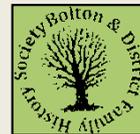


Bolton's Genies



The Monthly Newsletter of the
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June 2015

A branch of The Manchester & Lancashire Family History Society.

Hello again everyone.

Well we have just enjoyed the third Bank Holiday of the year (including Easter), so summer should almost be upon us. I imagine many of you will now be out and about more, in holiday mode, so I am hoping you may be able to help me with brightening up this newsletter.

If you go anywhere interesting and relevant to our activities, can I ask if you would be good enough to share your pictures please, working on the premise that it is good to see what places and things that we talk about, actually look like. (It also saves me having to worry about copyright problems). I am thinking about any record office, historical site, graveyard etc., (and an accompanying article would be an extra bonus). Where have you been that you can share with the rest of us? Any exciting find or discovery that demonstrates what good sleuthing can do and encourages others?



This month is also of course when we remember the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo, (I will not inundate you with information on that as there is plenty around) , but I was quite surprised to see how many other significant events have occurred in June over the years. Haven't we, and our ancestors, been busy people!

<http://www.ianvisits.co.uk/anniversaries/index.php?month=6&year=2015&all=yes>

Perhaps I should also mention in retrospect that it was the 100th anniversary last month of the Quintinshill Rail Crash near Gretna Green. This involved five trains making "collision level" contact, plus two others contributing to the situation on May 22nd 1915. It remains Britain's worst rail disaster, and is still used as an example of "how not to do things", in teaching manuals today. . <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b05vqx7v> . It seems to have been the "perfect storm" of things that could go wrong, seriously incompetent management on the day from the top downwards, and "selective" investigation afterwards. . It caused at least 228 deaths plus even more severe injuries, of mainly young troopers, on their way to Liverpool and Gallipoli.

I was there at Gretna when Princess Anne attended the commemoration service on May 22nd. I am embarrassed to say I knew nothing about it until three weeks ago.



OUR LAST and NEXT MONTHLY MEETINGS.

Wednesday June 3rd was when Dr Alan Crosby came for his second visit of the year, to tell us about how ***King John was Not a Good Man***.

http://magnacarta800th.com/newsletters/Magna_Carta_Newsletter_May_2015.pdf . I must admit it was a surprise to hear how devious, not to mention ruthless, he had been, and all was very well explained. We have so much to thank the barons for. I had n't realised how many copies and versions of the Magna Carta there had been though, (30+ just to start with), and all hand written with quill pens I presume, then sealed of course. Thank goodness for modern word processing!! We hope it has helped all understand better the background to, and significance of, his document, (and glad it was a man who won the raffled MC tea cloth!!)



July 1st sees our next meeting when we have Cllr John Walsh coming to take us for **"A Bolton Ramble"**. Many will know of John as an experienced Bolton councillor, having served intermittently since at least 1975, and also Bolton Mayor from 2002 -2003.

<http://www.boltonsmayors.org.uk/walsh-j.html> . He is a proud Boltonian, and remains a staunch supporter of Lancashire Day on November 27th, and a very vocal critic of the change of county boundaries in which Bolton lost its Lancashire link.

http://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/11571216.Petition_to_see_Bolton_recognised_as_part_of_Lancashire_attracts_800_signatures/ . I am advised that his talks can be somewhat "unpredictable", but always interesting and amusing. We await his anecdotes with interest!!

(All at Bolton Cricket Club (Back door), Bishops Road, off Green Lane, Farnworth, BL3 2JB <http://www.ukphonebook.com/maps/postcode/BL32JB> at 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of each month (apart from January). We offer a Help Desk for personal research after each meeting, and have a recycle service for your used Family History Magazines etc .

Don't throw them out, bring your old ones in to be passed on.



←Health warning of several Rounders teams in action on the same night over the summer season. . We advise allow time for parking!!



VISITS and ACTIVITIES.

Monday 15th June 11am Turton Tower, <http://www.turtontower.co.uk/index.php/history> (Off Chapeltown Road, near Turton, Bolton BL7 OHG)

<http://www.turtontower.co.uk/index.php/come-and-visit> for the map. The Tower is normally closed on Mondays but we have our own tour and guide for this event, with a charge of £5 per person. Contact Brian at Boltongenies@mlfhs.org.uk More details to follow re possible lunch arrangements, but unfortunately the café will be closed!!



