



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

Working together: what we do best

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Men waiting in Nottingham. Print by Fiona Ribbison

‘The Pentrich Revolution 1817– England's Last Armed Rebellion.’

Exhibition at The National Justice Museum High Pavement, Nottingham NG1 1HN. From Saturday 21st October to January 2018 an important exhibition is being held at the National Justice

Museum to mark the bi-centenary of a rising by working people in Derbyshire to bring down the government....[Read more.](#)

"...shards of personal memory, fragments of autobiography"



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Lenton Martinmas Fair, 14 October 2017

Lenton Community Association made £177.00 on the day through entrance fees and had an attendance of 201 (although it was noted by some that a few people still snuck in through the back gates.)

John Parker and Robert Howard attended on behalf of NLHA and distributed East Midlands History and Heritage magazines and 'Heritage on a 35 Bus' leaflets as well as promoting the benefits of local history.....[Read more.](#)

Greater Love by Ztan Zmith

Local author and historian Ztan Zmith agreed, in 2014, to research into the lives of the men from Brinsley who died in, or as a result of the two World Wars, and to compile this research into a book in their memory.

Unfortunately he passed away shortly before completing the work and it was left to his wife Christine to add the final touches. The completed work was passed to Brinsley Parish Council to be published, and the paperback version recently came out and is available through Brinsley Post Office, at St James Community Cafe (every Wednesday from 10-00 am to 12 noon) , priced at £5-00, all profits will be donated to his chosen charity St James Church, Brinsley. Copies of this book along with all his other books are also available through the web site www.ztanzmith.co.uk



During his lifetime he wrote 14 other books about the past of Brinsley and, in memory of the work that he did for the village, a limited number of hard back copies have also been produced, the first of these was presented to Mrs Smith during a morning service at St James Church.

The second copy was then presented to the Rev David Stevenson, vicar in charge of St James, Brinsley to be held in the church for all to read.

The remaining hardback copies have been handed over to Brinsley Primary School, as a reference book for pupils to use in any future work undertaken in respect of the two wars, and added to Eastwood Libraries reference section.

Ztan Zmith was the pen name of Stan Smith of Brinsley, Chairman of Basford and District Local History Society and Vice President of the Nottingham Writers Club.

Ztan wrote many articles, short stories and poems, which have featured on Radio in the e-magazine The Nottinghamshire Times and in a wide variety of other publications.

He wrote about fascinating local characters from the past who lived in extraordinary times and this has led to the publication of six books for the Merrill Foundation's Nottinghamshire Heritage Series, a further twelve books based on his home village of Brinsley, six books about nearby Underwood and Bagthorpe, several books on Basford, Cinderhill and Hyson Green and a Wedding Book that has proved to be extraordinarily popular.

Ztan was also editor of The Basford Bystander a bi-monthly Community Newspaper devoted to nostalgia and local history in and around Basford and District in Nottingham. This publication is read in quite a few countries around the world.



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ANGEL ROW HISTORY FORUM



Revolution, Richard Gaunt, Angel Row History Forum November 2017

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Following tea/coffee from 10.00 the talk will start at 10.30

You can pre-register in person at the Local Studies Library, phone 0115 9152870 or by email to: Local_studies.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

An EXHIBITION of paintings of the events by local artists will be held in the Local Studies Library

A free GUIDED WALK , led by Roger Tanner, will visit sites in the city centre associated with the events of the Pentrich Revolution. Leaving Angel Row Library front doors at 1.30pm on Tuesday 14th November. ...[Read more.](#)



SOCIETY EVENTS

The Pentrich Revolution, Michael Parkin, Chinemarelian (Kimberley) HS

On Thursday 2nd November 2017 in the Community Room of Kimberley School, Newdigate Street Kimberley NG16 2NJ at 7:30pm Michael Parkin will give a talk on the trial and controversy of the Pentrich Revolution Visitors welcome £2.....[Read more.](#)

Shakespeare and His Black Mates, Museumand



You are invited to attend a rehearsed reading of a New Play on Thursday 2nd November 2017, 7.30pm at Neville Studio, The Nottingham Playhouse - Call box office on 0115 941 9419 to book...[Read more.](#)

