



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

# NEWSLETTER

## Working together: what we do best

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## Best Wishes for 2018

Thank you for your support in 2017. I hope you all have an interesting and successful year in local history in the coming year which is the 100th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution, the end of World War I and the passing of the Representation of the People Act enfranchising all men, as well as all women over the age of 30 who met minimum property qualifications.

A new edition of **EAST MIDLANDS HISTORY AND HERITAGE** magazine should be available in January 2018 and will be available through your local library and distributed via your local history group. **The Nottinghamshire Historian** magazine should be available for NLHA members in mid-February and mid-September. Please let me have your events programmes for 2018 and news of any special activities or projects and I will promote them through the newsletter and the on-line events calendar on our webpage.



# Nottingham Castle Project Update December 2017

**Caves Festival** - Plans are now underway for an exciting citywide Caves Festival in 2018. A new caves offer was trialled back in October in the form of the

'Visited Folk' tours conducted by Scott Lomax. These were highly successful with excellent take-up, proving the appetite for activities of this nature. It is hoped that this event will build year on year, becoming a celebrated annual event in the City.

**Working with the Prince's Trust** - The project team enjoyed a meeting with the Prince's Trust earlier in the month to discuss possibilities for joint up working as part of the project Activity Plan. The aims of the plan are to engage with all sectors of the community as the project develops, in particular to target group of young people. The meeting was very positive with some potential projects identified in the construction stage of the project.

**Scanning project with Nottingham Trent University** - This month it was announced that the NTU School of the Built Environment had been awarded a grant to support their scanning project at the Castle. Every year as part of an Activity Plan, NTU send groups of students to scan sections of the Castle site, including Brewhouse Yard and the Waterworks Building.

## The Workhouse Volunteering

Volunteer Taster Day 20 January  
2018

Do you enjoy working with people and  
sharing information?

Are you passionate about history and wish to share your enthusiasm with the wider public?

Are you looking for a new challenge?

Then the Workhouse has something for you. We are currently recruiting for a number of roles at The Workhouse and are looking to widen our team for 2018. If you want to know more, The Workhouse will be open 20 January for a Taste of Volunteering Day. Take part in an outside tour with one of our tour guides, experience the Workhouse from a volunteer's perspective and learn more about our fascinating history.

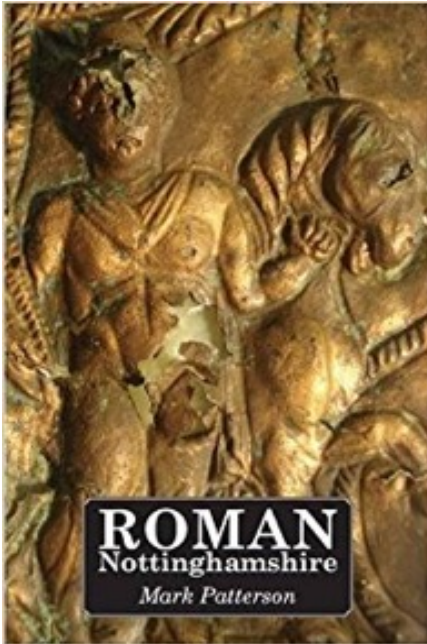
Pre-booking required. Contact Emma Michalak on 01636 817263 or email  
[emma.michalak@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:emma.michalak@nationaltrust.org.uk)







# ANGEL ROW HISTORY FORUM



## Roman Nottinghamshire, Mark Patterson

On Tuesday 6th February 2018, 10:00 to 12:00, in the Local Studies Library on the first floor of Nottingham Central Library Mark Patterson will give an illustrated talk about the surprising wealth of evidence for Roman life in Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire. Mark Patterson is the author of "Roman Nottinghamshire" (2011) and "Roman Derbyshire" (2016), both published by Five Leaves Publications

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](mailto:Local_studies.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)



