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### RETHINKING LUDDISM IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

WHEREAS, several evil-minded persons have assembled together in a riotous manner, and destroyed a number of FRAMES, in different parts of the country: This is to give notice that a mischievous gang known as: PEOPLE'S HISTREH Will host a talk by one: DR. MATTHEW ROBERTS on Saturday, 22nd September 2012, 2pm. Entitled: **RETHINKING LUDDISM IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE** This talk revisits the Luddism of the Nottinghamshire framework knitters. As is well known, the epicentre(s) of Luddism was not in Nottingham itself but in the surrounding villages. Many of these villages were still essentially rural communities. The Luddism of the villages was part of a repertoire of protest acts (arson, poaching, even robbery and attacks on rural property), the origins of which were to be found in the traditions and customs of the English rural community. The Luddites were not semi-professional criminals divorced from their wider community. Rather, Luddite cells grow organically from kinship, neighbourhood and trade connections. The talk will also challenge the view that Luddism in Nottinghamshire was constitutional and moderate.

At the SPARROWS' NEST Anarchist Library & Archive (St Ann's, Nottingham). For directions please contact [peopleshistreh@riseup.net](mailto:peopleshistreh@riseup.net) Free event (donations welcome!). Venue wheelchair accessible. There will be tea. There may be cake.



### AUTUMN DAY SCHOOL

**THE POWER...AND THE GLORY** - Churchmen of Note in Nottinghamshire .

Throughout the centuries the Church has played an important role in the life of the country, and whether headed by Pope or monarch it has been a power in the land. Four varied topics relevant to the county's religious history make up this programme.

**SATURDAY**  
**20<sup>th</sup> October 2012**  
**10am – 4:15pm**  
at  
**THE VILLAGE HALL**  
**RAVENSHEAD**

### NEWS REPORTER

After twenty years or so of doing sterling work as The Nottinghamshire Historian's news compiler Robert Howard has decided it is time to step down and the next edition will probably be his last. Ideally, it would be great if we could arrange for someone to volunteer before then so that they can work with Robert on his final issue and then carry on from there. Robert is not deserting us entirely but he feels that it is time for a change and there are other things that he wants to do.

Robert tends to gather news throughout the year but only pulls it all together in in the 2-3 weeks after Christmas (for the issue which has a mid-January print deadline) and during August (for the issue which has a mid-September print deadline). A new volunteer may choose to spend a few hours a week on The Nottinghamshire Historian and avoid having to do all the work over a few weeks.

If anyone is interested in taking this on, or knows of someone who would be interested please contact [chairman@nlha.org.uk](mailto:chairman@nlha.org.uk)

**September 2012**

12 Footpads, Kings & Highwaymen, Ian Morgan, Farnsfield LHS, Village Centre, Lower Hall, 7.30p.m.

12 A Family Find, Peter Hammond, Lenton LHS, St Mary's Church Hall, Wollaton Hall Drive, Nottingham, 7.30p.m.

12 Derbyshire Medieval Towns, Castles and Villages, Dr Clive Hart, Retford & D H&AS, Grove Street Methodist Church, 7.30p.m.

12 Wandering through Stapleford's past, Alan Clayton, Stapleford & D LHS, Maycliffe Hall, Toton Lane, 7.30p.m.

12 Stanford Hall and Theatre: its secrets revealed, Pat Oldroyd, Sutton Bonington LHS, Methodist Church Schoolroom, Main Street, 7.30p.m.

13 Lost Churches of Nottingham, Doug Fletcher, Lowdham LHS, WI Hall, Main Street, 7.30p.m.

17 Edwardian Nottingham, Ann Parker, Bramcote HG, St Michael's Church Centre, Church Street, 8.00p.m.

17 The history of the Coronation, Jean Townsend, Lambley HS, Women's Institute Hall, Main Street, Lowdham, 7.30p.m.

17 Castles in the Sky: oral evidence in family histories, Simon Pawley, North Muskham HG, Village Hall, 7.30p.m.

19 Fortieth Anniversary Meeting, Sir Neil Cossins, Beeston & D LHS, Chilwell Memorial Hall, High Road, 7.30p.m.

19 Trent Valley Partnership Project, Jenni Hignett, Laxton HG, Laxton Village Hall, 7.30p.m.

20 AGM & What County Houses: the history of East Midlands country houses, Colin Groves, Bingham & D LHS, Old Court House, Church Street, 7.30p.m.

