



# NEWSLETTER

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## Free Digital Training for Heritage/Tourism/Visitor Economy Organisations

In line with commitments to developing the visitor economy Nottinghamshire County Council are able to offer, through the Digital Growth programme, a series of free digital training seminars and workshops. These will focus on the visitor economy, heritage and tourism and have come about through demand identified by the County Council's involvement with **Pilgrim Roots/Mayflower 400** project which will come to fruition in 2020.

Consultation events held recently highlighted some of the support that organisations said they needed in order to reach the next level in development within the sector. This includes:

- Planning an Effective Website
- Visual Marketing with Instagram and Pinterest
- Taking Payments Online
- Producing and Working with Digital Images
- Digital Marketing for Local Business
- How to get the most of Facebook Advertising
- Blogging for Business
- Data and Making the Most of your Business Relationships

You can find out more about these sessions and book onto them at:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/events/search?searchType=Tags&query=teamplace>

## Attercliffe Bus Tour Sold Out!

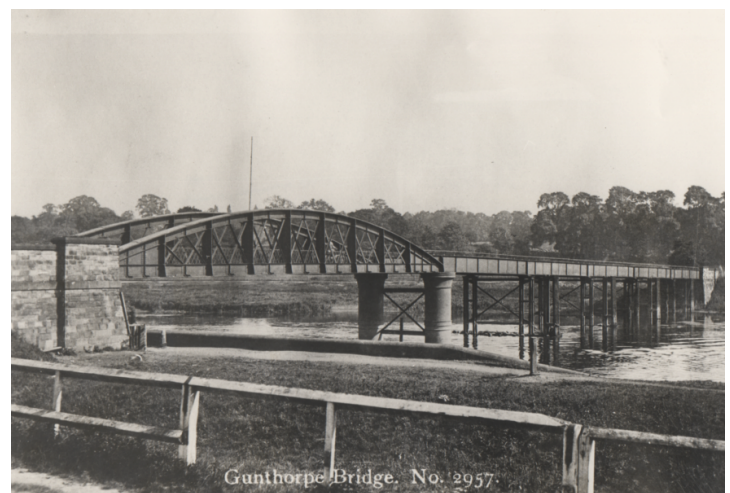
The June 30th Bus Ride Round Attercliffe has sold out. **Interesting Times** is now booking a third bus ride on Sunday September 29th 2019, more information at:

<http://www.mikehigginbottominterestingtimes.co.uk/?product=a-bus-ride-round-attercliffe-september-29th-2019>

## Bridging the Gap

By Richard Mills

When I wrote my book "Bridging The Gap" about the history of crossing the river at Gunthorpe I was in possession of original working drawings of the 1927 Bridge. In April, I was able to purchase at auction, the original drawing for the construction of the Toll Bridge. The only remains are the concrete and brick pillars either side of the river and of course the Toll House, which is now The Bridge And Bay Leaf Restaurant. This was a real find and eventually I will pass on these important documents to the Nottinghamshire Archives. The book is still available at The Bookcase in Lowdham.



# THE GREAT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY FAIR

Mansfield Central Library  
Sunday 12 May, 11am to 3pm

This fabulous FREE day out for the whole family returns for the seventh time to showcase Nottinghamshire's Heritage. Explore local history displays, enjoy craft demonstrations and activities, browse books for sale and join us in celebrating our local history.

[www.inspireculture.org.uk/lfh](http://www.inspireculture.org.uk/lfh)



## Coal, Community and Change

The travelling exhibition, 'Dealing with the Past: Coal, Community and Change (1965-2015)' moves onto Harworth and Bircotes Town Hall in May 2019, with a special launch event there on Thursday 2nd May 2019 (11am – 1pm). Everyone is welcome to the launch event and free hot drinks and refreshments will be available on the day. Venue address is Harworth and Bircotes Town Hall, Scrooby Road, Harworth, Nottinghamshire, DN11 8JP. The exhibition is on at Harworth until Thursday, 30th May 2019 when it moves onto the National Coalmining Museum for England near Wakefield during June 2019.

