



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

Working together: what we do best

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Hello

In March NLHA, FONA, Farnsfield Local History Society and Lenton Local History Society are holding annual AGMs to review activities over the past year, plan for the future and elect management committees. Both FONA and NLHA are presenting revised constitutions designed to help us move forwards and to develop the study of local history in Nottinghamshire. Please support your local history group. Get involved! Join a committee!

Copies of EAST MIDLANDS HISTORY AND HERITAGE should be available FREE at your local library, if you can't find any please let me know and I will arrange to have more delivered. Copies will also be available at the Dayschool.

If you haven't already done so have a look at our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/nottsllocalhistory there is a whole community of local history interests to be found there.



NLHA EVENTS

NLHA Spring Dayschool 2016 and AGM - Unearthing the Past

19th March 2016 at Ravenshead Village Hall commencing at 9:30 until 4:00. Steph Mastoris on The Welbeck Atlas, Steven Hollowell on Researching and Claiming Lost Ways, Stephen Walker on Moor Ponds Woods, Chris Brooke on Remote Sensing. £7.50 members £8.50 non-members. Tickets in advance from Mr. David Anderson, 35 Sycamore Road, East Leake, Loughborough LE12 6PP - telephone 01509 820067 email treasurer@nlha.org.uk ...[Read more.](#)

Dr Steven Hollowell is a local historian with a particular interest in inclosure records but is also an experienced Public Rights of Way Consultant. He has acted as expert witness in a number of important legal actions and has published a number of books dealing with history and access to the countryside. He is currently working on a book on Lost Ways. New legislation places a time limit on claiming lost ways and having them placed on the Definitive Map – the legal record of public rights of way. While Parliamentary inclosure provides strong evidence for the existence of these lost routes, there are many other historical sources which are able to add to the story. We will be looking at the historical

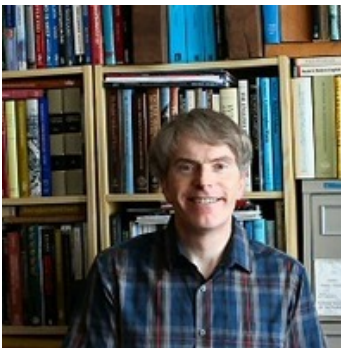
background to the early ways and the legal jungle of proving their existence in order to have them restored.



Stephen Walker is a postgraduate researcher at the University of Nottingham. His research examines the development of cotton spinning, and associated textile trades, in the Leen valley, north of Nottingham, in the 18th century. Much has been written about the Industrial Revolution and this research is an attempt to make some detailed observations about the industrialisation and urbanisation which took place in the rural landscape of Nottinghamshire two hundred and fifty years ago. The work combines archaeology with documentary and cartographic evidence. Stephen will describe the outcome of his study, emphasising the effect of the Industrial Revolution on the landscape of the valley.



Steph Mastoris began his museum career in Nottingham in the late 1970s and since then has also worked in Leicestershire and Wales. He is currently Head of the National Waterfront Museum in Swansea and Acting Director of Operations for the National Museum of Wales. Steph has just completed a 15-year long research project to prepare a scholarly edition of the Welbeck Atlas for publication by the Thoroton Society's Record Series.



Dr. Chris Brooke is Hon. Associate Professor of medieval church history and church archaeology at the University of Nottingham where he is joint editor for the Southwell and Nottingham Church History project. He is also an Hon. Research Fellow at the University of Durham where he continues to develop ground-based and aerial remote sensing techniques for use in archaeology and the study of historic buildings.



AND

Copies of issue 1 and issue 2 EAST MIDLANDS HISTORY AND HERITAGE will be available **FREE** and **Nick Hayes** (editor) will be on hand to talk about the magazine and www.eastmidlandshistory.org.uk

Philip Marsh will talk about his new book on Augustus Gregory

Tea and Coffee

Bookstalls

The Belvoir Angels, Nuthall and District HS

Presented by Peter Hammond on Tuesday 1st March at St Patrick's Church Hall commencing at 7:30pm.

[Read more.](#)

Roman Southwell, East Bridgford LHG

Presented by Matt Beresford on 1st March 2016 at East Bridgford Methodist Church commencing at 7:30pm.

[Read more.](#)

Bridging the Gap, West Bridgford & District LHS

On Friday 4th March 2016 at West Bridgford Lutterell Hall commencing at 7:30pm Tom Ingall will give a presentation on the Great Central Railway line between Loughborough and Ruddington.