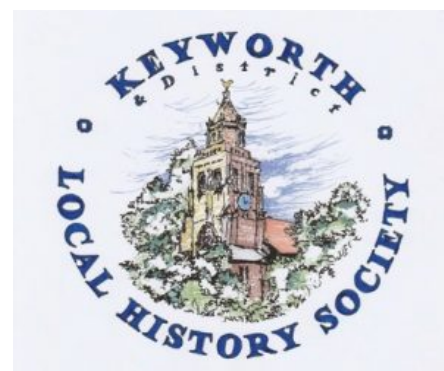


Suffrage-Votes for Women, Rowena Edlin-White, Nottinghamshire Archives

At Nottinghamshire Archives on Friday 3 November 2017, 2.30 - 4.30pm, as part of the NEFARIOUS NOTTS programme of talks Dr Rowena Edlin-White examines the documents and history of the suffrage movement in Nottinghamshire. Learn more about this important era in the United Kingdom's history and see original documents from the time, including those of local suffragette

Helen Watt £3 Booking advised...[Read more.](#)

The Life and Times of a Victorian Lawyer, Derrick Watson, Keyworth and District LHS



On Friday 3rd November 2017 in the Centenary Lounge, Keyworth Village Hall at 7:30pm Derrick Watson will give a talk on the life and times of a Victorian lawyer. Guests are welcome for a small charge. Refreshments and a bookstall are available after the speaker....[Read more.](#)



Local Families and Hospital Work, Radcliffe-on-Trent U3A Group, West Bridgford and District LHS

On Friday 3 November 2017 at 7.30 pm in the Lutterell Hall (formerly West Bridgford Community Hall) on the corner of Church Drive and Bridgford Road, West Bridgford, NG2 6AY Radcliffe-on-

Trent U3A Group will give a presentation on World War I local families and hospital work...[Read more.](#)

Tattershall Castle, James Wright, East Bridgford LHG



On Tuesday 7th November 2017 at 7:30pm at East Bridgford Methodist Chapel James Wright will give a presentation on Tattershall Castle. James Wright FSA is an archaeologist and historian based at the University of Nottingham With over twenty years of professional experience, he has published two books and a string of popular and academic articles ...[Read more.](#)

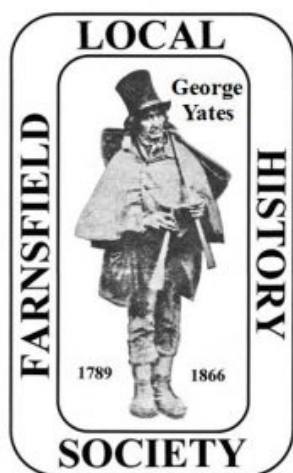


Off to Skeggy, Bob Massey, Nuthall and District HS

On Tuesday 7th November 2017 at 7:30pm at St Patrick's Church Hall Bob Massey will conduct a tour of Skegness....[Read more.](#)

Tough Guys Don't Dance, Maria Ragachewskaya, D H Lawrence Society

On Wednesday 8th November 2017 at The Horse and Groom, Moorgreen, commencing at 7:15pm Maria Ragachewskaya will present "Tough Guys Don't Dance? What It Meant For Lawrence"....[Read more.](#)



Pentrich 1817, Richard Gaunt, Farnsfield LHS

Presented by Richard Gaunt on Wednesday 8th November 2017 at the Lower Hall of Farnsfield Village Centre commencing at 7:30pm. The Pentrich rising was an armed uprising in 1817 that began around the village of Pentrich in Derbyshire but was quashed soon after it began. Three men were hanged and beheaded at Derby Gaol for their participation in the uprising.....[Read more.](#)

The Pentrich Revolution, Michael Parkin, Retford and District H&AS

On 8 November 2017 at 7.30pm at Chapelgate Hall, Grove Street Methodist Church, Retford DN22 6LB Michael Parkin will tell the story of the 8 June 1817 when between 50 and 300 stockingers, ironworkers and labourers from the villages of Ripley, Pentrich, Alfreton, and South Wingfield gathered and set out to march the fourteen miles to Nottingham, collecting more men and arms on the way...[Read more.](#)



Terror from the Skies, Stephen Flinders, Sutton Bonington LHS

Presented by Stephen Flinders at Sutton Bonington Methodist Church Schoolroom on Wednesday 8th November 2017 commencing at 7:30pm. This talk covers the area's part in what generally became known as 'The Great Midlands Zeppelin Raid'....[Read more.](#)