The Coal, Community and Change exhibition is funded by the Global Heritage Research Fund at Nottingham Trent University (NTU). Further information from Natalie Braber (NTU) on (0115) 848 3011 or by e-mail at [natalie.braber@ntu.ac.uk](mailto:natalie.braber@ntu.ac.uk)

## Home Cooked Heritage Exhibition at West Bridgford Library

12 April – 30 May 2019, all day, at West Bridgford Library. Simply turn up and take part. We look forward to seeing you!

How do you bring archive materials, 120 school children, 50 adults, a story teller, an artist and an archaeologist together in one project? FOOD! Exploring the heritage of recipes unearthed in Nottinghamshire Archives, a celebration of food stories, past and present have become a sea of tea towels showcasing creative responses to this HLF Shared Heritage project.

Home Cooked Heritage is a Heritage Lottery Funded programme that has seen children and adults creatively explore the theme. The exhibition of archive materials and contemporary responses is touring library galleries and will then be added back into Nottinghamshire Archives for future food historians to uncover.

Nottinghamshire Archives is a fabulous resource open to the public and holding over 4 million documents waiting to be discovered.

We have been delighted to work with **James Wright** FSA, **Clare Taylor** and **Nicky Rafferty** on this Heritage lottery project alongside Bilsthorpe Flying High Academy and Greenwood Primary and Nursery School.



[www.inspireculture.org.uk/homecookedheritage](http://www.inspireculture.org.uk/homecookedheritage)

# The Old Majestic Cinema in Mapperley

Bob Massey

Nottingham City Council is considering a planning application to demolish the old Majestic cinema in Mapperley Nottingham. I hope that you will be able to give your support to opposing this planning application. The contact details for this are

Email: [development.management@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:development.management@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)

Subject: Planning Application 18/00438/PFUL3

I understand that is application is to be looked at on the 5th May so time is short. If you would like any further information please contact me at [bob.m.massey@gmail.com](mailto:bob.m.massey@gmail.com)

The building was built as the Majestic cinema which opened on June 10th 1929 and was designed by the prolific and very important Notts cinema architect Alfred Thraves. Thraves is considered one of the country's premier cinema architects with numerous projects to his name. Only a few of which have survived the passage of time, the Majestic is one of his best works.

On opening the Mapperley Majestic cinema Alderman John Farr the Sheriff of Nottingham declared "The new cinema had provided the area with one of its finest buildings".

Few of Thraves cinema buildings still exist, this is an important example as most of the original building and interior decor are still intact.

The 721 seat auditorium was entered at near balcony level thanks to the steeply sloping site which created a natural auditorium. This made it one of only a hand-full of cinemas throughout the country to have this almost unique design. All the others with this design have closed and most have been completely altered or demolished.

It was for its time splendidly equipped and decorated and was described at the time as "the Elite of the Suburbs", the Elite cinema in Nottingham being the most luxurious and best designed cinema in the county at the time. This makes the Majestic cinema exceptional as the Elite is already lost. Like many picture houses in the 1950s closure of the Majestic as a cinema came on December 7th 1957.

It was for a time used for various activities without much alteration until it was taken over by Roy Wallance in 1987. Mr Wallace was very aware of the standard and historical importance of the building, as it was even then one of the few A J Thraves cinemas still

standing. He decided to convert the building to his needs but to keep all its character and as much of the original design as possible. To this end he employed Julian Marsh of Gerzy Grochowski Architects to carry out the design work required. This company still exists today as Marsh Grochowski and is one of the East Midlands leading and highly respected architectural practices.

The Nottingham Civic Society was so impressed with the practice's work that in 1989 it gave them and the Majestic its award for outstanding restoration. On receiving the award Mr Wallace said "With architectural and design awareness heightening, it is a privilege to receive an award, even more so from such a worthwhile body as our local Civic Society"

It has gone through a few changes of uses again including for a while a golf shop which also retained and enhanced its past. It is now being used as a theatre museum and is again showing films. It is certainly not empty or abandoned.