[Read more.](#)



Help the Museum Curate its Coins, University of Nottingham Museum

With Anja Rohde, Museum Numismatist, on Saturday 5th March 2016 at the University of Nottingham Museum between 11:00am and 3:00 pm. Cost £2. Suitable for age 14+. Book online at www.lakesidearts.org.uk or phone 0115 846 7777. Are you interested in ancient coins? Do you want to discover how museums look after their collections? If so, come along and find out ...

[Read more.](#)



International Women's Day, Nottingham Women's HG

Celebrate International Women's Day with Nottingham Women's History Group at Angel Row Library on Saturday 5th March 2016 commencing at

11:00am.

[Read more.](#)



AGM followed by George Sandersons Map, FONA

Following the AGM at 2pm on Saturday 5th March 2016 Adrian Henstock will present 'George Sandersons Map of the Country 20 Miles around Mansfield' at Nottinghamshire Archives. George Sanderson's circular 2 ¼ inch map is a masterpiece of cartography which pre-dates the first Ordnance Survey maps. It depicts landscape features ...[Read more](#).



500 Years of Counterfeits, Numismatic Society

Presented by Gary Oddie on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at Lakeside Arts Theatre commencing at 7:00pm. [Read more](#).

Blue Plaque Challenge, Stapleford and District LHS

Presented by Dr. Peter Robinson on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at St Helen's Church Hall commencing at 7:00pm. [Read more](#).

Bygone Shops and Shopping in Nottingham, Burton Joyce & Bulcote LHS

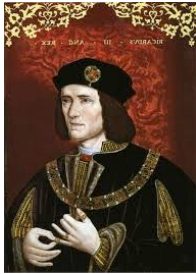
Presented by Chris Weir on Tuesday 8th March 2016 at Burton Joyce Carnarvon Room commencing at 7:30pm. Admission for non-members is £2.00. Chris was a Principal Archivist (Public Services) at Nottinghamshire Archives and is now a freelance Heritage Consultant based in Nottingham.. ...[Read more](#).



7 Steps to Perfection, University of Nottingham Manuscripts and Special Collections

Presented by Judith Wright from the Boots Archive on 9 March 2016, 1 – 2pm at the Djanogly Theatre, Nottingham Lakeside Arts, University Park Campus, Nottingham, NG7 2RD The talk is presented in conjunction with an exhibition entitled 'Inspiring Beauty: No7 ~ 80 years of making up the modern woman' which is a partnership between the University and Boots Archive

...[Read more](#).



Richard III: The King under the Car Park, Retford and District H & A S

Presented by Mathew Morris on Wednesday 9th March 2016 at Retford Chapelgate Hall commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)

AGM, Farnsfield LHS

AGM on Wednesday 9th March 2016 in the Lower Hall of Farnsfield Village Centre commencing at 7:30pm and followed by Trevor Lee's presentation of Radio Fun [Read more.](#)

AGM, Lenton LHS

The society annual general meeting will take place on Wednesday 9th March 2016 at Dunkirk Community Centre commencing at 7:30pm [Read more.](#)



Saxon Pottery Making, University of Nottingham Museum

Separate adult and children's workshops on Saturday 12th March 2016 in the Angear Visitor Centre commencing at 2:00pm. Cost £20 adults, £4 children. Book online at www.lakesidearts.org.uk or phone 0115 846 7777 After the Romans abandoned Britain many things changed and pottery reflects these changes. Graham Taylor from Potted History will work with visitors in two separate sessions ...[Read more.](#)



Nottinghamshire Trees, The Thoroton Society

On Saturday 12th March 2016 at 2:30pm at the Nottingham Mechanics Prof. Charles Watkins (University of Nottingham) will deliver the Myles Thoroton Hildyard Lecture.

[Read more.](#)



AGM Followed by Who-What-Where- When, Arnold LHG

A collection of slides and photographs of old Arnold on Tuesday 15th March 2016 at Arnold Labour Club commencing at 7:00pm.

