
LEYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

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The Industrial Heritage of Leyland & Farington – Recording the workforces of the town

I am very pleased to announce that the Leyland Historical Society has been successful in obtaining a Heritage Lottery Grant for our Oral History project.

The grant will enable the Society to undertake a number of events over the next two years. These include

To print a second edition of the Society's 2010 publication "The Industrial Heritage of Leyland and Farington".

This has now gone to the printers in its new expanded 124 page, full coloured and updated form, available next month.

To train at least 10 members or any others who may wish to be involved, in recording a minimum number of 100 oral histories. A second round of interviews will also involve history students from UCLAN.

This is where **YOU** come in, if you would like to be involved in the interviewing let the committee know.

We also need a much larger database of prospective interviewees. So if you worked in any of the factories in Leyland and Farington, we need your details, please ask family, friends or neighbours.

To open a pop up Heritage Centre in a vacant town centre shop to showcase the society's work, promote the project to potential volunteers and interviewees, deliver a programme of talks and historical walks and invite visits from schools and other groups.

We are aiming to open the Heritage Centre from Monday 21st May until the first week of July. Days and hours of opening to be arranged when we have the volunteers in place. Yes hopefully members, so **YOU** come in again.

At a later date we will look to visit care homes and day care centres to give presentations, facilitate reminiscence sessions and collect people's memories about working in Leyland's industries.

We will then transcribe the interviews and publish them to the website and on CD / DVD to be distributed to local schools, colleges, societies, libraries etc.

THAT'S ALL THERE IS TO IT



Meetings



Monday 8th January 2018 (2nd Monday) – Chris Wild
"Archaeology - The Latest Past"

Thursday 11th January at Le Corte
Leyland Heritage Luncheon - £11.90 per person
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Monday 5th February – Sid Calderbank
"Cracks from the Cobblers Seat"

Monday 12th February
WE ARE HAVING A FREE INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE
LAUNCH EVENT HERE ON 12th FEBRUARY.
ALL EX-EMPLOYEES OF THE FACTORIES
INVITED

Monday 5th March – Colin Dickinson
"Development of Late Victorian and Edwardian Gardens"

Monday 9th April (2nd Monday) - Thomas Woodcock
"The Story of Heraldry"

Monday 7th May - 13th Annual Historical Society Trip
Beamish
Details given out last month – copies available tonight

Saturday 19th May* - Leyland Historical Society at Home
A Full day event from 9 am until 9.00 pm.
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Monday 4th June* - Dr Mark Baldwin
"World War II Codebreakers"

Sunday 1st July at Le Corte, Golden Hill, Leyland
Society's 50th Anniversary Meal

Monday 2nd July* - Dr David Starkey
"The Monarchy"

Leyland Historical Society at Home Civic Centre – Saturday 19th May

Leyland Historical Society is pleased to welcome members of the Lancashire Local History Federation to learn something of the town's history and to help celebrate our 50th Anniversary.

Programme

- 09.00 – 09.15 Registration/tea or coffee
09.15 – 09.30 Welcome/notices
09.30 – 10.15 **Peter Houghton:** The Industrial Heritage of Leyland & Farington
10.15 – 11.00 **Mrs Elizabeth Shorrocks:** The ffaringtons of Worden
11.00 – 11.15 Interval/tea or coffee
11.15 – 12.00 **Colin Dickinson:** The Cotton Mills of Lancashire
12.00 – 12.30 **Sid Calderbank:** Lancashire Local Dialect
12.30 – 13.00 **Annual General Meeting of L.L.H.F**
13.00 – 14.00 Buffet Lunch with tea/coffee
14.00 - 15.00 A guided Fishwicks double decker bus trip around Leyland
15.00 – 17.00 Three different walks around Leyland
1. Industrial Walk around Hough Lane, North & South Works of Leyland Motors & Rubber Industry
2. Walk to Worden Hall and Park with Elizabeth Shorrocks
3. Walk to the South Ribble Museum and Parish Church
17.00 – 19.00 Make your own arrangements for evening meal but recommend the Leyland Lion (Wetherspoon's - which includes a display provided by the Historical Society).
19.30 – 21.30 Special talk by **John Gater** of **Time Team** who will discuss what the programme meant to him.
Fee: £17.50 (including buffet lunch, bus tour and evening speaker)

Members of Historical Society only £10.00

**Book early to ensure places
Don't forget your booking form tonight**

**Pick up one or more of these
leaflets tonight.**

**Give them to your family, friends,
neighbours, anyone who used to work in
one of the many factories of Leyland &
Farington.**

**Tell them about the free meeting on 12th
February, we want to reach as many
people as we can**



Leyland Heritage Luncheon Thursday 11th January-Noon till 2 pm La Corte. The Old Police Station, Golden Hill

Two course meal with tea / coffee, presentation and slide show from Peter Houghton, (yes it's me), tales and tour of the Old Police Station.

A lovely afternoon learning about Leyland's Heritage, meeting with friends, making new acquaintances and enjoying a delicious meal in beautiful surroundings

All for £11.90 per person

If this is a success, it will be the start of a series of similar such heritage luncheons, so please support it.

Please ring to book your table on 01772 453552 or pop into La Corte.



**LEYLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
NEEDS YOUR HELP**



**DID YOU WORK IN
ONE OF THE
FACTORIES IN
LEYLAND AND
FARINGTON?**