Other MLFHS Events June/ July

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--manchester/mlfhs/?sort=date>

Manchester Walking Tours App

<http://www.visitmanchester.com/articles/walks/manchester-walking-tours-app/>

I must admit we are avoiding Manchester at the moment because of the difficult public transport problems for Bolton <->Manchester, but if you fancy doing your own thing, have a look at this site "*Explore the city and discover its defining moments and untold stories using routes created by the people who know Manchester best.*" Also

<http://thelucybrouwer.com/manchester-walking-tours-whitworth-art-gallery/>

Friday 18th September Smithills Hall Visit £2 . More details soon . Contact Brian at Boltongenies@mlfhs.org.uk

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GENIE'S TIPS for JUNE.

The Basics of Tracing Your English Ancestry - Legacy Tree Genealogists

<https://legacytrees.com/blog/the-basics-of-tracing-your-english-ancestry> -- spelling it out for Americans and complete beginners, but with some interesting links.



"How to use Griffith's Valuation" for Irish family history research

<http://www.irishcentral.com/roots/How-to-use-Griffiths-Valuation-for-Irish-family-history-research.html> Niall Cullen @FindmypastUS May 15,2015 11:46 AM

"As many 19th century Irish records such as censuses do not survive, it is important to look for alternative research sources when building your Irish family tree. Probably one of the most widely used census substitutes is Griffith's Valuation but what exactly is it and how do you get the most out of it?"

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WORKSHOPS, COURSES, CLASSES and CONFERENCES.

Saturday 6 June 2015 10.30am - Beginners' Course: 3, "Census Records". This, **should** have been the third of seven monthly lectures at Manchester Central Library, deals with the census, how to find your ancestors in the returns, and how to interpret the information which you find.

This date has now had to be cancelled and will hopefully be rearranged. Please check and book via <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/d/united-kingdom--manchester/mlfhs/?sort=date> where you will also find details of the remaining dates. These are FREE to members but a small charge of £3.00 per lecture applies to non-members. This will be refunded if the person joins MLFHS on the day.

Jewish Genealogical Society of Great Britain -Manchester Regional Group

June & July - Summer Craft Workshops

<http://www.manchesterjewishmuseum.com/component/content/article/11-current-events/340-june-a-july-summer-craft-workshops-a-talks> and on

Sunday 28th June a Genealogical Workshop aimed at Beginners and Moderately experienced researchers. Venue: Meade Hill Shul, M8 6LS

Time: 2.00pm start to about 5.00pm email manchester.genealogy@gmail.com for more information

Saturday November 7th 2015. 9.30a.m. -4.30pm

"STRUGGLE FOR SURVIVAL - Poverty and Society in Lancashire 1630-1900".

Fylde History Network Conference at St. Anne's United Reformed Church Hall, St. George's Road, St. Anne's on the Sea.

<https://boltonhistoricalassociation.wordpress.com/2015/05/09/fylde-history-network-conference/> by Jenni Hyde FYLDE HISTORY NETWORK; in partnership with The Lancashire Local History Federation are holding a conference.

Lecturers are -

Dr Jonathon Healey, Lecturer in English and Society History, Kellogg College, University of Oxford "The early Poor Law in Lancashire c 1630-1710"

Dr Jonathon Healey, "The nature of poverty in the Fylde and surround areas".

Dr Mike Winstanley - Senior Lecturer (retired), University of Lancaster "When all else failed: poverty and pauperism in the 19th century North West".

Dr Alan Crosby - Honorary Research Fellow Lancaster and Liverpool Universities, Editor "The Local Historical" - "The food of the poor in Lancashire 1750-1900"

Conference and buffet lunch £20. Conference only £12.

For more information visit **Fylde History Network**. <http://www.fyldehistorynetwork.co.uk>

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THIS MONTH'S LOCAL NEWS and SOME ORGANISATION UPDATES

Lancashire Records are regularly being updated



<http://www.lancashirebmd.org.uk/update.php>. Their volunteers

actually celebrate 10 years of achievement at the end of this month, and have transcribed over 8 million records from parish registers. I am told transcribers from all over the world will be coming together to celebrate their achievement.



<http://www.lan-opc.org.uk/> and left click on the "What's New" tab on the left.

This months are Baptisms 1842 to 1855 for the Roman Catholic Church of Sts Peter and Paul, Bolton le Moors.