[Read more.](#)



Stanton at War, East Leake & District LHS

Presented by Stephen Flinders on Wednesday 16th March 2016 at East Leake St. Mary's Church Hall commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)

Emergence of the Robin Hood Legend of Edwinstowe 1819-49, Edwinstowe HS

Presented by David Crook on Wednesday March 16th 2016 at St Mary's Church Rooms, Edwinstowe commencing at 7:30pm

[Read more.](#)



Bramcote Hall: From Family Home to Prep School, Beeston & District LHS

Beeston and District Local History Society Presented by Val Bird on Wednesday 16th March 2016 at Chilwell Memorial Hall commencing at 7.30p.m. [Read more.](#)

Inspector Hopkinson's Discovery, Bingham & District LHS

Presented by Ian Morgan at 7.15pm on 17th March 2016 at The Old Courthouse, Bingham. [Read more.](#)

Lost Railways of Nottinghamshire, Woodborough LHG

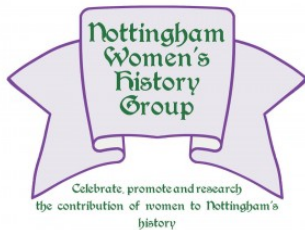
Presented by David Amos on Thursday 17th March 2016 at The Institute Woodborough commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)

St Anne's Allotments and Community Orchard, Coddington HG

Presented by Mo Cooper on Thursday 17th March 2016 at Coddington Village Hall commencing at 7.30p.m. Everyone welcome. The oldest and largest area of Victorian detached town gardens in the world - in the heart of Nottingham [Read more.](#)

March Local History Seminar, University of Nottingham

On 19 March 2016 at Lenton Grove on the University of Nottingham's University Park campus commencing at 10:00am Dr. David Appleby will present *After the Storm: the British Civil Wars and the Restoration* where he will talk about his current research into the demobilised soldiery of the British Civil Wars, both in the 1640s and after the Restoration. [Read more.](#)



Tree Planting, Nottingham Women's HG

Tree planting to commemorate local suffragette Helen Watts at Nottingham Arboretum at 2:00pm on Saturday 19th March 2016. [Read more.](#)



A Historical Tour of Whitby, Lambley HS

Presented by Peter Hammond on Monday 21st March 2016 at Lowdham WI Hall commencing at 7:30pm. This talk takes us for a walk through this picturesque seaside town. We will climb the steps up to the historic church and abbey and explore Whitby's fascinating history, finishing with fish and chips at the famous Magpie cafe! [Read more.](#)



Emma's Sketchbook, Pentagon LHS

Presented by Richard Gaunt on Wednesday 23rd March 2016 at Elston Village Hall commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)

The Life & Travels of Robert Bruce Napoleon Walker, Wollaton H&CS

Presented by Stephen Flinders on Wednesday 23rd March 2016 at St Leonards Community Centre commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)



Servicemen and Women in WWII, Southwell and District LHS

AGM followed by a presentation by Roger Dobson on 23rd March 2016 at The Old Court House, The Burgage, Southwell commencing at 7:30pm. [Read more.](#)

SHAFTED! - John Godber's brand new comedy!

Monday 14 - Friday 18 March 7.30pm

Saturday 19 March 2pm and 7.30pm

Djanogly Theatre, Lakeside, University of Nottingham

In 1985 the miners were defeated. Their families were torn apart and the media circus went home. This epic new play traces what happened to miner Harry and his wife Dot in the thirty years after the strike.

Suddenly they were thrown together, with new battles to fight and new jobs to hold down; from window cleaning in Wakefield to running a boarding house in Bridlington. Fuelled with eye watering honesty and true Yorkshire grit, this is a hilarious account of those whose jobs had been taken, communities destroyed, and how they fought back after being shafted!

SHAFTED! stars the multi BAFTA-winning partnership of John Godber and wife Jane Thornton, whose previous work together includes the Olivier Award-nominated April in Paris, BBC Radio 4 Classic Theatre, September in the Rain and the Laurence Olivier Award-winning comedy Up 'n' Under! Duration: 2 hours including interval

Suitable for 16+ due to some adult language

Book via the Box Office on 0115 846 7777

Book on-line at www.lakesidearts.org.uk



On the 800th anniversary of the death of King John in Newark Castle

Collingham and District Local History Society presents an illustrated talk: **'The Last Journey of the Magna Carta King'**

Speaker : Stephen Church, Professor of Medieval History, University of

East Anglia

Venue : Newark Town Hall

Date : Wednesday October 19th : 7.15pm

Tickets on sale at the Palace Theatre, Newark

Entrance by ticket only : tickets limited so please book early



Dave Amos goes Revolutionary! The Pentrich Revolution Bicentenary 1817 – 2017

Dave is currently working with the Pentrich Revolution Bi-Centenary Group towards putting a funding bid together to run various commemoration activities during 2017, the bi-centenary year of the uprising. The 1817 Pentrich Revolution or Uprising is often referred to as England's last revolution. Regarding the funding bid, and under the banner of "need and demand", they need evidence that people are interested in commemorating the bi-centenary of the event in addition to taking part in the various activities. To that end, any comments in favour of the commemoration would help towards a successful bid. Any comments can be made by email to:

david.amos99@ntlworld.com

or visit the Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pentrichrevolution/>

On 9th June 1817 over 300 men set out from villages on the Derbyshire-Nottinghamshire border to march to Nottingham. They thought that they were part of a general rising across the North and Midlands to bring down an unjust and oppressive government. They were motivated by poverty and the hunger of their families, and with all efforts to gain a hearing suppressed they saw armed revolt as the only alternative.

