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2012 TOGETHER

Is the title of a mosaic produced by St Godric's School, Wheatley Hill with an artist in resident.

The mosaic has been installed in Wheatley Hill Heritage Centre and is well worth a look!

YESTERDAY BELONGS TO YOU 2013

18 MAY - COUNTY HALL

Formerly organised by Durham County Council, this bi-annual local and family history and heritage experience was organised by the Forum for the first time this year. Passionate about our past, and determined to keep the event going the Forum undertook the challenging task of organisation Saturday's experience after Council cut-backs could not support people power to keep it going.

A sub group led by David Blair was set up, and without David's dedication and commitment YB2U2013 would not have got off the ground. The main members of the sub group were Margaret Hedley, Sarah Hillier and June Palmer. This group did their own advertising, marketing, publicity, arranging funding, canvassing, negotiating etc and the learning curve was massive!

Funding was our greatest issue. In the past when DCC hosted and organised the event they were able to absorb the costs. This year we had to rent the space in County Hall, cover the insurance, and pay for all kinds of things such as AA signage, St Johns Ambulance presence etc. Total costs were in excess of £3000 and that does not allow for the efforts of the volunteers giving their time and mileage for free. Fortunately we secured some small grant funding from three charities and 'Livin', one of the largest registered providers of social housing in the Durham area. Unfortunately it was necessary to charge an admission fee of £1.00 to meet our costs.



Malcolm Smith & Harry Wynn
of the North East Police History Society

The weather was the worst we had had in recent weeks. The rain was relentless from early morning to mid-afternoon, with many road closures reported and disruption to public transport. However it did not deter the 100 exhibitors and almost 500 visitors who turned out to support the event.

Our President, John Grundy opened with a typically entertaining speech and our support volunteers were superb - a range

of family, friends and members of the Forum, all gave up their time willingly on Friday afternoon and Saturday and without their help the event would not have been the success it was. The co-operation from County Hall staff, and in particular Sue Burlinson, was brilliant.

We made mistakes, not everything was perfect but the day ran smoothly and financially we covered all costs and have a little 'seed' funding for 2015. All in all a very good event.

If you would like to make a comment about the event you can do so by visiting the Yesterday Belongs to You 2013 Facebook page or email us.

NORTHUMBERLAND & DURHAM BOTTLE COLLECTORS CLUB
PROUDLY PRESENT THEIR 40th ANNUAL SHOW

BOWBURN SHOW

ANTIQUE BOTTLE & COLLECTORS FAIR

Saturday June 8th 2013

at

BOWBURN COMMUNITY CENTRE
BOWBURN, CO. DURHAM, DH6 5HT
(A1M at junction 61)



Includes a special BBR Auction of rare North East items from the Kevin Boyle collection



10.30am-1.30pm

FREE PARKING ONSITE
DISPLAY & RAFFLE
REFRESHMENTS ALL DAY



STALLS: £10 per 6ft stall, £16 per 12ft stall, £7 per 3ft table. Stallholders 9.30am
EARLY ENTRY: £2 at 9.30am PUBLIC ADMISSION: 50p at 10.30am

To NDBCC members stalls are only £8 single and £14 double and early entry only £1

CHARITY AUCTION:

All proceeds to St. Oswald's Hospice, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne. All donations gratefully received at the show or before to the names below. Approximately 11.30am.

BBR AUCTION OF ITEMS FROM KEVIN BOYLE'S COLLECTION:

Over 50 lots of North East items, many rare, from the Kevin Boyle's collection will be auctioned at approximately 12 noon, immediately after the Charity Auction

BOOKINGS: David Robertson, 4 Boulmer Gardens, Wideopen, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE13 6AT (0191 2366736) or John Yule, 10 Front Street, Broompark, Durham, DH7 7QX (0191 3840825). Cheques payable to the NDBCC (please enclose a SAE)

AYCLIFFE VILLAGE HISTORY SOCIETY 2013 PROGRAMME

- 5 June Tour of St Cuthbert's Church, Darlington
Meet at Church 7.00pm
£2 charge
- 17 July Viva Talbot Engraver Dr Joan Heggie

