



Working together: what we do best

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Hello

I would like to wish you a happy and prosperous New Year and, more to the point, a successful and fulfilling year for your local history group and your projects and research plans.

I am starting to look at how NLHA can best be of assistance to local history groups and individual historians in the coming year and I hope to be able to make some announcements on projects at our March AGM. It did occur to me however that it might be a good idea to try and find out what people actually want and expect from NLHA and I would be obliged if you would let me have your thoughts on how we can most effectively help you in 2016/17.

- Are you happy with the mix and style of newsletter, website, Facebook and *The Nottinghamshire Historian* magazine that we are currently using to communicate? Do you use some, any or none of these on a regular basis? If you do use them are they providing the right sort of information? Would you suggest any changes to any of them? Would you like to contribute to any of them?
- We currently offer small cash grants, typically £200, towards the publication of research in local history. Do you have a project that will result in a publication? Would a small grant be of any use to you?
- We have also provided small cash grants for other projects like exhibitions, blue plaques and village signs. Funding is available if you need it.
- We have some expertise in setting up websites and have created sites for groups in Sutton, in Newark and for The Friends of Nottinghamshire Archives. We also have spare capacity within the agreement that we have with our internet service provider that would allow us to 'host' your website for you at a much smaller cost than doing it on your own. If you are thinking of creating your own website talk to us first.
- Are you happy with the presentation, frequency and format of the Day Schools? Should we continue to use Ravenshead or should we be looking elsewhere? Is it time for a change?
- Should we be looking to restructure our committee and the way we manage the Association?
- Should we be looking at a closer relationship with other local history groups like The Thoroton Society and/or The Nottinghamshire Family History Society?
- Should we be looking at a formal involvement with the new library and archives service INSPIRE?

I am open to any and all suggestions on how we can help you and/or your group and how we can promote and support the study of local history in Nottinghamshire in general.

Please let me know what you think.



NLHA EVENTS

NLHA Spring Dayschool 2016 and AGM - Landscape History

19th March 2016 at Ravenshead Village Hall commencing at 9:30 until 4:00. Steph Mastoris on The Welbeck Atlas, Steve Holloway on Byways and Rights of Way, Stephen Walker on Moor Ponds Woods, Chris Brooke on Remote Sensing. [Read more.](#)



LOCAL SOCIETY EVENTS

2016 Events

I will continue to post society and group events and meetings programmes to the NLHA website EVENTS CALENDAR and put them in the monthly newsletter pretty much as soon as I receive them **HOWEVER** if you want your 2016 events to appear in the next edition of *The Nottinghamshire Historian* and you haven't already sent them to me then I need to have them no later than 15th January. I am happy to post events and programmes for societies, groups or individuals regardless of whether or not they are NLHA members as long as their activities relate to Nottinghamshire local history.

Surviving Medieval England, East Bridgford LHG

Presented by Andy Gaunt on 5th January 2016 at East Bridgford Methodist Church commencing at 7:30pm.

[Read more.](#)



Zeppelin Raiders, Nuthall and District HS

On Tuesday 5th January 2016 at St Patrick's Church Hall commencing at 7:30pm presented by Stephen Flinders. [Read more.](#)

Pots: Pipes and Privies, West Bridgford & District LHS

Presented by Peter Hammond on Friday 8th January 2016 at West Bridgford library commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



Rufford Abbey in the 19th and 20th

Centuries, The Thornton Society

On Saturday 9th January 2016 at 2:30pm at the Nottingham Mechanics Pete Smith (Independent Architectural Historian) will deliver the Maurice Barley Lecture. [Read more.](#)



An evening of short papers, Numismatic Society

Tuesday 12th January 2016 at the University of Nottingham Lakeside Arts Centre commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)

Farmers: Cottagers and Paupers, Burton Joyce & Bulcote LHS

Presented by Ted White on Tuesday 12th January 2016 at Burton Joyce Carnarvon Room commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