Unknown to them the Government was fully aware of their plans, and their agents had actively encouraged the rising. Rebel leaders in other areas had already been arrested. The Derbyshire men were to be used as an example to others. After a trial in Derby, with a carefully selected jury, three were executed, hanged and then beheaded, fourteen transported and others imprisoned. Their families were evicted and homes destroyed.

... [Read more.](#)

What's on at The Harley Gallery March - June 2016

Hello from the Harley Gallery

Join us this March to see The Portland Collection and The Grand Tour: Season 2.

We're very excited to announce our new Gallery for The Portland Collection, designed by Hugh Broughton Architects, will open its doors to the public on March 20th, and will be open 11am-4pm daily. The Collection includes works by Stubbs, Van Dyck and Michelangelo. Sir Peter Blake has selected a display of Miniatures from the Collection, which will be on show in the new gallery's 'Miniatures Octagon' designed by John Ronayne.

Season two of The Grand Tour will coincide and will show a two-part display of original collages

from Sir Peter Blake's celebrated 'World Tour' series, and an exhibition from influential performance artist Rose English which explores equestrian themes by juxtaposing her own work with objects from The Portland Collection.

There's plenty of things to do and with the weather finally picking up be sure to try one of our recommended Welbeck walks.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

The Harley Gallery

The Grand Tour

The Grand Tour reinterprets world-class collections through contemporary art across four venues in Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. It is a partnership between Chatsworth, Derby Museums, The Harley Gallery and Nottingham Contemporary together with Experience Nottinghamshire and Visit Peak District and Derbyshire. Funding for The Grand Tour was awarded as part of the joint Arts Council England and VisitEngland Cultural Destinations programme.

For more information visit thegrandtour.uk.com

[Read more.](#)



Call for volunteers at Nottingham Castle's Mercian Regiment Museum

The Mercian Regiment museum has recently been awarded a Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) grant to move, re-display and re-interpret their galleries at [Nottingham Castle Museum](#). Work began in November last year to move the artefacts from the previous space. As the collection moves to its new gallery in the Castle, 30 volunteers are needed to help when this exciting project is once again open to the public.

The Museum of the Mercian Regiments tells the story of the regiments of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire (45th and 95th Regiments of Foot, The Sherwood Foresters, The Worcestershire and Sherwood Foresters Regiment and the Mercian Regiment) from 1741, up to the present day.

When the museum is up and running, volunteers will welcome visitors and offer assistance to anyone researching a member of their family who served in the regiment. Alongside customer service duties, there may be opportunity to work with the collection and help out with any basic conservation work that may be required.

Potential volunteers are invited to an information day at Nottingham Castle on Saturday 27 February. There will be presentations from Jennifer Brookman, Curator and Archivist at 10:15 and 1:15 on how people can get involved. There will be tours of the new gallery space and opportunity to mingle with staff and volunteers as well as completing an application to volunteer.

To book a place on one of the sessions or to find out more, please contact the Nottingham City Museums and Galleries (NCMG) Volunteer office

at: volunteer.programme@nottinghamcity.gov.uk or telephone on 0115 8762205.

...[Read more.](#)

Rewarding Restoration

An Invitation from the Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust

Does anyone know of a recently-restored Nottinghamshire building which exemplifies enlightened restoration, or a new building which enhances its surroundings?

Entries are now invited for the increasingly popular and prestigious **HARRY JOHNSON AWARD 2016** - run every alternate year jointly by the Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust and the Nottingham Branch of the Campaign to Protect Rural England, both energetic guardians of Nottinghamshire's heritage.

Projects should have been completed within three years prior to the application deadline of 15th May this year. Judging is scheduled for June/July 2016.

The support of the building owners is, of course, essential for the provision of detailed information and co-operation with the judges to arrange a visit.

Further details and/or nomination forms are available from the Nottinghamshire Building Preservation Trust, Minster Chambers, Church Street, Southwell NG25 0HD (01636 819555), by e-mail to nbpt@btclick.com and via the Trust's [website](#).

A modest entry fee of £15 is required to cover the costs of administration and the Award certificates.

