



Chorley & Leyland News

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Apology

Sorry there was no February newsletter. I was on the other side of the world, and an "unnamed UK based person" had a lapse of memory! However, a small group of people can't do every job there is to be done within the branch. Please have a look at our Branch Chairman's message below, and consider whether you can help.



From Chorley Branch Chairman, Pauline Chapman:

Our AGM is here again - hence it is that time of year when we ask for help!!! Please can you think about supporting and helping us with the work we do at Chorley Branch by joining our committee.

We are a small group and could really do with some help - either as an officer or just as a committee member without particular responsibility. The Offices we are looking to fill are:

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Treasurer
Correspondence Secretary
Society Trustee/Executive Representative
Webmaster
Mailing List Co-ordinator
Projects Co-ordinator
Branch Sales
Programme Secretary
Education Co-ordinator
Publicity Co-ordinator
Newsletter Editor
Heritage Group Rep
Lending Library

If you feel you can help please volunteer this evening, or get in touch by emailing chorleysecretary@aol.com

From Marian Crossley, Programme Secretary:

The January branch meeting was a very definite success with a number of individuals bringing memorabilia for the "show and tell" evening. Items ranged from a glass from Albert Pierpont's pub, and original music composed and recorded by Ray's grandfather, to embroidery completed whilst convalescing. Also, people enjoyed having time to talk to each other.

The evening was such a success that we are repeating it again next January.

Thanks to all volunteers who made the evening so successful, and to Marian who organised it.

The 1939 Register

It's possible now to access the 1939 Register via the Chorley Family History Research Centre's subscription to findmypast. This and all the other resources are available to us and any friends that we book into the Centre - free of charge, though donations are welcome and necessary.

This Evening's Speaker

After this evening's short AGM, we look forward to welcoming our Speaker, Bob Dobson. We are grateful to Bob for agreeing to come to us at short notice when a programme change became necessary.

Bob's topic is "Lancashire Dialect", and there is a possibility that this evening he will bring along a selection of books for sale.

Next month, our Speaker will be Gail Newsham who will be sharing the social history of a women's football team - "Dick Kerr's Ladies".

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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.

For trial period on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, the Centre will remain open until 7.30 pm. Booking is essential on this evening & advisable normally.

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Open every Thurs and 1st Sat in each month, 1.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

News from the LFHHS Chorley Research Centre

At present a "Next Steps in Family History" course is being run on 10 Friday evenings. Course topics include: Records to Bridge the Gap, MIs and Newspaper, Maps and Surnames, Emigration and Immigration, Illegitimacy and Adoption, Army Research, Air Force Records and Navy Records, and an Out Visit to the LDS. The next 10 Friday evening course will be a "Further Steps", and will begin on September 16th. These courses are open to non-members, so please encourage any interested friends and neighbours to book places. Details from Pauline and Ron Chapman.

Last weekend, Ron Chapman ran a second Family Historian and Ancestral Sources genealogical software course. If you missed the course, but would like to book a place in the future, please have a word with Ron.

The Computer Club (sorry LFHHS members only) is held at the Centre on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7.30 p.m. Although it is well attended, anybody who is interested is welcome to join.

What's On

Tues 22 March at 7 p.m. "Business and Pleasure Combined" - The Rural Hiring Fairs of Lancashire, 1890-1939. Lancashire Archives, Bow Lane, Preston, PR1 2RE, £10

Until late April, "Chorley's Commercial Heritage – Banks, Building Societies and the Development of the Co-operative Movement in Chorley", Chorley Heritage Centre, Astley Hall Farmhouse. Open Monday and Wednesday 12 noon – 3.30 p.m., and at the same times on Friday, Saturday and Sunday when the lower gallery is in use.

Until late March "Dig In – Down to Earth Support for the Military Community", lower gallery Astley Hall Farmhouse. Days and Times as above.

Wed 6 April 1-4 p.m. Beginners and Refresher Course in English Palaeography, Lancashire Archives, Bow Lane, Preston, PR1 2RE, £10

7th-9th April Who Do You Think You Are? Live at NEC Birmingham

LFHHS Chorley Branch AGM Agenda

1. Chairman's Report
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Adoption of Accounts
4. Election of Officers
5. Society Chairman Mike Coyle's Comments
6. Vote of thanks to Mike Coyle