20 An Incredible Journey, John Hoyland, Woodborough LHG, The Institute, Roe Lane, 7.30p.m.

26 AGM/Cheese & Wine Party, slides by Bill Clarke, Basford & D LHS, Clover Green Community Room, Old Basford, Nottingham NG6 0QT, 7.30p.m.

26 'Am I not a Man? And a Brother?': Southwell and the anti-slavery movement, Michael Austin, Southwell & D LHS, The Old Courthouse, The Burgage, 7.30p.m.

27 AGM & talk by Malcolm Dolby, Worksop Arch & LHS, Station Hotel, Carlton Road, 7.30p.m.

29 AGM & Memories, Spaces and Places: May Days in the 1890s in England and Scotland, Professor Chris Wrigley, Notts & Derbys Labour History Society, Nottingham Mechanics, 3 North Sherwood Street NG1 4EZ, 1.00p.m. (AGM) and 2.00p.m. (Talk).

**October 2012**

3 Florence Nightingale: Lady with the Lamp, Danny Wells, Jacksdale HG, Jacksdale Community Centre, Main Road, 7.00p.m.

3 Creswell Crags, Matthew Beresford, Newark Arch & LHS, Millgate Museum, 7.30p.m.

10 The Amen Glass, Dominic Johnson, Farnsfield LHS, Village Centre, Lower Hall, 7.30p.m.

10 History of the Girl Guides, Rowena White, Lenton LHS, St Mary's Church Hall, Wollaton Hall Drive, Nottingham, 7.30p.m.

10 Barber Surgeon, C Felton, Retford & D H&AS, Grove Street Methodist Church, 7.30p.m.

10 Grace's Diary: the Journal of Grace Jane Dexter 1884–93, Dr Rowena Edlin White, Stapleford & D LHS, Maycliffe Hall, Toton Lane, 7.30p.m.

10 Excavations at Empingham, Sam Gorin, Sutton Bonington LHS, Methodist Church Schoolroom, Main Street, 7.30p.m.

11 Thurgarton Priory, Ellis Morgan, Lowdham LHS, WI Hall, Main Street, 7.30p.m.

13 Heritage Day, exhibitors incl. heritage groups from Jacksdale, Codnor & District, Erewash, Hucknall, Pinxton & South Normanton, Somercotes Parish Hall, Nottingham Road, 10.00a.m.–4.00p.m.

15 AGM & Nottingham: Home of Superior Motorcycles, David Biggs, Bramcote HG, St Michael's Church Centre, Church Street, 7.30p.m.

15 Village life in seventeenth century Nottinghamshire, Ted White, Lambley HS, Women's Institute Hall, Main Street, Lowdham, 7.30p.m.

15 The Vikings in Nottinghamshire, Christina Lee, North Muskham HG, Village Hall, 7.30p.m.

17 AGM, Beeston & D LHS, Chilwell Memorial Hall, High Road, 7.30p.m.

17 Laxton's Lexington Brothers 1180/90–1258, David Crook, Laxton HG, Laxton Village Hall, 7.30p.m.

18 Within sight of the Gibbet, Ian Morgan, Bingham & D LHS, Old Court House, Church Street, 7.30p.m.

18 Ashley Gallopers, Steve Smith, Woodborough LHG, The Institute, Roe Lane, 7.30p.m.

24 Shopping Through the Ages, Maureen Newton, Basford & D LHS, Clover Green Community Room, Old Basford, Nottingham NG6 0QT, 7.30p.m.

25 Doncaster Racecourse & the St Leger, Tony Barber, Worksop Arch & LHS, Station Hotel, Carlton Road, 7.30p.m.