



Nottinghamshire Local History Association



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BEAUVALE PRIORY ~ BEAUTIFUL DAY

Our first Summer day school held at Beauvale Priory was a resounding success. As the sun shone down upon the ancient ruins NLHA visitors learned about the history of the priory and the monks that lived there with a tour by the site owner Ann Whyte (see picture).

The first talk, given by local historian Jenny Page looked at all of the priories, abbeys, friaries and nunneries throughout Nottinghamshire in her very informative talk *Remains Above Ground*. Afterwards there was a chance to have a look at the Beauvale Priory Cartulary,

recently transcribed & privately published. The day continued with the second talk by Dr David Amos who looked at coal mining in the immediate area.

After a tasty lunch walkers went on two separate walks whilst others remained on site and watched a film about the Grande Chartreuse the head monastery of the Carthusian order. It is located in the Chartreuse Mountains, north of the city of Grenoble, in the commune of Saint-Pierre-de-Chartreuse, France.

There are more on site day schools being planned, please see future newsletters or website for further information.



NLHA HISTORYFEST

Nottingham Central Library, 1st Floor

Saturday 10 October 2015: 11am-3pm

An opportunity to come and see first hand the work of twenty-four local history related groups and organisations in the Greater Nottingham area, plus a number of short presentations on a range of local history related topics. The HISTORYFEST is organised by the Nottingham Angel Row History Forum, which is part of Nottinghamshire Local History Association, with the active support of Nottingham Local Studies Library.

Venue

Nottingham Central Library, Local Studies Library,
1st Floor, Angel Row,
Nottingham City Centre.

Cost: Free Entry

Contact

Contact Forum Organiser, Robert Howard,
0115 9700369,
forum@nlha.org.uk

Coming Soon!

The 4th Youth Heritage Conference Make History Happen!.....

Will be ...

On Saturday 7th November, 10am- 3pm at St Barnabas Cathedral Hall, North Circus Street, Nottingham

Organised by Chris Weir with Nottinghamshire Local History Association and the Heritage Lottery Fund (East Midlands)

Youth projects.....stalls....information....

Details & Booking arrangements will follow. Check our website for updates.

Apprentice Business Support Assistant Heritage/Conservation

Futures Apprenticeships is recruiting for an Apprentice Business Support Assistant (Heritage & Conservation) on behalf of Nottinghamshire County Council (52 week fixed term training programme).

As a Futures Apprentice, you will be employed by Futures Apprenticeships but be based at The County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham for 3 days a week, with the Heritage & Conservation Team. For the other 2 days the apprentice will be based at the Mansfield Woodhouse Heritage Link, in the Mansfield Woodhouse Library, so it is important to be able to travel between these 2 sites.

The Heritage & Conservation Team work closely with local community groups and societies. They have been supporting the Mansfield Woodhouse Society for several years. The group were recently awarded Heritage Lottery Funding to lease a part of Mansfield Woodhouse Library and turn it into a Heritage Link i.e. a repository and access point for their community archive and an outlet for their groups activities.

See <https://www.futuresadvice.co.uk/apprenticeship-details.html?id=283> for details.

Sherwood Forest Bus Tours

The next "Robin Hood Express" Sherwood Forest History Bus Tour will be departing from Newark and Southwell on 6th August 2015...

For one time only in 2015... so please book your places now to avoid disappointment.

Full details and booking instructions see: http://www.mercian-as.co.uk/newark_bus.html

They will be departing from the Warf in Newark at 9:30am and collecting from Church Street in Southwell at 10am.. The tour will drop off between 5:30pm and 6pm.

The tour will visit Rufford Abbey, King John's Palace, and Newstead Abbey... also the Major Oak at Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve during the Robin Hood festival...

So if you ever wanted to visit the Robin Hood festival and see the stalls and medieval acts... well now you can on board a 1961 RouteMaster London Bus! Arrive in style...

You will also pass through many sites around the Forest, with expert on-board commentary, and walking tours to the Major Oak, and King John's Palace from Andy Gaunt of Merican Archaeological Services CIC, and a talk from Peter Hammond at Newstead Abbey.

This is a fantastic trip through the medieval landscape of Sherwood Forest with the experts who run the Sherwood Forest Archaeology Project.