This is a very important building and of great historical significance in the area and the building should be retained. The present tenants are doing a very good job keeping the building running including maintaining its original decor and plaster work. They are now showing films again in this historic building. It deserves listed status and it is a surprise that it was not granted this status many years ago. It would be a huge loss to the area and Mapperley's history if this building was demolished. Few cinema buildings as good as this in their original form still exist and even fewer in as good a condition.

There are even less still in existence designed by the renown architect Alfred Thraves. If this building goes, it and its history, will be lost forever. Heritage is very important to the understanding of future generations and this building, far more than many other is very important and must be preserved.



Application details on Nottingham City Council web site :-

<http://publicaccess.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=P4YQSRLYMI800>  
[http://publicaccess.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/online-applications/files/6EFCAB6E321F6C35395352B93B2977B4/pdf/18\\_00438\\_PFUL3DESIGN\\_AND\\_ACCESS\\_STATEMENT-1402289.pdf](http://publicaccess.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/online-applications/files/6EFCAB6E321F6C35395352B93B2977B4/pdf/18_00438_PFUL3DESIGN_AND_ACCESS_STATEMENT-1402289.pdf)





## ANGEL ROW LOCAL HISTORY FORUM

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Nottingham Local Studies Library

1st Floor Central Library, Angel Row, Nottingham

on Tuesday 7th May 2019, 10:00 to 12:00

### A Century of Council Housing in Nottingham

The biggest collective leap in living standards in  
the City's history.

An illustrated talk by **Chris Matthews** - historian, graphic designer and author of "Homes and Places. A History of Nottingham's Council Houses." and **Dan Lucas** - Policy and Planning Manager at Nottingham City Homes.

### ANGEL ROW LOCAL HISTORY FORUM

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on Tuesday 6th August 2019, 10:00 to 12:00

### The Contribution of the British West Indian Regiment to the First World War

A talk by **Panya Banjoko** who is Founder/Director of a Nottingham Archive and coordinates a writer's network. She is a poet and performer who was involved with the 2012 Olympic Games and with BBC TV documentaries. In 2008, Women in the Arts awarded Panya Outstanding Achievement in poetry and in 2016 C-Hub Magazine awarded her Best Performer.

Tea/coffee from 10:00 the talk will start at 10:30.

Forum meetings are FREE and normally take place four times each year.

You can pre-register at the Local Studies Library

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email [Local\\_studies.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk](mailto:Local_studies.library@nottinghamcity.gov.uk)



**Nottingham**  
**City Council**

The Local Studies Library has a significant collection of photographs of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire subjects. Many of the images are now available on the Picture Nottingham website.  
<https://picturenottingham.co.uk>





## SOCIETY EVENTS

### Visit to Holmepierrepont Hall, Pentagon Local History Society

On Wednesday 1st May 2019 there will be a joint trip, with the Elston Garden Club, to visit Holmepierrepont Hall, Nottingham. Pentagon price: £7-50 pp, which includes the Hall, gardens and church (fine alabaster monuments).

### The Shock of the Old, Dr. Paul Bahn, University of Nottingham Museum

On Friday 3 May 2019, 1pm-2.15pm in the Djanogly Recital Hall Dr Paul Bahn will give an account of the search for, and discovery of, Britain's first Ice Age cave art at Creswell Crags (Nottinghamshire /Derbyshire) in 2003. The engravings and bas-reliefs discovered have been dated to around 13,000 years ago, and are thus by far the oldest known artistic depictions in the country. Paul Bahn is an internationally renowned author on prehistoric rock art. His most recent publication, *Images of the Ice Age*, was awarded Book of the Year in the 2017 Current Archaeology Awards. There will be a display of Ice Age tools, contemporary with the art, in the museum after the talk.

FREE, advance booking recommended.