Population and Transport Conference, Local Population Studies Society

"Population and transport" will be held at the University of Leicester on Saturday 11th November 2017. This conference is sponsored by the Local Population Studies Society and the Friends of the Centre for English Local History, University of Leicester. It brings together historians working on the link between transport, in various forms, and population, including national overviews and local case studies...[Read more.](#)



Trial and The Retribution, Richard Gaunt, Department of History

On Saturday 11 November 2017 starting at 10:00am and finishing approximately at 12:30pm at Lenton Grove at the University of Nottingham Richard Gaunt will talk about the fate of the Pentrich rebels. The Pentrich Rebellion failed in its intended purpose of triggering a nationwide revolution on the evening of 9th – 10th

June 1817. However, the story does not end there...[Read more.](#)

Print and Politics in the Nottinghamshire

Constituencies 1790-1832, Hannah Nicholson, The Thoroton Society



On Saturday, 11 November 2017 at the Nottingham Mechanics commencing at 2:30pm Hannah Nicholson, University of Nottingham, will present the Nottinghamshire History Lecture...[Read more.](#)



Bygone Shops and Shopping in Nottingham, Chris Weir, Cropwell Bishop HG

Cropwell Bishop Heritage Group have arranged for Mr. Chris Weir to give his talk "Bygone Shops and Shopping in Nottingham" at the Old School in Cropwell Bishop on Monday 13th November at 7.30.

The talk is free for members and £4 for visitors. All are welcome....[Read more.](#)

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The Music Hall on Film, Bob Massey, Stapleford and District LHS

On Tuesday 14 November 2017 at 7:30pm at St Helen's Church Hall, Stapleford, Bob Massey will present The Music Hall on Film.....[Read more.](#)

Lest we Forget III, Steve Wright, Burton Joyce and Bulcote LHS

On Tuesday 14 November 2017 starting at 7.30 and finishing at 8.45 pm, in the Carnarvon Room on Chestnut Grove, Burton Joyce NG14 5DP Steve Wright will present 'Lest We Forget III' Visitors are welcome and the admission is £3.00....[Read more.](#)

Grantham Canal, Rosemary Gibson, East Leake and District LHS



On Wednesday 15 November 2017 starting at 2.00pm in St. Mary's Church Hall, East Leake (opposite St. Mary's Church Main Street) Rosemary Gibson will tell the story of The Grantham Canal that ran for 33 miles (53 km) from Grantham falling through 18 canal locks to West Bridgford where it joined the River Trent....[Read more.](#)



The Smith Family of Bromley House, Ted White, Nottinghamshire Family History Society

On Wednesday 15 November 2017 at the Nottinghamshire Archives, Castle Meadow Road, Nottingham NG2 1AG commencing 7.15 pm Ted White will give a talk on the Smith Family of Bromley House...[Read more.](#)

The Life And Times Of Nurse Marian Winfield Bannister, Jill Oakland, Beeston and District LHS



Beeston and District Local History Society presented by Jill Oakland at
Chilwell Memorial Institute on Wednesday 15th November 2017 commencing
at 7:30pm....[Read more.](#)

AGM followed by Religion and the Rise of Sport in Victorian England, Hugh McLeod, Friends of the Centre for English Local History

On Thursday 16th November 2017 commencing at 12:30 pm at No: 5 Salisbury Road, Leicester
The Friends of the Centre for English Local History will hold their AGM which is to be followed by a
presentation by Hugh McLeod...[Read more.](#)



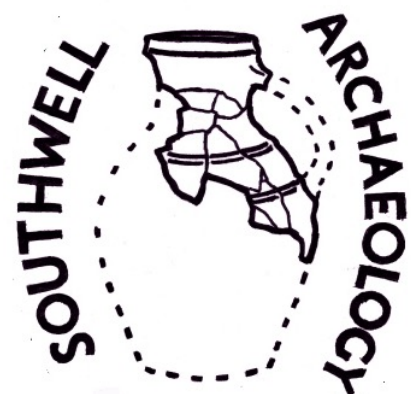
The Clergyman: The Widow and the Milkman, Mo Cooper, Woodborough LHG

On Thursday November 16th 2017 commencing at 7:30 pm at The Institute Woodborough there
will be a presentation by Mo Cooper....[Read more.](#)

