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NLHA's New Website

Over the next few months we will be updating our website which will include many new features, please bear with us at this exciting time. We do hope that you will visit the new site once it is fully functional as we believe that it has a lot to offer including private members only pages, information/advice pages and up to date news items.



We will be keeping the same web address and many of the regular features such as our diary of events as we believe that they are invaluable to the local historian in Nottinghamshire. If you have any items/features/news that you would like us to include, please contact sarahnews@nlha.org.uk. All items will need to be submitted in electronic form only.

NLHA's Angel Row History Forum

The final Forum for 2013 will be held on Tuesday 3 December at the usual time of 10am for a 10.30am start with mince pies and refreshments, plus the opportunity to see Nottinghamshire paintings which reside in public collections outside the county. All this thanks to the BBC Your Paintings website. After three years and eleven Forum sessions, Robert Howard is planning another three for 2014 to be scheduled sometime in February, September and December. In addition to the forum meetings a group visit has been proposed to Hurt & Son Ltd on Chilwell High Road who have been manufacturing fine shawls, scarves and wraps since 1912, but have looms which go

back much further in time. The date and time will be announced on the website, at forum meetings and via our newsletter and Facebook page once details have been finalised. If you are interested in leading a forum meeting in 2014, please contact us via Facebook, email or see Robert at Decembers meeting. If you would like to share your interests and enthusiasms with other historians, whatever aspect of local history it may be, please get in touch.



A Panorama of Nottingham from the Canal by Paul Sandby Source: www.bbc.co.uk.arts

The Social World of Nottingham's Green Spaces: Invitation to two conferences in January 2014

During 2013 a team from the Department of History at the University of Nottingham, led by Professor John Beckett, and members of community groups, including the Friends of Nottingham Arboretum, Friends of the Forest, Nottingham Women's History Group and the Very Local History Group, have been investigating the 'green spaces' created by the 1845 Enclosure Act. In January 2014 there will be two events to celebrate the collaboration and share what has been discovered.

The Cultural History of Urban Green Spaces in Britain and Ireland during the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries.

10 January 2014, Highfield House, University Park, University of Nottingham.

In addition to presentations on the work of the project, the programme will include a programme of talks:

- Mark Johnston MBE (Myerscough College), A Cultural History of British Urban Street Trees;
- Jan Woudtstra (University of Sheffield), Weston Park: a critical assessment of the HLF-funded restoration of Sheffield's first municipal park;
- Katy Layton-Jones (University of Leicester), Parks and Childhood;
- Robert Lee (University of Liverpool), Crime and Policing in Public Parks;
- Carole O'Reilly (Salford University), 'Where Open Immorality Takes Place': Subverting the Moral Authority of the British Public Park 1880—1940.

The Social World of Nottingham's Green Spaces

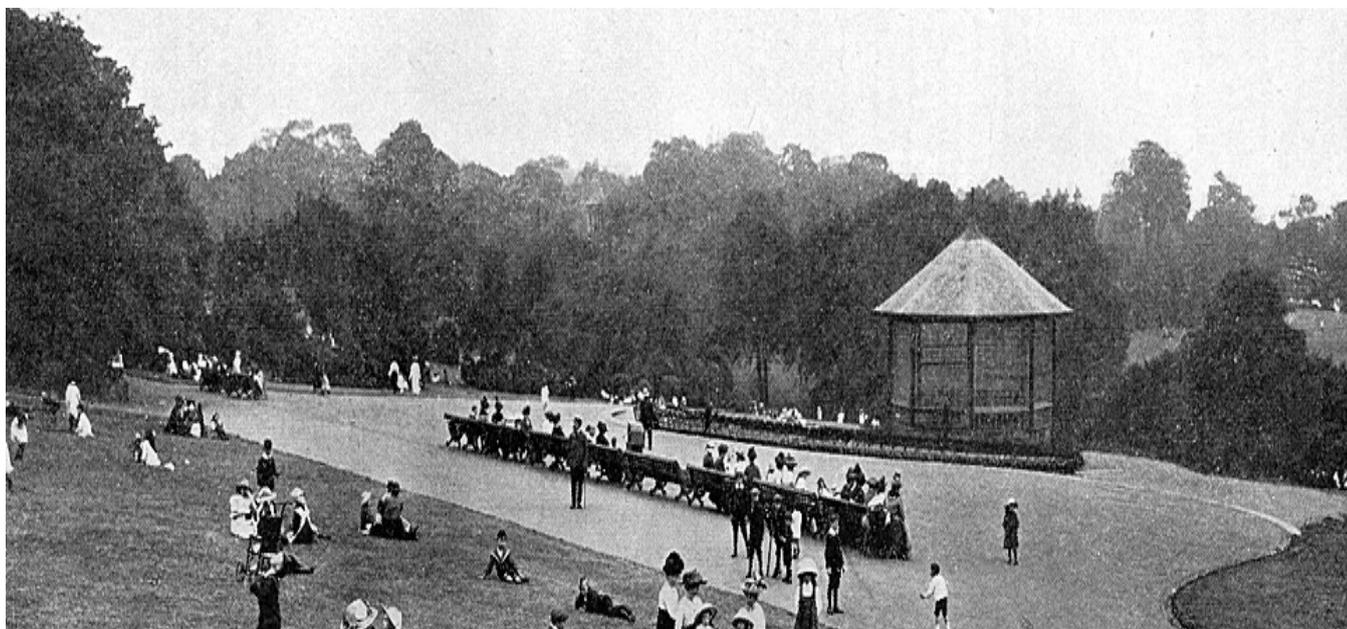
18 January 2014, Nottingham Contemporary, Nottingham.