### Thoroton Research Group

On Saturday 4 May 2019, Thoroton Research Group, led by John Wilson meet in the Board Room at Nottingham Mechanics at 10:30 am

### The Shock of the Old, Dr. Paul Bahn, Ice Age Journeys

At Newark Academy, London Road, Newark NG24 3AL on Thursday 2nd May 2019, 7.30 pm-9.00 pm Dr Paul Bahn will give an account of the search for, and discovery of, Britain's first Ice Age cave art at Creswell Crags (Nottinghamshire /Derbyshire) in 2003. The engravings and bas-reliefs discovered have been dated to around 13,000 years ago, and are thus by far the oldest in Britain.

For tickets email [info@iceagejourneys.org.uk](mailto:info@iceagejourneys.org.uk)

### Viking Nottinghamshire, Rebecca Gregory, Keyworth and District LHS

On Friday 3rd May 2019 at 7:30pm in the Centenary Lounge of Keyworth Village Hall Rebecca Gregory will tell of the impact and contribution the Scandinavian settler made to the county's character and history.

### The Breach House Open Days 2019

On Saturday May 4th 2019, 11:00am - 3:00pm, at 28 Garden Road, Eastwood NG16 3FW come and explore one of DH Lawrence's childhood homes, now an authentic re-creation of a typical miner's dwelling. Lawrence lived here between 1887 and 1891, and used it as a setting for the early part of his novel, *Sons and Lovers*.

## Ice Age Journeys Workshop

On Sunday May 5th 2019 at Cresswell Crag, 10.30-4pm, there will be a workshop using pre-historic technologies. To participate in this masterclass register at [info@iceagejourneys.org.uk](mailto:info@iceagejourneys.org.uk) Ice Age Journeys is a Heritage Lottery funded archaeological project researching Late Upper Palaeolithic (Stone Age) activity some 14,000 years ago at Farndon Fields, Newark On Trent, Nottinghamshire, UK. More information about Ice Age Journeys at <https://iceagejourneys.org.uk>

## The Glory of Gardens, Peter Gardner, Sutton Heritage Society

On Tuesday 7th May 2019, starting at 7:30pm, at the St John's Methodist Church Hall, Brook Street, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 1EU, Peter Gardner, of the National Gardens Scheme will give a presentation

## AGM followed by Nottingham at Sea, Bob Massey, East Leake and District LHS

On May 8th 2019 at 7.30pm at St. Marys Church Hall the Society will hold its AGM followed by **Nottingham on Sea**: a history of Skegness Where did people from Nottingham go for their holidays? A history of the town of Skegness and its local links.

## Nottingham at Waterloo, Mike Kirby, Bilborough Local History Group

On Wednesday 8th May 2019 at 7.30pm at St Martin's Bilborough come and join us for a talk that brings the stories of Nottingham's Waterloo heroes home. Admission £2 Refreshments 50p Everyone welcome - no need to book For more information please email [info@stmartinsbilborough.org.uk](mailto:info@stmartinsbilborough.org.uk)

## The Old Village, Bob Massey

On Monday 6th May 2019 at 7pm, start and finish in the lounge of the Robin Hood and Little John, Arnold, Bob Massey presents a free 'History Walk and Talk' and an evening of stories about Arnold's past entitled 'The Old Village' Find out about 'Top of the Town' with local historian Bob Massey

## Graffiti in the Minster, Matt Beresford, Farnsfield Local History Society

On Wednesday 8th May 2019 at 7:30pm in the Lower Hall of the Village Centre, New Hill, Farnsfield, NG22 8JN visitors are welcome. £ 3.00 includes refreshments

## Secrets: Mysteries and Curiosities of Nottinghamshire, Chris Weir, Lenton Local History Society

On Wednesday 8th May 2019, at Dunkirk and Old Lenton Community Centre housed in the old Dunkirk School building on Montpellier Road, commencing at 7:30pm Chris Weir will reveal the secrets, mysteries and curiosities of Nottinghamshire.