Curating the Celts, University of Nottingham Museum

Curator Dr Julia Farley will talk about her work on the current exhibition **Celts: art and identity** on Wednesday 13th January 2016 in the Djanogly Theatre commencing at 1:00pm. This is a FREE event but booking is required via the Box Office on 0115 8467777. [Read more.](#)

Gedling House, Lenton LHS

The story of the building of an eighteenth century mansion and the people who lived there presented by Ted White on Wednesday 13th January 2016 at Dunkirk Community Centre commencing at 7:30pm. **PLEASE NOTE NEW VENUE.** [Read more.](#)

Zeppelins: Hotels in the Sky, Retford and District H & A S

Presented by Michael Ogden on Wednesday 13th January 2016 at Retford Chapelgate Hall commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



The Peer: the Paupers and the Poetry, Southwell Workhouse

On Friday 15 January between 11:00 and 1:30 a talk will explore the relationship between Lord Byron and The Workhouse and look at the myths created through literature and the extent to which our view of history has been forged as much by fiction as by fact.

The cost of £12.50 includes a light lunch and guided tour. Please pre-book by calling 01636 817260. [Read more.](#)

Newark Civil War Centre and Museum, Friends of Nottingham Museums

On Saturday 16th January 2016 at Studio 1 in Nottingham Castle commencing at 2:00pm Kevin Winter will talk about the development of Newark Civil War Centre and Newark Museum. Non-members are welcome at an extra charge of £2 (normal entry to The Castle applies). [Read more.](#)

Robert Blincoe: Nottinghamshire's Oliver Twist, East Leake & District LHA

Presented by Peter Hammond on Wednesday 20th January 2016 at East Leake St Mary's Church Hall commencing at 2:00pm. [Read more.](#)

Aerial Archaeology, Bingham & District LHS

Presented by Robert Harley at Bingham The Old Courthouse on Thursday 21st January 2016 commencing at 7:15pm. [Read more.](#)

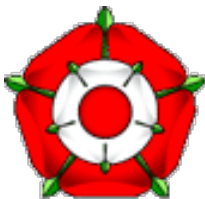
Thurgaton Abbey, Woodborough LHG

Presented by Ellis Morgan at The Institute Woodborough on Thursday 21st January 2016 commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



AGM and Social Evening, Lambley HS

Buffet, film and quiz on Monday 25th January 2016 at Lowdham WI Hall commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



*Pentagon
Local
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Syerston: Continuity and Change in a Nottinghamshire Village, Pentagon LHS

Presented by David Ditcham on Wednesday 27th January 2016 at Elston Village Hall commencing at 7:30pm. Members £1.50, non-members £2.00. [Read more.](#)



Candle Lit Memorial for Holocaust Memorial Day

At Greens Windmill Yard between 6:00pm and 7:00pm on Wednesday 27th January 2016 a candle will be lit for each group targeted in the Holocaust. [Read more.](#)

Edward Carver: A Journey into Family and Local History, Wollaton H&CS

Presented by Peter Hammond on Wednesday 27th January 2016 at Wollaton St Leonard's Community Centre commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



Society and Scandals in Georgian Nottingham, Southwell and District LHS

Presented by Adrian Henstock on 27th January 2016 at The Old Court House, The Burgage, Southwell commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



The Graveyards of Nottinghamshire, Nottingham Centre of the National Trust

Presented by John Parker of Nottinghamshire Local History Association
at Nottingham Mechanics Institute on Thursday 28th January 2016

commencing at 7:30pm [Read more.](#)



Taking your Word, Southwell Workhouse

A talk on Friday 29 January (11am-1.30pm) will describe the vital role played by oral history in

unravelling The Workhouse's story and will explore tales of sadness, helplessness and despair but also of resilience, fortitude and friendship in the face of the harsh realities of Workhouse life. The cost of £12.50 includes a light lunch and guided tour. Please pre-book by calling 01636 817260. [Read more.](#)



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Local History Seminar, University of Nottingham

On 30 January 2016 at Lenton Grove on the University of Nottingham's University Park campus commencing at 10:00am Dr. Naomi Sykes will present "***From local studies of ancient animals to global natural and cultural history***".