Robin Hood Festival 2015

Free entry £5 car parking charge

Activities take place at three main locations in Sherwood Forest Country Park:

Visitor Centre

Major Oak (10-15 minutes walk from the Visitor Centre)

Jousting Arena (10 minute walk from the Visitor Centre)

You may also encounter strolling players, costumed characters and medieval stalls as you move around the site.

Getting here

Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve
Edwinstowe
Mansfield
Nottinghamshire
NG21 9HN

Car parking

Cars: £5 for the day, including blue badge holders.

Coaches and minibuses with over 12 seats: Free

Motorcycle charge: £1

Disabled parking is available at Forest Corner, Edwinstowe. Follow signs on arrival.

Car parking is limited and the festival is very popular. Consider using public transport or car-sharing if you can.

Free car parking to Sherwood Forest 2015 season ticket holders.





The University of Cambridge are now inviting applications for our 2015/16 programme of part-time Local History courses here at the University of Cambridge Institute of Continuing Education (ICE).

There are three courses in particular that I hope might be of especial

interest to you and other people connected to Nottinghamshire Local History Association.

The courses are designed for professionals, researchers, volunteers, those working with their communities, and anyone with an interest in the field. All are taught part-time and lead to full University of Cambridge qualifications. Teaching takes place at Madingley Hall, a 16th-century country house near Cambridge set in 8 acres of landscaped grounds.

Undergraduate Certificate in Local History

October 2015 – June 2016, 12 Sunday day schools. Course fee: £1,800.

This course introduces students to the approaches historians take to local history, including landscape and architectural history, oral history, church history, and qualitative history (such as diaries), plus transcribing original documents. These approaches are further explored through the themes of the history of material goods and consumer culture and the history of crime and the social order. Students will be introduced to a wide range of primary and secondary evidence and will be given instruction in document evaluation and essay writing skills.

Undergraduate Diploma in Local History

October 2015 – June 2016, 12 Saturday day schools. Course fee: £1,800.

This course is designed for students who have some experience of studying history or a related discipline, or who have appropriate knowledge and enthusiasm in this field. It offers a combination of theoretical and practical approaches to local and regional history, covering the topics such as parish life in the 16th and 17th centuries and religious change from 1700 to 1900.

Undergraduate Advanced Diploma in Local History

November 2015 – May 2017, 8 supervisions + 1 induction day. Course fee: £3,600.

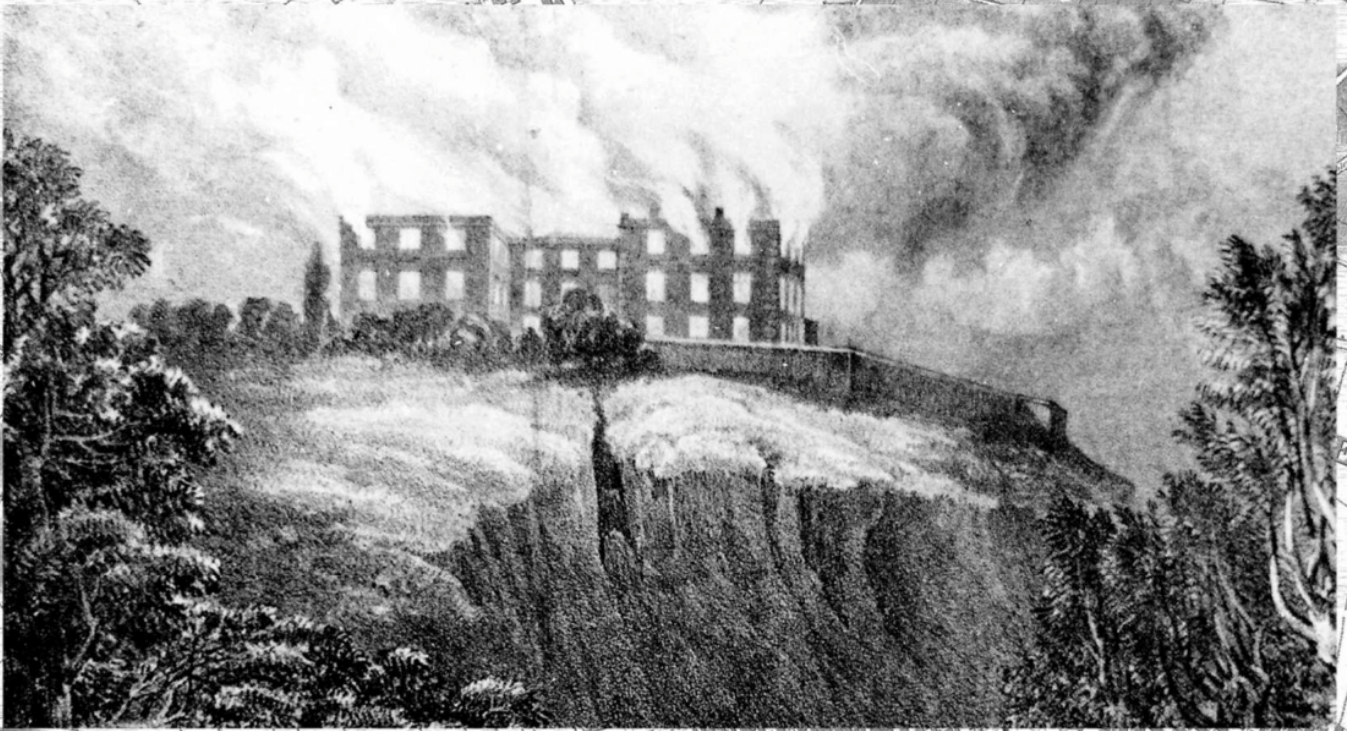
This two-year course gives you the opportunity to pursue your own research project under the guidance of a Cambridge supervisor. It provides an excellent foundation in research methods for anyone wishing to pursue further study.

