

**Nonsuch Dulcimer Club  
17<sup>th</sup> Annual weekend**

*"A very special weekend and most welcoming, it's like a great big family of old friends."  
"everyone is so welcoming."  
"there is always something for you whatever you play and whatever your skill level"  
"Saturday night concert – Brilliant!" "Will always return to this event."  
"my third time and gets better each time"*

These are just some of the comments that people have made about the Nonsuch Residential weekend. Once again, the Nonsuch Dulcimer Club is pleased to invite you to join us at historic Launde Abbey, a beautiful 16th century house in the heart of rural Leicestershire. We will have a programme of workshops, performances and sessions. Mat Fox and Dizzi Dulcimer will be the hammer dulcimer tutors, and Dan Evans, the mountain dulcimer tutor..

The weekend will follow the usual informal approach, with an emphasis on learning from and helping each other. The evening meal on Saturday is followed by a concert of performances by members and guest tutors, There chance to meet and exchange ideas with dulcimer players from the all round Britain and beyond, Above all there is the very special Nonsuch atmosphere. The programme takes its lead from those who attend. A Questionnaire is included overleaf for you to express what you wish to get out of the weekend, and what you can contribute.

We extend a warm welcome to hammered and mountain dulcimer players of all ages and skill levels, and especially to newcomers.

The cost of £120.00 includes full board accommodation. And if you're aged 18 or under, and are in full time education, you pay just £80.00. To book, please complete the booking form opposite, and send with your payment to:

**Sue Cattell  
57 Loddington Road,  
Great Cransley  
Kettering  
NN14 1PY**

**Notes**

**§ This year there is a cut off date for booking of 19<sup>th</sup> September, as Launde Abbey needs to have attendance figures in advance.**

**§** If you need to withdraw your booking please let us know as soon as possible. After September 22nd, we can only make a refund if we are able to resell your place.

**§** If payment of the full amount at once causes you difficulty, please enquire in confidence about paying by installments.

If you need more information, please phone Sue Cattell or Chris Smith on:  
**01536 790227**

**Nonsuch Dulcimer Club - Booking form for 17th Annual Residential Weekend (31st October to 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2008)**

Name(s)	
Address	
Email address (to keep costs down we shall send information by email if possible)	
Post Code	Telephone
Instruments played and skill level	
Have you been to a previous Nonsuch event at Launde Abbey?	

**Accommodation**

Rooms will be allocated strictly in the order in which bookings are received. The number of single rooms is very limited, and if none is available when we receive your booking, you will be asked to share.

Your preference: Single____ Double____ Twin____ Music sessions continue beyond midnight. Please tick here if you would prefer a room away from the music ____ Please tick here if you need a room which is suitable for the disabled____
Please indicate any special dietary requirements Vegetarian____ Vegan____ Medical____ (please give details below or overleaf) <b>Please note that Launde cannot provide special diets unless notified at time of booking</b>

**Payment enclosed**

£\_\_\_\_\_ (£120.00 per person - students aged 18 or under pay £80.00.

Please make cheques payable to **Nonsuch Dulcimer Club**.

To keep costs down, we do not issue receipts unless you ask for one and enclose a stamped addressed envelope. Confirmation and further information will be sent in September.

**\*\*\* N.B. PLEASE COMPLETE QUESTIONNAIRE OVERLEAF !! \*\*\***

## Launde 2008 Questionnaire

The purpose of this questionnaire is to make sure you get the most out of the weekend so please fill it in! We are trying a more flexible approach this year and hope to get everyone involved in different ways. We will organise a timetable in advance which will be sent to you. If you don't have room on this sheet, please continue on a separate sheet by referring to the question numbers.

Workshop/Event ideas which you might like to include in your answers:

Basic techniques, playing in groups, learning by ear, reading music, new repertoire (e.g. folk music from ... (please state), Klezmer, Classical, Jazz, Blues etc), song arrangement, tune arrangement, chords, ornamentation, Improvisation, Composition, song writing, playing for dance, building speed and accuracy, practice ideas, one to one help, Christmas Music, Christmas Service in Chapel, Easy Peasy Session, Session 'How to', Singing Session, Dulcimers throughout the World.

### **Name:**

(Please fill in one questionnaire per person attending).

1. What instruments will you be bringing to play at Launde: Hammered Dulcimer/Mountain Dulcimer/Voice/Other (Please state other)

2. How long have you been playing and what sorts of thing do you like to play? State for each instrument.

3. Are there any areas that you want to develop in your playing? (If your main motivation for attending Launde is social rather than learning new skills please state)

4. Are there areas or ideas you'd be willing to share with others? (We will talk to you about what you are comfortable doing and what support you'll need before planning anything.)

5. Any other suggestions or requests for things you would like to do over the weekend: