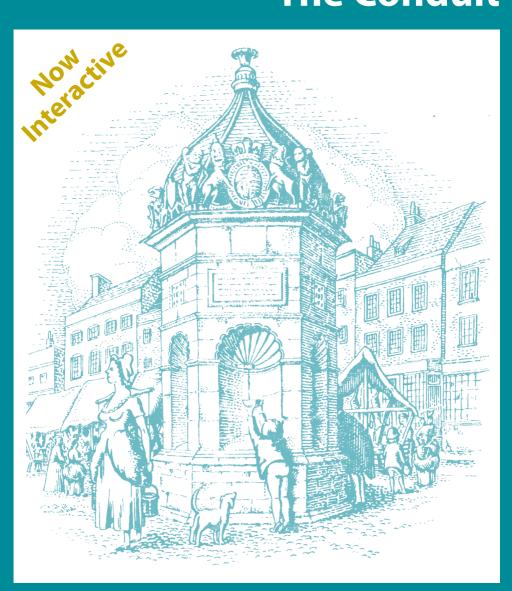
# **The Conduit**



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#### Foreword

In compiling *The Conduit* this year we have tried to be totally inclusive, but appreciate that some organisations may have been omitted and note that some societies have not been able to finalise their 2017-2018 programmes at the time of publication. In this case, readers are advised to consult the website of the relevant organisation.

Email and website addresses, where known, are included in *The Conduit*, and users of the online version can **click on the relevant hyperlinks**. It is also possible to **click on one of the Section headings below and go straight to that Section**. We hope you find this useful.

We aim to send *The Conduit* to every listed local society in Cambridgeshire, as well as to museums and other relevant organisations. If you belong to an organisation whose details are not included, or which would like to receive copies of *The Conduit* next year, please email the Editor, who will add your organisation's details to the next issue. Wherever possible the information has been checked by a responsible individual in the relevant organisation and so should be up to date at the time of printing. Further details of the activities of listed organisations are often available on their websites.

This publication is intended as a work of reference both for members of Cambridge Antiquarian Society and by others who use it to inform themselves of events and activities of interest across our richly historical county. I would like to thank the editor of *The Conduit*, Simon Barlow of the Haddon Library, for his hard work in compiling and producing *The Conduit* this year

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# **Cambridge Antiquarian Society**

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The Society was founded in 1840 to promote the study of history, architectural history and archaeology, and the conservation of relevant features and objects within the county of Cambridge. Membership benefits include a programme of early evening lectures once each month between October and May, day excursions led by experts, reduced entry to the spring conference and a free copy of the Society's journal, *Proceedings of the Cambridge Antiquarian Society*. Members may also request a free print copy of *The Conduit*.

**Meetings:** Lectures, (18:00 on Mondays), & conferences, (All day on Saturdays), are usually held in the Faculty of Law on the University of Cambridge's Sidgwick site, unless otherwise stated. There is plenty of free parking. Other events are held where notified.

**Membership:** Individual £20.00; Families and Affiliated Societies £20.00. There is no charge for visitors or guests at lectures. New members are warmly welcomed.

Programm	ne	
02 Oct.		Matthew Champion
		Great Ryburgh: death and burial in early Christian East Anglia
06 Nov.		Martin Carver
		Sicily in transition: exploring the archaeology of regime change
18 Nov.		Autumn Conference
		Recent archaeological work in Cambridgeshire
		(Details will be circulated)
04 Dec.		Marcus Brittain
		Worth glancing at? Archaeology of the Manea colony fenland
		utopia
08 Jan.		Brenna Hassett
		Built on bones: 15,000 years of urban life and death
05 Feb.		David Oates
		Finding features on the flat fen edge: settling Histon and Impington
05 Mar.		Jonathan Last
		The long-term character and development of the (pre-)historic
		landscape of south-west Cambridgeshire
10 Mar.		Spring Conference
		Architecture & archaeology in Ely:
		papers in memory of Anne Holton-Krayenbuhl
		(NB Venue: Ely Maltings)
		(Details will be circulated)
09 Apr.	(17:45)	Annual General Meeting
	(18:00)	James Drummond-Murray
		Itter Crescent Roman villa

14 May

TBA

Tamsin Wimhurst The David Parr house Summer Social Event TBA (Details will be circulated)

**Local Maps Research:** Progress on the Cambridgeshire carto-bibliography has been slow this year; we have lost some volunteers and the University's PandlS facility has closed. We look forward, however, to putting detailed descriptions of map content and high quality online images of maps on the new CAS website when it is finalized in 2018.

Further volunteers to join the team would be very welcome. All that is needed is an interest in maps and general knowledge of the history & geography of the county. If you would like to be involved, please contact the co-ordinators of the project – Tony Kirby, <u>akirby121@btinternet.com</u>, & John Pickles, jdp1003@cam.ac.uk, for details.

**Small Grants Scheme:** In recent years there has been an increase in voluntary activity within the fields of local archaeology and history, with new or existing groups expanding and their members making significant contributions to our understanding of Cambridgeshire's heritage. In support of this, CAS Council makes available the sum of £500 per annum to be disbursed in grants to assist projects on local archaeology and local history in Cambridgeshire, carried out on a voluntary basis by groups or individuals who are affiliated to or individual members of CAS. Grants may be made for purchasing materials or towards publication and/or presentation of results.

Applicants must supply a detailed description of intended or completed work, some indication of overall cost involved and what part would be financed by the CAS grant; the application will be assessed for its merits by the CAS Council. Although applications from all groups and individuals are welcome, those who have been successful one year will not usually be considered the following year.

The deadline for grant applications is 31<sup>st</sup> December each year and the successful applicant/s will be announced at the society's AGM in April and duly informed.

On completion of the project, a report of how the grant was used, the resulting work and/or the publication (if appropriate) must be forwarded to the Secretary of CAS

Applications should be made through the Secretary. Please email <u>secretary@camantsoc.org</u>. for the application form.

**Publications:** All available publications are listed on the Publications page of our website. For copies of these, please email the Honorary Librarian, John Pickles, <u>jdp1003@cam.ac.uk</u>.

# **Cambridgeshire Records Society**

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The Cambridgeshire Records Society was founded in 1972 by the Cambridge Antiquarian Society. Its purpose is to publish editions of original documents from the Middle Ages to the present relating to Cambridgeshire and the surrounding area in order to make them accessible to Cambridgeshire people interested in their local and family history, and to historians worldwide. The Society also republishes unavailable printed works and historical maps. The work of transcription, translation, and editing of texts and the preparation of volumes is done voluntarily by editors with expertise in the subject. The membership's annual subscriptions finance the costs of preparing and publishing the volumes. In some cases individual volumes have received grants towards costs.

The Society aims to publish a volume a year. Members receive a free copy of every work published during their period of membership.

**Membership:** The Society is open to all interested individuals, libraries, schools and other institutions at an annual subscription of £17.50. In addition to their free volume, members can purchase volumes at a member's price, usually two-thirds of the retail price.

The Society holds an annual meeting with a talk on a topic relating to the current publication or to local records and archives.

The Society has 24 publications in stock. See our website or Cambridgeshire Records Society on <u>www.genfair.com</u>. The latest volumes are (2016): *Jonas Moore's Mapp of the Great Levell of the Fenns* 1658, accompanying text by Frances Willmoth and Elizabeth Stazicker; ISBN 978 0 904323 25 2, Full price £36, CRS Member price £21.50; and (2017): The Cambridgeshire Committee for Scandalous Ministers 1644–45, edited by Graham Hart; ISBN 978 0 904323 26 9, Full price £22.50, CRS Member price £15.

The Society also publishes three Cambridge map editions, (covering the city of Cambridge from the 16<sup>th</sup> to the early 20<sup>th</sup> century): *Baker's Map of Cambridge, 1830* (out of print)

A Portfolio of 12 maps illustrating the changing plan of Cambridge, 1574-1900 Reprint of the Ordnance Survey 1:500 Town Plans of Cambridge, 1886-1902

#### Volumes in preparation include:

*Early Officers' Accounts of Trinity College Cambridge, 1547-1552,* edited by Adam Green *Huntingdonshire Hearth Tax,* transcribed by Ken Sneath

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# **Archaeology Groups**

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We are a small group which has been undertaking geophysical surveys in Cambridgeshire, mostly in the south of the county. This year is our 20<sup>th</sup>. We use resistivity and magnetometry equipment for our surveys. We have been awarded two grants from the Heritage Lottery Fund to support our work and aim to be out surveying on most Sundays. We welcome new members to come along and join us. We also invite inquiries regarding possible new sites to investigate. Please visit our web site for more information.

# **Cambridge Archaeological Unit**

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The Cambridge Archaeological Unit was founded in 1990 by Christopher Evans and Dr. Ian Hodder and operates out of the University of Cambridge Department of Archaeology & Anthropology. The Unit offers a full range of archaeological services on all types of projects, supported by the academic and scientific expertise of the University of Cambridge. Our pioneering landscape sampling techniques have proven successful on motorway, new town, quarry and inner-city development sites, providing a highly efficient practice complementary to industry.

With the aim of bridging the research and commercial sectors the unit believes development of innovative techniques are crucial to maintaining the highest standards of both academic and professional practice. Our service is designed to fulfill all planning requirements from desktop assessment through to full excavation and publication. Our proven record of delivering results within an agreed time-scale and budget has enabled a continual growth into one of the leading archaeological contracting organisations in the United Kingdom.

# Cambridge Archaeology Field Group

www.cafg.net

 
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The Group was formed in 1978 to enjoy practical archaeology and add to the local archaeological

record. Activities include field-walking, surveying, some metal-detecting, excavating, landscape studies and finds processing. Reports of our fieldwork can be seen on our website. The Group also holds lectures and occasional workshops open to all. We are affiliated to the Cambridge Antiquarian Society, the Council for British Archaeology and Jigsaw Cambridgeshire.

**Meetings:** Lectures are held in the seminar room at the McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, Downing Street, Cambridge from October to June, normally on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, starting at 19:30.

#### Programme

04 Oct.	<b>Dr. Preston Miracle</b>	Vela Spila (Korcula, Croatia): a brief introduction to recent fieldwork
01 Nov.	Patricia Duff	Vela Spila fieldwork: making archaeology meaningful to the
		community
06 Dec.	Jezz Davies	An update on excavations of HMS Colossus off the Isles of Scilly
10 Jan.	Terry Dymott &	A review of the Group's fieldwork over the last year
	Mike Coles	

Details of the remainder of the programme will be available on our website.

On other Wednesday evenings throughout the year, unless we have an outdoor activity, we meet at the Oxford Archaeology East premises at Unit 15, Trafalgar Way, Bar Hill, from about 19:15, to process finds from our fieldwork. Occasional informal workshops are held on these Wednesdays.

From autumn to spring we are out field-walking, normally on Sunday mornings, within about 15 miles of Cambridge. In the summer we normally undertake a short-term excavation and organise other fieldwork as available. We have our own projects and will also undertake fieldwork at the request of other bodies.

**Membership:** £12 individual, £18 family. £1 non-members for lectures. Application forms and further details are available on the website or from the Secretary.

**Val Whittaker Memorial Prize:** The Group offers up to £150 each year to those 17 years old or above wanting to pursue their interest in archaeology. Applicants need to submit a report on their investigation into an aspect of archaeology; this may be a report prepared for a course of study. For further details please see our website.

# **Cambridgeshire Archaeology**

(A) Cambridgeshire County Council: Historic Environment Record www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/archaeology Box SH1011, Shire Hall, Cambridge. CB3 0AP Email archaeology@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

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The Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record, (CHER), is the most comprehensive source of information on archaeological sites and finds in the modern county of Cambridgeshire. It forms part of a network of Historic Environment Records (HERs) across the United Kingdom. Formerly known as the Cambridgeshire Sites and Monuments Record, we are continuously expanding the record to include information relating to all aspects of the historic environment. In particular, we are incorporating information about historic buildings and settlements, parks and gardens of historic interest, industrial and twentieth century remains.

We currently have over 20,000 records concerning archaeological monuments, chance finds, buildings and past fieldwork in Cambridgeshire. These are held on a computerised database and mapping system, where they can be easily searched by date, location and type of remains. Much of the information on the CHER is now available online via the Heritage Gateway.

The CHER is a public record, and we welcome enquiries from anyone with an interest in Cambridgeshire's past.

Enquiries can be made by any the following methods:

- telephone;
- email;
- letter;
- visit to our offices in Cambridge by prior appointment.

We will endeavour to deal with your enquiry within 10 working days. Please help us deal with your enquiry efficiently by letting us know:

- the area you are interested in, for example parish or National Grid Reference with search radius;
- the period you are enquiring about, for example Bronze Age or Late Medieval;
- the type of site or find you are interested in, for example Roman villa or Bronze Age hoards;
- the purpose for which you will be using the information, for example local history study, undergraduate research, desk-based assessment.

#### (B) Cambridgeshire County Council: Historic Environment Team

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Within Cambridgeshire's modern landscape lie the remains of thousands of years of human activity. These archaeological remains, together with the vestiges of former landscapes, are the key to understanding the county's past. They are a fragile, vulnerable and irreplaceable part of the local environment. We maintain the Historic Environment Record, (HER), for the county (formerly the Sites and Monuments Record or SMR). See our section on the CHER, above, for more information.

Archives from investigative fieldwork in Cambridgeshire are curated by us, to enable access by researchers whilst being maintained for future generations. Guidelines for organisations wishing to deposit archaeological archives at the store are available from our website. Our Planning and Countryside Advice archaeologists work to mitigate the impact of land use change on Cambridgeshire's rich archaeological heritage, ensuring its sustainability and long term conservation for future generations.

We are the advisory service for the Local Planning Authorities, developers and their agents on the potential impact of land use change on archaeology and the historic environment. We can also advise on environmental enhancement projects, agricultural stewardship schemes and the care of ancient monuments and historic landscapes. We also host the Portable Antiquities Scheme for Cambridgeshire, which provides a finds identification service for the public and advice about the Treasure Act as part of a wider programme of outreach and public archaeology. See our section on the Portable Antiquities Scheme for more information.

The Historic Environment Team also delivers public archaeology and outreach projects in Cambridgeshire. For many years Cambridgeshire Archaeology has been one of the country's leading exponents of public archaeology. It actively promotes education and community projects, with the key aim of increasing understanding of the rich heritage of the county.

#### (C) Cambridgeshire County Council: Portable Antiquities Scheme

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The Portable Antiquities Scheme is a national programme hosted by Cambridgeshire County Council for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough, which assists with the recording of finds discovered by members of the public. The scheme aims to help finders have their objects identified and recorded, as well as providing specialist advice on conservation and storage. The finds are recorded centrally on a national database, which can be accessed on the online database available here http://finds.org.uk.

The Finds Liaison Officer also works at Peterborough Museum one day a week. Finds can be brought for identification to any of the following:

- finds identification events at local museums (see events leaflet for details);
- by prior appointment with the Finds Liaison Officer, at the Cambridgeshire Historic Environment Record or at Peterborough Museum on Fridays.

Some of the objects that are brought to us fall within the definition of Treasure under the Treasure Act (1996), which provides museums with the opportunity to acquire finds made of gold or silver, or hoards of coins and prehistoric tools. East Anglia has more Treasure Act finds than any other part of the country, and we can provide advice on the process.

The Portable Antiquities Scheme operates in partnership with the British Museum, Cambridgeshire County Council and Vivacity (Peterborough's Cultural Trust). For all discoveries of gold and silver objects, or groups of coins from the same findspot, which are over 300 years old, you have a legal obligation to report such items under the Treasure Act (1996). Prehistoric base-metal assemblages found after 1st January 2003 also now qualify as Treasure. The website also provides further information for finders of potential Treasure.

## **Ely & District Archaeological Society**

www.elyarchaeology.org.uk

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The Ely and District Archaeological Society, (EDAS), was founded in 1980. The object of the Society is to advance the education of the public in their study of archaeology, history and kindred subjects. EDAS promotes this through a programme of lectures between October and May, visits to sites of archaeological or historical interest and collecting and disseminating information about archaeology and history of the local area.

**Meetings:** Held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in the month, (between October and May), at the Methodist Church Hall, Chapel Street, Ely. The lectures deal mainly with local and regional archaeology or history, and include presentation of recent discoveries. There are also talks about archaeological sites or history in a broader context.

Membership: Individual £8, Joint £14, Student £1, Visitors £2.50 per lecture.

#### Programme

16 Oct.	Beccy Scott	La Cotte de St. Brelade
20 Nov.	Prof. Simon Lewis	Archaeology of the Breckland
Dec.		No meeting
15 Jan.	Wayne Cocroft	How the Cold War became heritage
19 Feb.	Tom Phillips	The Archaeology of north Ely
19 Mar.	Dr. Richard Hobbs	The Mildenhall treasure
ApR.		No meeting
21 May	ТВА	ТВА
Jun.		No meeting
Jul.		No meeting

Further information about Membership and the future programme is available from the Treasurer.

# Fen Edge Archaeology Group

www.feag.co.uk; https://feagblog.wordpress.com

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The group aims to stimulate public interest in archaeology by means of lectures, workshops and fieldwork, including community digs, and to promote further understanding of the archaeology of the villages of the Fen Edge area, (the parishes of Cottenham, Rampton, Landbeach, Willingham and Waterbeach). The group has been conducting a long-term project exploring a Romano-British site and is exploring possibilities for new investigations.

Meetings: 19:30, at Cottenham Village College, unless shown.

Membership: £10.00 per year, starting in January.

#### Programme

04 Oct.	Chris Evans	The archaeology of the fenland river Ouse ( <i>Note change of date</i> ) ( <b>NB Venue: Willingham Baptist Church</b> )
24 Nov.	Natasha Dodwell	Talking with the dead
18 Jan.	Mike Luke	The Bedford Roman Villa project: community archaeological investigations at Manton Lane and its Roman setting
13 Feb.	Denise Allen	Roman Glass: abundant, bright and beautiful ( <b>NB Venue: Willingham Baptist Church</b> )
15 Mar.	Vida Rajkovaca	A bone to pick: (zoo)archaeology of the Cambridge region
04 Apr.	Lawrence Billington	Before the flood: the late upper palaeolithic and mesolithic of the fenland
17 May	Mike Parker-Pearson	Stonehenge: new discoveries (NB: You will need to reserve a place for this talk. Please check the websites for details)

For updates and further details on talks, walks, site visits, fieldwork and workshops, please check the websites. You can also find us on Facebook.

#### **Histon & Impington Archaeology Group**

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Secretary	Jane Dean
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The Group was formed in 2016 to encourage interest and research in archaeology, particularly in Histon and Impington. We already have an impressive record of excavation and finds in the villages.

Meetings: Talks are held at Histon Baptist Church at 19:30 on Monday evenings, as listed below.

Club nights are held at the Community Centre, St Audrey's Close, Histon from 19:00 to 21:00 on the first Thursdays of the month.

To be placed on our mailing list to receive notices and further details, including outings, projects and other activities, please send an email to the Secretary or contact us via the website.

Membership: £12 per year.

Talks: Members £2. Visitors £3. Children free.

#### Programme

09 Oct.	Craig Cessford	The origins and development of medieval Cambridge and the nearby villages.
13 Nov.	Denis Sami	Anglo-Saxon swords of Cambridgeshire

12 & 19 Fe	·b.	Free drop-in open evenings and exhibitions 19:00 – 21:00 Recent archaeological discoveries in Histon and Impington and plans for future excavations.
12 Mar. 30 Apr.	Alison Dickens Mike Petty David Oates	Latest findings at Northstowe The Fenland floods of 1947 Life round the Green - Uitten in the 1800s
02 Jul.	David Oates	Life round the Green - Histon in the 1890s.

# **Oxford Archaeology East**

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Oxford Archaeology East was founded in 2008 and was formerly the Cambridgeshire County Council Archaeological Field Unit, (CAMARC/AFU). OA East is part of Oxford Archaeology, (OA), however it remains a local archaeological unit and carries on working predominantly in Cambridgeshire and East Anglia. OA East continues to work closely with Cambridgeshire County Council Archaeology Office to deliver education, outreach and community archaeology for Cambridgeshire.

Oxford Archaeology East and Cambridgeshire County Council were joint partners in Jigsaw, a project funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. Jigsaw – piecing together Cambridgeshire's past – trained and supported the establishment of new local archaeology action groups, as well as established societies and individuals, to carry out their own community archaeology projects in Cambridgeshire. Although the project ended in December 2016, OA East is committed to continue to support the Jigsaw network of archaeology groups and community archaeology projects into the future.

OA East is a Registered Organisation, (RO), with the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, (CIFA), and has a proven track record of carrying out high quality archaeological work in a competitive market place. Oxford Archaeology has a long track record of undertaking archaeological projects and is Britain's largest archaeological contractor. Oxford Archaeology is a Registered Educational Charity and offers archaeological opportunities not only in Britain but in Europe and beyond.

# St. Ives Archaeology Group

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We are a small group which aims to promote interest in local archaeology and heritage in the St Ives area by taking part in various activities such as fieldwork, lectures, visits & workshops in order to further understand the area. We also intend to publish our findings.

**Meetings:** lectures & workshops are held alternately at 19:30 on the first Tuesday of each month at the Dolphin Hotel in St Ives.

Membership: £10.00. Lectures £1.00, (Members), & £3.00, (Visitors).

For details of events, please contact the above.

# **Architecture & Civic Societies**

## **Cambridge Past, Present & Future**

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Cambridge Past, Present & Future, (formerly Cambridge Preservation Society), was founded nearly 90 years ago. We are a charity working to keep Cambridge and its surroundings special by positively influencing planning developments, delivering environmental education and managing the green spaces and historic building in our care – for the benefit of all. We look after the C12 Barnwell Leper Chapel on Newmarket Road, Hinxton Watermill and Scheduled Ancient Monument, Bourn Windmill. Our green spaces include Wandlebury Country Park, with the remains of a 5<sup>th</sup> Century BC Iron Age Hill Fort and other historic buildings provides tranquil green open space for the enjoyment of all. Coton Countryside Reserve is a working farm which we are developing as a green place to visit to the west of Cambridge. We are a membership charity, open to all. Please visit our website to view our extensive programme of events and activities which is updated frequently.

## **Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust**

www.camhct.uk

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The Trust was founded in 1983 to provide financial assistance to the churches of Cambridgeshire when they undertake repairs to the fabric, fixtures, furniture and ornaments of their historic churches and chapels, or projects to improve facilities. The Trust makes grants and interest free loans from its funds to allow work to be undertaken without delay and to provide a cash flow for larger scale projects and since its inception has awarded over two million pounds in loans. The Trust's main fund raising event is the Annual Sponsored Ride, Drive and Stride, which takes place in September. The continuing success

of this event is crucial to the amount of funds available to be distributed to the historic churches of Cambridgeshire.

Membership benefits include the *Newsletters* in spring and autumn. There is an Annual Conference held on a Saturday in March, April or early May with a theme related to the history, architecture and artistic heritage of church buildings and their furnishings, with particular reference to Cambridgeshire. In the summer a programme of visits to churches is offered free of charge. Details of these are announced in the *Newsletters* and posted on the website.

For details of the programme, please contact the Hon. Secretary.

#### **Civic Society of St Ives**

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Our society has 360 members, all with pride in their Town, St Ives, Cambridgeshire.

In 2018 we will celebrate our 50th Anniversary, having been founded by like-minded citizens concerned at the then Huntingdonshire County Council's plans to drive a bypass over Hemingford Grey Meadow, one of the largest water meadows in the country and now an SSSI.

Since that time many other issues have been either supported or objected to, always with the intention That future generations will be easily able to recognise the historic character of our Town, despite the inevitable changes that happen down the years. This is now our Legacy Statement.

Currently we are planning a competition and an exhibition as part of our celebrations.

Meetings: 19:30 on the third Friday of the month, in the Free Church, St Ives.

#### Visitors: £2.00

Programme			
15 Sep.	Jed Jaggard	The Roman soldier: from Invasion to withdrawal	
20 Oct.		Annual General Meeting	
17 Nov.	Annie James	Bound for Botany Bay: prisoners, (including local ones), sent to Australia	
Dec.		No meeting	
19 Jan.	Simon Dew	The history of Dews Coaches, Somersham	
16 Feb.	Brian White	The Travelling Post Office, (TPO)	
16 Mar.	Liz Davies	Victorian crime and punishment	
20 Apr.	Richard Carter	A year from the Hunts Post	
18 May	Rodney Tibbs	The River Ouse: a fenland river	

# Friends of St. Giles' Church, Cambridge

www.fosgc.org

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The mission of FOSGC is to promote and enhance St. Giles', thereby supporting the many activities that take place in and around it. We organise regular events, including monthly talks on items of local interest, as well as dances and garden parties.

**Meetings:** Usually held in the church on the second Thursday of each month at 11:00, with refreshments available from 10:30.

**Membership:** £10.00 per year. Monthly talks are free but donations are welcome.

#### Programme

14 Sep.	Geoff Dumbreck	Guided visit to Peterhouse (Meet at 11:15)
		(NB Venue: Peterhouse)
12 Oct.	Sarah Bendall	The history of Emmanuel College, 1584 - 2017
09 Nov.	Peter Jackson	Gardening
14 Dec.	Rev. Dr. Lynne Broughton	The seven deadly sins & a few lively virtues
11 Jan.	A college porter (TBA)	What does a porter do all day?
08 Feb.	Alison Taylor	A thousand years in the life of Cambridge castle
08 Mar.	Helen Strudwick	Egyptology today
12 Apr.	Franco Basso	Death & immortality in Homer's Iliad
10 May	An astronomer (TBA)	Astronomy
14 Jun.	Evelyn Lord	The great plague in Cambridge
12 Jul.	A college gardener (TBA)	A college garden
Aug.		No meeting

### **Littleport Society**

www.littleportsociety.org.uk

The Barn, Main Street, Littleport, Ely, Cambridgeshire. CB6 1PH

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The aims of The Littleport Society are to stimulate and encourage a public interest in the history and heritage of Littleport, to research and record local history and to create and preserve a local archive for future generations.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month, except August, in the Village Hall, Victoria Street All meetings are free to members and non-members.

The Littleport Society Archive & Family History Centre, with local history displays, is open to visitors between 13:00 & 16:00 every Tuesday afternoon. Visits at any other time by prior arrangement. Enquiries are welcome.

**Guided Walk:** The Littleport Riot Trail or Heritage Trail are available to groups, at £1 per person, please telephone or email to make arrangements.

**Membership:** UK annual minimum subscriptions: Adult £3,(£45 Life); Seniors £2, (£30 Life); Family £5, (£75 Life); Overseas: £15, (£150 Life); Corporate £15. Subscriptions are due on January 1<sup>st</sup> and may be paid by standing order.

#### Programme

03 Oct.	Donna Martin	Olaudah Equiaino: Soham at the time of the abolition
07 Nov.	<b>Richard Flectcher</b>	Bill Tutte and the Bletchley Park code breakers
11 Dec.		Old Time Music Hall (Monday)
		(in association with The Littleport Lyrics, tickets £4)
02 Jan.		Film Show: Man between three rivers
06 Feb.		Quiz night (+ AGM)
06 Mar.	Bill Morris	The story of recorded sound
03 Apr.	ТВА	TBA
01 May	Ken Drake	Illustrated London walk: Liverpool Street to the Thames
05 Jun.	Derek Harris	Characters of the Cut
03 Jul.	Christine Shaw	Robert Sayle: the man, his life and his shop
Aug.		No meeting

### **Peterborough Civic Society**

www.peterboroughcivicsociety.org.uk

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The Society is a local civic and amenity voluntary group, financed by membership subscriptions. We seek to provide independent views on civic, amenity and environmental matters in Peterborough and the surrounding area. We seek to encourage public and local authorities to value and care for the local heritage of buildings and other features of historical and environmental interest and to promote local knowledge and pride of place. This is particularly important in our expanding and developing city, whose residents are comparatively new to our area.

We publish an Annual Report, giving details of the previous year's activities, and a quarterly Newsletter, giving an update on current activities. We run a programme of talks during the winter months and a series of summer visits. Our projects are varied, the latest being a full-colour hard-back book celebrating the architectural details of the buildings of the Peterborough area entitled *Peterborough and its Villages in Detail*. It is available via the Society's web-site. We have just completed a major project to replace / update all of the Blue Plaques in the city.

**Membership:** £11 per individual, £6 per junior or senior citizen, £17 per couple or family including children under 18, £10 per senior citizen couple, £5 per primary school, £10 per secondary school, £35 per corporate and £130 per corporate for five years.

**Meetings:** 19:30 monthly at St. Mark's Church Hall, Lincoln Road, Peterborough, (next to St Mark's Church).

Non-members are welcome to attend.

For further information on our programme, please check our website.

# **Archive Groups**

# **Balsham Archives & Photographic Collection**

Archivist

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Our extensive collection of archive material, photographs, and postcards has been collected over many years. The main aim of the group is to collect or scan as many photographs and postcards of the village as possible, as well as to record and transcribe historical documents, deeds, wills, etc. We are always keen to see and, if possible, scan pictures or documents relating to any aspect of Balsham. Members of the Balsham History Group and the Linton and District Community Archive Group have been digitising and adding many of the Balsham images to the Linton and District Community Archive Group web pages.

# **Cambridgeshire Archives**

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/archives

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Archives and Local Studies are now no longer a single service, but we will continue to work as closely together as possible to deliver the best possible service to all our users, and we are very grateful to the support we have been given by our many volunteers and stakeholders. One example of the continuing partnership between Local Studies and Archives is our project to digitise the county's historic electoral registers, combining resources held at Cambridgeshire Archives and the Cambridgeshire Collection. The digitisation is being carried out by Ancestry and is scheduled to be completed in August. Ancestry estimate that the project will capture about six million images, which should go online around February 2018.

Archives staff have continued to work with our architects to finalise the design of the new archives centre building in Ely. If all goes well then construction will begin on-site during autumn this year. Construction is estimated to take about 32 weeks, with the result that the completed building will be handed over in late 2018. We will then fit out the building and move the archives into the store. Once

open to the public we will apply to The National Archives for Archives Accreditation. In the meantime Archives staff will continue our work to clean, repackage and barcode the records being held in Shire Hall basement, so that everything will be ready by the time of the move. When complete the Ely centre will provide, for the first time for Shire Hall's records, accommodation which meets all modern professional standards.

The Archives service continues to run its own in-house digitisation studio. Documents digitised recently include Longstowe enclosure map, 20th century photographs of Papworth Hospital, a 19<sup>th</sup> century plan of Covington school and some court rolls of Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire Manors. The studio continues to digitise records belonging to external bodies as well, and we are always happy to quote for any digitisation project that you may have.

The Archives service continues to collect new material robustly. Records received in the last year have included a comprehensive collection from Willingham Baptist Tabernacle, a collection of records of the Ellis family of Cottenham & Swavesey and a substantial deposit of Magistrates Court registers, formerly at Northamptonshire Record Office. Some twenty-five parish churches have deposited additional records. Important records purchased have included a sequence of court books of the Manor of Netherhall Tyndalls in Soham from the early 16th century onwards and a number of collections of deeds and charity records. Cambridgeshire Archives is grateful for the assistance of the Cambridgeshire Family History Society in securing the last two for preservation.

Former Cambridgeshire County Archivist Michael Farrar passed away on 5 February 2017 at Addenbrooke's Hospital. He was 87. Michael was County Archivist of Cambridgeshire 1961-1994 and was a co-founder of the Cambridgeshire Family History Society, with which he established a productive record office-society relationship to transcribe the county's census schedules and parish registers. He had a particular interest in genealogy and he compiled two editions of *Genealogical Sources in Cambridgeshire*. Michael was a very highly respected and dedicated archivist and genealogist with a wide variety of interests and he will be much missed.

# **Cambridgeshire Community Archive Network**

www.ccan.co.uk

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Cambridgeshire Community Archive Network, (CCAN), now in its 11th year, with 32 local digital archives continues to grow with well over 50,000 entries of photographs, video and audio recordings – all available online.

The easy-to-use software is designed by Community Sites, one of the largest providers of Community Archives in the country. It is especially tailored to community heritage, full of features, it even enables visitors to the site to contribute entries and add comments to existing records.

New members are always welcome & training is organised locally by committee members.

# Little Downham Community Archive

#### Editor

#### John Clarke

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The group administers the village site in the CCAN online archive and holds irregular 'drop-in' meetings. It seeks out and records people and events from village life, past and continuing.

The group can be contacted through the above contact or at any session of the Book Cafe library access point.

# Soham Community Archive

www.soham.ccan.co.uk

Chair

Ann Roberts

Email soham@ccan.co.uk

Soham Community Archive is part of the Cambridgeshire Community Archives Network, (CCAN). It is an online archive of documents and photographs relating to Soham people, places and events.

Contributions, comments and queries are welcome via the website.

# **St. Neots Community Archive Group**

www.st-neots.ccan.co.uk

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The Group collects photos and films of scenes, events and people for the present town of St. Neots, the surrounding villages and Buckden. The photos are added to the St Neots Community Archive Website which is part of the Cambridge Community Archive Network (CCAN). Photographs are taken weekly of changing shops and events in the town and are added regularly. Access is free.

The group holds regular small displays of photos throughout the year and local archive films at various places within the town and at local events. The Group has strong links with St.. Neots Museum, St. Neots Local History Forum, St. Neots Local History Group, Eatons Community Association, St. Neots University of the Third Age and Colmworth & Neighbours History Association.

Committee meetings are generally held monthly at the St. Neots Museum.

There is no regular programme of talks but photographic displays and film shows are arranged to fit in with local events and are advertised in the local newspapers. 2017-2018 exhibitions and events are being planned with local groups for the annual beer festival, ongoing war commemorations and town events. Talks showing film archives, old and new photographs are regularly given to local groups of all ages. To arrange talks please contact Website Manager.