Lancashire, England, Quarter Session Records and Petitions, 1648-1908

<http://search.ancestry.co.uk/search/db.aspx?dbid=6820> (Sorry, this is Ancestry so not free, but maybe a visit to a local library or Family Search centre) ---

"The records document Quarter Session judges' decisions in matters that include settlement inquiries, highway rates, criminal trials, registers of settlement, orders of removal, bastardy examinations, apprenticeships, licensing, contracts, lists of justices, payments for services rendered to the county, and other documents related to the business of the running of the county"

"GENUKI" or UK and Ireland Genealogy <http://www.genuki.org.uk/contents/> . Most will know that this website provides a virtual reference library of genealogical information of particular relevance to the UK and Ireland. It is a non-commercial service, maintained by a charitable trust and a group of volunteers.

It is now updating, <http://www.genuki.org.uk/news/main> , see

"Conversion to use a Content Management System". They report that

"The Genuki service has now been running for 20 years, and we are still using our original method of updating the pages. But time has moved on and a number of better ways have been developed for providing pages. These new ways, based on the use of "Content Management Systems", require much less technical expertise. So we are changing to the use of DRUPAL (link is external), a highly-regarded and widely-used Content Management System, in order to ease the task of current GENUKI maintainers, and to make it easier for us to recruit additional people to maintain GENUKI. Hopefully we will be able to bring on board people who know about family history even if they have little prior experience of web page creation, as a lot of the computer expertise that has to date been involved in maintaining GENUKI pages is removed from the job. ---"

Malcolm Baird's List of UK Churches <http://www.bairdmb.webspace.virginmedia.com/>.

Malcolm is an MLFHS member and has been good enough to share his database of useful information, collected by relevant personal research, It is nowhere near comprehensive but growing, and always on the lookout for contributions. I am sure it will be useful to many.



SOME INTERESTING, USEFUL AND MAINLY FREE WEBSITES.

Genealogy In Time Magazine - "New Genealogy Records by Country" -Use this handy guide to find the most recent genealogy records on the internet organized by country and region - See more at: <http://www.genealogyintime.com/records/genealogy-records-by-country.html>

"Find Your Ancestors in English Manorial Records" May 12, 2015 by Sunny in "Lisa Louise Cooke's Genealogical Gems" website

http://lisalouisecooke.com/2015/05/find-your-ancestors-in-english-manorial-records/?utm_source=May+14%2C+2015+newsletter&utm_campaign=NGS&utm_medium=email

This is mainly for American consumption but does give the link to the

Manorial Documents Register online at TNA <http://apps.nationalarchives.gov.uk/mdr/> and offers a nice explanation of what a Manor is

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/England_Manors . I would suggest this is all worth a read

DEEDS

The Register of Deeds Scottish Indexes Learning Zone -

"Deeds were created by our ancestors for various purposes, they are legal documents which record a wider variety of transactions. As you might expect, common types of deeds relate to financial and business matters, these could be bonds, contracts of sale or contracts of partnership to name but a few".



<http://scottishindexes.com/learningdeeds.aspx> Maxwell Ancestry, are "pleased to bring you even more indexes to help you trace your Scottish family tree online. We have a large collection of indexes, from unique sources such as prison and court records to more commonly used sources such as birth, marriage, death and census records." Check here for an excellent tutorial and how to access the original documents at the National Records of Scotland (NRS)

And for England and Wales

The Family Deeds Project <http://www.familydeeds.org/county.php> claims to "provide a large amount of free online information to help you with your family history using information contained in our collection of old deeds and documents. We have information on many documents with new documents being uploaded regularly--- If you are researching your family history, rather than local history, I would recommend you try the Names Index first as many people are mentioned in documents for parishes and counties other than that of their abode." Pat Johnson Family Deeds

Family Search Wiki: England, Scotland and Ireland Parish Categorization

https://familysearch.org/learn/wiki/en/index.php?title=FamilySearch_Wiki%3AEngland%2C_Scotland_and_Ireland_Parish_Categorization&utm_source=dlvr.it&utm_medium=twitter

All of Ireland's Catholic Church records to go online The Best of Irish Central newsletter

<http://www.irishcentral.com/roots/genealogy/Genealogists-delight---Irelands-Catholic-Church-Records-go-online.html?signup-thank-you> Jane Walsh @irishcentral May 28,2015 01:14 AM

The National Library of Ireland is to give free online access to its Catholic Church records collection online, from summer 2015

Chris Paton's Genealogy Podcasts <https://soundcloud.com/chrismpaton/british-genes-podcast-03-13-may-2015>

Do you know about these excellent podcasts from the editor of the British Genes Blog

