

## What's New

### From Astley Hall:

*Astley Hall is to receive £5,000 from the Sustainable Improvement Fund held by Museum Development North West. The money will be used to explore the story of the servants of Astley Hall in the 1850s.*

*We are also grateful to the Chorley Branch of the Lancashire Family History and Heraldry Society who have assisted with the research.*

Well done Chorley Branch!

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### From member Peter Bamford:

*The Hulton Archive was deposited with Lancashire Archives in 1947; its current owner now wishes to sell it and it will go to auction (and probably the USA) if £95,000 cannot be raised to purchase it by the end of November 2014. The Friends of Lancashire Archives, of which I am Treasurer, are attempting to raise this to save this collection.*

*The Archive contains over a 1,000 documents which cover the period 1189 to 1947 and reflect the vast influence this important family had throughout Lancashire and beyond. The papers cover churches, heraldry, genealogy, turnpike roads canals, railways, mining, the Peterloo Massacre and much more. For details and how to donate see: <http://www.flarchives.co.uk/save-hulton.html> <http://www.flarchives.co.uk/save-hulton.html>*

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### 1875 Scottish Valuation Rolls

The Valuation Rolls (VRs) for 1875 are now available on the ScotlandsPeople website. Until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014, the index can be browsed free of charge.

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**Findmypast** in partnership with The National Archives has released nearly 450,000 service records of men of the Royal Flying Corps and Royal Air Force.

As part of a digitisation project involving schools, record offices and archives, over 2.5 million National School Admission Registers & Log-books can be explored on findmypast.

## What's On

**Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup>**, 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m., Family History Fair, Huddersfield and District Family History Society, Cathedral House, St. Thomas' Road, Huddersfield, HD1 3LG. Free car parking available at Cathedral House.

**Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup>**, "Bow Lane to Wembley: Preston North End as Social History", a talk by David Hunt at South Ribble Museum & Exhibition Centre, The Old Grammar School, Church Road, Leyland, PR25 3FJ

### Lancashire Day Events



#### All on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November

Chorley- a range of stalls including local produce and crafts, cookery demonstrations by Philppa James of Lancashire Life Magazine, Lancashire entertainment, charity raffle, live broadcast by BBC Radio Lancashire's Sally Naden

The Wellbeing Farm, Edgworth, Bolton – special lunch of traditional Lancashire cuisine combined with some Lancashire dialect poetry.

Hoghton Tower - a welcome drink awaits you as you enter the Smoking Room for entertainment provided by Sid Calderbank and Mark Dowding.

#### Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November

Rufford Old Hall - on Saturday meet members of local organisations exhibiting inside the house and on Sunday come and watch Stone the Crows Morris dancers - contact Hall for times of dancing. Booking not necessary, but normal charges apply. More info from Rufford Old Hall, Email: [ruffordoldhall@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:ruffordoldhall@nationaltrust.org.uk) or Tel: 01704 821254

*The Chorley Branch will be there on both days.*