



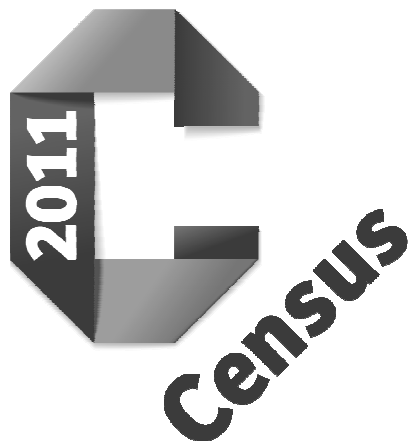
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THE 2011 CENSUS IS COMING - HELP TOMORROW TAKE SHAPE

Rich source of history

The census provides an historical snapshot of your ancestors, and how they lived. Since 1841 it has been the only source that enables genealogists to find information about families living together, showing essential information about relationships, occupations, ages and place of birth.

At **Chesterfield Library** in March there will be a display featuring past census returns, and on the 28th -30th March a chance to drop in and get help filling in your 2011 census return online.

2011 Census Family History

The 2011 Census is inviting the public to submit their family tree stories for publication through www.census.gov.uk/2011familyhistory and 2011 Census Family History on Facebook.

EVENTS IN DERBYSHIRE LIBRARIES THIS SPRING

As well as Janet Murphy's talk on Black & White buildings of Chesterfield (see below), on the 19th April Mark Dawson, author of "Plenti and Grase", will talk on "**Food & Drink in Tudor & Stuart North Derbyshire**" in Chesterfield Library Lecture Theatre 7:30-8:30pm, tickets £3 and £2 concessions. For more information on both events please contact Chesterfield Library, 01629 533400 chesterfield.library@derbyshire.gov.uk

In connection with the unveiling of Lady Olave Baden-Powell's blue plaque in Shentall Gardens on the 22nd February, there will be a display of guiding memorabilia in the foyer in Chesterfield Library in March.

Black and White Buildings of Chesterfield



A talk by
Janet Murphy

Chesterfield Library Lecture Theatre

Tuesday 22nd March
7:30pm - 8:30pm

Tickets £3.00/£2.00 concessions
Available from the Library Help Desk

Ashbourne Library is planning a special display in April, in the lead up to May's referendum on our voting system.

Illustrated with local material, the display is on the history of the vote from 1066 to the present day.

South Normanton Library 31st March
10.00 – 16.00 "Turn Back Time" - Help us to find out the history of your village. Residents are asked to bring along photos, artefacts and memories of South Normanton and build up a timeline from each of these eras: Victorian, Edwardian, World War 2, 1960s and 1970s. Pinxton and South Normanton local History Society will also be there to answer questions about the local area. In addition support will be available to search your ancestors through the Ancestry website.

If you missed the display in **Glossop Library** in January about the Wood Family, you can see it again as it makes a return visit on the 21st March for 2 weeks. There will also be talk at Glossop Library on May 17th 7.30pm called "Curiosities of the Peak" by Jack Hanmer.

Drop in and find out How to be a Time Lord at **Eckington Library** on Thursday 24th February 10-12, a family event suitable for ages 7 and up. For more information call Eckington Library on 01246 433943.

Hayfield Library is planning to host a Blue Plaque event in conjunction with Hayfield Civic Trust to celebrate the Arthur Low plaque which is to be erected in Kinder Road. A provisional date has been set for 8th April at 2.15 pm. Please contact the library for more information.

THE DOMESDAY PROJECT 900 AND 25 YEARS ON

On 19 March this year, the BBC plans to launch Domesday Reloaded. They are retrieving and publishing the photos and stories that were collected 25 years ago as part of the original pioneering BBC Domesday Project, and asking people to help to bring this collection up to date. As part of the launch, regional TV and local radio want to do stories about some of the original participants. However, the data is incomplete - making it difficult to identify people. Even just the name of a school would be a start. Perhaps you know someone who participated or perhaps you took part yourself. To help us research it, can anyone remember their school, their children or themselves taking part in 1986, maybe burying a time capsule or doing a survey of their local area? To jog your memories, the Domesday Project was featured on Blue Peter at the time, and Michael Wood the history presenter was involved with it. What do you remember? Send us an email at localstudies@derbyshire.gov.uk to share your memories.

EVENTS AT BUXTON MUSEUM AND ART GALLERY

Terrace Road, Buxton, Derbyshire
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buxton.museum@derbyshire.gov.uk

Friends of Buxton Museum and Art Gallery talk: The Lady of the Lamp – Florence Nightingale

Friday 25th February, 7pm

Reverend Clive Tougher, local historian, celebrates this pioneering nurse and her work in relation to the soldiers she helped from the Mercian Regiment. Members free, guests £3.

Pop-up Theatres: miniature marvels - thrills, chills and daredevil adventures!

Thursday 24th February, 10am–12 pm and 1pm–3pm

Using old prints of the Peak District, join local artist and storyteller Gordon MacLellan to make your own Victorian–style pop-up theatre complete with scenery, heroes, villains, animals and monsters! Tell adventures from the hills and dales that no-one has ever heard before! Suitable for anyone from 8 years of age. Younger children are welcome but must bring an adult to help them. Free but must be booked.

Seeing is Believing

Saturday 19th March, drop-in 10am-1pm and 2-4pm

Take part in lots of fun activities for all the family including body language games and self-portraits. A National Science and Engineering Week event.

Friends of Buxton Museum and Art Gallery talk: Pieces from the Past – A Look at the Town of Leek

Friday 25th March, 7pm

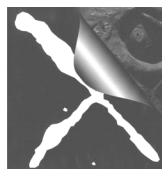
Cathryn Walton, local historian, will explore this Staffordshire town's links to Napoleonic French Prisoners, the Arts & Crafts movement and its Sugden architecture. Members free, guests £3.

In Conversation...Poetry writing workshop with Ann Atkinson, Derbyshire Poet Laureate

Saturday 2nd April, 10am-3pm

Joseph Wright has captured the light in their eyes, the hint of a smile or a frown, these faces look at us, caught in a moment in time. Be inspired by the pictures and join Ann Atkinson in a poetry writing workshop. Tickets cost £5 and must be booked through Ali Betteridge, Literature Development Officer on 01773 831 359 or email alison.betteridge@derbyshire.gov.uk

EXHIBITION X



Buxton Museum and Art Gallery Saturday 11th December 2010 to Sunday 8th May 2011

There are some parts of a museum's collection that hardly ever go on display. This may be because the item is too explicit, repulsive, politically incorrect or just plain dull.

Exhibition X is an effort to drag these artefacts out into the light of day and question our perception of what is ugly. Come and judge for yourself but be warned: this is not a display for those of a sensitive disposition!

Contact Martha Lawrence, Assistant Museums Manager, with any enquiries related to exhibitions on 01298 24658 or martha.lawrence@derbyshire.gov.uk.

DERBYSHIRE RECORD OFFICE

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"Thank You For Your Letter"

at Buxton Museum on 17th March 2-4pm and Derbyshire Record Office on 18th March 2-4pm.

A pair of outreach events celebrating letter-writing, to coincide with the Communication theme of National Science and Engineering Week (13-20th March 2011). Participants are encouraged to bring a letter that is meaningful to them, for discussion. We are also looking for readers.

Derbyshire Record Office: Introduction to the Search Room

This is an opportunity to learn how to use the resources held by Derbyshire Record Office. Each half-hour session will be held at 9am, on the following dates:

16th February
9th March
30th March
20th April
11th May
1st June
22nd June

BRITISH LIBRARY 19TH C NEWSPAPERS ONLINE

An amazing treasure-trove of information, this database contains 3 million pages of news and advertisements from 70 regional newspapers from all parts of the UK, all scanned and indexed.

The Derby Mercury (1800-1900), Sheffield Independent (1819-1900) and Nottinghamshire Guardian (1849-1900) are especially useful for local historians in Derbyshire, but often other newspapers pick up stories from our local papers, and news from Derbyshire can be found in the Scottish, Welsh and Irish papers too, especially if the news is something sensational. For example, you can read about the scandal involving the Vicar of Crich in 1899 in the Manchester Times, the Belfast Newsletter and the Dundee Courier.

For family historians, a search of the papers may turn up some unexpected snippet which adds a bit of colour to the bare bones of facts and dates on the family tree. Perhaps an ancestor was up

before the bench for poaching, attempting to evade tolls or petty theft, as one of mine was, although the fact that he was considered 'of good character' is some consolation.

As well as searching for information about a place or person, it is possible to choose a newspaper and read a complete issue of a date of your choosing. If you like dramatic Victorian illustrations, try reading the fascinating, but macabre Illustrated Police News, or for something a little less bloodthirsty, The Graphic or the Penny Illustrated Paper.

Of course there are minor imperfections. Sometimes the indexing doesn't pick up a name, a page may need to be refreshed before the article appears, or some issues are missing and have not been scanned, but on the whole this is a fantastic resource which has added a whole new dimension to researching local and family history.

This database is provided free of charge in Derbyshire Libraries and also available at home to members of Derbyshire Libraries via our web site

www.derbyshire.gov.uk If you would like to know more, please drop in to the County Local Studies Library at Matlock or Chesterfield Local Studies and talk to the staff on the enquiry desk.

AND FINALLY...

Derbyshire Record Office has launched its new blog with a list of unusual names found in parish registers, such as Apollonia Pinkney, Daisy Daft and Polly Esther Shirt.

See

<http://recordoffice.wordpress.com/unusual-names/>

for more, and add a comment - especially if you can share examples you have found.



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