## **Watson Fothergill and T. C. Howitt, Lucy Brouwer Nottinghamshire Archives**

On Friday 10th May 2019 at 2:30-4:30 at Nottinghamshire Archives. 90 years after the official opening of Nottingham Council House, Lucy Brouwer will talk about two great Nottingham architects, whose legacy lives on throughout the city, the county and beyond. Followed by a display of original documents

## **Dovecote Museum Open Day, Wollaton Historical and Conservation Society**

On Sunday 12th May 2019, there will be a Grand Opening of Wollaton Village Dovecote Museum at 2.15pm by Nina Michaela, star of the TV programme *A Stitch in Time*. Open 2.00-4.30pm. Dovecote Drive, Wollaton. Drinks & nibbles. Display theme for 2019 Old Wollaton maps 1774 to 1952, reconstructed Tudor costumes, early 20th Century parlour.

## **Guided Visit, Friends of Nottingham Museums**

On Tuesday 14th May 2019 there will be a guided visit to Middleton Hall and the Robert Peel Museum, Warwickshire. The Friends of Nottingham Museums was established in 1977 to provide support to the City Council's museums and galleries in raising funds to help purchase new items for the collections, assist in volunteer projects and work at events.

## **Bicentenary of the Mansfield and Pinxton Railway (1819-2019), EMIAC 96**

On Saturday, 11th May 2019 at the Summit Centre, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, NG17 7LL the Industrial Heritage Day; East Midlands Industrial Archaeology Conference (EMIAC 96) is taking place Subject for the Conference is the 'Bicentenary of the Mansfield and Pinxton Railway (1819-2019)' with presentations being given in the morning and a site visit after lunch

## **Kelham Hall, Professor Franklin Bishop, Burton Joyce and Bramcote LHS**

On Tuesday 14 May 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Carnarvon Room on Chestnut Grove in Burton Joyce NG14 5DP Professor Franklin Bishop speaks about the architecture and Victorian scandals of Kelham Hall. Non-members are welcome at £3.00.

## **Folklore and Customs in the East Midlands, Dave Mooney, Stapleford and District Local History Society**

On Tuesday 14th May 2019, starting at 7:30pm, at St. Helen's Church Hall, Frederick Road, Stapleford, Dave Mooney will tell the story of folklore and customs in the East Midlands.

Full details of all events are available on our website at <https://nlha.org.uk/events/>



## Nottingham City Hospital, Paul Swift, Beeston & District LHS

On Wednesday May 15th 2019 at 7.30pm, at The Chilwell Memorial Institute, 129 High Road, Chilwell, Nottingham NG9 4AT Paul Swift will speak about Nottingham City Hospital

## AGM, Edwinstowe Historical Society

On Wednesday 15th May 2019 in the Church Rooms, Mansfield Road, Edwinstowe, NG21 9NJ, commencing at 2.00 p.m. the society will hold its annual general meeting Tea/coffee and biscuits are available. The annual subscription is £12, and visitors are welcome for a fee of £3. Further information is available on our website at [www.edwinstowehistory.org.uk](http://www.edwinstowehistory.org.uk)

## Sherwood Forest: Outlaws and Villains, Andy Gaunt, Beeston Library

On Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 2:00pm at Beeston Library. Using the most recent results from the Sherwood Forest Archaeology Project, and years of historical research, Andy Gaunt from Mercian Archaeological Services CiC will take you through the history, archaeology, landscape and people of Sherwood Forest. Learn about the Forest Law, Courts, Foresters and Keepers.

## The Story of Creswell Crag, Workop Library

On Wednesday 15th May 2019 at 2:00pm at Workop Library. Creswell Crag is a picturesque limestone gorge with caves once called home by a variety of Ice Age animals, Neanderthals and humans. With a rich archaeological record, the site also contains the only Ice Age rock art in the British Isles, placing it side by side with the art caves of Europe like Lascaux.

## Victorian Nottingham, Brian Binns, Nottinghamshire Family History Society

On Wednesday 15th May 2019 at Nottinghamshire Archives commencing at 7.00 p.m the Society will hold its AGM, followed by Brian Binns, '*Victorian Nottingham, as seen through the life of my ancestor Levi Lee*' A fascinating family history story, meticulously researched, and which promises to be an entertaining look at a local personality.