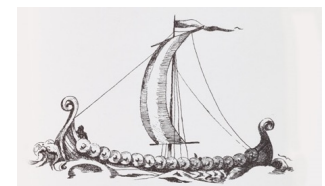
## EXHIBITIONS



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

## Danelaw Saga: Bringing Vikings Back to the East Midlands



Friday 15 December 2017 – Sunday 8 April 2018 Weston Gallery, Lakeside, University of Nottingham **Admission Free** Open Tuesday – Friday 11am-4pm Sunday 12noon-4pm Closed Mondays ...[Read more.](#)



## Viking: Rediscover the Legend

Saturday 25 November – Sunday 4 March Open Tuesday–Saturday, 11am-5pm Sunday, 12noon-4pm Closed on Mondays Djanogly Gallery, Lakeside, University of Nottingham **Admission free** ...[Read more.](#)



## SOCIETY EVENTS



### A Historical Tour of Whitby, Peter Hammond, East Bridgford LHG

On Tuesday 2nd January 2018 at 7:30pm at East Bridgford Methodist Chapel Peter Hammond will conduct an historical tour of Whitby

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### The Nottinghamshire Great War Roll of Honour, Dave Nunn, Chinemarelian (Kimberley) HS

On Thursday 4th January 2018 in the Community Room of Kimberley School, Newdigate Street Kimberley NG16 2NJ at 7:30pm Dave Nunn will give a presentation on the Nottinghamshire Great War roll of honour. Visitors welcome £2

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### Travelling between West Bridgford and Nottingham by Horse Bus and Tram, David Astill, West Bridgford and District LHS

On Friday 5 January 2018 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 David Astill will give a presentation on travelling between West Bridgford and Nottingham by horse bus and tram.

[Read more.](#)



### The Lowdham Trail, Doug Fletcher, Keyworth and District LHS

On Friday 5th January 2018 in the Centenary Lounge, Keyworth Village Hall at 7:30pm Doug Fletcher will conduct a tour of Lowdham village without walking. (Fee to be donated to the charity Community Concern). Copies of "A Village through Time: Lowdham, Caythorpe and Gunthorpe" will be available at £2:00 each. For more information please visit the website [www.keyworthhistory.org.uk](http://www.keyworthhistory.org.uk)

[Read more.](#)



## The Victorian Fair: Freaks and Fisticuffs, Ann Featherstone, Heanor and District LHS

On Tuesday 9 January 2018 at Wilmot Street Community Centre, Heanor at 7:30pm Ann Featherstone, looks at fairground oddities of the past.

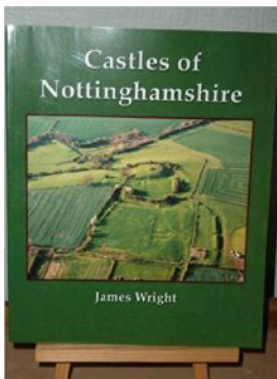
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## The Clergyman: the Widow and the Milkman, Mo Cooper, Burton Joyce and Bulcote LHS

On Tuesday 9 January 2018 starting at 7.30 and finishing at 8.45 pm, in the Carnarvon Room on Chestnut Grove, Burton Joyce NG14 5DP Mo Cooper will present 'The Clergyman: the Widow and the Milkman' Visitors are welcome and the admission is £3.00.

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## The Castles of Nottinghamshire, James Wright, Retford and District H&AS

On 10 January 2018 at 7.30pm at Chapelgate Hall, Grove Street Methodist Church, Retford DN22 6LB.

Nottingham Castle may be famous in the stories of Robin Hood, but did you know there were once over 20 more castles in Nottinghamshire?

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 concentrating on the British Mediaeval and Early Modern periods.