How to apply

You can find out more about the above courses and apply online at:

www.ice.cam.ac.uk/courses/certificates-and-diplomas

To the Castle!



**A walk through Nottingham,
retracing the 1831 Reform Riots.**

Thursday, 20th August 2015

Start 6.45pm St Peter Square (outside M&S)

Look out for the Loaf On A Stick!

Alternatively, assemble outside Nottingham Contemporary at 6.30pm and we will walk with you to the starting point.

On October 10th 1831 Nottingham Castle was burned down during the Reform Riots.

Our popular guided walk through the City Centre follows in the rioters' footsteps, looking into their identities, motives as well as living and working conditions.

People's Histreh

Nottingham & Notts Radical History Group



Free of charge (donations welcome).
Estimated duration two hours.
Route wheelchair accessible.

peopleshistreh@riseup.net
peopleshistreh.wordpress.com

Staveley & Wood map courtesy of Nottinghamshire Archives.

Knitted Garden in Bloom at Museum this Summer



This summer you can experience a knitted garden at the Framework Knitters Museum, Ruddington. Among the natural flora and fauna in the museums picturesque garden, woollen flowers are blooming and woollen bugs are creeping.

The knitted additions to the museum's garden will be on display until Sunday 27th September, including during the annual Garden Party on Monday 31st August. Entry to the garden is included in the normal admission price, though admission is free during the Garden Party which runs from 11 am to 4 pm.

The knitted flowers and garden critters were originally created by the museum staff and visitors for the Woollen Woods exhibition held in Rushcliffe Country Park in May. Any additional contributions to

the collection are welcome.

Paul Baker, Museum Manager, said "the museum garden is always such a pleasant place to be in the summer, the addition of the knitted flowers and bugs seemed perfect. We can't wait to see our visitors' faces as they explore the garden and discover the beautiful knitted artwork nestled among the blossoming garden."

For more information please visit www.frameworkknittersmuseum.org.uk, or contact the museum on 0115 984 6914 or office@frameworkknittersmuseum.org.uk.



**Bestwood
Steampunk
Picnic**

Sat 5th September
1pm – 4pm

Brass Band
Steampunk Crafts
Vintage café
Winding Engine Tours
Steampunk traders
and much more.....

Suitable for all

FREE

You're invited to the
first ever
**Bestwood Steampunk
Picnic!**
Bring your own picnic
and blanket and
enjoy the "Splendid"
fun!

 **Nottinghamshire
County Council**

Bestwood Country Park, Bestwood Winding Engine House
Park Road, Bestwood Village, NG6 8ZA

Image by Gary Nicolls of the Imaginarium

New exhibition to explore what the Caribbean 'Windrush Generation' brought with them to the UK and Nottingham - stories in a suitcase- case



What would you take to start a new life in a new country if you could only take one small suitcase with you?

That's the question that SKN Heritage Museum, one of the UK's only Caribbean heritage and social history museums, will be answering at Nottingham Carnival at Victoria Embankment on 23rd August, and they need your help!