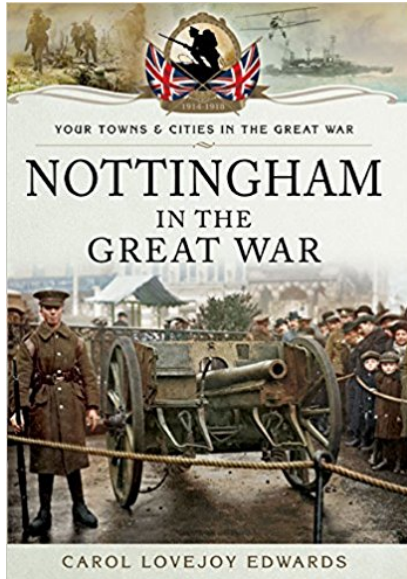
History of Balderton Airfield, Pete Stevens, Coddington History Group

On Thursday 16th November 2017 at 7:30pm at Coddington Village Hall Pete Stevens will tell the
story of The RAF, the Canadians, the Americans and Frank Whittle and his new jets....[Read more.](#)

A Lost Mediaeval fortified Manor House at Strelley Hall, James Wright, Southwell Archaeology



In the Old Courthouse, Burgage, Southwell on Thursday 16th
November 2017 at 7:30pm James Wright will explain how It was
assumed that Strelley Hall was a castle in medieval times but in
reality, and from a legal point of view, was not a castle but a fortified manor house.....[Read more.](#)



Nottingham in the Great war, Carol Lovejoy Edwards, FONA

At 11.00am, on Saturday 18 November 2017 at the Nottinghamshire Archives Carol Lovejoy Edwards looks at the impact of the Great War on those left behind at home here in Nottinghamshire - from the food shortages and hardships of coping alone to the new opportunities for women and also the criminal fraternity. Admission to non-FONA members £4.00 including refreshments.....[Read more.](#)

Pub Signs, Tina Lee, Friends of Nottingham Museums

On Saturday 18th November 2017 at The Malt Cross on St James Street commencing at 2:00pm Tina Lee will give a talk on pub signs...[Read more.](#)

Barton of Holme, John Wishart, North Muskham LHG

On Monday November 20th 2017 in Muskham Rural Community Centre commencing at 7:30pm John Wishart will give a talk on John Barton of Holme....[Read more.](#)

They Called it Passchendaele, Andy McKinnon, Arnold LHG

On Tuesday 21st November 2017 at 7:00pm at Arnold Labour Club, (Bonington House), 79 High Street, Arnold, Nottingham. NG5 7DN Andy McKinnon will tell the story of the third battle of Ypres 1917....[Read more.](#)



Nottingham's Pioneering Council Housing, Dan Lucas and Chris Matthews, Nottingham Civic Society

On Tuesday 21 November 2017 at The Nottingham Mechanics Institute commencing at 7:30pm Chris Matthews & Dan Lucas will give a presentation on Nottingham's Pioneering Council Housing Please note that as from the April meeting all lectures will take place at the Nottingham Mechanics, 3 North Sherwood Street, Nottingham NG1 4EZ. 0115 941 7353....[Read more.](#)

Nottingham in the Great War, Carol Lovejoy Edwards, Wollaton H&CS



On Wednesday 22nd November 2017 at 7.30pm at St Leonard's Community Centre, Bramcote Lane, Wollaton (opposite library) Carol Lovejoy Edwards will give a talk on Nottingham and the Great War. Free for WH&CS members, £2 visitors.....[Read more.](#)



Eighteenth Century Mills at Linby on the River Leen, Stephen Walker, The Pentagon Society

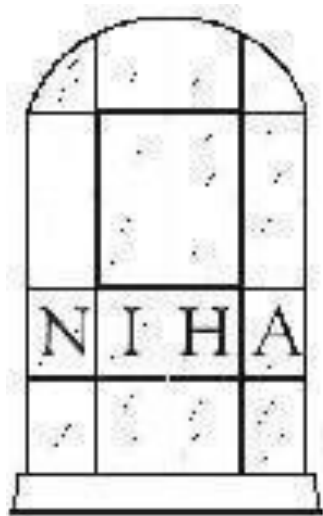
On 22nd November 2017 at 7:30 pm in Elston Village Hall Stephen Walker presents Eighteenth Century Mills at Linby on the River Leen The Pentagon Local History Society meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month (except in August), in Elston Village Hall, at 7.30pm. Further details can be obtained from the secretary, David Cook, tel: 01636 525664.....[Read more.](#)

