

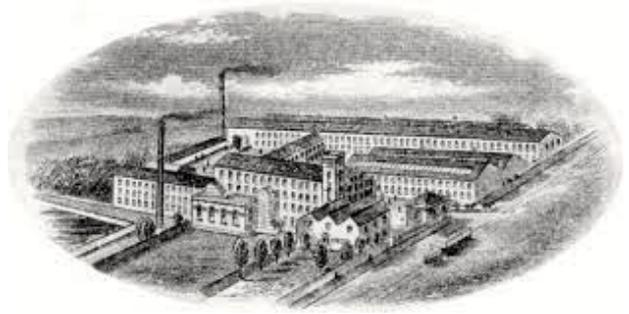
Huddersfield Local History Society

E-NEWSLETTER, OCTOBER 2019

Our E-NEWSLETTER

We would like to hear from you! Please send any news, details of events and books, requests for information and comments that you think may be of interest to other Huddersfield Local History Society members to

huddshistorynews@gmail.com



The e-Newsletter

As you will know this is the last Society newsletter that I will be putting together and sending out. For the moment, the newsletter will continue as our web master Dave Pattern has very kindly offered to take over. He will also be taking over the newsletter email address (please see above) and, as of now, I will not see any messages sent to that address. Dave will also be in the position of circulating information via the Society's website when he feels it is appropriate. Please do get your news and events to Dave in good time – the only emails we send out between newsletters relate to HLHS matters.

If you feel that you would like to get involved with producing the newsletter at some point then please do get in touch. And if there is any member out there who is interested in developing the Society's presence on social media, then do let us know.

Membership subs 2018-2019

Our membership secretary Val Davies has asked me to remind all those who have not yet paid their membership fees that they are now overdue. If you are not whether or how you have paid then please contact Val at membership@huddersfieldhistory.org.

Our November meeting

Our last meeting for 2019 promises both fun and glamour – Dave Russell's talk on nights out in 1960s West Yorkshire might even hold some memories for some of us. 25 November, usual time, usual place.

*And don't forget to check out the Society's website at
<http://www.huddersfieldhistory.org.uk>*

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Our study day

Language, People and Places Saturday 23 November 2019

This year's study day is a tribute to the life and work of George Redmonds. Members of the Society have already received an invite to attend; however, it has been agreed that, due to the interest outside of the Society, the event will be opened to non-members

Places are limited, but bookings can be made through the Society's website at <https://www.huddersfieldhistory.org.uk/events/studyday/> If you know of anybody who would like to come to our event, please do pass this link on to them. The web page includes the full programme for the day as well as directions for getting to the venue, Brian Jackson House.

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Family & Local History Fair

Saturday 16th November

10:00am to 4:00pm - Admission £3.00 - www.hdfhs.org.uk
Accompanied children under 16 free, cafe open all day & free parking.
Cathedral House . St Thomas' Road . Huddersfield . HD1 3LG

The annual Huddersfield Family History Fair is almost upon us and once again Huddersfield Local History Society will be having a stall at the event. In addition, there are 27 other exhibitors from the Huddersfield district, and beyond. There are also three talks: 10.30am – Rosie Hall from the West Yorkshire Archives on Exploring Estate Collections for Family & Local History, 11.45am – Edgar Holroyd-Doveton on Voting and Elections for Family Historians and at 1.30pm Hannah Gosling on The Workhouse – Huddersfield, Bradford and Leeds. However, you may need to arrive early to reserve a seat.

EVENTS – November

Friday 1 November

Huddersfield & District Archaeological Society: The Deep Ancestry of Europeans Speaker: Martin Richards, Heritage Quay, University of Huddersfield, 7.45pm

Tuesday 5 November

Halifax Antiquarian Society: The other Hedgeland – George Caleb Hedgeland, creator of the Halifax Minster's great east window, Speaker: Harry Atkinson, Caygill Rooms, Piece Hall, Halifax, 7.30pm

Wednesday 6 November

West Yorkshire Archive Service: Recipes through the years workshop, Wakefield History Centre, a choice of 2 sessions (1.30-3.30pm or 5.30-7.30pm but booking essential), £12. For further information and to book a place go to <https://www.wyjs.org.uk/archive-service/events/>

Saturday 9 November

National Trust Supporters Group, Huddersfield and Halifax: Skipton Speaker: Noel Moroney, Blackley Baptist Church, 2pm for 2.15pm start, £4 non-members, refreshments afterwards included.