**All meetings are held in
Aycliffe Village Hall at 7.00pm**

Admission: Members £1.00
Non Members: £2.00

NORTHALLERTON AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

2013 PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

- 11 June Looking for Anglo Saxon Dr D Petts
Deira
- 13 July Members only event
(Saturday) Private guided tour of Gilling Castle and
Ampleforth College with lunch included
£15.00 per person
(further details of August meeting available at this meeting)
- 13 August Guided tour of historical Masham
(7.00pm)

**The presentations start at 7.00pm
Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall
Thirsk Road, Northallerton**

NORTH EAST METHODIST HISTORY SOCIETY

12 October 2013 at 2.00pm

Sangster, Soper & Weatherhead Three Giants of Methodism

by Audrey Bland
at Wylam Methodist Church
Admission £2. All welcome

The AGM will follow this meeting
Further details: www.communicate.co.uk/ne/whs

SEDGEFIELD LOCAL HISTORY MEETINGS

Ceddesfeld Hall, Sedgefield
first Monday of each month 7.45pm

- 3 June Nostalgic Views of the John Moreels
North (Talk 2)
- 1 July Fragrant Memories Chris Clennell

Entrance Fee £3.00
Everyone Welcome

Do U Dig

LITERALLY OR METAPHORICALLY AND ARE INTERESTED IN COLLECTING OLD BOTTLES

STOUTS, GINGER BEERS, INKS, MINERALS,
CREAM POTS, POISONS, BUTTER CROCKS,
WHISKY JUGS, POT LIDS, CODDS, MEDICINES OR
BLACK AND COLOURED BEERS ETC



THEN U SHOULD
JOIN
THE
NDBCC

**THE NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM
BOTTLE COLLECTORS CLUB**
MEETINGS FORTNIGHTLY, QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER
DETAILS FROM 01912366736

Wheatley Hill History Club Monthly Meetings 2013

29 May	Stan Laurel The Early Years	Tom Hutchinson
26 June	The Great North Air Ambulance	Sarah Zissler
31 July	The Story of the Graf Spee	Tom Gibson

Meetings held at 7.00pm
Wheatley House, Woodlands Avenue
DH6 3JX
£2.00 admission includes
refreshments & raffle

For more details: history.club2@btinternet.com
wheatley-hill.org.uk

Cleveland Family History Society SEDFIELD MEETINGS

Ceddesfeld Hall 7.45pm

17 June	Forensic Art and the influence of criminal investigation on my art practice	Bruce Burn
15 July	Help Evening - If you need any help with your family history come along and we will try and help you find that missing ancestor	
No Meeting in August		

For more details: 01740 620367



To FREEDOM'S CAUSE

The Emily inspires! centennial programme is proud to present **TO FREEDOM'S CAUSE** by **Kate Willoughby**. This thought provoking, funny and brutal new play about suffragette **Emily Wilding Davison** will tour to various venues around the UK.

The play's focus is on the months leading up to and the long lasting effects of her tragic decision to step onto the Epsom Derby racecourse in front of the King's horse.

This is the powerful story of some of the people who came into contact with Emily, who changed her life and whose lives she changed. Her belief in 'deeds not words' to draw attention to the cause of women's rights still resonates today.

Riverside Leisure Centre, Morpeth

Friday 14 & Saturday 15 June, 7.30pm
Tickets £8, Concessions £6

Lit & Phil, Newcastle

Tuesday 18 June, 1.00pm & 7.00pm
Tickets £8, Concessions £6

Riding Mill Community Centre

Wednesday 19 June, 7.00pm
Tickets £8, Concessions £6

Ashington Miners Institute

Thursday 20 June, 7.00pm
Tickets £5, Concessions £3

Alnwick Playhouse

Friday 21 June, 1.30pm
Tickets £8, Concessions £6

Rothbury Jubilee Hall

Friday 21 June, 7.00pm
Tickets £8, Concessions £6

Newbiggin Maritime Centre

Saturday 22 June, 7.00pm
Tickets £5, Concessions £3

The Georgian Theatre, Richmond

Sunday 23 June, 3.00pm
Box Office: 01748 825 252 or tickets available
online at www.wegotickets.com

Tristan Bates Theatre, Covent Garden

Weds 26 - Sat 29 June, 7.30pm / Thurs 27 at
2.00pm. Box office:
www.tristanbatestheatre.co.uk
020 7240 6283 (no booking fees)

Box office 01434 652 477

For more information and local box
office details

visit: www.emilyinspires.co.uk

To Freedom's Cause is part of the Emily Inspires! Programme devised to commemorate the centennial of Emily's death, by a working group of local organisations and individuals supported by Northumberland County Council, Greater Morpeth Development Trust, Queens Hall Arts and Arts Council England.