A Talk by Mike Higginbottom, Worksop Archaeological and LHS



Worksop Archaeological
& Local History Society

On November 23rd 2017 at The Station Hotel, Carlton Road, Worksop commencing at 7:30pm there will be a presentation by Mike Higginbottom....[Read more.](#)



The Grantham Canal: An Update, David Lyneham-Brown, Nottingham Industrial Heritage Association

On Thursday 23 November 2017 at 7:45pm at the YMCA International Community Centre, Mansfield Road, Nottingham David Lyneham-Brown will talk about the Grantham canal. .

Conceived during the 'Canal Mania' years at the end of the 18th century, the canal was a profitable enterprise up until the arrival of the railways in the 1850s. A gradual decline in traffic led to the canal being abandoned by the London & North Eastern Railway, its then owners, in 1936.

Much of the canal remained in water due to agreements for irrigating agriculture, although a section at Cropwell Bishop was allowed to dry out. The rural route of the canal meant that it escaped infilling, though a railway embankment was built across the canal at Woolthorpe in the 1950s and has had to be excavated.....[Read more.](#)

An MP's work and life in Nottingham and Westminster, Lilian Greenwood MP, Nottingham Civic Society



On Friday 24 November 2017 between 7:00pm -9:00pm Lilian Greenwood, MP for Nottingham South will talk about an MP's work and life in Nottingham and Westminster. This will take place at the Newton Building of Nottingham Trent University, entrance opposite Chaucer Street between Theatre Royal and NTU tram stops. Booking essential...[Read more.](#)



Keyworth Conservation Area Census

Keyworth Conservation Area Census 12 noon – 4pm on Saturday, 25th November 2017 Centenary Lounge, Keyworth Village Hall. Keyworth School, Selby Lane, 1940 "Education in Keyworth" From

Playgroup, through Formal Schooling, to Further Education.... Come and see the range of educational opportunities in this village If you have material you would like to be displayed please bring it with you: ...[Read more.](#)

Fools and Horses: The Victorian Circus, Ann Featherstone, Lambley HS

On Monday 27th November 2017 at Lowdham WI Hall commencing at 7:30pm Ann Featherstone will tell the story of the Victorian circus a tale of high success and dreadful failure, of fires, falls and fabulous feats. Of horses, equilibrists, aerial acts and clowns, and the men (and women) who rode, tumbled, swung and gagged.....[Read more.](#)



Rufford Park Poachers, Sam Millard, West Bridgford Library

On Tuesday 28th November at 2.30p.m at West Bridgford Library Sam Millard will tell the true story of a confrontation between gamekeepers and poachers in Sherwood Forest in 1851. The affray was widely reported at the time and was preserved through the song of the same name that is still being recorded to this day.

...[Read more.](#)



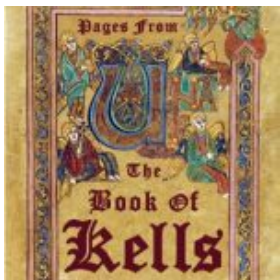
COURSES

These courses are not run by NLHA, please contact the course organiser directly for information about times, venues, costs etc.



Arnold's History

A new course led by Bob Massey and entitled 'Arnold in the 19th Century' will be run in four sessions on 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th January 2018 between 7.15pm – 9.15pm. The course fee is £20 and meetings will be held in Arnold Library Meeting Room (entrance via leisure centre) Come and learn about Arnolds past Old and new students welcome ...[Read more.](#)



The Incredible History of Ireland

WEA East Midlands is running a course at Rumbletums Cafe, 2a Victoria Street, Kimberley NG16 2NH to examine the fascinating relationship of Ireland with the British Isles and Europe. The course will run from 3:15pm to 4:45pm every Tuesday from 19th September to 21 November (10 meetings)....[Read more.](#)



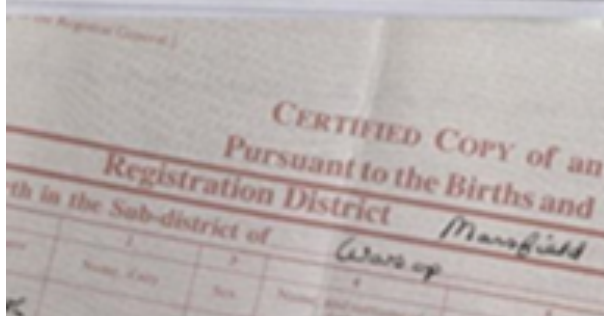
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LETTERS FROM THE CARDINAL



David Turner

Book Launch: Letters From The Cardinal

Letters from the Cardinal will be launched at The State Chamber, Archbishop's Palace, Southwell on Saturday 11th November 2017 at 11:30 am.