The museum is looking for exhibits for a popup exhibition it's organising for the Carnival, exploring what Caribbeans brought with them to the UK during the Windrush Generation – the period of post-war mass migration from the Caribbean to the UK from 1948 onwards. Caribbeans were invited to the UK to help with labour shortages after the war, and many of the first passengers to arrive were ex-servicemen who had fought for Britain. The Empire Windrush was one of the ships that brought people from the Caribbean. SKN Heritage Museum is looking for personal items that people brought with them in their suitcases, including make up, beauty products, hair products and tools, clothes, photographs, books, ornaments, records, ephemera, games, food packaging and things that reminded them of home. The exhibition will also feature things people may have sent home to their relatives from the UK, things that may have been new or unavailable in the Caribbean.

To find out more or donate to the museum call 074969 189550 or email

sknheritagemuseum@outlook.com



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How to join the Association

Please enter your details below:

I/We wish to become a member of the Nottinghamshire Local History Association and enclose a

cheque/PO (made payable to the Nottinghamshire Local History Association) for the sum of £10

(for individuals) or £15 (for organisations).

Name: _____ Title _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

How did you find out about us? _____

Please return this form, together with your payment, to:

David Anderson, Membership Secretary & Treasurer, NLHA, 35 Sycamore Road, East Leake, Loughborough, LE12 6PP.

Please contact the Membership Secretary if you have any questions or want to know the overseas membership rates. Telephone: 01509 820067, email: treasurer@nlha.org.uk.

The Committee of Nottinghamshire Local History Association currently stores members' personal details in a computerised membership records database. The purpose of this is not only for the mailing of The Nottinghamshire Historian but to ensure better communication and in general to improve the level of service offered to members. If you do not wish your personal details to be stored electronically then please inform the Membership Secretary in writing and they will be removed and held in paper form. Please note that

Members' personal details will not be disclosed to any third party without their written permission.



Fourth Annual Family Garden Party at the Museum

The Framework Knitters Museum in Ruddington will be holding their fourth annual Garden Party and spectacular musical event on Bank Holiday Monday, 31st August 2015, 11.00 – 4.00. The event offers FREE entry to the museum and is suitable for all ages.

Why not relax in the beautiful garden at the Framework Knitters Museum and enjoy a day of musical entertainment, tea & cake and textile crafts. Chill out with the perfect soundtrack to a summer's afternoon with live music performed by local artists including the return of King Ned Ludd and other singers and performers. Of course the Garden Party would not be complete without a wide selection of naughty cakes served on the lawn. The museum also offers an opportunity to have-a-go at the circular knitting machines, see craftspeople in action and buy locally made textile gifts from our unique Textile Emporium.

This is one garden party the weather can't spoil as the museum has a large chapel on site which will provide the perfect venue should the sun be in short supply. Paul Baker, the Museum Manager, said "we're extremely excited about the musical program this year. Last year was an overwhelming success with our beautiful garden full of families enjoying the entertainment and cakes and this year we intend to offer a wider range of performers and activities. We look forward to welcoming visitors to this wonderful free event." Further details of performers will be advertised on the museum website, Facebook and Twitter pages



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Provisional Agenda

Meet Brinsley Headstocks
10.45am – 11.00am

11.00am Brinsley Headstocks

Rhythm and Rhyme from
the Mines (Readings and
Music)

11.30am Miners Meander
Brinsley Headstocks
to The Breach House
(Some dressed as miners
in pit muck marching the
symbolic walk)

12 Noon The Breach
House Rhythm and Rhyme
from the Mines (Readings
and Music) + Visits
around the Breach House
(Donations can be made
for the Breach House)

1.00pm Walk / Travel to
DHL Heritage Centre

1.15pm Snap Break – Bistro – DHL Heritage Centre

Including favourite Pit Lit readings from people during snap.

2.30pm Illustrated Talk / Presentation

Tales and Rhymes from the Mines by David Amos
(Green and Gold Room- DHL Heritage Centre)

3.00pm Finish of event

Event Organiser David Amos

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Sunday 9th August 2015

Starts at Brinsley Headstocks 11.00am

Free Event

Requiem for Notts Coal

A Commemoration

Rhyme, Rhythm & Ramble
at
Brinsley Headstocks,
a Miners Meander,
the Breach House &
DH Lawrence Heritage Centre
11am–3pm

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