

## CLUB/GROUP VISITS TO THE ANSON ENGINE MUSEUM



Club/Group Name	
Name of organiser/contact	
Contact Tel Number	
Contact email address	
Postal Address	
Proposed date* of visit	1 <sup>st</sup> choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice
Proposed time* of visit	1 <sup>st</sup> choice 2 <sup>nd</sup> choice
Areas of particular interest	
Number of attendees	
Other relevant information	

Please complete the booking form and return with your deposit to

**Anson Engine Museum, Anson Road, Poynton, Cheshire SK12 1TD**

NB Your booking request will be confirmed, or alternative date suggested, by the museum upon receipt.

Please note

- a group/club visit is a minimum of 12 attendees on public opening days
- club visit charge for 2010 £6.00 per head. A deposit of £72 should be sent within a week of your booking dates/times being confirmed, cheques made payable to Anson Engine Museum (12 @ £6.00 = £72). Full prepayment for additional numbers one week prior to visit.
- museum will also open out of normal times/days for pre-booked, prepaid visits of 15 or more, deposit required £90.00 (15 @ £6.00), full prepayment for additional numbers one week prior to visit. Groups of a smaller number will be accommodated but at the minimum entry price equivalent to 15 @ £6.00.
- if over 15 visitors in a coach, the named driver will receive free entry plus hot beverage
- our tea shop can provide a range of soft drinks, tea, coffee & confectionery
- by prior arrangement we can provide a platter of sandwiches or buffet to suit your requirements, prices/menu can be provided on request
- a call from the club contact 2 days in advance of the visit to confirm times/numbers will be required (01625 874426)

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Date completed form received at museum	
<b>Confirmation of booking given to club contact</b>	
Special requests/arrangements met?	
Entered in museum diary	
Presenter / demonstrator organised	
Confirmation call received 2 days in advance	

## **Anson Engine Museum - who we are and what we do**

As featured on TV, this multi award winning museum has a great deal to offer visitors.

This unusual museum used to be one of the best kept secrets among Cheshire's many attractions. Over the past few years however it has undergone some major changes and is now recognised as one of the Country's leading specialist museums. It houses several iconic engines from the National collection on loan from the Science Museums of London, Birmingham, Bristol, Edinburgh and the Techniek Museum Delft.

Situated in Higher Poynton, the museum is on the site of the old Anson Colliery. Engine enthusiasts from all over the world come to visit this fascinating museum. However, it is increasingly becoming a "must visit" attraction for non-enthusiasts too and won the "Visitors Choice" award (voted for by the public) when they were asked "where would you take a visitor to the Macclesfield area"? In 2009 the museum received a "highly commended" in the National Museums & Galleries Awards.

It is open from 10:00 – 17:00 every Friday, Saturday, Sunday (and Bank Holiday) from Easter Sunday until end October (other times and days by arrangement for group visits).

As well as the largest collection of engines in Europe, the museum also has changing displays of local history items such as photographs, maps, mementoes and keepsakes from the Vernon Estate and Anson Colliery. Over the course of this season a huge topographical model of the area c1900 has been built by the volunteers showing the site of the collieries and railways at the time.

The museum is a registered charity and receives no grants or awards towards its running costs. It only has one paid employee, everyone else involved is a volunteer. As one visitor captured it "run on a shoestring, fuelled by enthusiasm."

Throughout the season there are events and exhibition happening, please check website [www.enginemuseum.org](http://www.enginemuseum.org) for details.

Over the past few years it has won several awards for its displays, engines, website and the quality of it's volunteer workforce. Amongst it's facilities it has a tearoom and shop available, free car parking for visitors, wheelchair and motorised scooter, cinema/meeting room available for hire. Within walking distance there is an excellent local pub and café offering a choice of food to suit everyone's budget. A few minutes walk from the pub is the Macclesfield canal where you can walk off your lunch and enjoy the noise of the engines on the canal boats.

We look forward to welcoming your group to the museum.