(Further details may also be requested from Marion Edwards (NBPT Administrative Assistant) on 0115 9392459 or by e-mailing mimsie@nannas.fsnet.co.uk

...[Read more](#).



Keyworth Conservation Area Census - 21 Years of

Conservation in Keyworth

In 1995 Keyworth & District Local History Society prompted Keyworth Parish Council to create a Conservation Area Advisory Group, dedicated to identifying, preserving and protecting Keyworth's historical environment. Several people worked very hard for the next couple of years establishing the village's merit and collecting and collating evidence from a variety of sources, including maps and historical publications, and also fielding concerns from residents.

A site assessment was undertaken in June 1997; a working group was established; a public meeting held in March 1998 and a Full Council agreement by Keyworth Parish Council in September 1998 supported an application, which led to the Development Services Committee of Rushcliffe Borough Council designating a Conservation Area in Keyworth.

Liaising with the Keyworth & District Local History Society (KDLHS), CAAG have completed a project with Keyworth & Ruddington Rotary; and since 1995 has worked to establish the

Conservation Area, identify historical buildings, produce leaflets and install blue plaques.

If you wish to discuss this project, or are able to offer help, please contact

Sheila Barton, e.mail: sheilakingdom@gmail.com or telephone 0115 937 3068

SMB January 2016

Keyworth Conservation Area Census

CONSERVATION AREA ADVISORY GROUP (CAAG) and KEYWORTH & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY (KDLHS)

...[Read more](#).



Southwell Workhouse

Have look at the Southwell Workhouse web site where you can find out more about events: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/the-workhouse-southwell



HELP

From time-to-time I get enquiries and requests for help or information and I try and pass these on to the local groups and historians who I think are best equipped to deal with them. I've had a couple of enquiries recently about Nottingham during World War 2 - if you have any information or knowledge that you think might be relevant please reply to me or respond directly via email to the enquirer.

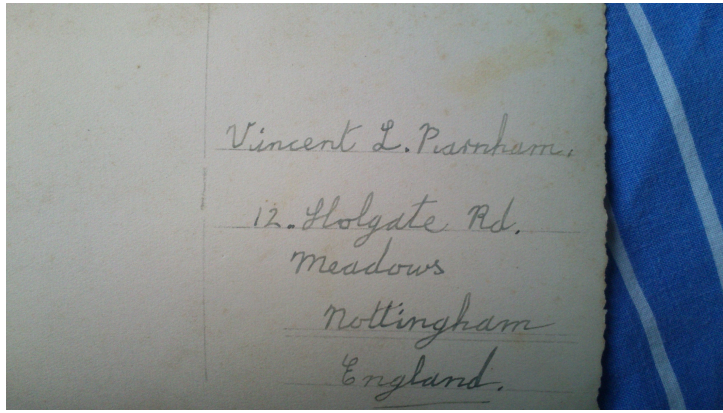
Civil Defence in Nottingham during World War 2

James Bromwich jamesbromwich@me.com

James is interested in contacting anyone who has information about Civil Defence in Nottingham during the Second World War particularly if they know anything about the CD ambulance service (Casualty Services) at the time as his father **Frederick Stephen Bromwich** belonged to this branch during the War. There is a photograph of Frederick in his uniform with what looks like an officer's cap and another group picture of 'Squad 2' (men) and of a football team of Squad 2 including him in ordinary clothes. James has looked at Nottinghamshire Archives but all their material deals with council decisions and lacks details on either names or activities. Can anyone help with possible sources?

James lives in London but has been coming up to Nottingham to research family background

(both his parents lived in Nottingham) and to see Nottingham Forest periodically. He expects to come again to look further into his parents activities in the Co-Op theatre group(s), peoples theatre etc, but would really like to sort out his father's wartime activities



Belgian historian looking for information about World War 2 Nottingham

Rob Dufresne historicusrob@gmail.com

Rob is a Belgian historian (graduated University of Ghent, 2010) and is very much interested in the history of Lanaken which is a village in the province of Limburg, in the east of Belgium where he grew up. It's also located near the borders of the Netherlands and Germany.

A local recently gave him a postcard, sent by an English soldier during WW2. This soldier was probably smuggled by train from the east in Belgium to Brussels and Ostende to get him back to England. In this case it's about: **Vincent L. Parham**, who lived in The Meadows, Nottingham, at 12 Holgate Road.

He would be very grateful for any more information.



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

3rd Nottinghamshire Local History and Archaeology Day: Saturday 9 July 2016

Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair (Mansfield): Sunday 8 May 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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