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Branch AGM

It was good to see a well filled Chorley Library conference room on the evening of the Chorley branch's AGM. Owing to health reasons, Mike Coyle was unable to be with us, but Joan Dickinson took over the chairing of the meeting for the election of the committee and branch officials.

As a branch, we look towards another active year, and welcome some new committee members.

Chairman - Pauline CHAPMAN
Vice Chairmen - Ron CHAPMAN, Steve WILLIAMS
Treasurer - Kathryn CARTER
Corres. Sec., Webmaster, Mailing List, Exec Rep & Society Trustee - Steve WILLIAMS
Research Centre Co-ordinator - Sheila GIBBONS
Minutes Sec. - Catherine LIGHTBOWNE
Education Rep. - Pauline CHAPMAN
Programme Sec - Marian CROSSLEY
Raffle Co-ord. - Christine JONES
Publicity - Susan RILEY
Newsletter - Jenny CREE
Lending Library - Vivienne ROSS
Committee Members - Christine JONES, Ann LOWE, Bernard CLIFT
Auditor - Ian NEARY
Refreshments - Lucille PORTER

Temporary BMD Bargains

The General Register Office has announced a trial service to provide PDF copies of non-certificated records. They are available for a short period for births (1935-2006), marriages (1837-2010) & deaths (1958-2006).

The price is £8.00 each - a modest saving on the fee of £9.25 for a certificate. You can see more details on [the GRO site](#).

FFHS Competition



The Federation of Family History Societies (FFHS) is running a competition open to all UK residents aged between 5 and 16 years. The closing date for entries is Thursday 13th July 2017.

It is hoped to encourage children and young people, with the help of their older family members, to develop an interest in family history.

To enter the Competition competitors must:
Submit a photocopy or scanned copy of a completed double page spread of their 'My Family Tree' booklet and/or the completed family tree chart as printed in the booklet.

Write a short paragraph of no more than 450 words describing what they enjoyed most about working on the booklet.

To obtain a copy of the booklet, please send your name and address by email to the Administrator at :

admin@ffhs.org.uk with 'My Family Tree' in the Subject Heading, or request a copy by post by writing to:
The Administrator, FFHS, PO Box 8857, Lutterworth LE17 4RE

(The LFHHS Chorley Family History Research Centre did have a few copies, so please check if any are left before contacting FFHS.)

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Opening Times:

Mon, Wed and Fri

10.00 a.m.

2nd and 3rd Saturday

12 noon

Closed at 4.00 p.m. on

all above days.

Last appointment

3.00 p.m.

Booking is advisable on all days.

LFHHS Members Only Computer Club

3rd Monday of each month at 7.30 p.m.

LFHHS Resource & Research Centre,

2 Straits,

Oswaldtwistle

BB5 3LU

01254 239919

Open every Thurs and

1st Sat in each month,

1.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.

What's on

This evening's speaker: Welcome to Anna Watson. In her talk "How to find your illegitimate ancestors", she will be advising us on how to find relevant documents that will assist our research.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 12 noon – 3.30 p.m., "Chorley's Commercial Past", Chorley Heritage Centre, Upper Gallery, Astley Hall Farmhouse.

Saturday 22nd April, SAFHS Conference and Family History Fair, North Queensferry, Fife, Scotland. The 28th SAFHS Conference and Family History Fair will be hosted by the Association of Scottish Genealogists and Researchers in Archives (ASGRA) on the theme of "Building Bridges: Making Connections".

Saturday 22nd April, Spring Family History Day, Holiday Inn, Scotch Corner, Richmond DL10 6NR, Cleveland. North Yorkshire & South Durham Family History Society invites beginners and experienced family historians to their 18th Family History Day. There will be specialists on hand to give assistance together with bookstands and displays.

Saturday 20th May, 9.45 a.m. – 5.00 p.m., LFHHS One Day Conference and AGM, St. Cuthbert's Parish Centre, Lytham Road, Fulwood, Preston PR2 3AR. Details and application form available in the Journal, or on the Society website.

Until Saturday, 15th July, Wednesday to Saturday, 12 noon to 4.45 p.m., India's Gateway; Gujarat, Mumbai and Britain exhibition at Blackburn Museum and Art Gallery. During the UK Year of India in 2017, Blackburn Museum and Art Gallery is hosting this family friendly touring exhibition which traces the history of Gujarat and Mumbai as age-old centres of trade and migration, focusing on their remarkable links with Britain. The Museum and the exhibition are free to enter. The exhibition has an accompanying events programme.

Advance Notice

Sunday 1st October, 12 noon - Society Lunch hosted by Hyndburn branch at the Towneley Suite, Mercure Dunkenhalgh Hotel and Spa, Blackburn Road, Clayton-le-Moors BB5 5JP. Book your place through the Society website.

Saturday 14th October, Irish One Day Conference, Civic Centre, Union Road, Oswaldtwistle – opposite The Straits. Please put this in your diary now, details to follow.



Please note that the LFHHS Chorley Family History Research Centre will be closed on Monday 1st May, and on Monday 29th May (Bank Holidays). Open at all other advertised times, so please book in and continue your research!