This seminar will review the methods and results of recent research on animal introductions to Britain and it will consider when, how and why these animals were brought here. [Read more.](#)



Members Meeting: Bring a Photograph, Friends of Nottinghamshire Archives

Commencing at 11:00am on Saturday 30th January 2016 at Nottinghamshire Archives - members should bring a photograph illustrating a story or research interest. [Read more.](#)



NEWS



Thoresby the end of the mine

Thoresby Colliery, the last pit in Nottinghamshire, closed in July this year bringing to an end hundreds of years of mining in the county. Over the last twelve months Chris Upton has documented the site, the buildings and the people to create an enduring record of this significant part

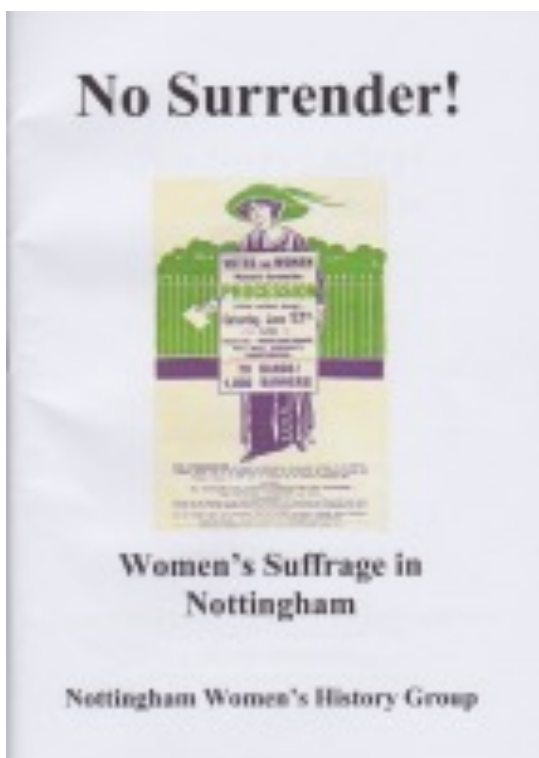
our industrial and social heritage.

Further information and a selection of images can be seen on [Chris' website](#)

Chris will be exhibiting around 50 framed images at Mansfield Museum, Leeming Street, Mansfield NG18 1NG between 9th January - 27th February 2016. The museum is open Monday - Saturday 10am - 5pm and admission is FREE

To coincide with the exhibition Chris has published a limited edition book which is now available to order from his website http://www.chrisuptonphotography.com/gallery_671881.html

The large (33x24cm) soft back book contains 138 pages and over 200 evocative black and white images that would be appreciated by anyone with an interest in mining, social history as well as photographers. [Read more.](#)



Nottingham Women's History Group.

New publication on the Nottingham Suffragette Movement will be available in the New Year - look out for launch events. The Women and WWI booklet is still available.

During 2016 the group will be researching Nottingham women artists – anyone interested in helping with this – or who already has some research that they would like to share please contact us via email

Our talks on Women's History are increasingly in demand by other history / social groups - contact us if your group would like a talk or walk

Remember we are a very small group of volunteers, all with day jobs, so please be patient if you

are awaiting replies – and if you want more events – get involved in the planning group to help organise them.

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[Read more.](#)

Lenton Local History Society

As their usual meeting room at Wollaton has become unavailable Lenton LHS has arranged to use the Dunkirk Community Centre on Montpellier Road NG7 2JW for their meetings.

The Community Centre is in an old school building and can be accessed from Beeston Road/University Boulevard by turning into Lace Street, Brailsford Road and then Montpellier Road. There is room for car parking in the school playground.

Meetings take place on the second Wednesday of each month and start at 7:30pm. A full programme for 2016 is available on the NLHA website [EVENTS CALENDAR](#).

Germans in Nottingham during the First World War

The historian Dr Ben Braber is looking for community partners for his research project on Germans in Nottingham during the First World War.