[Read more.](#)



## The Archaeology of the Tram, Gareth Davies, Farnsfield LHS

On Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7:30pm in the lower hall of the Village Centre Gareth Davies will talk about the archaeology of the tram

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## Watson Fothergill, Darren Turner, Bilborough LHG

On Wednesday January 10th 2018 at 7:30pm at St Martin's Church come and join us to find out more about Nottingham's most famous Victorian architect and the distinctive stamp he put on the architecture of the city.....[Read more.](#)



## Robin Hood: The local legend and the Sources, David Crook, Department of History

On Saturday 13 January 2018 starting at 10:00am and finishing approximately at 12:30pm at Lenton Grove at the University of Nottingham David Crook will give an illustrated talk about the origins of the legend associating the outlaw with the Nottinghamshire village of Edwinstowe, followed by an introduction to some of the sources for the history and geographical locations ...[Read more.](#)



## Terror from the Skies, Steve Flinders, Arnold LHG

On Tuesday 16th January 2018 at 7:00pm at Arnold Labour Club, (Bonington House), 79 High Street, Arnold, Nottingham. NG5 7DN, Steve Flinders will present "Terror from the skies" January 1916: The night the Zeppelins Came.....[Read more.](#)



## Nottingham in the time of Jane Austen, Peter Hammond, East Leake and District LHS

On Wednesday 17 January 2018 starting at 2.00pm in St. Mary's Church Hall, East Leake (opposite St. Mary's Church Main Street)

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## A History Tour of Whitby, Peter Hammond, Woodborough LHG

On Thursday January 18th 2018 commencing at 7:30 pm at The Institute, Roe Lane, Woodborough there will be a presentation by Peter Hammond who will conduct a history tour of Whitby.

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## The Napoleonic Wars at Home, Edward Hammond, FONA

At 11.00am, on Saturday 20 January 2018 at the Nottinghamshire Archives Edward Hammond will discuss the extent of the impact of the Napoleonic Wars on domestic life in Nottinghamshire during the early 19th century, with a special focus on the Luddites, the Pentrich Revolution and the debate around economic and political motives at the time. ...

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## Octavia Hill, Claire Lyons, Friends of Nottingham Museums

On Saturday 20th January 2018 at The Malt Cross on St James Street commencing at 2:00pm Claire Lyons will give a talk on the English social reformer Octavia Hill. Friends of Nottingham Museums was established in 1977, and now celebrating its fortieth year, to provide support to the City Council's museums and galleries in raising funds to help purchase new items...

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## Robbery: Riots and Residence, Bob Massey

On Tuesday 23rd January 2018 at 7pm at the Robin Hood and Little John, Arnold local historian Bob Massey will tell tales of Redhill's chequered past. All welcome...[Read more.](#)

*Wollaton Historical*

## Well, well, well: Nottingham's Caves and Wells, Peter Hammond, Wollaton H&CS

On Wednesday 24th January 2018 at 7.30pm at St Leonard's Community Centre, Bramcote Lane, Wollaton (opposite library) Peter Hammond will give a presentation on Nottingham's caves and wells. Free for WH&CS members, £2 visitors. On the No 30 bus route....[Read more.](#)



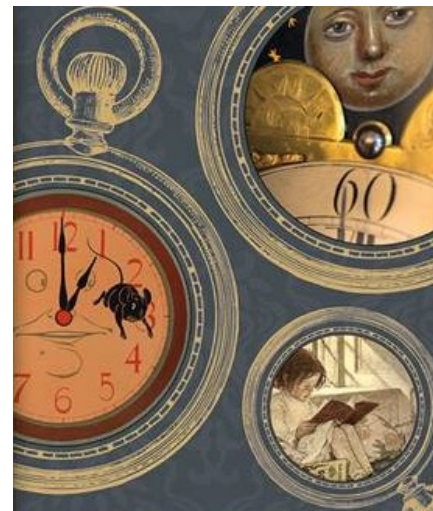
## Metal Detecting, Tony Knight, The Pentagon Society

On 24th January 2018 at 7:30 pm in Elston Village Hall Tony Knight presents Metal Detecting. 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. All are welcome