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SUFFRAGETTES & LUNCH

23 MAY 2013 (12 - 2)

Curiously Wicked Edwardian
Tea Room
Sanderson Arcade, Morpeth

An Interactive Lunch
come in costume prepared
for conversation

*Durham County
Record Office*



Family Fun Day

Durham County Record

County Hall, Durham DH1 5UL

Friday 31 May
2013

9.30am - 12.30pm



Explore local history as a family!



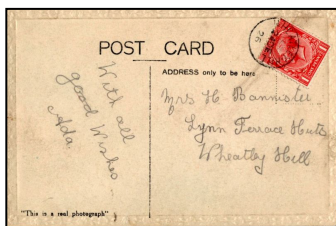
- See the strongrooms where we keep our archives
- Play with old fashioned toys
- Make your own 'royal seal'
- Try writing with a quill pen
- Try on Tudor costumes
- Design an Illuminated Letter

No need to book, just come along

Activities suitable for children aged 5+

Children to be accompanied by a parent or carer at
all times

DURHAM Postcard, Cigarette Card & Stamp Fair



**Durham County Hall
DH1 5UL**

Saturday 20 July & 16 November 2013
10.00am - 3.00pm

Entrance Fee: £1.00
Free entrance for accompanied children

Disabled Access
Free Valuations Provided

FRIENDS OF DARLINGTON RAILWAY CENTRE AND MUSEUM TALKS - 2013

Thursday 6 June 7.15pm
The NE Railway Association
A talk by David Corfield

Thursday 4 July 7.15pm
Steam in and Around Darlington
Chris Nettleton

NO MEETING IN AUGUST

If you would like to join the Friends of Darlington Railway Centre and Museum we would be delighted to welcome you as a member. Please contact the Friends' Membership Secretary
[June Palmer:](mailto:June.Palmer@friendsofdrcm.org)

membership@friendsofdrcm.org<membership@friendsofdrcm.org>

**THE VICTORIAN
SOCIETY**

SAVING A CENTURY

A photographic exhibition celebrating the work
of the Victorian Society



Easington Colliery School, County Durham
(1911-15)
by John Morson. Grade II-listed

**THE HEAD OF STEAM MUSEUM, DARLINGTON
2 - 31 JULY 2013**

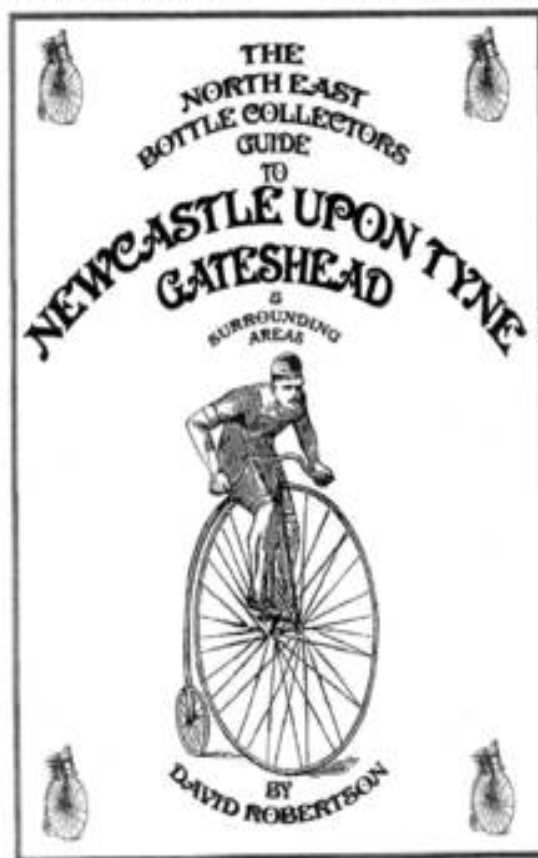
This exhibition of photos from around the country shows examples of the best Victorian and Edwardian buildings and structures that the Society has campaigned to save, and some that have been lost. It demonstrates the Society's success in changing public attitudes towards the architecture of the nineteenth century, and its continued relevance for the twenty-first century.

