

BATEMAN'S – THE HOME OF RUDYARD KIPLING
on Wednesday, 3 September 2014

This visit has been organised by Tony Colclough.

The Visit. We shall visit Bateman's, a fine Jacobean house near Burwash in the Sussex Weald and the home of Rudyard Kipling. On first site of Bateman's, Kipling is said to have cried out to his wife Carrie, 'That's She! The Only She! Make an honest woman of her - quick!' Surrounded by wooded landscape, this 17th-century house, with its mullioned windows and oak beams, provided a much needed sanctuary to the writer. The rooms, described by



him as 'untouched and unfaked', remain much as he left them, with oriental rugs and artefacts reflecting his strong association with the East. Bateman's is very much a family home, but impressive none the less. For more see:

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/batemans/>

Where and when to meet. The address is Bateman's, Bateman's Lane, Burwash, East Sussex TN19 7DS. Assemble in the restaurant from 10:30 to 11:30. Refreshments can be purchased from 10:00 hr. NT members should declare themselves on entry and claim a rebate from REMS on application for a place on this trip.

Getting there: By Car: You can set your Sat. Nav. To the Bateman's address above or just to post code TN19 7DS. The AA route planner can be found at: <http://www.theaa.com/route-planner/index.jsp> . A map is shown at the end of this flyer. There is free parking for visitors.

By Train: The nearest station is Etchingham about three miles from Bateman's. A local bus service exists, but is said not to be convenient, so it might be best to call a taxi. Some local taxi firm phone numbers can be found at <http://www.burwash.org/local-information/burwash-transport.htm> and are listed at the end of this flyer. Trains from Waterloo depart at 08:15 and 09.11 and the journey takes about 1 hr. 20 min. But please check for up-to-date information on the National Rail journey planner at <http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/> .

Lunch and tea: The Mulberry Restaurant serves brunch 10:00 – 12:00, lunch 12:00 – 14:30 and teas 14:30 – 17:00. It has 40 places under cover and more outside. If the weather is bad and visitors numerous, it may be necessary to stagger our lunches.

Timetable:

10:00	Restaurant, Shop & Gardens open
11:00	House opens. Assemble at the Mulberry Restaurant where refreshments are served
11:00 – 12:30	Tour the house/grounds individually. There are people on hand to answer your questions.
12:00 – 14:30	Lunch at the Mulberry Restaurant – timings may need to be staggered
14:00	The mill grinds at this time for those who would like to see it
16:30	Suggested departure time
17:00	House & Restaurant close.
17:30	Shop and Gardens close

Numbers: 15 -25. To get the group rate, we need 15+ members.

Cost: £12.00 to non-NT members. NT members may claim a rebate if they declare their membership on application for a place.

Contacts: Before the trip, contact the organiser Tony Colclough on tonycolclough@tiscali.co.uk . On the day, contact Tony Colclough on 07930 171307. If you cannot take your allocated place, he may be able to re-allocate it to a reserve if you let him know in time.

Late arrivals: Head for Bateman's and join the others. It should not matter when you arrive.

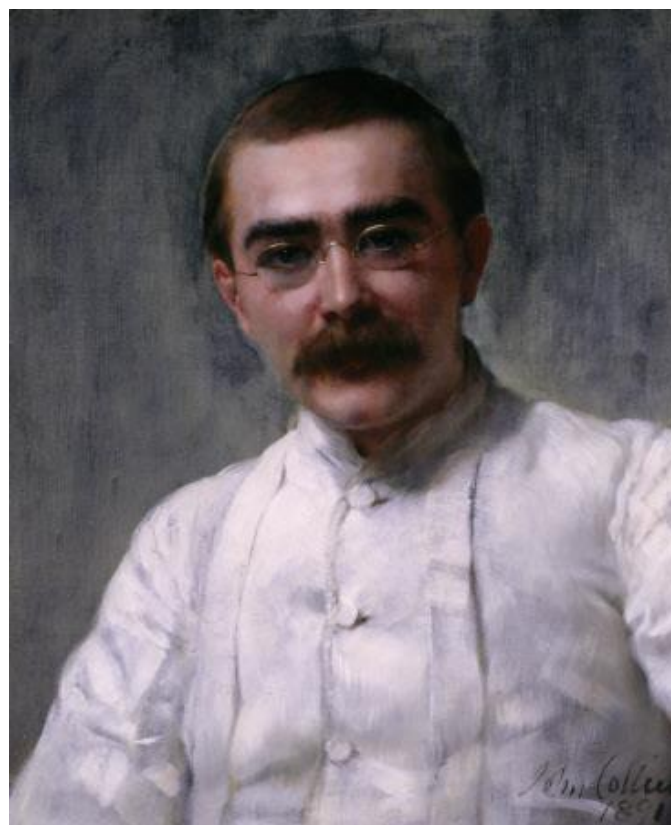
Early arrivals: Sit in your car and read 'If'. Some of us find it a bit high-minded, but it was once voted the nation's favourite poem:

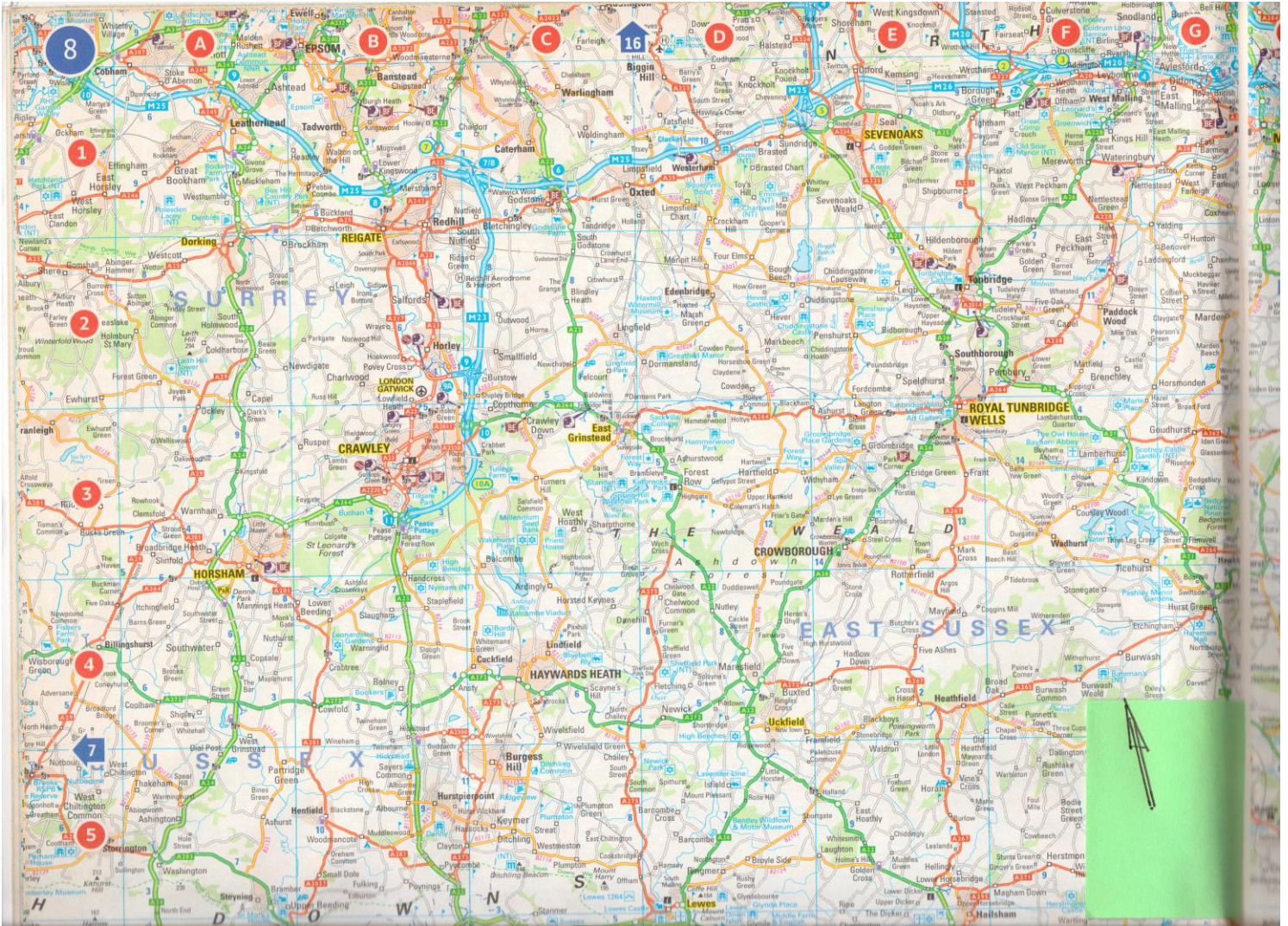
If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too;
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:

If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim;
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same;
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss;
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!





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