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## National Trust

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Dear Mr Bates,

### St Clements Day

St Clement's Day at Finch Foundry is on Saturday 21 November this year. As the highlight of the year at Finch, it gives us the opportunity to show the forge how it was - a hive of blacksmiths and activity and I'd like to invite you to take part.

The day starts at approximately 10am, with a cooked breakfast and suitable refreshments are available throughout the day in the tearoom. The day will draw to a close at 4.30pm.

**If you wish to bring items for sale, or simply display your workmanship, we will be providing a covered area adjacent to the tearoom.**

As usual there will be a competition - you will need to bring the metal you require, you will have 2 hours maximum forge time so everyone gets a go! We shall also be running, alongside the usual competition, the Great snail race for a bit of fun. This entails making a snail (shell, horns and a tail that is free-standing) in the shortest possible time from 200mm of 10mm round bar. The judging will be at 3.30pm, and the winner of each competition will be presented with a trophy.

I should be grateful if you could let me know as soon as possible whether you are able to join us by returning the enclosed slip for my attention at the address below (along with a copy of your public liability insurance).

Yours sincerely

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Foundry Manager

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Please tick boxes as appropriate:

- I am able to attend St Clement's Day 2015
- I shall require exhibition/sales space
- I will be taking part in the Great snail race
- Copy of Public Liability Insurance attached

Name	
Address	
Telephone	

The **Competition Piece** will be a **candlestick** of your own design (time limit 2 hours forge time).

**If you require confirmation of your booking, please enclose an SAE**

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