



British Friends of Vanuatu BFoV Events 2022/23

As at 4th May 2022

Coronavirus Pandemic 2020-2022

The Coronavirus pandemic severely affected the association's planning of our traditional annual events. As a result, the 2020 Spring Weekend and AGM in North Wales, the postponed Autumn AGM in Aspley Guise, Milton Keynes, and the further post-poned AGM weekend in the Spring of 2021 were all cancelled because of Covid-19.

Following the easing of Covid restrictions in October 2021, arrangements for a BFoV Spring Break and AGM to be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, **26-27 April, 2022 at the The Wild Pheasant Hotel & Spa Berwyn Rd, Llangollen, North Wales**, were revived.

The Spring break and AGM went ahead and was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

Vanuatu Independence Day Celebrations. Monday 2nd August, 2022 12 Noon

The BFoV celebration of Vanuatu Independence will again be held at the Savill Garden in Windsor Great Park, and will comprise a lunch in the Garden restaurant, followed by a stroll through the gardens for a group photo with the Ambrym slit-drum and the brass plaque, donated by BFoV in 2001, commemorating the gift of the carving to Her Majesty during a Royal visit to the then New Hebrides in 1974.

Commonwealth Games in Birmingham Thursday 28th July - Tuesday 2nd August 2022

Vanuatu will be sending a small team to this event and we hope we may be able to arrange a meeting with the team as we did for the Olympic Games in 2012 and previous Commonwealth Games in Manchester. Details will be sent to all members in Central England by email and to others on request - see below.

BFoV Autumn Weekend: The Moore Place Hotel, Aspley Guise, Bedfordshire 23/24 September 2022

The Autumn weekend will be held this year in Aspley Guise, close to the Woburn Abbey and Bletchley Park WW2 Museum. Full details of this event are provided in the April newsletter 'Nabanga,' a copy of which can be accessed by members on this website.

BFoV Spring Break and AGM Plymouth Devon April 2023 (Date and Hotel to be decided)

Plans for a 2023 AGM in Plymouth, where we plan to visit the Plymouth Museum to see the new interactive display dedicated to Sophia Elau, a young child from Erromango who died in Plymouth in 1833. Details were reported in detail in the April Newsletter.

For further information on either of these events please contact:

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