<https://dub115.mail.live.com/?tid=cmMNomCl4A5RGvUwAiZMIGPA2&fid=flinbox> and

[https://dub115.mail.live.com/?tid=cmtLU9yDj-](https://dub115.mail.live.com/?tid=cmtLU9yDj-5BGTDwAhWtez7A2&fid=fljwwfCG1uwUa16JjSX2Qr_A2)

[5BGTDwAhWtez7A2&fid=fljwwfCG1uwUa16JjSX2Qr_A2](https://dub115.mail.live.com/?tid=cmtLU9yDj-5BGTDwAhWtez7A2&fid=fljwwfCG1uwUa16JjSX2Qr_A2) are interesting recent ones

"History of the Atlantic Cable & Undersea Communications from the first submarine cable of 1850 to the worldwide fibre optic network, Richard Johnson & Nephew",

by Bill Burns <http://atlantic-cable.com/CableCos/RichardJohnson/>

Maybe some of your ancestors worked here. The introduction says

"The Manchester wire-drawing firm of Richard Johnson & Nephew was one of the earliest suppliers of wire to the submarine cable



industry. Much of the information in this article is taken from the history of the company (going back to 1773), by Michael Seth-Smith, published in 1973 and titled Two Hundred Years of Richard Johnson & Nephew'

U.S. Federal Census Images & Viewer Now Free For Everyone Forever!! <http://>



blog.mocavo.com/2015/05/u-s-federal-census-images-viewer-now-free-for-everyone Announcements 22 May 2015 "Today, we are thrilled to announce that for the first time anywhere, the indexes and images for all United States Federal Census are now available for free to everyone". (Those who have tried this say it works.-Editor)

And nearer home

"Appeal to find family of First World War soldier from Northenden so his medals can be returned" 18:44, 23 May 2015 By Paul Britton Manchester Evening News <http://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/appeal-find-family-first-world-9317415> Thomas William Renshaw was killed aged just 20 in 1918 - and his medals have now surfaced in Stockport. They are looking for family—can you help???

"Second World War casualty archives shared", Commonwealth War Graves Commission website! <http://www.cwgc.org/news-events/news/2015/5/ww2-casualty-archive-documents-shared-online.aspx>

"Original records for the full 1.7 million individuals commemorated by the CWGC are to be revealed to the public for the first time. Following the release of their First World War Casualty Archive Documents in 2014, the CWGC is delighted to announce that the Second World War records will also be made available in August this year, to coincide with the 70th anniversary of VJ Day."

8 Facts About Clothes Rationing In Britain During The Second World War By IWM Staff <http://www.iwm.org.uk/history/8-facts-about-clothes-rationing-in-britain-during-the-second-world-war> "Calling Blighty!" Second World War

<http://www.nwfa.mmu.ac.uk/docs/BlightyA4.pdf> ---" is a series of short films made in 1944-45 of individual servicemen and women in the Far East sending personal messages home to their family and friends. These poignant filmed messages were shown to invited audiences in local cinemas, bringing much laughter, and certainly a few tears. A Message Home is a project to try to find as many families and veterans as possible, to bring them together to show the films again, and to tell their stories."

Genealogy Discount .com <http://www.genealogydiscount.co.uk/>



All of the very best Discount and promotional coupon codes for genealogy sites in one convenient place. Save money on your family history research and discover your ancestors today. - See more at:

<http://www.genealogydiscount.co.uk/#sthash.a6x3AsIF.dpuf>

All I can say is has worked for me and many others I passed it on to via the MLFHS forum http://mlfhs.org.uk/member_area/member_signin_form.php . I have now extended my FMP subscription to Sept 2017 at half price. !!

If you missed out on this perhaps this is another good reason for joining the MLFHS and reaping all the benefits!!

MISCELLANEOUS.

Saddleworth Historical Society on Saturday 13th June at 2pm A talk entitled 'George Shaw: the Man who Unwittingly Discovered a Royal Treasure', which is being given by BBC presenter and academic Dr. Jonathan Foyle. It is the remarkable story of the recent discovery of the marriage bed of Henry VII and Elizabeth of York, once owned by the Stanleys of Lathom, and used as a model for Victorian forgeries by George Shaw of Saddleworth.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/uknews/11508188/Tossed-out-by-builders-Henry-VIIIs-20m-bed.html>

Suggested Days Out

***Samlesbury Hall 2015** sees the arrival of their brand new exhibition 'The Pedlar's Trunk'. <http://www.samlesburyhall.co.uk/things-to-do/exhibitions> .