## The Pentrich Rebellion, Richard Gaunt, Friends of Ruddington Framework Knitters Museum

On Thursday 16th May 2019 at 3:00pm at the Framework Knitters Museum, Chapel Street, Ruddington, Richard Gaunt will tell the story of England's last revolution. Tickets £5 from the Museum or phone 0115 9845375.

## **From Bombs to Butterflies, Jean Greaves, Woodborough Local History Group**

On Thursday May 16th 2019 commencing at 7:30 pm  
at The Institute, Roe Lane, Woodborough there will  
be a presentation by Jean Greaves

## **Bradshaw's: An Early Railway Tour, Robert Mee, Friends of Nottingham Archives**

On Saturday 18th May 2019 at 11:00am at Notting-  
hamshire Archives Robert Mee will present a history  
of Bradshaw, including a mystery tour

## **Behind the Scenes at Clumber Park, Nottinghamshire Gardens Trust**

On Sunday 19th May 2019, 10.30am to 4.00pm at  
The Lime Room, Clumber Park, Worksop, Notting-  
hamshire, S80 3AZ join Nottinghamshire Gardens  
Trust to enjoy spring at Clumber Park and hear from  
the National Trust about the progress of 'Clumber  
Park Revitalised', an exciting ten-year project to reju-  
venate this much-loved landscape

## **Notts War Heroes, Andrew Smart, North Muskham History Group**

On Monday May 20th, 2019, at 7:30pm, at MRCC Nelson Lane North Muskham

## **Charting Chipeling, Jim Brightman, Coddington History Group**

On Thursday 16th May 2019 in the Village Hall,  
Main Street, Coddington starting at 7:30pm Jim  
Brightman will present a talk on the archaeology of  
the Kiplin Estate. Everyone welcome, Members FREE,  
non- members £2 – includes refreshments.

## **The 4th Duke of Newcastle, Richard Gaunt, Friends of Nottingham Museums**

On Saturday 18th May 2019 at The Nottingham  
Mechanics, 3 North Sherwood Street, commencing at  
2:00pm prompt, Richard Gaunt will give a presenta-  
tion on 'The 4th Duke of Newcastle'

## **Victorian Times, Museum of Timekeeping**

On Sunday 19th May 2019, 10am – 4pm, at the Mu-  
seum of Timekeeping, Upton Hall, Main Street,  
Upton, Newark, Notts, NG23 5TE celebrate 200 years  
since the birth of Queen Victoria with Victorian in-  
spired Crafts, Clothes and Clockwork. There will be  
prizes for the best Victorian outfit, so feel free to come  
in your best frock

## **The Victorian Holiday, Bob Massey, Bramcote HG**

On Monday May 20th 2019 at 8pm in St Michael's Church Centre, Church Street, Bramcote, NG9 3HD  
Bob Massey presents The Victorian Holiday

## **Visit to the Lace, Costume and Textile Collection at Newstead Abbey, Lambley Historical Society**

On Tuesday 21st May 2019 the Society will visit the Lace, Costume and Textile Collection at Newstead Abbey. This is a Behind the Scenes tour of the collection which will visit several rooms not normally open to the public to see and talk about a selection of items from the collection. Tours last about an hour.

## **Power in the Landscape, Katie Bridger, Wolds Historical Organisation**

On Tuesday 21st May 2019 at the Jubilee Room of Wymeswold Memorial Hall, Clay Street, Wymeswold, LE12 6TY, starting promptly at 7.45 pm Katie Bridger will talk about the families of Grey and Hastings in Leicestershire.

## **Annual General Meeting, Nottingham Civic Society**

On Tuesday 21 May 2019 at the Nottingham Mechanics, North Sherwood Street, beginning at 7:30 pm

## **Bolsover Castle Excursion, The Thoroton Society**

On Tuesday 21 May 2019 Excursion: Bolsover Castle, Ashover and Ault Hucknall Churches Leader: Ceril Little

## **Building the Stars, Kurt Hatton, Arnold Local History Group**

On Tuesday May 21st 2019 at Arnold Methodist Church 54 Front Street, Arnold, Nottingham NG5 7EL commencing at 7pm Kurt Hatton (of The Civic Society) will talk Thomas Chambers Hine and his Nottingham buildings

