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Youth Heritage Conference



Youth Heritage Conference 2014

FREE!

MAKE HISTORY HAPPEN!

Wollaton Hall Natural History Museum, NG8 2AE
Tuesday 15 July 2014, 10.15 am – 3.45pm
Booking is essential as places are limited.
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- Write with a Quill Pen! Nottinghamshire Archives
- How young people are 'Getting Into Film' Rubber Goat Films
- Hear about young people visiting the WW1 battlefields! *Illuminate*
- Who was George Africanus?
- From Tudors To Today!
- See conservators at work
- Discover Lace Heritage
- Hear about Greenshoots and Junction Arts (Combine) youth projects
- Access To Artefacts
- What's going on in Community Archaeology?
- How home education students are preserving WW1 history

'behind-the-scenes tours' of Wollaton Hall are included in the day

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Join us at this Conference with a difference! If you are a young person (approx 16-25 years) and interested in heritage come along to this unique event, being held at Wollaton Hall, a magnificent Tudor mansion. The day aims to bring together young people and heritage workers involved in museums, archives, libraries, archaeology, arts, heritage and community activities.



Hosted by the Learning, Engagement & Collections Team, Nottingham City Museums & Galleries and in partnership with Nottinghamshire Local History Association and Nottinghamshire County Council (Nottinghamshire Archives).

Some catering is provided. There is also a café in the stable yard that sells drinks and food. (Please note it is not possible to eat/drink in the hall).



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Calling all local history societies!!!!

If you have any information, events or news that you would like to pass on to NLHA members, other organisations or the general public, please get in touch with us and send us your details. We can include items in our monthly newsletters, bi-annual magazine, website or Facebook page.



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Laxton Heritage Weekend 2014

28th & 29th June



Join the Laxton History Group for their heritage weekend. Admission is free for residents of Laxton and Moorhouse and visitors can pay £5 at the gate with under 12's free. Walk guides are available from the car park. You can choose to walk to the hub through the fields, visiting one set of the historic fish ponds or to walk up the street. If you are not taking part in the children's competition you can also walk along the twitchills. Your guide will point out the notable sights you would miss on foot. Along the way you will pass several of the farms on your way to the event hub at Crosshill Farm. To return to your car you could choose another route or make use of the tractor and trailer ride drop off.

There is a 'Spot the Sheep' competition for the children associated with the walk along the road through the village to the event hub. If you walk up through the fields, children will be invited to 'Spot the Fish'.

Make sure you collect their quiz sheets before you leave the car park and hand them in at the History Desk. Each child will get a small reward and the winner drawn from the two days' entries will receive a £10 cash prize.

Other attractions on the day include: -

Laxton History Group display, Programme of talks and films, Tractor & Trailer Rides round the Open Fields from the hub with drop off only at the car park, Thaymar Ice Cream, Rattlejag Morris Dancing (Sat. 28th), Medieval Re-enactors, Bowmen of War, Dukeries Community Workshop Craft Demonstrations, Vintage tractors with Refreshments all day.

Raffle prizes include: -

£100 cash prize, Day pass for a family of up to 5 people to Center Parcs, Horse drawn carriage ride round Clumber Park for 2 people courtesy of Mike Maloney Butchers, Private tour of Laxton followed by a meal for 2 at The Dovecote Inn Laxton. Please see www.laxtonheritage.org.uk for more information.



Free Family Fun Day to Celebrate Re-Launch of Nottinghamshire Museum

On Saturday 26 July the Framework Knitters Museum, Ruddington, is celebrating the launch of the first stage of the redevelopment of the museum made possible by the Heritage Lottery Fund, and the opening of two brand-new exhibitions - including the UK's first gallery entirely dedicated to the Luddite revolt. To mark the occasion they are holding a free family fun day at the museum on Chapel Street, which will run from 11:00 am to 4:30 pm, with last admission at 4:00 pm.

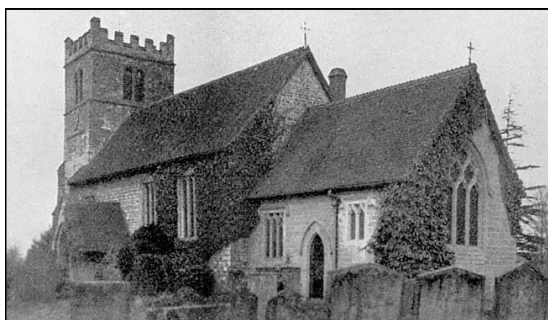
Visitors will be able to experience what life was like for the Framework Knitters of Nottinghamshire as they explore the historic site. As part of the redevelopment of the museum, special effects have been added to bring the museum to life for the visitor, and a new sense of drama and interaction will mean they will get to experience the site in a completely unique way. In addition visitors will be able to see a framework knitter in action, and will even get to make their own knitted souvenir on our historic sock making machines.

The two new galleries will enable visitors to find out how the historic industry is intrinsic to, not just the county's heritage, but issues that still affect people across the world. The new Luddite gallery will tell the story of the Luddite revolt, which started in Nottingham before spreading across the country, and examine the conditions that surrounded the uprising. While the new Machine Room will chart the development of the industry, explore the birth of lace, and encourage the ongoing debate about the production of cheap clothing.

"Finally the region has an exhibition dedicated to the Luddite uprising. It was a national revolt, yet it started here in Nottingham, so we feel it is really important that it is commemorated," said Paul Baker, Museum Manager. "We're really excited about the changes to the museum and we can't wait to welcome visitors to see our improvements. We set out to make our historic spaces more dramatic and interactive, and I'm sure our visitors will have never seen anything quite like it before."