The trunk dates from the early 1600s and is returning to the Hall for a yearlong exhibition. Used by Catholic priests in the 17th century to deliver mass and other sacraments, it was found hidden in one of the Hall's priest holes and later sold at auction in the 19th century. Allegedly used by Saint Edmund Arrowsmith, this exhibition, in partnership with Stonyhurst College, will display the trunk and its objects, whilst exploring 17th century Samlesbury and Lancashire).



***Bolton Steam Museum** <http://www.nmes.org/> "120 years ago, Lancashire produced more than half the world's supply of cotton textiles. Hundreds of mills were busy spinning and weaving and bleach works and dye works were thriving. Steam engines drove all the machinery in the mills and there were probably as many as 10,000 engines at work, mostly built by local engineering companies. But over the next 80 years the industry declined as production moved overseas and by the late 1960s only about a few hundred mills still survived, with more mill closures being announced every week.



The NMES was formed in 1966 by a small but extremely dedicated band of enthusiasts who decided that something had to be done to preserve the steam engines from the textile industries of Lancashire and Yorkshire before they were all scrapped. Most established museums at that time did not have significant collections of this type of machinery and the work of volunteer organisations, such as the Northern Mill Engine Society, was important in ensuring that a reasonably representative sample of engines has been preserved."

If you have not been here yet I would recommend it to everyone.

<http://www.nmes.org/visiting.pdf> . It is free, the smell of engine oil welcomes visitors as soon as they walk in, and the machinery is lovingly and immaculately kept with plenty of demonstrations. Just wish I understood it all but I did enough to appreciate the brilliant minds that designed and maintained these creations.

***Canals and Rivers Trust** <https://canalrivertrust.org.uk/places-to-visit> Our canals are home to over 2,700 listed structures, 50 scheduled ancient monuments and five UNESCO world heritage sites. Just by walking along a 20 minute stretch of towpath you're likely to pass

numerous heritage structures ranging from smaller iconic items such as milestones, to working structures such as lock gates and swing bridges

Bolton News "Pupils given history lesson they will never forget as they clean war graves"

http://www.theboltonnews.co.uk/news/bolton/12939122.Pupils_given_history_lesson_they_will_never_forget_as_they_clean_war_graves/?ref=eb

What a super idea. Well done Horwich Parish CE School, which "has been given a £9,000 National Lottery heritage grant to commemorate the centenary of the outbreak of World War One. And their project started with youngsters by tending to war and planting bulbs. The children also hope to organise a headstone for Bolton hero Tommy Edwards as there is currently no memorial."

The Waterloo Descendants Book

<http://www.theonlinebookcompany.com/OnlineBooks/Waterloo/Content/Introduction>

March 2015 Introduction by Dan Snow.

"Welcome to the Waterloo 200 Descendants book. This is a remarkable collection of stories about this huge event from our past. Look up the names of soldiers who fought in the battle. Check if your ancestors are amongst them. If so, add any detail you might have. Let's lock in what we know about that battle, what you remember about the men that fought in it and hand that on to future generations."

MAPS

Cassini's most detailed historical mapping

<http://www.cassinimaps.co.uk/shop/downloads.asp> 50% Off Town Plans

But also of course

The National Library of Scotland <http://maps.nls.uk/additions.html>



"where you can access and view over 91,000 maps as high-resolution, colour, zoomable images. The maps date between 1560 and 1964 and relate primarily to Scotland. We also have maps of areas beyond Scotland,



including maps of England and Great Britain, Ireland, Belgium, and Jamaica"

(Can you tell where I have been for my recent holiday?)

"The days when Burnley was in Yorkshire !!" by Roger Frost published 21:03 Wednesday

27 May 2015 <http://www.clitheroeadvertiser.co.uk/news/columnists/the-days-when-burnley-was-in-yorkshire-1-7281122>.

<http://www.clitheroeadvertiser.co.uk/news/columnists/the-days-when-burnley-was-in-yorkshire-1-7281122>.



Well, I really couldn't miss out passing on this fascinating fact as a Yorkshire lass could I.

--- "Historians have given some thought as to why the Domesday Book is not as revealing about the north of England, particularly its north west, as one would like. This comparative lack of information, something I will address, may have been the consequence of the historical event known as the "Harrying of the North".

There had been rebellions, in the 1070s, which had foreign support, against William's rule in the north. Observers, at the time, make the point that a large part of northern England, but particularly Yorkshire, was devastated by the king as a means of showing the rest of the country what would happen if they chose the same path.