# **Family History Societies**

# Cambridgeshire Family History Society

www.cfhs.org.uk

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The Society exists to encourage the study of family history within the old counties of Cambridge and the Isle of Ely. It offers a friendly point of contact for people world-wide who are interested in the same names and families and also provides a wide range of facilities to support their researches into genealogy and the local area. The Society was founded in 1976 and now has well over 1,100 members, mainly in the UK but also in Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the USA. Membership is open to anyone with an interest in family history. Members are entitled to participate in any of the Society's activities and they receive a free quarterly journal, together with a Members' Interests Directory which is updated at intervals.

**Membership:** UK £10, (includes the member's partner), Overseas £15, (including airmail postage of the Journal), or £7, (including email dispatch of the Journal)

#### **Central Branch Meetings:**

Cambridge Central Library (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor) 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month 10:30 – 15:00 Free, donations welcome from non members

10:30 – 15:30	Help & advice with research, including access to <u>www.ancestry.co.uk</u>
	& findmypast.co.uk
12:30 – 13:00	Top tips & websites for —-
14:00 – 15:00	Speaker

Research surgeries are held regularly at several branch libraries. Please see the website for details.

Further details & future programme available from the Secretary.

#### **March Branch Meetings:**

March Library, City Road, March PE15 9LT 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 19.00 – 21.00 Refreshments are available.

Further details and future programme available from: Margery Young Email <u>margeryyoung9@gmail.com</u>

# Huntingdonshire Family History Society

www.huntsfhs.org.uk

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Huntingdonshire Family History Society (HFHS) was founded in 1985 to help people to find out about their family history. It aims to provide links between people interested in families of the old County of Huntingdonshire and to provide a forum for persons interested in genealogy generally, both the beginner and the experienced genealogist. The society has an active programme for transcribing parish registers and monumental inscriptions and publishing them. Our journal *The Huntsman* is published three times a year. The Society is a member of Federation of Family History Societies and is a supporter of the Genealogy UK and Ireland (GENUKI) information service.

**Meetings:** Lectures are normally held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, (September – July), at 19:30 at The W.I. Centre, Walden Road, (The Ring Road), Huntingdon, Cambs, PE29 3AZ. There is also a bookstall with a wide range of genealogical and local history publications. Our talks are occasionally subject to change. Please check our website before making a special journey.

#### Programme

20 Sep.	Mark Carroll	An intriguing Victorian family
18 Oct.	Colin Chapman	Ecclesiastical courts: sex, sin and probate
15 Nov.	Jonathan Farmer	Tracing Great War ancestors: Part 2
6 Dec.	TBA	
17 Jan.	TBA	
21 Feb.	TBA	
21 Mar.	TBA	
18 Apr.	TBA	
16 May	Hannah Vandridge	Shopping through the ages (+AGM)
20 Jun.	TBA	
18 Jul.	Annual Visit	Guided tour of the Norris Museum

For further information, including details of lectures currently TBC, please check the website.

# **Local History & Other Societies**

# **Abington History Group**

#### Chairman

#### Jennifer Hirsh

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The group, founded in 2000, exists to research the history of the villages of Great and Little Abington and to share their findings with those who are interested. A database of parish and census records has been built up together with a large collection of images, mainly photographs both old and recent. References to land and people from other historical sources are also added to a database. We hold copies of a collection of maps of the villages dating back to 1603.

The group has published village history trails for both villages as well as an award-winning book entitled *World War 2 Memories of Abington and Abington People*. In addition we have worked on the sale of the Abington Hall Estate; we conduct oral history interviews and research university and college archives seeking more information on early land ownership. Another completed project resulted in the publication of *Memories of the Land Settlement in Abington 1936 to 1983*. We have shown DVDs of *1980 Village Revues* to audiences many of whom were in the original productions.

In 2014 we researched World War 1 connections to the Abingtons and put on a display, a lecture and a showing of films in the Abington Institute in October. The display dealt both with those from the Abingtons who served in WW1 and with ancestors of current villagers who served.

In 2013 we produced *Aspects of Abington History* – a collection of nine articles and in 2015 followed this up with *Aspects of Abington History 2* - this time containing ten articles on Abington history.

We are currently researching for a book *Aspects of Abington History 3* - which will deal with the changes in the villages between 1900 and 1930. This is an important period in the modern history of the Abingtons. It starts from the time that the Mortlock family sold the Abington Hall Estate in 1901 in its entirety to John James Emerson from Yorkshire, having owned it for 100 years. The Estate covered almost the whole of two villages. In 1929 the Emersons sold the Estate by lots at auction and all the farms and cottages were for sale separately. This represented a great change for the lives of the population of the villages.

There will be an Open Day in the Abington Institute on Saturday 21 October 2017 from 10:00 to 16:00 on this subject which will be free to everyone with donations at the door.

We are always keen to see and, if possible, scan pictures or documents relating to any aspect of Great and Little Abington.

# **Barrington Society**

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Meetings: 19:45 on the 3rd Wednesday of each month in Barrington Village Hall

**Membership:** £10 per year. Visitors £2 per meeting.

#### Programme

18 Oct.		Back in time: cine-film of Barrington in 1950s/60s
16 Nov.	David Oates	History of the Chivers' factory in Histon
20 Dec.		Members' Christmas Party
17 Jan.	Peter Bird	Antarctica in the 60s: memories of a life and times
21 Feb.	Tom Carrell	Body mapping: artificial intelligence in the operating theatre
21 Mar.	Mark Pardoe	The first 120 years of the London underground and its stations
18 Apr.	Anne McLaughlin	Cambridge's Parker Library: the story of its history and contents
16 May	Mike Petty	Vanishing Cambridgeshire:
		photos from the Cambridgeshire Collection
20 Jun.	Ken Stapleton	Up Helly Ah: Shetland's Viking fire festival (+AGM)
18 Jul.	-	Society BBQ

# **Brampton Historical Society**

Chair	Brian Gebbels
Secretary	Pat Last
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The society was formed in 1979.

**Meetings:** 19:45 in the Stocker Room, Brampton Institute, High Street, Brampton on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every odd month starting in January. There is an annual outing, usually in July or August.

Membership: £7.00 per year. Visitor £1.50 per meeting

#### Programme

27 Sep.	Liz Davis	Folk medicine and magic in Victorian times
22 Nov.	Prof. Chris Lewis	St. Ives as a riverport
24 Jan.	Roger Lievers	Father and son: the story of two great aviators (+ AGM)
28 Mar.	David Palmer	Gossip from the gavel
23 May	Veronica Bennett	The history of the National Trust
25 Jul.	ТВА	ТВА
26 Sep.	David Learner	The secret life of sweets
28 Nov	ТВА	ТВА

For information regarding TBA meetings, please contact the Secretary.

## **Buckden Local History Society**

www.buckdenroundabout.info/village-organisations/29-hobbies-interests

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Founded in 1979, the Society aims to promote the study and knowledge of local history in its widest sense, primarily by means of talks on all manner of topics in any way connected with the history of Buckden and the surrounding area. We encourage individual and group research into local history projects so please contact the Secretary with any ideas. The Society is affiliated to the Cambridgeshire Association for Local History.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the 1st Wednesday of each month, (except July & August), in the Conference Room at Buckden Towers, (unless otherwise stated).

Membership: Individual £16.00, Visitors £4.00 per talk. We welcome new members and visitors.

Programme		
20 Sep.		Outing to Norris Museum, St Ives 19:00 – 20:30.
		(Visitors £4.00 Tea and biscuits if wished £2.50)
04 Oct.		Fenland archaeology
01 Nov.	Prof. Mike McCarthy	Local accents and dialects
06 Dec.	Katy Salmon	Tudor Christmas
03 Jan.	John Davies	The civil war in Huntingdon
07 Feb.	David Cozens	Huntingdon mint
07 Mar.	David Fowler	The rise and fall and rise again of Cardington airships
04 Apr.	Mathew Morris	Revealing Greyfriars: the search for Leicester's lost Franciscan friary
02 May	Roger Leivers	RAF Tempsford
06 Jun.	TBA	TBA (+ AGM)
Jul.		Summer Outing – Location and date TBA

Further information about the Society & details of the remainder of our programme will be available on our website. Details of any changes to the programme are also published on the website.

# **Burwell History Society**

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The Society was founded in 1993 to promote and encourage interest in, and knowledge of, Burwell & its surrounding area, to ensure the correct recording & safe keeping of archival material in Burwell Museum & county collections and to encourage individuals & small groups in their research.

**Meetings:** 19:45, usually on the third Wednesday of the month at Burwell Village College, (September to May). Visits to local places of interest are arranged during the year and usually take place in June & July.

**Membership:** £15.00 per annum, payable at the first meeting in September. Visitors are welcome to attend meetings at £3.00 per visit.

#### Programme

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20 Sep.	Wendy Barnes	Queen Elizabeth slept here: Gloriana's progress around East Anglia
		in 1578
18 Oct.	Peter Ibbett	A to Z of Victorian farming
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15 Nov.	Helen Harwood	Three Cambridge heroes
13 Dec.	Richard Jackson	The company of pikemen and musketeers
17 Jan.	Bernard Olley	Duxford Airfield: the first 100 years
21 Feb.	Donna Martin	The Soham train crash
21 Mar.	Nora Butler	The history of Kimbolton Castle
18 Apr.	Graham Anthony	The Story of lighthouses
16 May	Robert Parker	The lopsided barge: an agricultural labourer's journey to better
		himself

#### **Cambridgeshire ACRE**

www.cambsacre.org.uk

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Cambridgeshire ACRE, the Rural Community Council for Cambridgeshire & Peterborough, focuses on developing projects and providing products and services that really make a difference to local people in Cambridgeshire & Peterborough. As a local rural development charity, we have a long history of supporting a variety of programmes, assets and social enterprises at a community level, working with rural communities. We have a particularly strong track record in leading on the delivery of partnership projects across the heritage, history, arts, environment and community development spectrum, for instance the recently completed Ouse Washes Landscape Partnership scheme.

#### Programme

For details of our events, volunteering opportunities and partnership projects please go to our website and our multiple workstream-related websites, blogs & social media channels online.

# **Cambridgeshire Association for Local History**

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Secretary	Tony Kirby
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The Association was founded in 1951 as the Cambridgeshire Local History Council. Eleven years ago, it was decided to change our name to the Cambridgeshire Association for Local History, (CALH), to re-

emphasise the organisation's founding principles and to highlight its important role of caring for the future of Cambridgeshire's past. The main object of the Association is to encourage and support the study of local and social history in Cambridgeshire, in particular by encouraging the many local groups sharing this aim.

Corporate membership of the Association by local and social history clubs, groups and societies, or any other organisation with similar aims is strongly encouraged, as the CALH acts as a representative body for such organisations. The Association always endeavours to act as an information and networking hub for local history in Cambridgeshire.

The CALH holds a popular spring conference, with a strong local history theme. The Local History Awards, made annually, recognise the contributions to local history in the County made by authors in the previous year, and by individuals' life-time commitment to Cambridgeshire history. There is also an award, (CYPHA), for young people, (individually or collectively), who have carried out a local history project. The presentation Ceremony is a great occasion to hear from and meet authors and historians and to learn about their work.

The Association produces publications and services for members. These include the annual *Review*, a publication of original articles on local history researches and reviews, and an online historical newsletter, the *Bulletin*, produced twice a year. Members may also receive a copy of the Conduit, this annual listing of local history societies, museums and similar interest groups and their programmes for the forthcoming year. (Conduit is also available online).

The CALH also circulates, by email, news of its programme and other upcoming events to every other society, group, or club in the county via a central email distribution. It also keeps all the county's societies up-to-date with national and local news.

**Meetings:** Normally held on first Saturday of the month, starting at 14:15, at the St John's Hall, Blinco Grove, off Hills Road, Cambridge CB2 8RN. Outings and visits are also arranged, usually in the summer months.

**Membership:** Individuals £8.00; Families £10.00; Affiliated local societies or groups £10.00. Entry to meetings is free for individual and family members, £1.00 for members of affiliated societies and £2.50 for guests & non-members.

The Association also has a Facebook page, which supplements the information sent by email.

16 Sep.		Awards afternoon: Introducing the winners of the 2016 CALH awards, their books and achievements
07 Oct.	Derek Stubbings	Crossing the Cam
04 Nov.	Mike Cowham	The world of sundials
25 Nov.	Pam Hall	The Cambridge Museum of Technology: past, present and future
06 Jan.	Dr. Julie Bounford	Treading the middle ground: bookselling in a university town,
		1876-1999: Heffers of Cambridge
03 Feb.	Tamsin Wimhurst	The signs of Cambridge
03 Mar.	Bill Franklin	The enclosure of Ely
07 Apr.	Victoria Mann	Victorian and Edwardian postcards and their messages
05 May		Annual Conference: Housing in Cambridgeshire
02 Jun.	Prof. Helen Weinstein	Historyworks & the Creating my Cambridge project (+ AGM)

# **Cambridgeshire Geological Society**

www.cambsgeology.org Email info@cambsgeology.org

Chair	Franziska Norman
Other Contact	Christine Donnelly

The Society promotes an interest in geology, including Earth's history & the development of life. Our talks cover a wide range of topics & include some of the latest geological research. Ongoing projects include the conservation of local geological sites and the exploration of the links between geology, local landscapes & culture.

**Meetings:** 19:00 doors for 19:30 start, on the second Monday of the month, (September to June), at the Friends meeting House, 91-93 Hartington Grove, Cambridge CB1 7UB.

Membership: £20.00 per annum. Full Time students £10.00. Visitors £3.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

10 Sep.	Peter Woods	The richest and largest known Polyhalite deposit in the world?? It's in Yorkshire of course !!
09 Oct.	Stephen Thompson	A mystical cave in Mynamar
13 Nov.	Dr. Peter Friend	Stories from the chalky Fen Edge of Cambridgeshire
11 Dec	Prof David Norbury	Triumphs & disasters in practical engineering geology

The remainder of the programme is currently being planned. Please check the website.

# **Cambridgeshire Local Studies**

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk

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Archives and Local Studies are now no longer a single service, but we will continue to work as closely together as possible to deliver the best possible service to all our users, and we are very grateful to the support we have been given by our many volunteers and stakeholders. One example of the continuing partnership between Local Studies and Archives is our project to digitise the county's historic electoral registers, combining resources held at Cambridgeshire Archives and the Cambridgeshire Collection. The digitisation is being carried out by Ancestry and is scheduled to be completed in August. Ancestry estimate that the project will capture about six million images, which should go online around February 2018.

We have received several important donations to the Cambridgeshire Collection this year, including a series of scrapbooks and photo albums chronicling the complete history of the Cambridgeshire Guided Busway and a collection of architectural photos from the Cambridge City Council. An index to the Palmer Clarke portrait photographs, taken in Cambridge between 1890 and 1930, produced by CFHS volunteers is now available online on the website <u>www.fadingimages.uk</u>

Local studies staff have put on a series of displays across the county including one to commemorate the anniversary of the 1947 floods, Fen skating and the USAAF Airmen of WW2. The mobile racking in the Cambridgeshire Collection store has been repaired and is now fully functioning again. We continue to welcome visits from groups and several film crews have also visited the Collection. A number of volunteers have been recruited and are now helping to make some of our wonderful resources more easily available to our users.

# **Caxton Historical Society**

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We are a small informal group, (about 30 members), from Caxton, Bourn and neighbouring villages, with varied interests: antiquarian, archaeological, and general/ local history etc.

**Meetings:** 20:00 at Caxton Village Hall, usually meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of February, May, September and November. We also arrange outings and visits to places of interest.

Membership: £8.00 per year. Visitors £3.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

09 Nov. Dr. Martyn Twigg

Alleviation of World Starvation, Introduction of Chemical Warfare and a Nobel Prize Scandal

Our 2018 Programme is currently under development. Please contact the Secretary for details.

# **Cherry Hinton Local History Society**

Chair Jenny Taylor Programme & Excursions Officer Mo Child Tel: 01223 210724 Email mo@peterchild.co.uk

We are a friendly and approachable group interested in all aspects of local history and its affiliated disciplines countrywide. Visitors and members alike are welcome to come to our monthly meetings. Talks cover all aspects of local history and related subjects. There is a display at each meeting to show some aspect of Local History often connected to the talk, along with refreshments and a raffle. The Society also hosts an afternoon talk in Cherry Hinton Festival Week. We also have around three outings a year.

**Meetings:** 19:30, usually on the last Monday of each month, (except August & December), at St Andrew's Church Centre, High Street Cherry Hinton, (just behind the Church).

Membership: £10.00 a year. Couple: £18.00. Visitors: £2.50.

#### Programme

25 Sep	Michelle Bullivant	The lost watermills of Cherry Hinton and more
30 Oct.	Barry Young	Haverhill through time
27 Nov.		Members' social event (+ AGM)
29 Jan.	Christine Shaw	Robert Sayle: the man
26 Feb.	Roy Stoner	The Cambridge - St. Ives railway line
26 Mar.	Julie Bounford	The Heffers story from 1876 to 2017
30 Apr.	Helen Harwood	Fighting in the fields: the home front during the great war
21 May	Stuart Ladd	Excavations of a Romano-British & Anglo-Saxon cemetery at
		Hatherdene Close, Cherry Hinton
25 Jun.	Paul Gibbs	The English civil war around Cambridgeshire

For details of the event currently TBA, please contact the Programme & Excursions Officer.

# **Chesterford Local History & Archaeology Society**

Chair	John French
Secretary	Kate McManus
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The Society aims to foster interest in local history and archaeology.

**Meetings:** 20:00, usually at the Great Chesterford Congregational Chapel, Carmel Street, Great Chesterford. There are usually four meetings a year, with speakers on relevant topics, plus an Annual General Meeting.

For further information and programme details, please contact the Secretary.

# **Chesterton Local History Group**

Chair	David Stubbings	
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Other Contact	Alice Zeitlyn	
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Chesterton was home to the company W.G. Pye which developed radio in the 1920 and produced wireless sets, and then black-and-white televisions – all that is gone. The group aims to promote an interest in local history by talks and in the collection of photos and the recording of memories. The group is using CCAN to further this aim. Enquire about the village walk which includes photos of past scenes.

**Meetings:** 14:30 on the third Tuesday of each month in St Andrew's Hall, St Andrew's Road, Chesterton, Cambridge CB4 1DH.

If, due to circumstance, the advertised talk can not be given, the committee will endeavour to provide an alternative talk/event.

Membership: £9.00; visitors £3.00 per session.

#### Programme

19 Sep.	Neil Sneade	Castle Hill history
17 Oct.	ТВА	TBA (on a Cambridge character)
21 Nov.	Hazel Mills	Girton College
19 Dec.	Christmas meal (TB	C)
16 Jan.	Howard Slatter	Hobson's Conduit
20 Feb.	David Stubbings	Coprolite in Cambridge
20 Mar.	Judith Harrison	Stir Community Cafe
17 Apr.	Rick Leggatt	Rick's radical mugs
15 May	John Flood	Cambridge Folk Museum
19 Jun.	John Flood	Outing to Museum of Cambridge

# **Comberton Antiquarian Society**

Chair	Sandra Hyde	
Secretary	Peter Johnson	
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**Meetings:** 20:00 on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in Comberton Village Hall.

Membership: £8.00, £4.00 if joining after the New Year. Visitors: £3.00.

#### Programme

26 Sep.	Dr. Anthony Cooper	The impact of World War II on south Cambridgeshire
24 Oct.	lan Mason	Ancient human occupation of Chatteris
28 Nov.	Robert Halliday	Cambridge college ghosts
Dec.		No meeting
23 Jan.	Honor Ridout	Cambridge you might have missed: history & curiosities
27 Feb.	Dr. M.E.J. Hughes	Samuel Pepys & his fabulous library
27 Mar.	Dr. David Thomson	Early stained glass in the University of Cambridge
24 Apr.		AGM
22 May	Gill Blanchard	Tracing your house history
26 Jun.	Tamsin Wimhurst	An extraordinary Cambridge house

Details of the Spring outing have yet to be arranged. Please contact the Secretary.

# **Cottenham Village Society**

www.cottenhamvillagesociety.ukfamilies.com

President	Margaret Brierley
Chair	Ralph Carpenter
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Cottenham Village Society was founded in 1971 and our aim is to encourage awareness and participation in our village community and the history of the village. Members attend monthly meetings from September to April (usually on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday in the month) to hear speakers on a variety of subjects. There are social events held each year. During the summer the Committee arranges a visit to a place of interest and an outdoor party; also at Christmas, a party with good food and wine.

Meetings: 19:45 at Cottenham Parish Church Hall

Membership: £8.00; visitors £2.00 per session.

#### Programme

15 Sep.	Philip Saunders	The people who drained the Fens: promoters, engineers, labourers
13 Oct.	Mike Muncaster	Quacks, charlatans and conmen
17 Nov.	Alison Dickens	The Rampton sacrifice
09 Dec.		Christmas Party (Saturday 18:00)
12 Jan.	Richard Taylor	The Hanson-RSPB Wetland Project:
		progress so far on Britain's (soon to be) largest reedbed
09 Feb.	Roger Crabtree	The Pye story
09 Mar.	Stewart Huxley	The Corpus Christi clock
13 Apr.	Roy Stoner	The trains of Oakington and Cottenham

#### **East Anglian Catholic History Society**

www.catholiceastanglia2016.wordpress.com

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The East Anglian Catholic History Society, established in 2016, is the historical society of the Roman Catholic Diocese of East Anglia which was founded in 1976 and covers Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Unitary Authority. The Society aims to encourage the study of Catholicism in these counties, especially post-Reformation Catholicism, and exists to encourage, advise and resource parish history groups and interested individuals. There is no fee for membership and anyone can sign up to the e-newsletter by contacting the Secretary.

**Meetings:** A schedule of meetings will be published in the Society's e-newsletter. The next AGM will take place in June 2018.

#### Membership: Free

#### **Eatons Community Association**

www.escan.org.uk

Chair	<b>Sue Jarrett</b> 3 Collingwood Rd, Eaton Socon, St Neots, Cambs PE19 8JQ
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The association was founded in 1978 as the Eaton Socon Community Association and was later changed to the Eatons Community Association to include both Eaton Socon and Eaton Ford, both now suburbs in the town of St Neots. We promote activities within the Eatons, write history books and hold an annual history exhibition, (1<sup>st</sup> weekend in May in St Mary's Church, Eaton Socon), at our popular May Day weekend, (May Day celebrations on Eaton Socon Village Green -1<sup>st</sup> Monday in May). There is an Open Gardens event during June, and we open our church and unique village lock-up regularly during the summer. Talks and walks can be arranged around the village through the chairman. We also have a newsletter delivered free to all houses in the Eatons three times a year, as well as being available on the Eatons website. We do not hold talks/lectures but we do liaise with nearby history and archive groups and work with them in various projects.

We now hold a large archive relating to Eaton Socon Parish, which was in Bedfordshire until 1965, and have written more than 30 history booklets on a variety of subjects. As part of a very large project we researched all the buildings and their families within the present areas of Eaton Socon and Eaton Ford from the enclosure in 1799 to 1965. Most of Eaton Socon archives are held in Bedford archives but our booklets are available in Bedford and Huntingdon archives, local libraries, St Neots Museum and in local schools. They can be bought from ESCA. We have 4 trails, 8 Heritage Boards and 15 blue plaques in the Eatons. There are no membership fees. We raise money at our May Day celebrations, other events and through writing history booklets. Committee meetings are held monthly.

Our War Memorial has been researched and the information produced in a book. During 2014 we produced an exhibition and a book showing what life was like in the parish during the Great War. The local newspaper - St Neots Advertiser – has been indexed for the War Years, covers the present town of St Neots and many local villages, and is freely available on the St Neots Local History Website – <u>www.stneotslhs.org.uk</u>. The most recent book was the 'The Eatons Then and Now 3' following the popular books 1 and 2. The Eatons Community Association has its own website where information on its history books and events can be found. Many local archives are freely accessible on the site.

### **Eltisley History Society**

www.eltisleyhistorysociety.org.uk Tel: 01480 880268

President Chair Secretary William Topham Peter King Mary Flinders Heylock, Caxton End, Eltisley, St Neots, Cambs PE19 6TJ Email <u>secretary@eltisleyhistorysociety.org.uk</u> Eltisley History Society aims to research, record, preserve and publish family and local history. Work is ongoing to catalogue and digitize the Society's extensive archive of documents. Book published about the 14 men from Eltisley who died in the First World War (Eltisley Remembered, 1914-1918) can be viewed on the Society's website and ordered through the secretary.

**Meetings:** 19:45 for 20:00 on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Cade Memorial Hall, The Green, Eltisley

Visitors are welcome at all meetings (£2.00 per meeting).

#### Programme

27 Sep.	Roger Leivers	The Story of Stirling bomber N3703
25 Oct.	Linda Ketteridge	The History of Audley End
22 Nov.	Bernard O'Connor	Training to be a special agent in world war 2
24 Jan.	Barry Tomlinson	The work and achievements of Royal Aircraft
		Establishment, Bedford (the wind tunnels)
28 Feb.		Film show: Britain on film, the railways
28 Mar.	Peter King	Boy soldiers

# **Fulbourn Village History Society**

www.fulbournhistory.org.uk Email info@fulbounrhistory.org.uk

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Formed in 1999, the Fulbourn Village History Society aims to keep and maintain records of all aspects of the village's social and historical developments. Members and the general public are able to consult these for research purposes on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 10.00. until 12.00 at the Archive Store situated in the Committee Room of the Fulbourn Centre, Home End, Fulbourn CB21 5BS. It is advisable to make an appointment before your visit.

**Meetings:** 19:30 in the Fulbourn Centre on the third Thursday of the month, (October to April inclusive).

Membership: £12.00 per year. Visitors £3.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

19 Oct.	Wendy Barnes	Queen Elizabeth slept here
16 Nov.	Craig Cessford	Archaeology of Church End Cherry Hinton and Fulbourn
08 Dec.	Geoff Hales	Travelling theatres
18 Jan.	Miranda Stearn	The Fitzwilliam Museum
15 Feb.	David Bruce	Ely Cathedral
15 Mar.	ТВА	TBA
19 April	Glynis Arber	Fulbourn at home and at war (+ AGM)

## **Gamlingay & District History Society**

www.gamlingayhistory.co.uk

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Treasurer	Chris Robins
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Programme / Webmaster	David Allen
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Meetings: On the dates below, in Room 2, Gamlingay Village College, Station Rd, Gamlingay.

Membership: £15.00. Visitors £3.00.

#### Programme

11 Sep.	Brian Burgess	Waresley in the great war
09 Oct.	Veronica Bennett	Oxburgh Hall
13 Nov.	Gamarch	Digging for Gamlingay
11 Dec.		Christmas party & quiz
19 Feb.	Liz Davis	The Kimbolton hoard
12 Mar.	James Brown	More Gamlingay history
16 Apr.	Mike Petty	Vanishing Cambridgeshire 1900-1940
14 May	Margaret Badley	Lady Margaret Beaufort

# **Gransdens Society**

www.gransdenssociety.org

Chair	Trevor Bounford
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The Gransdens Society is a group which looks at all aspects of life in the Gransdens, not just historical.

**Meetings:** 20:00, (Usually), on the third Tuesday of each month, (October – June), at The Reading Room, Fox Street, Gt. Gransden, Sandy, Beds SG19 3AA.

Membership & Programme: Details can be found on the website or by contacting the Secretary.

## **Harston Local History Group**

www.harstonhistory.org.uk

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The Group was founded in Oct 2014 to try to gather together all the local history information on people, places & events and memories of past times in the village before they were lost. From August 2015 –August 2016 the Group successfully carried out an 'Exploring Harston's Heritage' project with the aid of a Sharing Heritage Lottery Fund grant, sharing findings with those living in Harston and anyone else with an interest in Harston's History by having displays and talks on various Harston History topics. A Harston History website was launched in November 2015 and we continue to add material to it, including local memories of Harston and an increasing number of house histories. In Nov 2016 we produced a permanent Heritage interpretation board, now located on The Green, showing old pictures and giving information on the older part of the village.

On the first Saturday of each month some Members will be at the Fair Trade Better Brew Café in Harston Village Hall 10:30-12:30 alongside a display of local history and are happy to chat with anyone. All are welcome to come along. A self-guided Harston village heritage trail can be bought there for £1.

**Meetings:** Usually monthly, but talks will be advertised on the website events section. October starts with Jonathan Spain talking about Orchards in the Cam Valley.

# Hemingfords' Local History Society

www.hemlocs.co.uk Email info@hemlocs.co.uk

President	Pam Dearlove
Chair	lan Ray
Secretary	Karen Partridge

The Society, formed in 1994, aims to increase knowledge of earlier times in Hemingford Abbots and Hemingford Grey and the surrounding area by research and exchange of information.

**Meetings:** 19:30 in the Hayward Room of the Pavilion, Manor Road, Hemingford Grey, PE28 9BX, on the third Thursday of the month September to May, (excluding December)

Membership: Individual - £14.00 per year; Family - £25.00; Guests and visitors £3.00 per meeting.

# Programme21 Sep.The port of Felixstowe19 Oct.The rise and fall of General John Gunnings and Jane Austen16 Nov.Tribal coins and the borderlands of CambridgeDec.No meeting18 Jan.History of Hemingford Manor15 Feb.History of Hemingford Grey House

15 Mar.	Maintenance of Ely Cathedral
19 Apr.	Our local railway
17 May	The spitfire in the fen

## **Histon & Impington Village Society**

www.histonandimpingtonvillagesociety.wordpress.com

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The Society was formed in 1979 to stimulate public interest in the history, care and preservation of our villages.

**Meetings:** During school term 19.30 on the last Tuesday of the month at Impington Village College. One week earlier if half term. We also arrange occasional afternoon meetings & outings.

Membership: £12.00 per year. Visitors: £3.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

26 Sep. Duncan Mackay
31 Oct. Richard Fletcher
28 Nov. Prof. Mike McCarthy
History of Mackays
How Bill Tutte won the war: the Bletchley Park code breakers
The history of Cambridgeshire accents and dialects

For our 2018 programme, please see our website.

#### **Houghton & Wyton Local History Society**

www.hwlhs.org.uk Tel: 01480 460329

Chair	Sue Feakes
Secretary	Davina Scrivener
Programme Secretary &	Gerry Feakes
Research Officer	Tel: 01480 469376 Email gerry.feakes@one-name.org

The Society was founded in 1988. In addition to a programme of meetings, current activities include: revision & republication of the village Guide Book, exhibitions of historical material about the village in the village shop window & Houghton Mill and recording the memories of long term residents & collecting archive material about the village.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays in September, October, November, February, March & April in The Memorial Hall, Houghton.

**Membership:** £5.50, (plus £1.50 door fee at meetings, except at the AGM). Visitors £3.00, (except at the AGM).

#### Programme

27 Sep.	David Cozens	Ramsey Abbey Estates (+ AGM)
25 Oct.	<b>Richard Fletcher</b>	The new Horse Racing Museum at Newmarket
22 Nov.	Tom Doig	Courtship and marriage in the 1800's

For details of our 2018 programme, please see our website.

# Huntingdonshire Local History Society

### www.huntslhs.org.uk

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The society exists to encourage, share and enjoy the history of Huntingdonshire. Lectures are organised in the winter, a weekend away in May and other excursions in the summer. The society publishes a newsletter (*Huntingdonshire Local History Almanack*) twice a year and an occasional journal, *Records of Huntingdonshire*. The next issue of *Records* will be published in October. It will include articles on Virginia Ferrar, Archbishop Sancroft's Visitation, Jarvis Matcham, the Leman Baronetcy and St Edward's Home, Huntingdon. Copies of the current issue are available price £3.00 from Huntingdonshire Archives and of all society publications (various prices) at meetings (or contact the chairman).

### **Goodliff Awards Scheme**

The society's Goodliff Awards Scheme provides funding to individuals, societies, schools and groups who need support for a project, research, publication or preservation of heritage of Huntingdonshire history. Further information and forms can be found on the society's website, or email goodliff.awards@gmail.com. The deadline for applications is 31 March 2018. Awards are announced at the AGM.

**Meetings:** 19:30, usually held on a Thursday evening, in the Methodist Church, High Street, Huntingdon (limited parking; more available nearby at Malting Close).

Membership: Individual £10.00, Couple £15.00, Visitors £3.00 (suggested donation per meeting)

### Programme

12 Oct.	Dr. Simon Thurley	Houses of power: the places that made Tudor England
		(President's Lecture & Awards Presentation)
		(NB Venue: Huntingdon Town Hall)
09 Nov.	Nigel Pibworth	John Berridge of Everton and the evangelical revival
07 Dec.		Christmas musical evening & social
		(NB Venue: Huntingdon Town Hall) (See website for details)
11 Jan.	Roger Leivers	The Godmanchester Stirling crash: new pictures and untold
	-	family stories

08 Feb.	Bridget Flanagan	Cootes, constables and chickens:
		a History of Houghton Grange
09 Mar.	Dr Stephen Upex	The Anglo-Saxons in Huntingdonshire
12 Apr.	Neil Wright	Treading the boards in Georgian England: actors and
		theatres in the east Midlands
11-14 May	/	Weekend away in Derbyshire
		(See website for details)
May		Short talk or entertainment (+ AGM)
		(NB Venue Huntingdon Town Hall) (See website for details)

# **Isleham Society**

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The Isleham Society is a group of friends interested in our village, its history, traditions, its preservation and development. It is a non profit making Society registered with the Charity Commission. We have interesting speakers, often with special emphasis on topics of local or East Anglian interest. The Society also organises outings each summer. Though primarily a group of Isleham residents, the Society welcomes all visitors.

**Meetings:** 19:30 for 19:45, on the third Thursday in the month, in The Beeches, Isleham. Meetings are followed by a cup of tea or coffee and the opportunity to meet other village people and our guests.

**Membership:** £10.00 per person or £15.00 per couple. Visitors £2.00 per session.

### Programme

21 Sep.	<b>Richard Fletcher</b>	Bill Tutte: the Newmarket code breaker at Bletchley Park
10 Oct.		Visit to Bletchley Park
16 Nov.	Kathy Carver	Heart matters
Dec.		No meeting
18 Jan.		AGM

For details of our 2018 programme, please contact the Secretary or Programme Secretary.

# **Kimbolton Local History Society**

www.e-voice.org.uk/klhs

### Chairman

Nora Butler Tel: 01480 861007 Email ncb@kimbolton.cambs.sch.uk

KLHS aims to encourage interest in the history of the local area through talks, visits, research and publications. Access is via stairs with a handrail and a hearing loop is available.

**Meetings:** 20:00 on Wednesdays in the Saloon at Kimbolton Castle, (by kind permission of the Headmaster).

Membership: £8.00 per year, (Single), £14.00 per year, (Couple). Visitors: £2.00 per meeting.

### Programme

06 Sep.	Mark Knight	Must Farm bronze age excavation
11 Oct.	Nancy Gregory	Scholars, spectres and surprises
05 Nov.		Kimbolton Castle open to the public (Sunday)
08 Nov.	George Howe	Cambridge-Bedford railway
06 Dec.	Maureen James	Christmas customs in Cambridgeshire & Huntingdonshire

The 2018 programme is currently under development. Please check our website

# Landbeach Society

www.landbeach.org.uk

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Membership Secretary	Joan Russell
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**Activities:** Occasional visits to places of interest in the spring and summer, social events and comments on appropriate planning matters.

Meetings: 19:30 on Wednesdays during the Autumn & Winter months, in the Village Hall

Membership: £2.00. Admission to talks: £3.50 per head per meeting.

### Programme

20 Sep.	Ken Drake	North Holborn
18 Oct.	John Sutton	The muse of Newmarket: theatre and Charles II
25 Nov.		Visit to the Welney Wetlands Centre
		(Saturday - depart 14:30)
20 Dec.		Christmas celebration
17 Jan.		AGM, with wine & cheese
21 Feb.	Anna Bradnam	The work of a county councillor
21 Mar.	Steve Robertson	Being a blue badge guide in Cambridge
18 Apr.	Phil Clark	Worts Meadow and local nature reserves
		(Joint Meeting with the Friends of Worts Meadow)
16 May.	Susan Edwards	Civic ceremonial in Cambridge

# Little Shelford Local History Society

Chair	Ray Saich
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Secretary	Vacant

The society aims to research, record and collate the history of Little Shelford and to publish a book on the subject, to hold open meetings periodically to hear speakers or to discuss historical material (or for any other necessary purpose) and to arrange visits to places of interest and exhibitions.

Meetings: 19:30 in November, February & April (AGM), in Little Shelford Memorial Hall.

Membership: £7.00 per year. Visitors £3.00 per meeting.

Programme		
15 Nov.	Keith Dixon	Henry Morris and Cambridgeshire's unique village colleges
21 Feb.	TBA	ТВА
23 Apr.	ТВА	TBA (+ AGM)

For details of events currently TBC, please contact the Chair.

# Longstanton & District Heritage Society

www.ldhs.org

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The Longstanton and District Heritage Society was founded by local residents in 2007 to record the history of Longstanton and Oakington villages, RAF Oakington and Oakington Barracks. Faced with the imminent disappearance of their rural villages, due to the development of Northstowe, locals decided to create a record of what went before. LDHS members include existing, and former, residents and former service personnel living throughout the UK and abroad. LDHS is dedicated to recording a shared history and making it available for public enjoyment and education. The Society continues to monitor the Northstowe development and is working cooperatively with the developers, local government and others to help to protect the site's heritage. 9 out of 10 of the rare Oakington pillboxes associated with RAF Oakington have been given Grade 2 listed status as a result of the work of the society.

LDHS members enjoy an annual newsletter summarising the work of the society. The LDHS website provides both members, and non-members, with free world-wide access to information and samples of an ever growing archive. The society also has a Facebook page which offers easy access to up to date news and views and provides a simple way of contacting us.

Members and non-members are encouraged to contact the society at any time. The society is always grateful to receive additional information, memories and photographs of the existing villages and the airfield. New members with an interest in the villages or Oakington airfield/barracks are encouraged, and all members are welcome to get involved with our work. There is much to be done and more help is always needed if we are to fully realize our full potential. 2017 is a special milestone in the history of Longstanton and Northstowe with the first residents of the new town having moved in over the last few months. We hope that these new residents will enjoy the benefits that LDHS brings to our communities.

Meetings: 6 times a year at 19:30 in the Village Institute, High Street, Longstanton

Details of these talks and other events can be found on our website, on our Facebook page or in the local village magazine. Alternatively, information can be sent out via e mail on request. Our AGM takes place each year in September prior to the first talk of the autumn season.

Entry for non-members is £2 and light refreshments are served afterwards.

Programme		
06 Oct.	Gill Shapland	Basket making in Cambridgeshire.
03 Nov.	TBA	ТВА

The spring season of talks will commence in March 2018 and details will be published in due course.

# **Longstowe History Society**

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Chairman	Stephen Owen	
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The Society was founded in 2016 and exists to promote a wider interest & participation in Longstowe's village & family history. The aim is to assemble a comprehensive picture of the village. We hold a collection of village photographs and a detailed digital copy of the 1796 pre-enclosure map and a copy of the school log book 1920-62. We are currently adding to our profile on the CCAN website and we invite anyone with Longstowe connections to add to the content or contact us with any information. Talks on a wide range of topics are planned. *A Little History of Longstowe* was published in 2015.

**Meetings:** 19:30 doors for 20:00 start, usually on the last Tuesday of the month, (approximately 5 times per year), at Longstowe Village Hall.

**Membership:** £10.00 per annum. Visitors £3.00 per meeting including refreshments.

Programme		
26 Sep.	Steve Owen & Peter White	The history of Longstowe Church & the story of the bells
21 Oct.		Exhibition to mark 800th anniversary of St. Mary's Church (St. Mary's Church, 14:00 – 16:00. Saturday)
28 Nov. 30 Jan.	Sue Oosthuizen	Unravelling the medieval landscape of the Bourn Valley AGM
27 Feb. 24 Apr.	Jonathan Spain Kenneth Lewis OBE	Ancient track-ways and roads in south Cambridgeshire 2nd world war POW camps and some escape stories

The remainder of the programme to June is currently under development. Please contact the above.

# **Madingley History Group**

Chair Secretary Susan Rawlings Sue Baldwin 2 The Old Wood Mill, Church Lane, Madingley, Cambridge CB23 8AF Tel: 01954 210766 Email <u>suebaldwin1000@gmail.com</u>

We are a friendly and informal group that meets to learn more about the history of the village of Madingley and to collect archive material, (written, photographic and oral), for future use as a source for a publication about the village. We also arrange lectures and local visits.

Meetings: 19:30, usually quarterly, in Madingley Village Hall unless otherwise notified.

Membership: £8.00 per year. Visitors £3.00 per meeting.

### Programme

26 Oct. Peter Teversham

A conversation Peter has lived in Madingley all his life so this will be an opportunity to tap into his memories and listen to his recollections of village life.

Other meetings are notified to members by email, in the village newsletter and on noticeboards in Madingley.

### **Melbourn History Group**

www.melbourn.org.uk

Contact

### **Mrs Ann Dekkers**

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Melbourn History Group has no programme but exists to carry out research into the history of Melbourn, to advise visitors who are undertaking family history research, and to keep the history of the village alive for future generations. The Group has published four books on Melbourn past and present that are available for purchase. The Group also conducts history walks around Melbourn, and members are always available to give talks to local history societies and other interested groups. All applications for walks and talks, and all correspondence should be addressed to the Contact given above.

# **Meldreth Local History Group**

www.meldrethhistory.org.uk Email <u>info@meldrethhistory.org.uk</u> Facebook https://www.facebook.com/meldrethhistory/

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### Secretary

Chair

Meldreth Local History Group is a community group and was formed in 2007. Its aims are to record and research the history of the village and its environs, create an archive of local history which can be

passed on to future generations and to publish material, both in print and digital forms. The group has its own website and is also part of the Cambridgeshire Community Archives Network, (CCAN). The Group does not have a regular programme of lectures but organises, or is involved in, several events each year.

**Meetings:** 09:30 – 11:30 every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in each month, (excluding bank holidays), at the Sheltered Housing Community Room, Elin Way, Meldreth. These are not talks, but are meetings to discuss and continue the work of the Group. For example, we update our website and discuss/work on other projects. Anyone who wishes to help the Group or to bring along photographs or other material is welcome to attend.

Membership: Free. Membership enquiries should be addressed to the Chairman.

### **Mill Road History Society**

www.millroadhistory.org.uk Email millroadhistory@gmail.com

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The Society grew out of the Mill Road History Project, which was funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. The aims & objectives of the Society are to celebrate & research the history & community of the Mill Road area of the city of Cambridge and its locality, to create a permanent record of this research and to share it as widely as possible. See our website for news and updates and http:// www.capturingcambridge.org/projects/mill-road-area/ for completed research.

**Meetings:** Our meetings, usually but not always on a Tuesday, are of two kinds. Talks are held at Ross St Centre CB1 3UZ every other month and Workshops are held at the Bath House, Gwydir St, CB1 2BD in the alternating months.

Membership: Free. £3.00 payable at door for Talks and Workshops

### Programme

Please visit the website to sign up for free updates and, after August 2017, to download a copy of the current brochure.

# **Orwell Local History Society**

www.orwellpastandpresent.org.uk

Secretary

Mrs. S. H. Miller 55 High Street, Orwell SG8 5QN Tel: 01223 207328 Email <u>shm@bore.plus.com</u>

The Society is open to all and offers lectures on topics relating, as far as possible, to the county of Cambridgeshire.

A small group of Orwell LHS members is also involved in maintaining and continually adding to our website, set up in 2012 with the aid of a Heritage Lottery Fund grant. Entitled Orwell Past & Present, the site is an ongoing record of life in our village over the past 2000 years. Contributions and comments are welcomed and the site includes a link to the Orwell Community Archive of old photographs within the Cambridgeshire Community Archive Network. An 80 page book containing a selection of these photos, with notes on Orwell history, is available price £5.00, from the Secretary at the above address.

**Meetings:** 20:00 on the last Tuesday of the month, (September – November & January – May), in the Methodist Church schoolroom, Town Green Road, Orwell. In June and July we visit places of historical interest within easy reach of Orwell, again on the last Tuesday of each month.

Membership: £10 per year payable at the November meeting. Visitors £2 per meeting.

#### Programme

Our speakers are yet to be confirmed but these are the dates for our autumn meetings:

26 Sep. 31 Oct. 28 Nov.

Please see our website or contact the Secretary for details of our programme.

### **Royston & District Local History Society**

www.roystonlocalhistory.org.uk

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The Society was formed in 1965 for the purpose of having a museum in the town. The Society has produced many publications which may be purchased at meetings, in Royston Museum or at the Cave Bookshop. See the website for a complete list of publications or contact the Treasurer if you would like to order a book by post.

Please see separate entries for Royston & District Museum & Art Gallery and Royston Cave in the Museums & Museum Societies section of this publication.

**Meetings:** 20.00 on the first Thursday of the month, (October – April), in the Heritage Hall, Town Hall, Royston. The meetings are at 8pm. Talks last about an hour. There is plentiful parking which is free in

the evening. Tea or coffee and biscuits are available afterwards. The May meeting (second Thursday) starts with the AGM at 7.30pm and is followed by a talk at 8pm. The evening concludes with light refreshments.

Membership: £5.00 (under 18s £2.50) due 1<sup>st</sup> September. Visitors: £2.00.

Programme
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05 Oct.	John Kershaw	My childhood in wartime London
02 Nov.	David Taylor	A.V. Roe & the Avro Lancaster
07 Dec.	Joan Munden	Special Operations Executive: Nadine's story
04 Jan.	Duncan Mackay	Mackays of Cambridge
01 Feb.	Richard Dance	Vikings in your vocabulary
01 Mar.	Terry Ward	Station to station: west anglia Cambridge to London
05 Apr.	Dr. Maureen James	The Clarksons of Wisbech: the abolition of slavery
10 May	Richard Till	Who do you think you are? Where are you descended
		from? How do you know? (+ AGM)
02 Jun.		Coach outing to north Norfolk coast to see the seals and visit to
		Felbrigg Hall
		(Details available after February 2018)

# **Saffron Walden Historical Society**

www.saffronwaldenhistory.org.uk

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The Society was founded in 1933, as the Saffron Walden Antiquarian Society. Its name was changed to the Saffron Walden Historical Society in 1983, as it was felt that this most accurately reflected its activities.

The Society publishes the *Saffron Walden Historical Journal*, with articles on the town and the surrounding villages, twice a year, in the spring and autumn. Recently, SWHS Publications has been established by the Society, to help authors publish research on Saffron Walden and north-west Essex. There are now four books in the series, the most recent being *Chepyng Walden* by Dr Elizabeth Allan. This is an important new study of late medieval Walden.

**Meetings:** 19:45 at the Friends' Meeting House, High Street, Saffron Walden on the fourth Wednesday of the month from September to May, when a programme of talks is arranged.

Membership: £7.00. Visitors welcome at £2.00 per session.

#### Programme

27 Sep.	<b>Richard Priestley</b>	Latin didn't kill me: a wander around Pompeii
25 Oct.	Mike Hibbs	Saffron Walden: gawd 'elp yer'
		(The Mary Whiteman Memorial Lecture)
22 Nov.	Stephen Rapkin	The history of Abbey Lane chapel
24 Jan.	Ben Cowell	Historic Houses in Essex
28 Feb.	Hilary Walker	Saffron Walden in the 18 <sup>th</sup> Century: Part 2
28 Mar.	Graham Joliffe	Reconstructing Essex medieval deer parks
25 Apr.	Katharine Schofield	The great plague in Essex
23 May	ТВА	TBA (+ AGM)

### Sawston Village History Society

www.sawstonhistory.org.uk

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Publicity	Vacant

The Sawston Village History Society was founded in 1990 and provides a varied programme of both local and wider interests, including an annual outing in July.

We have an archive at the Sawston Parish Council office, in Link Road, with archivist Andrew Little available on most Monday mornings 09:30 – 11.00.

**Meetings:** 19.30 on the second Thursday of each month, (unless notified), at the Chapelfield Way Community Centre, Link Road, Sawston. This is 60m *past* the Chapelfield Way road sign further along Link Road, on the left (from High Street) between a block of flats and semi-detached houses. The CWCC is at the end of the driveway, beyond the small car park.

Membership: £7.00. Admission to meetings for non-members is £2.00.

### Programme

12 Oct.	Sean Lang	Russian revolution
09 Nov.	<b>Christine Shaw</b>	Robert Sayle
14 Dec.	Fran Saltmarsh	Corsets, crinolines and camisoles
11 Jan.	Mark Hinman	Pre-Construct Archaeology
08 Feb.	Fiona Rose	Life and work of William Morris
08 Mar.	Helen Harwood	Village life in the 1800s
12 Apr.	Ann Mitchell	St. Nazaire
10 May	Christine Ruse	The Gray family of Wandlebury

### **St. Neots Local History Society**

www.stneotslhs.org.uk

President	David Bushby
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The aim of the Society is to promote interest in the local history of the St Neots area through monthly meetings, research and summer outings. Historical information is collected and archives are held in St Neots Library. Several plaques to local celebrities are being erected throughout the town. A magazine is published four times each year.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the first Friday of each month in the hall of Eynesbury C.E.(C) Primary School, Montagu Street, Eynesbury, St Neots PE19 2TD.

Membership: £12.00. Visitors £2.50 for each meeting.

#### Programme

05 Jan.	Rodney Todman	St. Neots 1949: a snapshot in time
02 Feb.	Sue Jarrett	The poppy trail of St. Neots (+ AGM)
02 Mar.	Philip Saunders	The Huntingdonshire manor and its records
06 Apr.	TBA	The Panacea Society of Bedford
04 May	Michael Knight	Milestones & Turnpike roads
06 May		Beating the Bounds
		(A 12 mile walk around the St. Neots parish boundary)
01 Jun.	Matthew Champion	Medieval graffiti
06 Jul.	Andrew Bish	Guided tour of Walden House, Huntingdon
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03 Aug.	Christine Lawrence	Guided tour of Buckden Towers
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07 Sep.	Christine Lawrence Paddy Lambert	Guided tour of Buckden Towers Curse tablets in Roman Britain
07 Sep. 05 Oct.	Christine Lawrence Paddy Lambert Mark Hinman	Guided tour of Buckden Towers Curse tablets in Roman Britain Loves Farm excavations update

### **Stapleford History Society**

www.historysociety.staplefordvillage.org.uk

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The Society aims to promote interest in local heritage & history, with a particular focus on Stapleford & the surrounding area. We have regular talks, and groups of members are pursuing a range of projects including archaeological test-pitting, oral history, development of a village archive and building up our new web-site.

**Meetings:** Talks at 19:45 on the second Tuesday of October, December, January, March, May & July, in the Stapleford Jubilee Pavilion, plus other meetings related to specific projects.

Membership: £10.00 Individual, £15.00 Family. Admission to meetings for non-members is £3.00.

#### Programme

10 Oct.	<b>Richard Mortimer</b>	Recent archaeology in south Cambridgeshire	
12 Dec.	Nick Pett	Cocktail shakers: a talk and a display	
09 Jan.	Arthur Brookes	Bringing the cemetery alive:	
		the American war cemetery at Madingley	
13 Mar.	Robert Halliday	Cambridge ghosts	
08 May.	Mike Levy	I regret to inform you: the first day of the Somme & company	
	& Lesley Ford	through the eyes of one Cambridge man	
10 Jul.	David Jones	Hideous Cambridge	

# **Swavesey & District History Society**

Chair	Carole Pook	
Secretary	Carolyn Redmayne	
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We meet at Swavesey Village College from September to June. There are no meetings in July or August.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the third Tuesday of the month, (December meeting is on the second Tuesday), in the Global Resource Room at Swavesey Village College.

Membership: £12.50 per year. Visitors £2.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

19 Sep.	Selwyn Richardson	Fenland farming 60 or more years ago - part 2
17 Oct.	Eddy Edwards	The train that hovered
21 Nov.	Anthony Haskins &	The great fen Spitfire
	James Fairborn	
12 Dec.		Member's night
16 Jan.	Carole Pook	Edith Cavell: saviour or spy?
20 Feb.	Alison Dickens	The story of Cambridge in one hole
20 Mar.	ТВА	TBA
17 Apr.	lan Waller	Best foot forward
15 May	David Edwards	The history of Fulbourn Hospital
19 Jun.	Robert Parker	The shire for men who understand

# **Trumpington Local History Group**

www.trumpingtonlocalhistorygroup.org

Chair

#### **Howard Slatter**

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We research the history of Trumpington and its environs. We organise meetings where members can share the results of their research, and where outside speakers can present matters of local historical interest. Most of our research and reports on meetings appear on our website.

**Meetings:** 20:00, about three times a year, mainly in Trumpington Village Hall, High Street, Trumpington CB2 9HZ.

Membership: £2.50 per indoor meeting.

Programme	
28 Sep.	Hobson's Brook and Hobson's Park
	(NB Venue: Trumpington Pavilion)
16 Nov.	Trumpington at War, 1914-18: as seen through newspaper reports

# **Upwood & the Raveleys Local History Group**

Chair	Andrew Bilverstone
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A group of individuals interested in learning about the history of the locality and in history more widely. Two books on the history of the villages have been published and transcripts of Church Records made available, New projects are being developed.

A timeline of the villages is being developed and a detailed summary of the occupation of properties in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century is being planned with a view to comparing it with the current occupancy of properties.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the third Wednesday of alternate months, in Upwood Village Hall. Occasional visits to places of interest are arranged.

Membership: £10.00 Visitors: £3.00 per meeting

### Programme

The old fenland storytellers
Cambridgeshire transport: from pony to guided bus
Boudicca: the creation of two empires
e The gulf war from my hotel room (+ AGM)

The remainder of the programme is under development. Please contact the Vice Chair for details.

### Warboys Local History Society

www.fowl.org.uk then follow links to Warboys Directory, Associations Clubs & Leisure and History Society

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The Society was founded in 1992 to promote the study of local history in this part of Huntingdonshire. We have speakers from around the area presenting general local history topics. Members and other interested parties are sent updates by email, and posters detailing each meeting are displayed in the library, on the Parish notice board and in local shops. Warboys Archaeology Project is now well established and has received local and national recognition. WAP is currently working on the Ramsey Abbey site.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the first Monday of each month, (except January), in the Methodist Church, Warboys.

Membership: £12.00 per year. Non-members: £3.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

02 Oct.	Roger Leivers	Godmanchester 1939-1945 and the part played in the war		
06 Nov.	David Cozens	Images old and new		
04 Dec.	Liz Davies	Christmas calendar customs (+ seasonal celebrations)		
Jan.		No meeting		
05 Feb.	Mike Petty	Fens 1800; riots, hardship and opium		
05 Mar.	Maureen James	Moles feet, black dogs and grey goose feathers (+ AGM)		
09 Apr.	Annie James	Ship to nowhere; the prison hulks		
14 May	Alison Dickens	TBA		
04 Jun.	Liz Davies	Myths and magic in Huntingdonshire		
02 Jul.	Chris Tarr	An abundance of riches		
06 Aug.	Tony Homden	Confessions of a locksmith		

Visits to local places of historical interest are part of the programme and usually occur at a weekend once or twice a year. Please contact the Secretary or visit the website for details.

### West Wickham & District Local History Club

www.westwickham.org then see our link under Clubs

Chair	Andrew Morris
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The aims of the Club are to foster interest and appreciation of the history of the local area. Please get in touch if you have a particular interest or are researching your family history, as we would love to hear from you and are happy to help in any way we can.

Meetings: 19:30 on the second Monday of the month, (October - April), in West Wickham Village Hall.

Membership: £10.00; visitors £2.00 per meeting.

Programme			
09 Oct.	TBA	TBA	
13 Nov.	Mike Petty	The River Cam: its history and commerce	
11 Dec.		Christmas social event	
08 Jan.	TBA	ТВА	

12 Feb.	Jennifer Hirsh	The Abingtons 1900-1930
12 Mar.		AGM
09 Apr.	Tony Kirby	Victorian and Edwardian Cambridge

# Whittlesea Society

Chair	Ernie Hall
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The society aims to promote interest in the history, archaeology, geology, architecture and traditions of Whittlesea and the surrounding villages. It is open to anyone who is interested in such matters. Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 19:30 in the Town Hall, Market Street, Whittlesea.

Membership: £8.00 per year individual, £10.00 per year family.

#### Programme

09 Oct.	Stephen Perry	The story of Peterborough's hospitals
13 Nov.	David Bond	Church towers in the landscape
11 Dec.	Martin Thomas	The Fen ague
08 Jan.	Roger Negus	British film comedians of the 1930's, 1940's & 1950's
12 Feb.	Hannah Vanbridge	Shopping through the centuries
12 Mar.	Christine Carr	A load of old rubbish
09 Apr.	Mike Petty	The fenland scrapbook
14 May	ТВА	TBA
11 Jun.	Donna Martin	Somewhere in East Anglia
09 July	ТВА	ТВА
13 Aug.	ТВА	ТВА
10 Sep.	Steve Manning	How to research your ancestry
08 Oct.	Mary Dicken	Votes for women
12 Nov.	David Gray	Liners sunk by u-boats in the first world war
10 Dec.	Neil Mitchell	The story of Jack the Ripper

For details of events still TBA, please contact the Secretary.

# **Whittlesford Society**

www.whittlesfordsociety.info

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**Aims:** The Society was founded in Autumn 1975 to stimulate public interest in Whittlesford past, present & future, promote high standards of planning & architecture and secure preservation, protection, development & improvement of features of public or historic interest in the village and the immediate area.

**Support:** We also support other societies & interest groups with their events if they are in line with the Society's aims. To apply, please contact one of the Committee members listed above.

Journal / Magazine: Whither Whittlesford is published at least twice a year and scanned copies of all but the most recent of the 121 issues are available in full on our website. Printed copies of these and a number of Society books and other publications are available on sale – details on the website. That also holds an extensive archive of photographs of Whittlesford past and present – contact webmaster or email whitsocinfo@tesco.net about copyright / use and further information.

**Events:** Established pattern includes guided walks, an annual open meeting / AGM with a notable speaker in April, occasional themed exhibitions, focus days, natural history events & archaeological fieldwork. This year, however, the particular priority will be work on the major research project – The Whittlesford One Hundred & the Impact on this Village of World War One. There will be further development of a special IWM Duxford Interest Group and the centenary of what became RAF Duxford, on the north side of the Museum site which is actually in Whittlesford Parish. Also being developed is a 'Hall of Memory' listing former village residents, their biographical details and memoirs. Please see website or email <u>whitsocinfo@tesco.net</u>.

**Membership:** Open to all residents – past and present & people interested in the village and its history.

**Members:** The Society is particularly interested in encouraging new blood into the membership, especially in the face of a current period of external growth & change reminiscent of the period when it was founded over forty years ago. We are also interested in hearing from anyone with family trees, family connections or interests in the village, especially during / after World War One and – indeed – World War Two.

# **Museums & Museum Societies**

### **Burwell Museum of Fen Edge Village Life**

www.burwellmuseum.org.uk

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Group Visits /	Alison Giles
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An amazing family day out – explore the windmill, follow the trails, enjoy the rare vintage vehicles, old schoolroom and village shop, and find out how people lived in Burwell on the edge of the Fens.

The Museum depicts life on the edge of the Cambridgeshire Fens through the centuries. Opened in 1992, it is housed in a collection of different and interesting buildings. Some are reconstructed from other sites, such as the eighteenth-century timber-framed barn, and others are built in the local style

using mainly reclaimed materials, such as the wagon sheds / granary display area. Most of the displays are set out as scenes, rather like stage sets, with lots of individual artefacts making each display in order to give visitors a better idea of how, where and when items were used. Also on the site is a Grade II\* Listed windmill – Stevens' Mill – which has recently undergone a Lottery Funded restoration. Guided tours of the mill available at no extra cost.

**Open:** 11:00 – 17:00 Sundays, Thursdays and Bank Holiday Mondays from Easter Sunday to the end of October. Pre-booked group visits are welcome any day – daytime or evening. The Museum is closed from the start of November to just before Easter.

Admission: £4 per adult, (over 16 years), £2 per child, (3 – 16 years). Season ticket holders and under 3s are free.

**Season Tickets:**  $\pm 15 -$ Individual,  $\pm 20 -$ Joint, (two adults at same address),  $\pm 25 -$ Family, (two adults and up to three children at same address). Tickets allow free admission to the Museum on any regular open day, including special event days, and are valid for an entire open season, (Easter Sunday to the end of October). They are available from the Museum admission kiosk.

For further information about the museum, including special events details, group visits and how to find us, please see our website.

# **Cambridge Museum of Technology**

### www.museumoftechnology.com

The Old Pumping Station, Cheddars Lane, Cambridge, CB5 8LD Tel: 01223 500652 Email info@museumoftechnology.com

Chair of Trustees	John Little
Curator	Pam Halls

Cambridge Museum of Technology is an independent museum which was established in the late 1960s by a group of enthusiasts drawn from the City and University of Cambridge. They saved the town's Victorian pumping station and machinery from destruction when the station ceased operating and created a museum dedicated to local technology and industry on the site.

The 19<sup>th</sup> century pumping station was an ingenious solution to the environmental and health problems caused by rubbish and sewage produced by Cambridge's growing population. The town's rubbish was burned to boil water to raise steam which powered engines which pumped the sewage away to the sewage farm at Milton where it was used as a fertiliser. Over the years, much of the original pumping station equipment has been brought back to working order. The Museum also houses a collection of objects reflecting the diverse industries which have operated in Cambridge over the last two hundred years including printing, ironworking, telecommunications and scientific instrument making.

### Sewage, steam and semiconductors: preserving the industrial history of Cambridge:

The Museum is currently working on Sewage, Steam and Semiconductors, a major redevelopment project which will involve the closure of the site for a number of months in 2018. New displays are planned which will include Cambridge's 19<sup>th</sup> century engineering firms and the innovative work of Pye and Cambridge Scientific Instrument Company in the 20<sup>th</sup> century. One of the Pumping Station's

historic boilers will be refurbished so that the steam-powered pumping engines can run again. Visitor facilities will be improved with the provision of a new café overlooking the river and more toilets.

After the Museum reopens there will be a full calendar of events and activities as well as new learning programmes for schools. During closure we will still be working hard behind the scenes and popping up at events around Cambridge.

We are still raising funds towards the redevelopment so if you would like to make a donation please go to www.justgiving.com/cambridgemuseum-technology. Check our website for the latest information on the project and our events.

# **Cambridge University Museum of Archaeology & Anthropology**

www.maa.cam.ac.uk Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3DZ Tel: 01223 333516 Email <u>admin@maa.cam.ac.uk</u>

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The Museum has extensive collections relating to world prehistory and archaeology of the Cambridge region, plus anthropology from all parts of the world. The collections and their associated photographic and archival material are of outstanding research and historical value and are an important national resource in archaeology and anthropology.

The Museum's education programmes offer a variety of public activities throughout the year, as well as teaching and resources for primary and secondary schools. In addition, there are special events relating to exhibitions and activities in some school holidays.

**Open:** Tuesday – Saturday 10:30 – 16:30; Sunday 12:00 – 16:30 **Closed:** 1 week at Christmas and on all bank holidays.

Admission: Free.

On display at MAA until the 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018 is 'Another India: Explorations and Expressions of Indigenous South Asia'. The exhibition is part of the India Unboxed program of events at University of Cambridge Museums and has been generously supported by the University of Cambridge, the Pilgrim Trust and Art Fund.

**Another India:** This exhibition explores the heritage and cultural practices of India's indigenous or 'tribal' communities, widely known as Adivasi. Two hundred artefacts and photographs from the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology's collections are shown alongside 23 new artworks by contemporary artists from the communities represented.

For more information, please see the museum's website: http://maa.cam.ac.uk/anotherindia/

**Events:** Talks, workshops and special events take place throughout the year. There are usually drop-in activities for families during October half term, as part of Summer at the Museums in July and August, Twilight at the Museums in February, Cambridge Science Festival in March and at various other times. Please see the website for details.

# **Chatteris Museum**

www.chatterismuseum.org.uk 14 Church Lane, Chatteris, Cambs PE16 6JA Tel: 01354 696319 Email <u>chatterismuseum@tiscali.co.uk</u>

### Curator

#### lan Mason

10 Juniper Drive, Chatteris, Cambs PE16 6HY Tel: 07979 334833

Chatteris Museum is an independent charity run entirely by volunteers. The collections and displays reflect life in Chatteris and the local fenland area from prehistoric times through to the present day. We run a number of special events and temporary exhibitions during the year.

Groups and societies are welcome to visit outside the advertised opening times by arrangement with the Curator. Free parking is available in Church Lane and in Chatteris. There is disabled access to the ground floor and a stair lift to the upper gallery.

For details of special events and temporary exhibitions please visit Facebook, our website or contact the Curator. Loan boxes and talks on local history can be provided.

Open: Tuesday's & Thursday's 14:00 – 17:00, Saturday 10:00 – 13:00 Closed over Christmas and the New Year. Other times by appointment with the Curator.

### Admission: Free

Ely Museum www.elymuseum.org.uk The Old Gaol, Market Street, Ely CB7 4LS

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Curator	Elie Hughes
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Friends of Ely Museum	Tel: 01353 666655

Ely Museum, in the Old Bishop's Gaol, is a bright and friendly local history museum. Displays include original prison cells, fossils that can be touched, Roman remains and an archive film of the fens including punt guns and eel catching. There are special events and exhibitions throughout the year. The museum has an active programme of temporary special exhibitions, day and evening events. For details of future events and exhibitions, please contact the Museum or visit our website. The museum is open all year round for visitors and guided tours are available if booked in advance.

Exhibitio		TRC
Mid Oct	- Mid Nov.	TBC
Mid Nov.	– Jan.	Photos of the boating community & Fen infrastructure. Photos by Terry Ward taken in and around Cambridge & Ely.
Open:	Summer : Winter :	Mon – Sat 10.30 – 17.00, Sunday 13.00 – 17.00 Mon – Sat* 10.30 – 16.00, Sunday 13.00 – 16.00 *closed on Tuesdays except for school and group bookings

**Admission:** £4.50 adults, £4.00 concessions, accompanied children 5-16 years £1.00. Under 5's free. All tickets allow the visitor to return as many times as they wish for 1 year from date of issue.

Friends Membership: Individual £6, Couple £10. Family £12.

# **Fitzwilliam Museum**

www.elymuseum.org.uk Trumpington Street, Cambridge CB2 1RB Tel: 01223 332900 Email <u>fitzwilliam-enquiries@lists.cam.ac.uk</u>

The Fitzwilliam Museum is the principal museum of the University of Cambridge. Its internationally important collections span centuries and civilizations ranging from ancient Egyptian, Greek & Roman antiquities to the arts of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

Open:	Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 – 19:00, Sundays & Bank Holidays 12:00 – 19:00
Closed:	Mondays, (except Bank Holidays), Good Friday, 24 – 26 & 31 December & 1 January

Admission: Free. Visitors' donations help keep the galleries open and are much appreciated.

#### **Selected exhibitions**

Until 08 Apr.	Sampled lives: samplers from the Fitzwilliam Museum
03 Oct. – 14 Jan.	Degas: a passion for perfection
24 Oct. – 04 Feb.	Codebreakers

# Flag Fen Archaeology Park

www.vivacity-peterborough.com The Droveway, Northey Road, Peterborough PE6 7QJ Tel: 01733 864468 Email <u>flag.fen@vivacity-peterborough.com</u>

### Archaeology Development Manager Sarah Wilson

Managed by Vivacity, Peterborough Cultural & Leisure Trust, Flag Fen is the most significant Bronze Age archaeological site in northern Europe. The site is based around the incredible remains of a prehistoric causeway discovered by Dr. Francis Pryor in 1982. Dating to c1350BC, the causeway was constructed of some 60,000 trees, cut down over a century to build a post alignment over a kilometer in length with an artificial island half way across, the size of a football stadium. Flag Fen is also home to a conservation facility in which the Must Farm boats, a remarkable collection of 3,500 year old log boats, are available to view daily. As well as the preserved timbers, the site features a museum of finds, (including England's oldest wheel), recreated period buildings, a visitor centre, a shop and a café. A

programme of events and activities takes place over the year, as well as an onsite educational programme. Please check our website for more details.

Open:April – September Daily 10:00 – 17:00, (Last admission 16:00)Closed:October – March, (except for pre-booked groups and school parties)

**Admission:** £6.00 Adults, £4 Concessions, (Under 5s free), £18 Families, (Up to 2 Adults & up to 3 Children over 5). Increased admission charges apply on special event days.

# **Longthorpe Tower**

www.vivacity-peterborough.com Thorpe Road, Longthorpe, Peterborough, PE3 6LU Tel: 01733 864663 Email longthorpe.tower@vivacity-peterborough.com

### Heritage Programmes & Commercial Development Manager Rachel Walmsley

Managed by Vivacity, Peterborough Cultural & Leisure Trust on behalf of English Heritage, Longthorpe Tower is a very well preserved example of a solar tower, built around 1300, containing the private apartments of the owner of a fortified manor house. It boasts the finest medieval domestic wall paintings in Western Europe. This varied 'spiritual encyclopaedia' of worldly and religious subjects provides a window into the medieval mind and includes the Wheel of 5 senses, the 'three living and three dead', the Nativity and King David.

The Tower has a hands-on exhibition which explains the story of the building, paintings and Thorpe family, as well as exciting weekend events. Please check our website for more details.

**Open:** April – October inclusive: Saturdays, Sundays & Bank Holiday Mondays 10:.00 – 17:00 (last admission 16:30)

Pre-booked groups and school parties are welcome outside of these hours all year round.

Admission: £3 adults, £2 concessions, (under 5s free), £8 families, English Heritage members free. There are increased prices on special event days.

# March & District Museum & Museum Society

www.marchmuseum.co.uk High Street, March, Cambs PE15 9JJ Tel: 01354 655300 Email info@marchmuseum.co.uk

Chair	Gordon Thorpe
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	Tel: 01733 208550
Vice Chair	Nigel Denchfield
	12 Monte Long Close, March PE15 9PW

The March Museum was established in 1972, and is staffed entirely by a dedicated band of volunteers. Housed in a listed 19<sup>th</sup> Century School, the museum has a fascinating collection of local memorabilia, including several tableaux illustrating late nineteenth and early twentieth-century domestic life. The medals (including the George Cross) awarded to Benjamin Gimbert following the train explosion at Soham in June 1944 are the focus of displays on the central role played by the railway in the town's history, together with the nameplates from the two Class 47 locomotives named in honour of the driver and fireman. Also on display is the unique banner representing the March branch of the ASLEF Union.

A wide range of historical documents, including rate books, are available for those researching local or family history, along with an extensive collection of photographs showing Fenland life through the years. Special exhibitions are mounted on a regular basis. The current exhibition features the curious tale of Fenland's own Polish Submarine. Children are welcome at the museum with a regularly changing children's trail. Youth groups can booked in at any time and a number of loan boxes are available to local schools and youth organisations free of charge. In the museum yard can be found a reconstructed Fenland cottage and a blacksmith's forge. The Museum Society runs a series of regular evening talks in the church hall opposite to the museum. These cover a wide range of topics and are open to all.

### Museum:

Open:Wednesdays & Saturdays 10:30 – 15:30. Other times by prior arrangement.Closed:Christmas & New Year.

**Admission:** Free, (donations welcome). Groups, to arrange visits out of hours email or ring, leaving a Contact number on the answerphone.

Volunteers: For volunteering opportunities contact as above.

### Society:

**Meetings:** 19:30 on the second Friday in each month, (September – May), in St. Peter's Church Hall, opposite the Museum. Please check the website for details.

Admission: £2.00 members; £3.00 visitors. Refreshments included. Society membership 2018 £4 per annum available at the museum, or at meetings.

### Programme

13 Oct.	Michael Knight	A history of milestones
10 Nov.	Jacqui Huggins	The life, times and memories of a fen girl (+AGM)
12 Jan.		Pies and Punch (Member's evening)

The remainder of the programme is currently under development. Please see the website.

# **Museum of Classical Archaeology**

www.classics.cam.ac.uk/museum Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge CB3 9DA Tel: 01223 330402 Email museum@classics.cam.ac.uk

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Group Bookings	Email museum-education@classics.cam.ac.uk

The Museum of Classical Archaeology is often referred to as one of Cambridge's hidden gems: cross the Silver Street Bridge, walk under the leafy canopy of Sidgwick Avenue and you'll discover us nestled in the Faculty of Classics on the Sidgwick Site. Founded in 1884, the Museum houses one of the world's largest collections of plaster casts of Greek and Roman statues. These casts – some of them well over two hundred years old, others not yet ten – deserve not to be written off as mere copies but are historical objects in their own right.

**Open:** 10:00 – 17:00 Monday – Friday 10:00 – 13:00 Saturdays (University term time only) For Christmas and Easter closures, please consult the website.

### Admission: Free

**Events:** We organise a range of events for adults and families. Events are normally free of charge and all are welcome. For up-to-date listings, please consult our website.

**Group Bookings:** Why not contact us to arrange a group visit? We are happy to organise tours and activities for adult and community groups. We also provide an education service for schools and younger visitors. To arrange a school visit or find out more, please visit our website and fill in our Online Booking Form (http://www.classics.cam.ac.uk/museum/schools/online-booking-form)

### **Norris Museum**

www.norrismuseum.org.uk The Broadway, St Ives PE27 5BX Tel: 01480 497314 Email info@norrismuseum.org.uk

Director	Sarah Russell
Learning & Outreach Officer	Hannah Vandridge
Community Projects Officer	Alison Naylor

In 2017 The Norris Museum reopens after a £1.4 million redevelopment. The museum tells the story of what was the county of Huntingdonshire. Objects, displays and interactives allow the visitor to explore the county's history from 160 million years ago to the present day.

The museum first opened in 1933 through the legacy of Herbert Norris' own collections form part of the museum and visitors can now discover a recreation of his study in the museum.

The museum is set in picturesque gardens with views of the River Ouse and Holt Island Nature Reserve. The museum now has an accessible community room where an extensive programme of events, activities, workshops and talks take place all year round. The room is also available to hire.

The extensive Huntingdonshire library and archive is a unique resource for the museum and local researchers. The research room can be booked for those wishing to come and view items from the collection. Please contact us for more details or to book.

The museum has a strong group of Friends as well as an ever-growing number of volunteers who help the museum in a variety of ways.

Admission: Free. Some event and workshop charges may apply.

### **Peterborough Museum Society**

www.peterboroughmuseumsociety.org.uk

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The Society aims to promote the study of local and natural history, archaeology, art, science and kindred subjects, and to promote the interests of the Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery.

**Meetings:** 19:30 on alternate Tuesday evenings between early October & early April in the Martin Howe Room of Peterborough Museum & Art Gallery, Priestgate.

Membership: £15.00 Visitors. £3.00 per meeting.

#### Programme

03 Oct.	Diana Boston	The manor house at Hemingford Grey
17 Oct.	Esen Kaya	Curating contemporary art
31 Oct.	John Dewis	1,000 years of Orton Longueville
14 Nov.	Dave Pendry	The roof of Burghley House
		(by kind permission of Lady Victoria)
21 Nov.	Peter Prime	Collecting antique clocks
12 Dec.	Steve Ambler	A musical ride
09 Jan.	Dr. Paul Stamper	Representing megaliths: archaeology in art
23 Jan.	Roger Powell	Royal mistresses
06 Feb.	Paul Smith	Thomas Cook & the origins of popular tourism
20 Feb.	Alison Eskriett	A woman's lot in the 18 <sup>th</sup> century
06 Mar.	David Gray	Siegfried Sassoon: soldier & war poet
20 Mar.	June Barton	A life on a Lincolnshire salt marsh
03 Apr.	John Wright	Horatio Nelson

### **Peterborough Museum**

www.vivacity-peterborough.com Priestgate, Peterborough PE1 1LF Tel: 01733 864663 Email museum@vivacity-peterborough.com

### Director of Culture Richard Hunt Heritage Programmes & Commercial Rachel Walmsley Development Manager

Managed by Vivacity, Peterborough's Culture & Leisure Trust, the Museum covers the history of Peterborough and its surrounding area. Collections include internationally important collections of

geology, (including Jurassic sea monsters), and Napoleonic POW work related to the camp at Norman Cross as well as social history and art. The archaeology collection includes finds and information from all periods, which reflect the archaeological importance and diversity of the Peterborough area. The Museum has varied temporary exhibitions, exciting events and a busy education programme. Please check the website for more details.

The Museum is located in a historically significant Georgian building which has been restored as part of a £3M refurbishment, including the restoration and reopening of a rare Victorian operating theatre dating to the period when the building was the city infirmary.

Open: Tuesday – Sunday, 10:00 – 17:00 Monday, (Bank holidays & school holidays), 10:00 – 17:00 Closed: Mondays in school terms, Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Day.

### Admission: Free.

Admission charges apply on special event days.

### **Prickwillow Engine Trust**

### www.prickwillowmuseum.com

Main Street, Prickwillow, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB7 4UN Tel: 01353 688360 Email Via contact form on web site

Visit Organiser	Les Walton
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Treasurer	Pauline Dunham
	Tel: 01353 720737

The museum, which is also known as the Museum of Fen Drainage, is on the B1882 at the eastern fringe of Prickwillow village, by the bridge over the River Lark, on the Hereward Way footpath. Large, free car park. Exhibits include several large vintage diesel pumping engines. Displays cover the historical and technical aspects of fen drainage over many centuries. There are video clips of engines in operation and demonstration running of one or more large engines is usually possible for a group.

**Open:** Easter to October 3<sup>th</sup>: Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, 12:00 – 16:00

 Admission:
 Standard: Adults £3, Children £1, Senior Citizens £2, Family £6

 Events & Run Days: Adults £5, Children £2.50, Senior Citizens £3, Family £12

Group visits welcome any time, subject to availability of volunteer guides. Group rates for 20 or more.

#### Programme

07 – 08 Oct.	Ploughing festival
03 Dec.	Christmas Special Run Day

# **Priestgate Vaults**

www.vivacity-peterborough.com Peterborough Museum, Priestgate, Peterborough PE1 1LF Tel: 01733 864663 Email <u>museum@vivacity-peterborough.com</u>

### Heritage Programmes & Commercial Rachel Walmsley Development Manager

Managed by Vivacity, Peterborough's Culture & Leisure Trust, the Vaults are a chance to explore layers of history and meet people from the past associated with the building that now houses Peterborough Museum. Beware as some of the spookier secrets of the Museum may be revealed.

Open: Tuesday – Friday, in school terms, daily at 14;30 Monday – Friday, in school holidays, daily at 14:30 Saturdays, Sundays & Bank Holidays, daily at 11:30 & 14:30 Additional tours are added on event days & at peak periods. Please see the website for details.

Admission: £4.00 Adults; £3.00 Children

# **Ramsey Rural Museum**

### www.ramseyruralmuseum.co.uk

The Wood Yard, Wood Lane, Ramsey, Cambs PE26 2XD Tel: 01487 815715 Email ramseyruralmuseum@live.com

### Chair

John Wiltshire

We are a registered charity, entirely run by volunteers. We are also an Accredited Status Museum. Our purpose is to preserve and display the history of the Fens in Ramsey and the surrounding villages.

**Open:** Start of April, (or Easter if this falls in March), to end of October.

Admission: £4.50 per adult, £4.00 per senior citizen, £12.00 per family of up to 2 adults and up to 2 children. These prices are for normal opening hours as above. For special events, please see our website.

# **Royston & District Museum & Art Gallery**

### www.roystonmuseum.org.uk

5 Lower King Street, Royston, Herts SG8 5AL

### Curator

### Jenny Oxley

Tel: 01763 242587 Email curator@roystonmuseum.org.uk

The museum & art gallery sits at the heart of the community and celebrates the wonderful & varied stories of the town & its people.

Our permanent collection is diverse. You can see objects such prehistoric axes, an 1855 printing press that printed Royston's local newspaper, a catalytic converter, a collection of 19<sup>th</sup> century glass, a collection of 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> century ceramics and the Royston Tapestry Project.

Our temporary exhibitions feature local artists showcasing their skills in a variety of media. These run alongside family activities, school visits and other events.

Open: 10:00 - 16:45 on Wednesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays

Admission: Free

# **Royston Cave**

www.roystoncave.co.uk Katherine's Yard, Melbourn Street, Royston, Herts SG8 7BZ Email info@roystoncave.co.uk

Town Clerk

### Susan Thornton-Bjork

Tel: 01763 245484 Email enquiries@roystontowncouncil.gov.uk

Situated underneath Melbourn Street, close to the Royse Stone, the Cave is owned by Royston Town Council and is a Grade 1 archaeological site overseen by English Heritage. It is a medieval, man made structure hewn out of the chalk, lost and then rediscovered in 1742. During 1790 a passageway into the Cave was dug out. This allowed visitors to see the unique medieval style carvings that now bring visitors from all over the world. Since 1996 much conservation work has been carried out with the help of grants from English Heritage, Hertfordshire County Council, the Town Council and the Royston and District Local History Society.

The Cave is managed by volunteers from the Royston and District Local History Society, (see their entry), on behalf of Royston Town Council with the aim of preserving the Cave for future generations whilst ensuring limited and controlled access. The Royston Cave Trust is a registered charity working towards the same goals, currently with English Heritage who part-funded a recent programme of conservation works.

**Open:** Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holidays, (Easter Saturday to end September), 14:00 – 16:30, (last entry 16:00). The Cave is also open for the same hours every Wednesday in August.

Private tours for interested parties can be arranged. A candlelight opening is usually offered in December. Please see the website for details nearer the time.

Entry is by guided tour only. Tours are at 14:00, 14:40, 15:20 and 16:00 and only 18 people are allowed down at any one time. During busy times, visitors may have to wait till the next tour starts but, to minimize waiting times, tickets for later tours can be bought from the guide on the day. Please check the website for more details.

**Admission:** Adults (16 plus) £5.00; 60 or over £4.00; accompanied children (5-15) £1.00; under 5s free. No unaccompanied children.

# Scott Polar Research Institute Polar Museum

www.spri.cam.ac.uk/museum Lensfield Road, Cambridge CB2 1ER Tel: 01223 336540

**Museum Curator** 

Charlotte Connelly Email museum@spri.cam.ac.uk When the Institute was founded in 1920, the nucleus of museum was the depot of polar equipment, (mainly from Captain Scott's Terra Nova Expedition, (1910–13), which was made available for loan to, or as research material for, polar expeditions. Much of this was superseded by new technological developments and became obsolete, but has been regularly augmented by more recent equipment and apparatus. A wide range of other material, from personal items, to scientific and natural history specimens, to artefacts from indigenous Arctic peoples has subsequently been collected. In addition, a selection of maps, paintings, drawings, photographs, manuscript, and many other items from the Institute's world renowned archives, library and picture collections, complement the objects displayed.

A programme of temporary exhibitions is held throughout the year and the Institute also holds a regular series of public lectures on polar themes. For details on future events and exhibitions, please visit our website.

Open:	Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 – 16:00
	Bank Holiday Mondays 10 <u>:</u> 00 – 16 <u>:</u> 00
Closed:	Sundays & Mondays, and over Christmas and New Year

For details of opening during public holidays, please see our website.

Admission: Free.

### Soham Museum

#### www.museum.soham.org new website under construction in 2017 www.sohammuseum.co.uk

Chair	Donna Martin
	c/o 7 Churchgate Street, Soham, Ely, Cambs CB7 5DS
	Tel: 01353 624409 Email museum@soham.org.uk
Secretary	Ann Roberts

Soham Museum is a living history museum currently working towards premises. Established in 1998, the museum is renowned for its dynamic outreach programme and excellent variety of local and social history talks, events and activities that are held at venues across Soham throughout the year.

Soham Museum runs Soham History Group which hosts an interesting programme of bi-monthly local and social history talks at Berrycroft Methodist Church Hall to which all are welcome.

Soham Local & Family History Group is a study group, which aims to publish an annual journal of new research. We are also currently creating an archive of Soham buildings. We meet for six consecutive Monday evenings each term at Soham Library 7-9pm (e-mail for dates). Any poems and local articles are considered for publication and may be e-mailed to the address above. New members welcome, the group is free to join and refreshments are provided.

Archaeology Cambridgeshire East, (ACE), was formed as a sub-group of Soham Museum in 2014 under the umbrella of the HLF Jigsaw project set up to established active local archaeology groups across Cambridgeshire. ACE meets at Soham Library on the last Wednesday of each month 19:00 – 21:00 and is free to join.

Soham Museum Coffee Mornings are a free, informal, popular and vibrant 'drop in' session held on the first Saturday of each month at Soham Library 10:00 – 12:00, to which guests can bring along items of

local and social interest and generally share a love of history with likeminded people. All welcome.

Our current interests are Soham Pubs and Breweries, Soham in the 1950s, Soham People, Soham Mere and associated inland waterways, as well as local trade and commerce. We are always interested to hear from people who would like to share their local stories and information with us. We also run a local family history research service. We guarantee everyone a warm welcome at any of our events and look forward to meeting you.

**Membership:** Friends of Soham Museum supports Soham History Group membership and runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January annually from January 2018. £10.00 per annum per individual. £15.00 per annum for same household membership. Guests £2.50 although many events are free. All welcome.

Please check our website for details of future events or e-mail us if you would like to book a speaker.

Soham Museum and sub-groups have no association with Soham Heritage & Tourism.

### St. Neots Museum

www.stneotsmuseum.org.uk

The Old Court, 8 New Street, St. Neots, Cambs. PE19 1AE Tel: 01480 214163

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Learning Officer	Lesley Sainsbury
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St Neots museum is a lively local museum that tells the story of a busy market town on the River Great Ouse, from prehistoric times to the present day. The museum is situated in the centre of the town and housed in St Neots Victorian Police Station and Magistrates Court, with a fascinating Edwardian (1907) cell block. We have a regular programme of temporary exhibitions and family activities.

**Open:** February – December, Tuesday to Saturday, 11:00 – 16:00

 Admission:
 Free for local residents of contributing parishes.

 Other visitors - £3 adults, £2 Seniors & Concessions, £1 Children.

### Programme

Until 14 Oct.	Treasure for the Gods: Celtic St. Neots & area
21 Oct. – 24 Dec.	Winter craft & art fair
Jan.	CLOSED
07 Feb. – 10 Mar.	St. Neots: then and now
14 Mar. – 14 Apr.	Jerry Rowlands Art Exhibition
18 Apr. – 19 May	Batik Art Exhibition
23 May – 08 Sep.	Memories Exhibition
12 Sep. – 13 Oct.	Paul Todd Art Exhibition
20 Oct. – 24 Dec.	Winter craft & art fair

**Group & School Visits:** The museum welcomes visits from schools and groups. In our new community room we have the space for talks, craft activities and afternoon tea and we are happy to arrange evening visits. Please contact the Curator for further details.

**Talks:** The museum offers talks on a number of local history topics for a set fee, either at the museum or where your group usually meets. Topics include Myth and Magic in Huntingdonshire, The Kimbolton Coin Hoard, Crime and Punishment in Victorian St Neots, Kill or Cure: Dr T. J. Walker, Victorian Surgeon, A Short History of St Neots and its People, St Neots and the Great War 1914 – 18. Please contact the Curator.

**Walks:** Monthly town centre 'Story of St Neots' walk, starts at the Museum at 7.30pm, lasts approximately 85 minutes, walks go ahead whatever the weather, see our website for dates. Ghost Walk in the winter months.

Booking: Ring the museum, email us or come to the Museum and pay on the day.

### **Stained Glass Museum**

www.stainedglassmuseum.com South Triforium of Ely Cathedral, Ely, Cambs CB7 4DL Tel: 01353 660347 Email info@stainedglassmuseum.com

Curator

Dr. Jasmine Allen

Email curator@stainedglassmuseum.com

The Stained Glass Museum is the only museum dedicated to stained glass in the UK. Housed in the South Triforium of Ely Cathedral, the gallery contains over one hundred examples of the finest British and continental stained glass, from the Middle Ages through to the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The Stained Glass Museum was founded in 1972 to rescue and preserve stained glass from redundant buildings. The Museum's exhibits include fine examples of the art and craft, including a late-eighteenth century panel copied from a portrait by the artist Sir Joshua Reynolds. Also on display is work by Morris and Co. Important examples of 20th century stained glass include artworks by Evie Hone, Harry Clarke, John Piper, Patrick Reyntiens and Brian Clarke.

Depending on availability, audio guides are provided to visitors free of charge. Discovery packs and activities for visiting families are available from the admission desk.

The Museum also has a specialist reference library, open to the public via prior appointment.

Open: Monday – Saturday 10:30 – 17:00 Sunday 12:00 – 16:30 Please check the museum's website for closures.

**Admission:** Adults £4.50, Concessions, (full-time students and over-60s), £3.50. Children under 16 accompanied by an adult free. Art Fund members free.

Group visits are welcome and receive a discounted admission price. Please enquire for guided tours.

**Exhibitions & events:** The Museum holds temporary exhibitions throughout the year. Regular events include an Annual study weekend in April, Annual Lecture in summer and a series of Autumn Lectures. Additional events are held throughout the year. Please see our website for more information.

Friends subscription: minimum £25.00. Please see the form available online.

# **Stretham Engine Trust**

www.strethamoldengine.org.uk Green End, Stretham, Cambridgeshire CB6 3LF

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Visits Organiser	Malcolm Hensby
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Besides the 1831 beam engine and scoop wheel, operated by electric motor, the complex includes a 1925 Mirrlees, Bickerton & Day diesel engine driving a Gwyness centrifugal pump, an 1870 Easton, Amos & Anderson vertical centrifugal pump and an Archimedean screw pump. Numerous Fen-related hand tools are displayed in the main Engine Room. The plant is scheduled as an Ancient Monument & the building itself is Grade 2\* listed.

**Open:** Bank Holidays, (Easter – end August), 13:30 – 17:00 Second Sunday in each month, (Easter – September), 13:30 – 17:00 Fourth Sunday in each month, (May – September), 13:30 – 17:00

Admission: Adults £3, Children £1. Group visits welcome by arrangement.

# **Thorney Society & Thorney Heritage Museum**

www.thorneysociety.co.uk or www.thorney-museum.org.uk Thorney Heritage Museum, The Tankyard, Station Road, Thorney PE6 0QE Tel: 01733 270908 Email <u>enquiry@thorney-museum.co.uk</u>

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Secretary	Dorothy Halfhide
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The object of the Society is to encourage interest in, and knowledge of, the local and natural history of the village and parish of Thorney, and to maintain the Museum for the interest and education of local people and visitors. The Society was founded in 1985, and opened the Museum in 1987. We organise events during the year for those interested in Thorney to meet each other, and also to raise money to support the Museum. We have an increasing involvement in local archaeological work, and are delighted to welcome pre-booked groups for tours of the medieval abbey, Victorian model village and Museum. Information about membership and the future programme is available from the Museum.

The AGM is held in the spring and other meetings are held occasionally. Please check the website for details.

Membership: Society £10.00, concessions £5.00. Museum entry free

**Open:** Easter Sunday to last Sunday in September, Sunday afternoons 14:00 – 17:00 Slight variation at August Bank Holiday, please call to check

We are delighted to open the Museum for groups at a small charge and to arrange tours of the village.

# **University Museum of Zoology Cambridge**

www.museum.zoo.cam.ac.uk Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3EJ Tel: 01223 336650 Email <u>umzc@zoo.cam.ac.uk</u>

The University Museum of Zoology showcases the diversity & evolution of the animal world. With thousands of specimens on display and a vibrant programme of public events, the Museum offers something for visitors of every age.

The Museum is currently completing a large-scale refurbishment programme and will reopen to the public in the Autumn of 2017. Please check our website for further details.

# **Education**

# University of Cambridge Institute of Continuing Education

www.ice.cam.ac.uk Madingley Hall, Madingley, Cambridge CB23 8AQ Tel: 01223 746262

The Institute of Continuing Education offers a wide range of part-time and short courses for personal or professional development in subjects including archaeology, historic environment, history of art and local history. Courses run at our headquarters, Madingley Hall, a 16<sup>th</sup>-century country house set in eight acres of landscaped gardens. Courses are all taught by experts in their field, and many lead to formal University of Cambridge qualifications.

Courses that may be of interest to members in 2017/18:

### **Undergraduate Certificates and Diplomas**

These part-time courses are taught at undergraduate level, and offer credit within the national Framework for Higher Education Qualifications, (FHEQ). They are designed for researchers, professionals, volunteers, those working with their communities, and anyone with an interest in the field.

Certificate courses are open to all, with no previous academic knowledge or experience required. Diplomas offer the opportunity to study a subject in greater depth. Certificates and Diplomas are taught over one year, and begin in October.

- Undergraduate Certificate in Archaeology
- Undergraduate Certificate in Historic Environment
- Undergraduate Certificate in Local History
- Undergraduate Certificate in the Study of Early Medieval England
- Undergraduate Diploma in Archaeology
- Undergraduate Diploma in History of Art

### Master of Studies (MSt) degrees

The Institute offers a small number of MSts, which are part-time Master's degrees taught over two years. The MSt in History offers pathways in British local/regional history and an additional theme (details tbc), and will be open for applications from October 2017.

### Short courses

The Institute also offers a range of short courses throughout the year. Weekend courses run from Friday evening to Sunday lunchtime, and include meals from the Institute's award-winning kitchen. Participants can choose to stay at Madingley Hall for the duration of their course, or attend as a non-resident.

- The origins of Stonehenge: new discoveries and fresh perspectives (3 5 November 2017)
- Satin, silk and sin: Dutch genre painting in the time of Vermeer (10 12 November 2017)
- Topics in conflict archaeology: a Remembrance Sunday special (12 November 2017)
- Romanesque architecture in Europe (1 3 December 2017)
- From Yuletide to Nativity: Christmas in early England (3 December 2017)
- Making of the Anglo-Saxon fenland (19 21 January 2018)
- William Morris: in pursuit of beauty (2 4 February 2018)
- Christopher Wood and his circle (23 25 February 2018)
- Treasures of the Iron Age in the British Museum (24 February 2018)
- Toffs and types: Dutch portraits in the time of Hals and Rembrandt (9 11 March 2018)
- Tracing ancestry using DNA (9 11 March 2018)
- Gustave Caillebotte (1848–94): the forgotten Impressionist (10 March 2018)
- The Easter festival in early England 18 March 2018 (18 March 2018)
- An introduction to the archaeology and landscape of Roman Britain (6 8 April 2018)
- About face: the history of portraiture (20 22 April 2018)
- Exploring the medieval English village, 1086–1450 (22 April 2018)
- Norwich Cathedral (4 6 May 2018)
- Tracing the origins of the British using genetics, linguistics and chroniclers (4 6 May 2018)
- Art Nouveau: celebrating the modern dream (11 13 May 2018)
- Reading prehistoric figurines (12 May 2018)
- An introduction to architecture: the history of building design (25 27 May 2018)
- Art and music in the court of Philip the Good, Duke of Burgundy (8 10 June 2018)
- A day in the life of the Victorian workhouse (10 June 2018)
- The centenary of the 1917 Russian Revolution: reflection on arts, history and legacy (23 June 2018)
- Winning the vote: the story of the women's suffrage movement, 1790–1928 (23 June 2018)
- The 200th anniversary of landscape designer Humphry Repton (29 June 1 Jul 2018)
- Common pastures in England, c.400–1600 (30 June 2018)
- The Georgian and Victorian underworld (1 July 2018)
- The concept of time in ancient Egypt (13 15 July 2018)

### Summer programmes

The Institute's summer programmes have been welcoming people to Cambridge from all over the world since 1923 and attract around 1,000 students each year. The Ancient and Classical Worlds programme brings together the expertise of Cambridge academics in Classics, Divinity, Philosophy, Archaeology and Anthropology, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, and History and Philosophy of Science and takes place in July.

# University of the Third Age in Cambridge

### www.u3ac.org.uk

First Floor, 27-28 Bridge Street, Cambridge Cambs CB2 1UJ Tel: 01223 321587 Email <u>office@u3ac.org.uk</u>

Chair	Sally Livesey
Secretary	John Wills

The U3AC has over 300 activities on offer, ranging from history to discussion groups, in fact any subject that interests members and for which they are willing to act as tutors. Classes are held either at the Bridge Street premises or in venues around the city. Membership is open to those no longer in full-time employment and most activities take place during the day. The main aim of U3AC is to help members spend their 'third age' in pursuit of new and old interests, to meet like-minded people and to keep this self-help organisation flourishing and growing. Look on the web site for up-to-date information about the courses.

**Membership:** £75-per year plus a one-off enrolment fee of £5 plus extra fees for a small number of classes. Telephone or visit the office, (10:00 – 14:00 Monday to Friday), and ask for a membership pack which includes the Programme for 2017 – 2018.

### Workers' Educational Association Cambridge Branch

www.wea.org.uk/eastern

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 Maggie Heywood

 20 Badminton Close, Cambridge, Cambs CB4 3NW

 Tel: 01223 365110 Email weacambridge@gmail.com

Classes are held at St. Andrew's Street Baptist Church.

We have just one historical course in 2017/18, 20 Apr. **Genista Davidson** Art Deco: an iconic era

Fridays mornings 10:30 - 12:30. 6 weeks. £44.00.

To apply call 0300 303 3464

# Workers' Educational Association Upwood Branch

www.wea.org.uk/eastern

Chair	Dr. lan Gaunt
Secretary	Liz Carter
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Classes are held at Upwood Village Hall, High Street, Upwood.

Fee concessions for unwaged & dependents, free car parking, refreshments served.

Study Days run 10:00 – 16:00. Please bring packed lunch. Tea / coffee / refreshments provided.

#### Programme

27 Sep. Maureen James Thomas Clarkson and the abolitionist campaign

A detailed investigation into the intricate workings of the slave trade in the 18<sup>th</sup> century through the life and work of the local-born abolitionist Thomas Clarkson from Wisbech.

Wednesday evenings 19:30. 9 weeks. £49.00.

17 Jan. Mike Muncaster From barber surgeons to the NHS Tracing the social history of medicine.

Wednesday mornings 10:00. 9 weeks. £49.00.

Study Days in Summer 2018 to be announced - contact Liz Carter for details.

# Miscellaneous

# Haddon Library of Archaeology & Anthropology

www.haddon.archanth.cam.ac.uk

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The Haddon Library, a subject library within the University of Cambridge, is an affiliate of Cambridge University Library and located in the University's Department of Archaeology on Downing Street. Cambridge Antiquarian Society, which publishes *The Conduit*, has very close links with the Department. The Haddon incorporates the CAS library, with its county focus, and in 2014 completed the work of cataloguing that collection online. Many of the Haddon's journals come by exchange with the *Proceedings of the Cambridge Antiquarian Society*. Institutions associated with the Department include the McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research, the Cambridge University Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, and the Cambridge Archaeological Unit. The Haddon serves the information needs of them all.

The Haddon offers over 50,000 books and around 30,000 journal volumes, housed on two sites. Photographing of Haddon Library material is permitted, (see http://bit.ly/QrlgNJ for the full policy), and the library has good photocopy/scan/print equipment.

Members of the CAS are entitled to use the Haddon, and others are welcome to do so. Please plan your visit using the library's web site and the online catalogue of libraries in the University of Cambridge, http://search.lib.cam.ac.uk/, and contact Haddon staff before your first visit.

The Haddon regularly fields events in Open Cambridge and the University's Alumni Festival. To keep up with Haddon news, see the library's web page, above, its Twitter feed @haddonlibrary or its Facebook page http://on.fb.me/1IBEbnV.

The library has lift and stairlift access.

# McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research

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The McDonald Institute for Archaeological Research in the University of Cambridge was established in 1990 through a generous benefaction from the late Dr D.M. McDonald. The benefaction enabled the University to construct and maintain purpose-built premises for the Institute, which include research rooms and laboratories, together with archive space and a seminar room. The Institute serves as an interdisciplinary hub aiming to provide a shared intellectual home for archaeologists at Cambridge with a programme of seminars, workshops, conferences, publications and research grants as well as laboratory space for a wide range of archaeological research which crosses continents, periods and approaches in its exploration of the diversity of the human past.

There are also usually workshops and conferences held throughout term time, which may be of interest to archaeological groups outside of the University of Cambridge. Details may be found at <u>www.mcdonald.cam.ac.uk/events/mcd-conferences</u>. Prior booking might be required.

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