The focus of this meeting is the work of community groups from across Nottingham on its green spaces. It will feature poster displays and video presentations, as well as some informal talks, and is an opportunity to share information about the green spaces as well as hear about the work of the last year.

Both events are free and a light lunch will be provided, but for catering reasons you will need to register to ensure there is a place for you. **Deadline for Registration is no later than 15 December 2013.**

If you would like to come to either or both of these, please email judith.mills@nottingham.ac.uk Joining instructions and more details of the programme will be sent out nearer the dates.

For more information, visit <http://www.ng-spaces.org.uk>



'A Perpetrator Gaze?' The Photographic Record of National Socialism and the Modern Museum

Room A09 Highfield House Department of History University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham, NG7 2RD Tuesday 17th December 2013 9.30am - 5.30pm

This workshop will explore the opportunities and problems which photographic evidence from the Nazi regime presents in terms of displaying this history in contemporary exhibitions and museums.

Museum curators will speak from their experience working with such photographs, and they will discuss with academics how such material can be usefully employed in the visualisation of history for a wider public without inadvertently reproducing the ideological bias of those who produced the photographs, who were overwhelmingly representative of, or sympathetic with, the regime. For further information please contact [Elizabeth Harvey](#) or [Maiken Umbach](#)



Three Sinti and Roma women, Warsaw

Gringley-on-the-Hill & Everton Rattlejag Morris Boxing Day Tour 26th December 2013

12 noon and 1.00 pm Venue: Blue Bell Inn, Gringley-on-the-Hill, DN10 4RF / Blacksmith's Arms, Everton, DN10 5BQ Cost Free

Rattlejag Morris, the colourful and only traditional dance side preserving the dance and music traditions of Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire, will be out on their annual Boxing Day Tour in the north of the county on Thursday 26th December, whatever the weather. At noon they will be dancing outside the Blue Bell Inn, High Street, Gringley-on-the-Hill, DN10 4RF (followed by a live music session in the pub by the AVID group), after which the team move on to perform at the Blacksmith's Arms, Chapel Lane, Everton, DN10 5BQ and then host a music session in the pub afterwards. Come and take part in a living Christmas time tradition - you may even get a chance to dance too! - at these lovely old pubs where the welcome, food and drink are also excellent.

Further details can be found at www.rattlejagmorris.org.uk



Everton 2012

Boxing Day Raft Race at Matlock Bath Thursday 26th December 2013 10am - 1.30pm Free entry. Tel: 01629 760645

Matlock Raft Race began in the early 1960s to raise cash for the RNLI, and every Boxing Day an assortment of around 40 home made rafts begin the four-mile race along the River Derwent. The rafts are an assortment of home-made vessels, some made for racing and others for comic effect with their crew in relevant fancy dress. It is usual for some to sink or disintegrate long before the finish, particularly near the hazard of the weir by Masson Mill. Viewing is possible from the river banks for most of the route, popular spots are Matlock Bridge and Masson Mill. Parking is freely available at Cromford Meadows near the finish. Expect a crowd of thousands.



Matlock Bath

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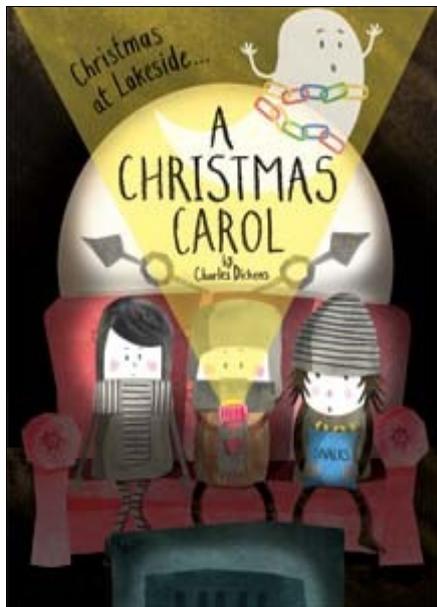
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A Christmas Carol Fri 6 Dec - Sun 29 Dec 2013

A brand new adaptation of Dickens' timeless Christmas story written especially for Lakeside by Toby Hulse, and directed by Martin Berry.

Expect the misery of Scrooge and the magic, warmth and hope of Dickens' classic delivered in fine storytelling style. There will be music, fun and laughter, as well as some surprises with original interpretations of Christmas Past, Christmas Present and Christmas Yet to Come...

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See www.lakesidearts.org.uk for more information.

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chairman@nlha.org.uk

An Historical association Branch Event: The Campden Wonder of 1662: The Murder and Miraculous 'Deliverance' of William Harrison

Room B14, Department of History (Lenton Grove) University Park. 5 Dec 2013 7.30 - 9pm
Lecturer professor Jackie Eales (President of the Historical Association). Contact Steven Parfitt:
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As part of the BBC commemorations for The Great War they are looking to tell local stories of war at home linking people and places to Nottinghamshire. They are keen to use the expertise of local historians, especially those who can help with: -

The escape from the Sutton Bonnington POW camp **** Day nurseries *** Food and its importance, including allotments *** Hosiery and the collapse of the Lace Industry after the war *** The Tannery, anyone who has been researching its history *** Players cigarettes and how the factory supplied cigarettes to the troops *** Boots and its war time contribution *** The Duke of Portland and his role. If you have any information please contact Celia Kellett: celia.kellett@bbc.co.uk 0115 9021896 or 07707 354467 or Sarah Julian: Sarah.julian@bbc.co.uk 0115 9021896 or 07505 843294