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August 2016

It is that time again!



2015 Family and local History, Heritage and Craft fair

Here former chair Keith Fanshawe is seen here with Barry Bingham 2015/16 mayor of Chesterfield.

The day was successful with lots of the exhibitors shouting see you next year as they were leaving the building. Feedback was that they loved the venue, nice and light and airy. The CADFHS committee were kept busy the whole day and there was a good half dozen members who turned out to help too.

One thing that did strike us on reflection was how few of our own members came along on the day. Some did travel from afar and others made the journey in order to see their own preferred society.

So come on you local members, come along and say hello. ;o)

If you have never been to one of these fairs, then you don't know what you are missing. SO! Come along and ask the researchers on the Family History stands including our own. Don't miss the opportunity to see the Family History Societies that are coming here to you! And for you! **See page [2] for a list of exhibitors.**

Dena

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Information and diary dates

See here:

<http://www.cadfhs.org/the-great-war-1914-1919/>

Scroll down for the Absent Voters list that covers our area. A valuable resource when searching you forefathers during this time!

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**Chesterfield & District
Family History Society
Are Hosting on**

Entry £1.00
includes entry into
FREE raffle too.
Accompanied children
under 12 FREE

Saturday the 27th of August 2016 10am till 4pm

Family History, Local History & Heritage plus Craft Fair

**LEARN HOW TO TRACE YOUR ANCESTORS,
the History of your family and the local areas**

Family and Local History & Societies - Help and Advice desks - Transcriptions - Indexes - Genealogy Supplies - Old Maps- New and Old Books - Software, CDs and DVDs, postcards Food and lots more A day out for all the family.

Free onsite Parking

The Outwood Academy

Highfield Lane, Newbold, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S41 8BA

Two free speakers 11am and 1:30pm

www.cadfhs.org/family-history-fair/

NEW! The Young Genealogist or 'Twigglets Corner'
Where there will be lots free fun for the kids including
A 'Treasure Hunt'
Create Your Own Family Tree and or Crest
Must be accompanied by an adult.

Speakers at on Saturday the 27th of August

11.30

in the Dance Studio

Eric Chamber's

IN MY GRANDFATHER'S FOOTSTEPS

Eric Chambers' account of how he retraced his Grandfather's journey.

A WWI story.

Will be accompanied by a powerpoint presentation

1:30

in the Dance Studio

JOHN ROBINSON' - TRIP OF A LIFE TIME'

Local and well known Chesterfield Company, Robinson's & Sons An excursion to London, taking 3,700 employees. John a descendant of the founders will be taking through this Centenary celebration which took place in 1939 on July 6th; The planning and logistics of such a task. The talk is accompanied by amazing cine footage taken by John's father, Ernest Robinson, and also footage taken by Guamont British News which was payed that week at all the Chesterfield Cinemas of the day.

Sounds fascinating to me and definitely not one to miss!

Air Ambulance – our chosen Charity
2016-17
Arkwright Society (Cromford Mill)
Chesterfield & District Family History Society
Chesterfield & District Local History Society
Chesterfield Museum
Chesterfield, St Helen and District Local History Society
Chesterfield Local Studies (Library)
Derbyshire Records Office
Doncaster Family History Society
Esprit Tour Service (History Tours)
FACHRS – Family and Community - Historical Research Society
Family History Partnership
Grandma's Crafts

Leicester & Rutland Family History Society
Lincolnshire Family History Society
Make Peace Maps
Military And Family Genealogy
My History
Nth Wingfield Local History Society
Nuneaton & North Warwickshire – Family History Society
Pollie Scott Art.
Ruth Broughton Art
Rotherham Family History Society
Sheffield Family History Society
Victoria County History [VCH]
Wyvern Railway Advice Research
Joshua Hogan Print and Design
Twigglets Corner and Toy's of yesteryear.
Catering by Newbold Bakeaway

6th September 2016
Monthly meeting
The AGM 7:30

Followed by Celia Renshaw
“Losing Ancestors to Descent”

Celia Renshaw has been researching her own families and those of friends and cousins around the world for 14 years. She has always had a keen interest in history, especially at local level, and quickly became addicted to the ‘detective-work’ and puzzle-solving of genealogy.

Over the years, and quite by accident, she has gained expertise in religious dissent, or non-conformity, from the Protestant Reformation in the Tudor period through to the 20th century. Her special interest is in Puritans and Quakers, especially those who jumped the pond to the new world, and is currently learning more about various types of Methodism.

Her presentation “Ancestors Lost to Dissent” will explain why religious non- conformity in England is important to family researchers, how to recognise when ancestors over the centuries may have been dissenters and the many informative sources that are available.

Next Meeting Tuesday
6th September 2016.

Monthly meetings are held at 7pm for 7:30 at
St Hughs Catholic Church, Dukes Drive, Littlemoor.
The first Tuesday of every month.
Why not bring a friend?

What sort of documents might you find in the 'Parish Chest'

Lots more than Parish records.

THE PARISH CHEST -THERE WAS MORE TO LIFE THAN BAPTISM, MARRIAGE AND BURIAL

At our August meeting Kate henderson, engaged our attention and provoked much thought with what I might call a tutorial, its title 'Examine & Explore Original Documents'. It was fascinating and I had never realised just how much other stuff can be found by rummaging in the **Parish Chest** on which the largest part of her talk was about.

However we were warned that as with other documents they may not all have survived. But definitely worth a delve. Where will you find them?

Mainly at you local records office.

So what might we find?

What is the Parish and what role did it play in your ancestors lives?

The records and accounts of the parish make up what is collectively called the **parish chest**. From the reign of Elizabeth I the parish's role in local affairs expanded to include many civil responsibilities that affected the lives of your ancestors. Parish officers - the churchwardens and overseers - raised taxes, kept accounts and managed parish affairs including maintaining the church, providing relief to the poor, settle entitlements, setting local rates, repairing roads, maintaining law and order, and operating schools. You will discover other fascinating records as well, among them the wills of benefactors, militia records and parish magazines.

Churchwardens, Overseers and Vestry records.

Property and Land Records. Quarter sessions.

The Parish Constable, School Records and Other Records.

Happy rummaging. *Dena*

Visit our new website here: www.cadfhs.org

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email us at mail@cadfhs.org

Case Studies

At the August meeting the speaker said that she had visited our website and noticed we had '**Case studies**' on there. The reason she was so pleased is that she knows the value of reading '**Case Studies**' put together by other members.

It is a while since we asked our members to take part in this by add one of their own stories that will help other members who read them!

See some case studies click button below.

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This month's Gem
is
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Education in the
'Work House'

THE BEST PART
ABOUT GENEALOGY
IS SEARCHING FOR
ANCESTORS AND
FINDING FRIENDS

—Lawrence Dillard

by kind permission of Twisted Twiggs &
Gnarled branches

Monthly Meetings
First Tuesday of the Month
Everyone is welcome so do
introduce a friend

2.00 members and £3.00
guests. Includes complimentary
refreshments.
7pm for 7.30pm
more details visit

[September meeting](#)