Reviewing Nottingham in a wider UK context, the project looks at issues such as:

- Migrant numbers and ethnic coherence
- Participation in the wider society
- Prisoners of war
- Anti-German measures and attitudes
- Riots and disturbances
- German reactions and support

The community partners will collaborate with Braber during the research stage of this project and the dissemination of its results. These partners, who may receive project funding for this collaboration, can be local history groups already working on the First World War period in Nottingham, and individuals who are researching a family history that included Germans.

Braber is an Honorary Research Fellow at the University of Glasgow. He is a specialist on integration of immigrants in western European societies in the modern era, a subject on which he has published extensively, including books and articles such as “Within our Gates - A new perspective on Germans in Glasgow during the First World War” (Journal of Scottish Historical Studies), which had a similar subject as his Nottingham project.

For more information, please contact Ben Braber at 01636 706330 or benbraber@btinternet.com.

Nottinghamshire Museum Wins Prestigious Accolade for its Education Programme

The Framework Knitters Museum has been awarded the prestigious Sandford Award for its new education programme. This is the third time the museum's schools programme has received an award this year. International and regional recognition has included awards for Innovation and Working with Young People. In addition the museum was the only British winner of the European, Heritage in Motion ...

[Read more.](#)

Snippets from History by Bob Massey

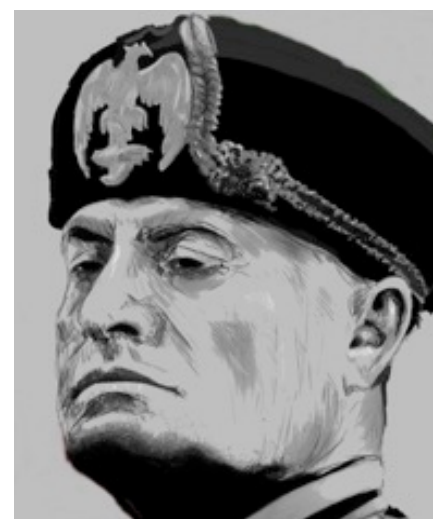
Bob Massey has finally got round to publishing some of the articles he has written for NG5, NG3 and NG14 magazines since 2006 in a book to come out on 11th December called Snippets from History. Volume 1 will be about Arnold and Mapperly in 64 pages with 70 illustrations in an A5 format with card covers. Copies will be available at £4.95 ... [Read more.](#)

The Life Lines Collection Book has Launched

On Wednesday 18th November, the Life Lines Group launched the book that they have been working on. Dave Wilkinson, Volunteer Co-ordinator, formally presented the book to Nottinghamshire Archives with Culture Syndicates CIC. You can download the book at <http://www.lifelineslakeside.org.uk/> and explore the stories of local Nottinghamshire people during the First World War. [Read more.](#)

The Growth of Fascism in Europe 1890 - 1925, Kimberley WEA

This 9 week course will act as an introduction to Fascism in a historical context It will examine the development of Liberal democracy in Italy and try to understand why Fascism was able to rise and it will study the influence of Benito Mussolini and link his brand of Fascism to similar movements in Great Britain and Germany. ... [Read more.](#)





AND FINALLY

Important Dates for 2016

Angel Row History Forums: Tuesday 9th February, Tuesday 10th May, Tuesday 2nd August, Tuesday 1st November.

NLHA Spring Day-School and AGM - Saturday 19 March 2016

NLHA Autumn Day-School - Saturday 22 October 2015

NLHA Committee Meetings: Tuesday 19 January 2016, Tuesday 19 April 2016, Tuesday 19 July 2016, Tuesday 18 October 2016

Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair (Mansfield) - Sunday 8 May 2016

NLHA subscriptions are due on 01 January 2016.

News and Events

We are happy to publish any news or events, from individuals or groups, **regardless of whether or not they are NLHA members**, as long as the topic relates to Nottinghamshire local history. Please send material by email to chairman@nlha.org.uk.

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