And where was Burnley, in the 11th Century, but in Yorkshire? There was no Lancashire at the time of Domesday. Our part of the world was included in Yorkshire and it is known William gave some considerable attention to our Pennine region, some historians speculating that, after putting down the rebellion in York, on the way to crush another rebellion in Cheshire, William passed through our Pennine region---".



STOP PRESS-LATE NEWS

(Never had to do this before, but a bit of excitement)

June 5th 2015 Presentation of Bolton Royal Infirmary Register to Bolton Archives from MLFHS

Some time ago a MLFHS member saw this register on sale at an antique fair and brought this to the attention of John Marsden, our senior MLFHS Chairman. Bolton Archives were approached but unfortunately were not in a position to purchase same but readily agreed for MLFHS to do so and donate it to Archives. They also made, the necessary enquiries to satisfy themselves with the vendor, (who does not wish to be named), that the provenance (history of the ownership of an object <http://www.thefreedictionary.com/provenance>), was



not questionable.

Photo from left

Julie Lamara Bolton Archives,
John Marsden MLFHS Chairman,
Brian Whittle B&DFHS Chairman)

The background story according to the vendor, was that the register was saved, many years ago, from being burnt by someone given the job of disposing of a quantity of 'rubbish'. He kept it until his death, following which his son sold it to a dealer from whom the vendor had recently purchased it. The vendor has local connections and was pleased to see it secured for a public archive. The MLFHS Executive Committee agreed to fund the purchase for deposit at Bolton. The register, which covers August 1939 to August 1948 and contains approaching 6,000 entries, is described as Out-patients (War Casualties) but this is somewhat misleading as only a small number of the entries appear to relate to those injured as a result of enemy action. These all appear to be the result of an air raid on 13 December 1941. Most of those who appear are members of the armed forces, or of civil forces such as policemen and firemen as well as occasional members of other organisations.

Right John Marsden and
Julie Lamara
discussing the contents.



The complaints which brought them to the hospital vary from injuries such as broken bones and lacerations to complaints such as haemorrhoids and chest pains. The definition of 'War Casualty' seems therefore, to include both those civilians injured by enemy action and those engaged on some form of war-related service, whose complaints or injuries do not relate to direct military activity. The details for each patient include full name, address and age in years, their rank and the organisation in which they are serving and

their service number (where appropriate). There are also brief details of their presenting complaint, to whom they were referred and the dates of admission and discharge. Most of those named are from local addresses, though some come from addresses further afield such as Morecambe, County Durham and even and London - presumably visiting or posted to the area.

Since the register is a medical record, following deposit it will be subject to a 100 year closure, and so will not be available for public inspection until 2049, but future family and local historians will find its contents invaluable in researching this aspect of World War 2.

So has anybody else got any documents lurking in the cupboards? Don't be shy. The main thing is they are preserved and you will be a "star". Hand them in at the library or similar where they will be gratefully received on behalf of us all and anonymously if you prefer. .



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OTHER LOCAL SOCIETIES NEWS.

Halliwell Local History Society <http://www.halliwell-lhs.co.uk/monthly-meetings>



Email margaretk@talktalk.net. Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm, at St Luke's Church, Chorley Old Road, BL1 3BE opposite Shepherd Cross St, Bolton, Their next month's talk is **30th June "Cotton Comes to Lancashire" - Paul Cross.**

Turton Local History Society



Normally all events are on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm except for December, (which is too close to Christmas) and the summer months (May, June and July) when they have the evening walks. All start at Longsight Church Centre at Harwood, BL2 3HX. . They offer talks of local and regional interest. Please email Secretary PeterMHarris@care4free.net for more information.

Westhoughton Local History Group -

Meetings usually take place on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month, between 10am and 12md in the room above Westhoughton Library, Market St, Westhoughton, BL5 3AU
http://www.westhoughtonhistorygroup.org.uk/Westhoughton_History_Group/Home.html.

Their June events are Wednesday

10 June Walk from Westhoughton Station: Led by Ruth Duckworth

18 June Talk about a walk around Westhoughton - Ruth Duckworth

Horwich Heritage Centre- Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at



7:30pm at the Horwich Resource Centre, Beaumont Road (off Longworth Road), Horwich BL6 7BG. Open Days, are held most months on Saturdays between 10am --- 1pm. This month's other events are on **June 9th ~ A.G.M. 30 Years of Horwich**

Heritage then 20th June - Festubert Remembered (1915) . For more information please consult their web site at <http://www.horwichheritage.co.uk/index.html>

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That's it folks. See you next month