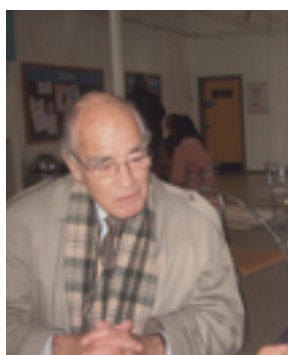
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# Winter Winding Wednesdays, British Horological Institute

For visitors who can't wait for the museum to open in Spring 2018 join us on one of our winter winding Wednesdays on 24th January 2018 10:30am to 12:30pm. Browse the museum and discover more about a selection of the museum's most fascinating objects as our Museum team demonstrate the winding of some of the many clocks on display....



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## Michael Jackson Memorial Evening, Workshop Archaeological and Local History Society

On Thursday January 25th 2018 at The Station Hotel, Carlton Road, Workshop commencing at 7:30pm there will be a presentation on the life and times of founder member and late president Michael Jackson...[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 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

No previous knowledge required

contact [b.massey@virgin.net](mailto:b.massey@virgin.net) for details

...[Read more.](#)





## Free Family History Drop-in sessions

Want to find out about your ancestry but don't know where to start? Come along and talk to experts at our free **drop-in** sessions.

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH  
10am -12pm, Nottingham Local Studies  
Library, Central Library

E: [local\\_studies.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:local_studies.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)  
T: 0115 915 2873

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## BOOKS

### The Bookcase

is a friendly independent bookshop situated in the village of Lowdham. There is a wide range of books catering for all ages and tastes. The Bookcase has always tried to support local authors, and the **Nottinghambooks** website was set up in 2008 with this very much in mind. The website features books written by Nottinghamshire authors and books about Nottinghamshire – the county, its towns, villages, sport, past-times, folklore, food, building, artists, transport and its history and, of course, books produced by Bookcase's own publishing arm, **Bookcase Editions** <http://www.thebookcase.co.uk/book-case-editions/>.



### Five Leaves Bookshop

Is one of the few independent bookshops to open in any UK city centre this century! You can find them at 14a Long Row opposite Nottingham Tourism centre. They specialise in: Cityscape and Landscape, Politics, Fiction and Poetry, Lesbian and Gay, Counterculture, International writing, and Magazines and

Journals. Open Monday – Saturday 10.00am – 5.30pm, Sundays 12.00 – 4.00pm <http://fiveleavesbookshop.co.uk>



# SPEAKERS

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



## Brian Binns

Contact details for Brian Binns are - email: [bnbins@gmail.com](mailto:bnbins@gmail.com)

Talks include - Binns Family History - The Campion Family

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## Laura Binns

Contact details for Laura Binns are - email: [nottinghamcastle@yorkat.co.uk](mailto:nottinghamcastle@yorkat.co.uk) -  
telephone: 07432 694174

Talks include - History of Nottingham Castle and the archaeology of the site

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## Mo Cooper

Contact details for Mo Cooper are - email: [mocooper@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mocooper@yahoo.co.uk) -  
telephone: 07950 472022.

Talks include - The Clergyman, The Widow and the Milkman' (An exploration of Nottingham's Edwardian landlords) - The History of the Deaf Community in Nottingham - Women's History

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## Mark Dawson

Contact details for Mark Dawson are - email: [mdfoodhistory@gmail.com](mailto:mdfoodhistory@gmail.com) -  
website: [www.mdfoodhistory.weebly.com](http://www.mdfoodhistory.weebly.com)

Talks include - Food and Drink in Tudor and Stuart Derbyshire - Food and Drink in Tudor and Stuart Nottinghamshire - Oatcakes: farming and diet in North Derbyshire - What's up with ewe? A thousand years of English sheep's milk cheese - Eating out of house and home.

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## Stephen Flinders

Contact details for Stephen Flinders are - email: [stephenflinders@sky.com](mailto:stephenflinders@sky.com)  
- telephone: 0115 854 8373 or 0754 7555322.