The Victorian Society is the national charity (no.1081435) campaigning for the Victorian and Edwardian historic Environment

Tel: 02089941019 or victoriansociety.org.uk

This exhibition is supported by Listed Property Service,
Shaws Terracotta and J & J Longbottom Ltd

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THORPE THEWLES HISTORY GROUP

Invites you to:

The NHS – Roman Style

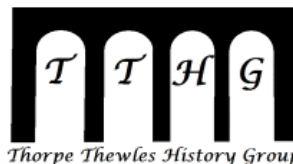
This illustrated talk will examine how the Romans adopted and improved medical practices and surgical techniques learnt from around their empire and beyond and honed their skills to deliver a standard of public medical care which, after the fall of their empire, was not to be seen again in western civilisation until the time of the Great War



*Presented by Gordon Henderson of the Roman life re-enactment group
Roma Antiqua*

To be held in Grindon Parish Hall, Thorpe Thewles
Re-scheduled for Friday 21 June 2013
7:00 for 7:30pm until approx 9:00pm

Tickets available at £3-00 each from Carlton, Stillington & Wolviston Post Offices
or members of the History Group
Alternatively contact Linda on Tel: (01740) 630014



See our web site for further details: www.thorpe-thewles.org.uk

HHERITAGE LOTTERY FUNDING “FIRST WORLD WAR: THEN AND NOW”

The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) has launched the above, a small grants programme to help communities mark the Centenary of the First World War.

It will provide grants between **£3,000 and £10,000** enabling communities and groups to **explore, conserve and share** their First World War heritage and deepen their understanding of the impact of the conflict. Applications under this programme will be assessed within 8 weeks.

This new programme will enable communities to explore the continuing legacy of this war and help young people in particular to broaden their understanding of how it has shaped our modern world. Projects can focus on any [heritage related to the First World War](#), and we are encouraging new perspectives and stories not previously told.

Successful projects will include one or more of the following:

- researching, identifying and recording local heritage
- creating a community archive or collection
- developing new interpretation of heritage through exhibitions, trails, smartphone apps etc
- researching, writing and performing creative material based on heritage sources

If a group has a project idea to mark the Centenary of the First World War, an online application pack is available from our [First World War: then and now page](#). If a group needs a grant of more than £10,000 for a First World War project, it can apply to HLF through its open programmes.

As you know in the **North East** we really like to help groups before they fill out an application form, so if anyone is thinking of applying under this programme, we **strongly recommend** that they [express their interest](#) online. We will then let them know if their application is suitable for this programme and they can then decide whether to go ahead.

For further details:

Development Manager, Heritage Lottery Fund North East
St Nicholas Buildings
St Nicholas Street
Newcastle NE1 1RF
Phone: 0191 2557584
Email: rachelw@hlf.org.uk
Website: www.hlf.org.uk

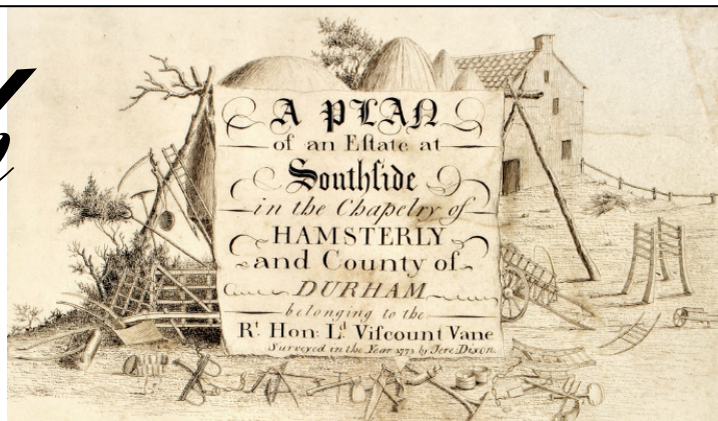
MAY IS COMMUNITY AND LOCAL HISTORY MONTH