## **Call for Volunteers, Ice Age Journeys**

On Tuesday May 21st 2019 at the National Civil War Centre, Appletongate, Newark, NG24 1JY, 10.30-1pm, there will be a session for volunteers willing to assist at events and a preview of craft activities and Farndon flint recognition Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer should register at [info@iceagejourneys.org.uk](mailto:info@iceagejourneys.org.uk)

## **Visit to Wellow, Nottinghamshire Buildings Preservation Trust**

A visit to a local craftsmans' workshop has been arranged in May. The time and date for your diary is 2.00pm on WEDNESDAY 22nd MAY, 2019. Local stained glass specialist, Mick Stokes, welcomes friends of the NBPT to his workshop in Wellow.



## **Historic Guided Walk, Wollaton Historical & Conservation Society**

On Wednesday 22nd May 2019 at 7:00pm there will be an evening historic guided walk "Old Coach Road, Wollaton Canal & Martins Pond". Meet outside Wollaton Library, Bramcote Lane, 7.00pm. (2¼hrs).

## **Guided Walk of Lenton**

On Saturday 25 May 2019, 2.15-4pm join us for a guided walk with Robert Howard to explore what the local housing tells us about Lenton and Lentonness. Meeting point: Lenton Lodge, Lenton Hall Drive, NG7 2RZ. This event is part of the wider programme, and is happening alongside the Lentonness public artwork installed on the side of the Savoy Cinema, Derby Road.

## **Political Cartoons, Richard Gaunt, Bleasby LHS**

On Tuesday 28th May 2019 at 7:30pm at Bleasby Village Hall Richard Gaunt will give a presentation on political cartoons

## **Laxton Open-Field Village, Stuart Rose, Southwell LHS**

On Saturday 25th May 2019 Stuart Rose will conduct the society outing to Laxton Village.

## **The Boots Booklovers Library, Judith Wright, West Bridgford Library**

On Tuesday 28th May 2019 at 2:30pm at West Bridgford Library Boots Archivist, Judith Wright talks about the much loved Booklovers Library. Between 1899 and 1966 Boots the Chemist operated an extensive, national, circulating library which was renowned for service to its subscribers.

## **Heritage Tour, St Anns Allotments**

On Wednesday 29th May 2019 starting at the Visitor Centre at 1.30pm, please arrive 5-10 minutes early, there will be a guided tour covering 700 years of history on the gardens. Includes a visit to the Heritage Display Garden. There are some hills and uneven surfaces, so good walking shoes/boots are recommended! All tours last roughly 90 mins

## **Family and Local History Surgery, West Bridgford Library**

On Friday 31st May 2019 between 1:30pm and 4:30pm at West Bridgford Library book a free 30 minute session for help with your family or local history queries from one of our librarians. Use any of the free resources available at the library including Ancestry.com, parish registers, trade directories, OS maps and other useful publications and online information to find out more about your past.

Family and Local History surgeries take place on the last Friday of each month except for July, August and December.



# SPEAKERS

More speaker information is available on the NLHA website at <https://nlha.org.uk/speakers-local-societies/>

Please contact speakers directly.



## STEVE WRIGHT

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Talks include: - The Rise & Fall of Colwick Locomotive Depot - Looking at Nottinghamshire Churches - Mining Memories - A Tour of Gedling, Carlton and Netherfield - Garden talks - European tours.

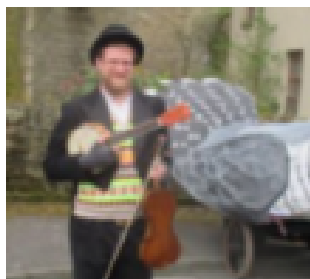


## EDWARD HAMMOND

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Talks include - Hannibal Barca: Rome's Greatest Adversary - The Napoleonic Wars at Home? - Napoleon's British Obsession: The Invasion of the 'Nation of Shopkeepers' - In the Service of the Emperor: The Life and Experiences of a Napoleonic Soldier



## DAVE MOONEY

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Talks include: - Folklore and Custom in the East Midlands - The History of Busking and Street Performance - Folklore and Custom in the East Midlands (talks involve elements of live music and performance)



## DANNY WELLS

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Talks include: - Art of the Garden - The English and Gardening - Joseph Paxton - Art of the Christmas Card - The Victorians and the Christmas Season



## BRIAN BINNS

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Talks include: - The Champion Story: from Stocking Frame to Bicycle Frame - My Entrepreneurial Grandfather: John William Tomlinson - Snippets of Victorian Nottingham as seen through the varied life of the speaker's ancestor, Levi Lee.