Talks include - Terror from the Skies – January 1916 the night the Zeppelins came - Catherine Crompton's Diary - The Life and Travels of Robert Bruce Napoleon Walker - A Family History Presentation along the lines of 'Who Do You Think You Are? - Stanton-Gone but not Forgotten - The History Beneath Our Feet - A Taste of Tudor Ilkeston - Stanton on Film - Stanton at War 1939-1945 - Owd Ilson...[Read more.](#)

## Richard Gaunt

Contact details for Richard Gaunt are - email:  
[richard.gaunt@nottingham.ac.uk](mailto:richard.gaunt@nottingham.ac.uk)



Talks include: - Nottingham Castle (From Royal Residence to People's Palace – and beyond) - The Women in the Lives of the 4th and 5th Dukes of Newcastle - The Pentrich Rebellion - Nottinghamshire and the Great Peace - Emma's Sketchbook - Political Cartoons - Gladstone (The Grand old man of Nottinghamshire

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## Adrian Gray

Contact details for Adrian Gray are - email:  
[adriangray@pilgrimsandprophets.co.uk](mailto:adriangray@pilgrimsandprophets.co.uk) - telephone: 07470-366689.

Talks include - Why did they all come from here? - Religious Liberty: A Gift to the World from Notts and Lincs - Thomas Helwys: The Price of Freedom - The 'Black Prince' of Scunthorpe - The Wrays of Glentworth: Radical Religion in Tudor and Stuart England - The Top Ten Scandals of Sherwood Forest. - East Coast Main Line Disasters. - Thomas Cooper of Gainsborough and Lincoln – Political Radical, Poet, Preacher. - The Christian Heritage of Notts/Lincs/Mansfield/Worksop/East Lindsey etc.

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## Edward Hammond

Contact details for Edward Hammond are -  
email [edwardhammond@live.co.uk](mailto:edwardhammond@live.co.uk) - telephone: 07852 957022.



Talks include - Hannibal Barca: Rome's Greatest Adversary - The Napoleonic Wars at Home? - Napoleon's British Obsession: The Invasion of the 'Nation of Shopkeepers

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## Peter Hammond

Contact details for Peter Hammond are- email: [historyworkshops@aol.com](mailto:historyworkshops@aol.com) - telephone: 0115 9145520 - website: [www.handsonourhistory.co.uk](http://www.handsonourhistory.co.uk)

Talks include - Middens and Muck - So You think You Know Nottingham (Parts 1,2 and 3) - Edward Carver: A Journey into Local and Family History - On the Buses - Potions, Lotions and Cure-alls - Murder, Mystery, and Misfortune - Robert Blincoe Nottinghamshire's Oliver Twist - Destitution and Despair (Claypole Workhouse) - Well, Well, Well: The story of Nottingham's Caves and Wells - The archaeology of clay tobacco pipes - Mudlarking in the River Thames - Webb of Intrigue: The story of the Webb Family of Newstead Abbey - Albert Ball: Nottingham's First World War Ace Pilot - The Luddites: Nottingham's Response - Can you name the object? - A Load of Codd's Wallop: The history of the Glass Bottle - Belvoir Angels: A Grave Story - Joseph Woolley: The Diary of a Framework Knitter - A Servant's Lot - Portraits of the Past: Nottinghamshire's Victorian Studio Photographers - The Origins of Everyday Sayings - Victorian shopping in Nottingham - William Booth's early years in Nottingham - A historical tour of Whitby - A historical tour of Llandudno.....[Read more.](#)

## Matt Hurford

Contact details for Matt Hurford are - email: [nottinghamcastle@yorkat.com](mailto:nottinghamcastle@yorkat.com) - telephone: 07432 694174. Talks include - History of Nottingham Castle and the archaeology of the site...[Read more.](#)



## Bob Massey

Contact details for Bob Massey are - email: [bob.m.massey@gmail.com](mailto:bob.m.massey@gmail.com) - telephone: 0115 9263626. - website: [www.bobmassey.info/415325374](http://www.bobmassey.info/415325374)

Talks include: - General - Local History - Local History ( Nottingham) - World War One - Cinema - Theatre - Aircraft - Computers - Local History –

Arnold.....[Read more.](#)

## Robert Mee

Contact details for Robert Mee are - email: [RobertMMee@btinternet.com](mailto:RobertMMee@btinternet.com) - telephone: 0115 9327495.



