation as part of the Jane Austen Tourist circuit as well as a great place to visit.

We look forward to seeing you at some or all of the events.

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Sat
19th

Title: **“THE TROUBLE WITH FANNY”**
Event: Dom Nicholas Seymour Lecture
Venue: Jane Austen’s House Museum, Chawton
Time: 7pm

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JANE AUSTEN'S HOUSE MUSEUM



Detail: The Dom Nicholas Seymour lecture is now a well-established annual fixture in the museum’s calendar. This year he’ll be exploring the character of Fanny Price, a character in Jane Austen’s Mansfield Park book. It is essential to book this event well in advance.

Info: www.jane-austens-house-museum.org.uk
Tickets: £10 / £7.50 concessions (01420 83262 Jane Austen’s House Museum)

Sun
20th

Title: **THE MADDING CROWD**
Event: Choral and instrumental workshop and evensong
Venue: St. Lawrence Church & Parish Centre, Church St, Alton
Times: 12.30pm for the workshop / 6.30pm for Evensong. (Doors open 6.15pm)

EVENT ORGANISER
ST LAWRENCE CHURCH



Detail: The Madding Crowd is a choir specialising in the music of the late 18th and early 19th Century. They will teach you to sing a traditional evensong during the afternoon and then sing it for real at 6.30pm. The workshop is open to all (ticketed) and you can dress up if you like. Evensong is Free.

Info: www.maddingcrowd.org www.potr-alton.org.uk
Entry: Workshop £5 Adults / £2.50 Under 16 (01420 83234 Parish Office)

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Mon
21st

Title: **JANE AUSTEN'S NEIGHBOURS - STEVENTON**

Event: Talk by Phil Howe of Hidden Britain Tours

Venue: Swan Hotel, High Street, Alton

Time: 7.30pm

Detail: Stories of Jane Austen's neighbours in and around Steventon, where she spent her first twenty five years. This area of Hampshire has been called the cradle of her genius, and the gossip of the late 1700s that Phil relates clearly informed her as a girl, young woman and author.

Info: www.hiddenbritaintours.co.uk (Venue: www.swanalton.com)

Tickets: £4 (01420 85057 Alton Community Centre)



Tues
22nd

Title: **FASHION SHOW & MUSICAL INTERLUDE**

Events: Models in Regency costume and songs from the period

Venue: Grange Hotel, London Road, Alton

Times: 7pm for 7.30pm

Detail: See the fashions of Jane Austen's day in our parade of regency costumes (provided by Jane Austen's House) and modelled by Alton College students. Songs from the Dulcet Tones. Jerry Janes will comper for the evening. Light refreshments will be provided and there is a licensed bar.

Info: www.JaneAustenRegencyWeek.co.uk (Venue: www.altongrange.co.uk)

Tickets: £10 (01420 85057 Alton Community Centre)



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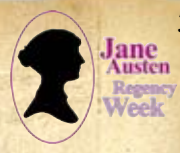
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23rd

Title: **"JANE AUSTEN'S CHAWTON"**

Event: Guided walk of Chawton by local historian Jane Hurst

Venue: None

Time: 6.30pm (Meet at Alton side of A31 underpass in Old Winchester Road)

Detail: Stretch your legs and let local historian Jane Hurst enlighten you about the buildings and events in Chawton that are relevant to Jane Austen. Jane Hurst is part of the Hampshire Branch of the Jane Austen Society and has published a number of books about the locality.

Info: www3.hants.gov.uk/alton-library

Tickets: Free, but tickets required from Alton Library (01420 85734)

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Thu
24th

Title: **"THE PEMBERLEY EFFECT"**

Event: Lecture by Sarah Parry

Venue: Chawton House Library, Chawton

Time: 6.30pm Reception with wine and canapés.

Detail: Sarah (Archive & Education Officer at Chawton House Library) will talk about 'The Pemberley Effect - Jane Austen's Legacy to the Historic House Industry'. She will be introducing you to the many wonderful houses used in Jane Austen film and television adaptations.

Info: www.chawton.org/news

Tickets: £10 (£7.50 for students) 01420 541010 Chawton House Library

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Fri
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Title: **“MANSFIELD PARK” FILM GALA**
 Event: Film showing (1999 version - rated 15).
 Venue: Alton Community Centre, Amery Street, Alton
 Time: 7pm for 7.30pm - with licensed bar

Detail: Frances O'Connor plays Fanny Price in Jane Austen's third and most controversial novel. It's a timeless satire of manners, money and passion set against the outwardly genteel 19th century English society. This event is being run in conjunction with Alton Lions who will be holding a raffle.

Info: www.JaneAustenAlton.co.uk (Venue: www.altoncommunitycentre.org.uk)
 Tickets: £7 (01420 85057 Alton Community Centre)

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Sat
26th

Title: **CHAWTON HOUSE LIBRARY OPEN DAY**
 Event: Explore house and grounds, with entertainment
 Venue: Chawton House Library, Chawton (see advert)
 Time: 10.30am – 4.00pm

Detail: Chawton House is a local gem with wonderful grounds that offer pleasant walks and a fascinating walled kitchen garden (see advert below). Enjoy the Shire horse demonstrations, Hampshire Regency Dancers and children's activities (part of National Insect Week). Refreshments available.

Info: www.chawton.org/news
 Tickets: £5 Adults, £3 Children (01420 541010 Chawton House Library)

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Sat
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Title: **TOWN CENTRE EVENT**
Event: Craft Fair & Regency Entertainment
Venue: Alton Market Square
Time: 10am - 3pm

Detail: Enjoy the craft market and regency-style entertainment in Alton's market square. Details will be on posters and website.

Info: www.JaneAustenRegencyWeek.co.uk

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Sat
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Title: **REGENCY SUPPER & GAMBLING**
Event: Gaming tables with buffet meal
Venue: Alton House Hotel, Normandy Street, Alton
Time: 7.30pm

Detail: Try your luck on the gaming tables and enjoy the regency-style supper.

Info: www.JaneAustenAlton.co.uk (Venue: www.altonhousehotel.com)

Tickets: £23 / £17 if in period costume (01420 85057 Alton Community Centre)

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Sun
27th

Title: **"MINI ME" FAMILY WORKSHOP**
Event: Miniature portrait drawing

Venue: Jane Austen's House Museum, Chawton

Time: 1pm - 4pm (Drop-in - included within standard entrance fee)

Detail: See the miniature portraits in Jane Austen's House Museum then create your own mini me. Suitable for all ages and drawing skills.

Info: www.jane-austens-house-museum.org.uk

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