To add to the celebrations on the family fun day actors, musicians, and street performers, will be performing throughout the day. Light refreshments will be available from the tea room, and the museum shop, which sells locally-made textile gifts, will be open.

The museum, including the two new galleries, is open Wednesday to Sunday. For opening hours, and for more information, visit www.frameworkknittersmuseum.org.uk.



BLEASBY LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Bleasby Commemorates World War One

Source: www.nottshistory.org.uk

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Bleasby Local History Society, St Mary's Church and the Bleasby War Memorial Working Party are organising a weekend to commemorate the start of the Great War in 1914. On 26th and 27th July the church will be the focus for an exhibition of local people's family memorabilia of the Great War including photos, letters and artefacts. There will also be an illustrated talk on the men of Bleasby and Halloughton whose names appear on the War Memorial in the churchyard, talks on other aspects of WWI history, memoir and poetry readings and opportunities to remember family members who have suffered in the service of their country during all conflicts.

The exhibition will continue through to Sunday when, at its conclusion, there will be a special service of commemoration at 3pm, led by Alison Milbank, Priest Vicar of Southwell Minster. The war memorial, which has been cleaned as part of the project, will then be rededicated and crosses placed with the names of those who people wish to remember at this special time.

The purpose of the weekend is to remember those who were involved in the First World War, especially those local men and family members who died as a result of the conflict. It is also being held to support the work which has been done to clean the war memorial and the further work planned to ensure that the names of two other young men, one of Bleasby and one of Halloughton, are added to the memorial.

Bleasby War Memorial Working Party are also hoping that, in the future, they may be able to properly acknowledge in some way the two Lancasters and a Wellington which crashed over Bleasby during the Second World War with total loss of life.

Admission is free and all are welcome to this special weekend event.

Further details barbaracast@btinternet.com

Part-time Local History Courses from the University of Cambridge

The University of Cambridge are now inviting applications for their 2014/15 programme of **part-time University courses** at their University of Cambridge Institute of Continuing Education (ICE). There are three course areas in particular that might be of especial interest to members of the Nottinghamshire Local History Association.

Undergraduate Certificate in Local History * Undergraduate Advanced Diploma in Local History * Undergraduate Certificate in Archaeology

Please see www.ice.cam.ac.uk for further information.

Offers to see Oh What A Lovely War for less.....



Lakeside and New Street Theatre would like to offer you the chance to go and see their summer musical *Oh What A Lovely War* for its Public Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday 15 July at 7.30pm for £10.50 a ticket (normally £15 or £13 concessions). Part circus, part seaside entertainment, part music hall - *Oh What A Lovely War* is a riot of colour and music, brilliantly comic and deeply moving. This production tells the story of one of the defining events of the twentieth century through songs, live music, audience interaction, game-playing and laughter, as a cast of all ages opens up a toybox of images, musical instruments, costumes and props to conjure scenes of the trenches, the seaside, a forest, battlefields and much more! They are also offering all members of the Nottinghamshire Local History Association tickets at the concession price to the regular show; all you have to do is call their Box Office and let them know you are from the NLHA.

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ENOCH POWELL



Source: Mark James

To book your tickets for £10.50 simply call our Box Office on 0115 846 7777 or book online [here](#) and be sure to select the performance on Tuesday 15 July at 7.30pm.



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Keyworth & District Local History Society win award.

Keyworth and District Local History Society has been chosen by the British Association for Local History to receive its newsletter award for 2013-14. Our picture shows Prof. David Hay presenting the editor Howard Fisher with the BALH Newsletter Award 2013 on Saturday 7th June at the Annual BALH Local History and AGM Day at the Charity Centre in London. The BALH stated "You have achieved a consistently high standard of production and information, in a readable and interesting newsletter, so the award is well deserved." Howard Fisher responded "We are, of course, very pleased with this award in KDLHS! Congratulations on a job well done!"

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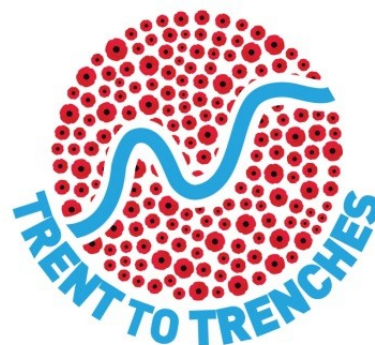
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A [living history event](#) at Rufford Abbey Country Park on 28th & 29th June covering many aspects of both military and civilian life at the time. Featuring song and dance, static displays, vehicles, children's activities and period re-enactments.

A [major exhibition at Nottingham Castle](#) from 26th July - 16th November, exploring the experiences of Nottinghamshire people, at home and in the trenches of the Western Front, through powerful visual images and artefacts.

'Fields of Battle' open air exhibition – located in the City Centre, making its first UK public appearance outside London.

Around 100 events and activities are already being planned, including talks, tours and exhibitions, film screenings, theatre and live music. Click [here](#) for details of events arranged to date.



New Sherwood Forest Project Website launched

Provided by Mercian Archaeological Services this new website aims to keep you informed and enlightened on all projects within the area. The Sherwood webpage discusses everything from funding to project ethos, community and archaeological benefits, to sharing their findings and research. For more information see www.sherwoodforestarchaeology.com or for more information on Mercian's services please see the [Mercian](#) website.