Talks include - Nottinghamshire Castles - A Derbyshire Railway Outing: A railway tour using a 1920s timetable. - Aldercar and Langley Mill, 1000 Years in 60 Minutes - Derbyshire Associations for the Prosecution of Felons, 1703-2014 - Policing in 19th Century Derbyshire - Bradshaw's, and an Early Railway Tour - Derbyshire's Castles - Vic Hallam, One Man and his Company: from the 1920s to the 1990s - Crime in Langley Mill 1891 – 1930 - Morlestan, South East Derbyshire before the Norman Conquest - A History of Smalley, from medieval times to modern open-casting. - Wheels of Industry – Langley Mill - History along the Erewash Valley Trail - A Potted History of Heanor: the name says it all really - Heanor Grammar School: Its history from beginning to end! - Mine's a Pint: Public Houses in the Heanor Area....[Read more.](#)



## David Mooney

Contact details for Dave Mooney are - email: [dave.j.mooney@gmail.com](mailto:dave.j.mooney@gmail.com) - telephone: 07961 077630.

Talks include: - Folklore and Custom in the East Midlands - The History of Busking and Street Performance - Both talks involve elements of live music and performance. Folklore and Custom in the East Midlands traces a full year of seasonal practices in the region, tracing their history .....[Read more.](#)

## Chris Weir

Contact details for Chris Weir are - email: [heritagetalks@outlook.com](mailto:heritagetalks@outlook.com) - telephone: 07922 496682 - website: [www.heritagetalks.homestead.com](http://www.heritagetalks.homestead.com)



Talks include - Lace, Slums and The Occasional Riot: The Making of Victorian Nottingham - The Story of Boots: Jesse Boot, Florence and the history of the Boots Company - A Woman's Lot: Women's History in Nottinghamshire, 1550-1950s - The People's War World War 2 in Nottinghamshire - When The Bands Played On! - Kill or Cure! Bygone Medicine - The Nottinghamshire Heritage - Rambling Into History - Secrets, Mysteries and Curiosities of Nottinghamshire - Mud, Munitions and Memorials: Nottinghamshire and World War One - Nottinghamshire's Dark Side

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## Danny Wells

Contact details for Danny Wells are - email: [danny.wells@history-talks.co.uk](mailto:danny.wells@history-talks.co.uk) - telephone: 01335 350536 - website: [www.history-talks.co.uk](http://www.history-talks.co.uk).

Talks include: - Art of the Garden - The English and Gardening - Joseph Paxton - Art of the Christmas Card - The Victorians and the Christmas Season...[Read more.](#)

## James Wright

Contact details for James Wright are - email: [jpwarehology@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jpwarehology@hotmail.co.uk) - telephone: 07925 840920.



Talks include - Rock of Ages, Medieval Stone Masons - Tattershall Castle - William Shakespeare Henry V and the Manipulation of History - Historic Graffiti - Castles of Nottinghamshire - Ritual Protection Marks at Knowle, Kent...[Read more.](#)

If you would like to have your details listed here please contact [chairman@nlha.org.uk](mailto:chairman@nlha.org.uk)



# FINALLY

## Important Dates for 2018

- **NLHA Angel Row History Forums:** 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 Executive Committee Meetings:** Tuesday 16th January 2018, Tuesday 3rd April 2018, Tuesday 17th July 2018, Tuesday 16th October 2018

## 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](mailto: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](http://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.

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