### BOB MASSEY

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Talks include - Gone but not forgotten: some of the Lost buildings of Nottinghamshire on film and pictures - Goose Fair on Film: part 1 in the square; The story, Historic film and pictures of Nottingham's own fair from its origins - Goose Fair on Film: part 2 on the forest; The story, Historic film and pictures of Nottingham's own fair after its move to the forest - Muriel and Bert: Jessie Chambers, her history as D H Lawrence's first girlfriend, Swinhouse farm and their relationship - Pints and Pubs: The history of beer and beer houses throughout the ages - W H Higginbottom Architect: The unknown designer of many Nottinghamshire's and the countries public as well as private buildings



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Talks include - "No Surrender!" Women's suffrage in Nottinghamshire and talks based on her recent book "Exploring Nottinghamshire Writers".

### DAVID TEMPLEMAN

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David specialises in the study of Elizabethan history with local connotations. Talks include - Mary Queen of Scots - Lady Arabella Stuart - The Great Sheffield Deer Park



### MICHAEL KIRKBY

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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



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Talks include: - "Tired of living to kill." An alternative view of the life of WWI flying ace, Captain Albert Ball. - "It is for these haunts of peace that men go into the jaws of hell." This talk focuses on the life, poems and death of Sergeant Will Streets - "Not unhappy". The life of Gertrude Savile of Rufford tells the tale of scandals in a Georgian family.

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Derbyshire's Castles - Vic Hallam - One Man and his Company: from the 1920s to the 1990s - Crime in Langley Mill 1891 to 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



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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



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Talks include - English country houses: not quite what they seem - Victorian Cemeteries - Nottingham Temples of Sanitation - All the World's a Stage: the development of theatre buildings - Dream Palaces: an introduction to cinema architecture



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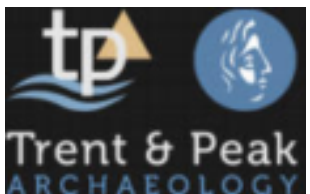


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Talks include - Why did they all come from here?: The Mayflower Pilgrims - Religious Liberty: A Gift to the World from Notts and Lincs - Thomas Helwys: The Price of Freedom - The 'Black Prince' of Scunthorpe The Wrays of Glentworth: Radical Religion - Richard Bernard of Worksop: Puritan radical - Nottinghamshire's Christian Heritage.



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Talks include - The Archaeology of the Tram - We Dig the Castle - Lenton Priory and the archaeology of Nottingham Castle - Excavations and fieldwork at Newark, Southwell, Toton, St Ann's Allotments, Attenborough, Darley Abbey, Chester Green (the site of a Roman fort) and many other sites in the area - Overviews of Nottinghamshire's archaeology - Introductions to the practice of archaeology.

Speakers include Dr Gareth Davies (Head of Operations at Trent & Peak and Honorary Research Fellow at the University of Nottingham), Laura Binns (Trent & Peak's Community Archaeologist) and Dr David Knight (Head of Research). Evening and daytime talks



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## Important Dates for 2019

NLHA Angel Row History Forums: Tuesday 7th May 2019, Tuesday 6th August 2019, Tuesday 5th November 2019

NLHA Day Schools: Saturday 19th October 2019 at Ravenshead

Great Nottinghamshire Local History Fair at Mansfield Library, 12th May 2019

## News and Events

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You can still access the news and events on our webpage at: [nlha.org.uk](http://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 than I need to have them by the last week-end of the previous month.

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