Monday 11 November

Marsden History Group: A history of farming in the industrial Pennines, Speaker: Stephen Counce, Marsden Mechanics Hall, 7.30pm, admission £3.

Wednesday 13 November

Friends of Tolson Museum: Huddersfield Filmmakers Club. Tolson Museum, 2pm-3.30pm.

Thursday 14 November

Honley Civic Society: Living in the medieval Holme Valley Speaker: Peter Burton, Parish Rooms, Church St, Honley, 7.30pm.

Tuesday 19 November

Halifax Antiquarian Society: Women in property? Wills and bequests in probate records Speaker: David Cant, Caygill Rooms, Piece Hall, Halifax, 7.30pm

Wednesday 27 November

History Jar: Henry of Hereford, Lancaster & Derby Am I, who ready here to stand in arms – the life of Henry IV Tutor: Julia Hickey. Calderdale Industrial Museum, Halifax. 10am-3.30pm, £20. Go to <https://thehistoryjar.com/day-schools-halifax-2019-20/> to book a place.

Thursday 28 November

Kirkheaton History Group: William Pontey, eminent author and landscape gardener
Speaker: John Taylor. Kirkheaton Community Centre, 7.30pm, £2.50

Monday 25 November

Nights out in 1960s Yorkshire: Cabaret, Glamour and Casinos Speaker: Dave Russell
University of Huddersfield, Brontë Lecture Theatre (room BLG/05), 7.30pm, £2 for non-members.

Whilst every effort has been made to check the accuracy of the information included in these listings, it is up to members themselves to check that the event is happening and that any arrangements have not been changed.

HLHS WRITERS WORKSHOP 2020

Perhaps you have considered submitting an article to our Society Journal but, while we urge all our writers to check out the notes for authors which can be found on our website, these mostly relate to form rather than to content.

We've been wondering if it would be helpful to hold a workshop which would offer support to potential contributors but also provide an opportunity for participants to discuss their ideas and the best ways of getting them into print. Recently it has been an unusual year when an article from our Journal has not been selected for a research and publication award for their author from the British Association for Local History – in the future this could be you.

Already some members have expressed an interest in taking part – please email me if you think this is something with which you would like to be involved at info@huddersfieldhistory.org.uk. We hope to run our first workshop in the Spring.

Christine Verguson

A new book...

DID YOU KNOW WE USED TO HAVE ROGUE CURATE LIVING IN THE HOLME VALLEY?



THE CURATE AND THE KING'S COIN



JOHN CROSS

Edmund Robinson was appointed as the curate at Holmfirth Chapel in 1673. He had previously married a local yeoman's daughter who had come into an inheritance. He was soon to abuse his position in the church by conducting false marriages, and subsequently went on to develop a reputation for dealing in counterfeit coins, before finally being apprehended for counterfeiting itself.

The motivation for writing this book came from background reading for a potential local archaeological investigation. It was also a matter of personal interest, since Robinson's residence lay overlooking the village in which I live.

I have tried to explore the wider contextual background by briefly addressing issues such as coinage in the 17th Century, the law on counterfeiting, and the religious political and economic circumstances at that time, operating to some extent nationally but particularly within his own curacy.

The book is essentially concerned with an intriguing individual, who was at various times a rogue clergyman, gentleman, parish constable, potential highwayman, fraudster and counterfeiter, land and property owner, and moneylender.

John Cross

THE CURATE AND THE KING'S COIN

Copies available from November 7th 2019 - to order an advanced copy,
contact 01484666528 or 01484683196

The official book launch is at New Mill Club 28th November, 7.00pm

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