All events will be held in Clayport Library, Durham City

For more details: 03000 265 524

Sat 25 May	Darlington Railway Museum: Head of Steam staff - Children's activities	12.30pm - 4.00pm	Drop in
Sat 25 May	Selection of slides from the NERA Collection - talk by Tom Burnham	2.00pm	Tickets £1.00 Book in advance
Tues 28 May	Durham County Record Office staff Children's crafts on a railway theme	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Free. Drop in
Wed 29 May	Beamish Museum staff: Puffing Billy	1.00pm - 3.00pm	Free. Drop in
Fri 31 May	Railway crafts and rhymes	2.15pm	Free. Drop in
Fri 31 May	Railway Scenes: Then and Now Talk by Colin Mountford with Malcolm Young	2.00pm	Tickets £1 Book in advance

Jeremiah Dixon



Scientist, Surveyor and Stargazer

27 April – 6 October 2013

EXHIBITION

Come and see how a young man from pit village in County Durham travelled the world and became one of the finest scientists of the 18th Century

Marvel at his achievements in astronomy

Be enchanted by his artistic talent

Explore the Mason-Dixon Line



Barnard Castle DL12 8NP
Open daily 10.00 – 5.00
FREE entry to Café Bowes & Shop

01833 690606

www.thebowesmuseum.org.uk

Events in support of the Exhibition include:

How to be the Perfect Georgian

Sunday 28 April, 2.30 – The Bowes Museum

A lively presentation by costumed

historical expert and TV star, Dr Annie Gray.

Tickets including afternoon tea: £12.00; (Friends £11.00)

Drawing the Line: Jeremiah Dixon on his Life and Measurements

Friday 31 May, 7.30 – The Bowes Museum

A dramatic performance in character by

Howard Burnham. *Audience in costume*

welcome. Tickets: £12.00; (Friends £11.00) or,

with dinner, £30.00; (Friends £28.50)

Jeremiah Dixon, his Life and Times

Tuesday 11 – Wednesday 12 June,

9.30 – 4.30 – The Bowes Museum

A fascinating, two-day seminar at which the speakers are: Professor Sir Arnold Wolfendale FRS,

14th Astronomer Royal; Dr Nils Johansen, from the

University of Oslo; Dr Diana Collecott, formerly at

the University of Durham; Diana Hitchins, expert

on scientific instrument makers; John Dixon, direct

descendent of the Dixon family; also guided visits

to Kiplin Hall and Cockfield Fell. *Full details on The*

Bowes Museum website. Tickets: £100.00 per person

Dixon, the Navy and the Seven Years' War

Wednesday 3 July, 2.30

– The Bowes Museum

Illustrated talk by Martin Saville, ship model-maker

and expert on the 18th century Navy. *Tickets*

including afternoon tea: £11.00 (Friends) £12.00 (Guests)



Warship, 1745
National Maritime Museum
Greenwich, London

Illustrated Talk by Ed Danson, author of 'Drawing the Line'

The Story of the Mason-Dixon Line. At The Bowes

Museum – a date in September still to be finalised.

Please see website for updates.

A Commemorative Celebration

Saturday 27 July, 12.00 – 6.00

– Cockfield Village Green (free event)

Georgian Street Fair in Jeremiah's home village

with the unveiling of Mason-Dixon Line marker

stones. *Participants in costume welcome.*

Monthly walks on Cockfield Fell

1st Sunday each month throughout 2013,

1.30 – Meet at Gaunless Valley Visitor Centre

Discover where the Dixon family owned mines

and Jeremiah surveyed a canal route. *Donation*

to Visitor Centre: £2.00 per person

To book please call The Bowes Museum on 01833 690606 and speak to Rosalyn Chidzey

Further details of these and other events can be found at:

www.jeremiah-dixon.co.uk or www.thebowesmuseum.org.uk

Find out more about Durham's History and Heritage at www.thisisdurham.com/heritage