In 1530 Cardinal Wolsey, having fallen from favour with Henry VIII, stayed in Southwell for four months on his way to York to take up his appointment as Archbishop of York. In a series of imaginary letters to Thomas Cromwell, David Turner tells the story, from contemporary records, of Wolsey's last few months.

The launch price is £5 and all proceeds will go to The Leaves of Southwell Project which The Minster

is hoping will allow it to reinterpret and better present the famous leaf carvings, which can be found in the Chapter House.

The main focus is to aid interpretation of the leaves by installing better lighting for visitors to see the carvings found in the Chapter House and around the pulpit. The money will also go towards paying for underfloor heating in the Chapter House

The carvings known as **The Leaves of Southwell** are world renowned. There are images of animals - goats, hares, birds and fabulous creatures - and human heads in portrait and caricature, combining superstition and fable with religious beliefs. There are also many different types of leaf, all of which would have been found in Sherwood Forest. There are also carvings of ten "Green Men" who have branches of leaves growing from their mouths or who have heads formed of leaves. The origins of the Green Men are obscure. They are found in mythology long before Christianity came to Britain and are linked to rites of fertility, Spring and new birth. If the Green Men represented new birth and new life then they could, perhaps, also represent the resurrection in the Christian context.

In 1945 Nikolaus Pevsner wrote a short book entitled *The Leaves of Southwell*. It was published as a King Penguin, with photographs by F. L. Attenborough, the principal of University College, Leicester, and father of Sir Dickie and Sir David.



SPEAKERS

Details of speakers can be found at <http://nlha.org.uk/useful-links/speakers/>



Local History Talks for Societies and Other History Groups, Adrian Gray

Adrian Gray is based at Laneham, between Retford and Lincoln. He is a graduate of Queens' College, Cambridge, in History and the author of more than twenty books on aspects of local and national history. He is historical adviser to Bassetlaw Christian Heritage and Pilgrims & Prophets Christian Heritage Tours, both of which are community groups working to develop heritage tourism

in Notts and Lincs.

All talks can be tailored to last between 60 and 90 minutes.

They are fully illustrated.

Groups with a specific local interest can commission a tailor-made talk to fit their 'region'. These talks give an overview of the most interesting human-interest stories ranging across the saints and missionaries who came from your area. The emphasis is always on the people and their lives.

GUIDED TOURS

The group Pilgrims and Prophets Christian Heritage can plan and deliver guided tours for your group to Christian sites across the region. Popular choices include the 'Mayflower Pilgrims' trail, Wesley and Epworth, and 'Hidden Churches of West Lindsey'....[Read more.](#)

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FINALLY

Important Dates for 2017/18

- **NLHA Angel Row History Forums:** Tuesday 14th November 2017, Tuesday 6th February 2018, Tuesday 8th May 2018, Tuesday 14th August 2018, Tuesday 6th November 2018
- **NLHA Day Schools:** Saturday 24th March 2018 at Ravenshead, Saturday 20th October 2018 at Ravenshead
- **NLHA Committee Meetings:** Tuesday 16th January 2018, Tuesday 3rd April 2018, Tuesday 17th July 2018, Tuesday 16th October 2018
- **Thoroton Lectures:** 11 November 2017, 09 December 2017

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.

If you are looking at the on-line version of this newsletter then the 'Read more' tags will take you to the appropriate pages on the website where you will find more details about the particular topic or event. If you are looking at the PDF version of the newsletter then the 'Read more' tags have no effect but you can still access the news and events on our webpage at www.nlha.org.uk

I am happy to post news and events to the webpage at any time but if you want them to appear in the newsletter then I need to have them by the last week-end of the previous month so **December news and events need to be with me by 25/26 November at the latest.**

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