

Recent information on the LFH&HS Yahoo group gives a very handy link to another site called "Lost Cousins". Using the link <http://lostcousins.com/newsletters2/mar17extra.htm> you will find various articles but one of great interest is a "Masterclass on using FindmyPast". I checked this out and found it very interesting, giving the different methods in searching and the difference in results using Ancestry and FindmyPast. This information could be very helpful for achieving your required data more easily.

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**Talks being given through April at Lancashire Archives in Preston – (Bow Lane)**

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Getting to Know session, 2.20pm - 4pm

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Manorial records family history talk, 12.30pm - 1.30pm

Thu 27<sup>th</sup> Lancaster Library, 12-1.30pm

**Lancashire BMD updates**

Births - Bolton South (1941-1947); Farnworth (1943-1945); Great Bolton and Lever (1914-1941); Halliwell (1927-1943); Horwich (1923-1935); Little Bolton (1930-1947); South West Bolton (1935-1941); Turton (1935-1963); Manchester (1965-1969); Bolton North (1947-1948); Farnworth & Kearsley (1956-1963);

Births amended to include mothers' maiden names - Hulme (1847-1861); Farnworth (1869-1875);

Masrriages - Blackburn Register Office or Registrar Attended (1984-2000); Tottington, Methodist Chapel, Market St. (1908-2007); Prestwich, St.Margaret (1945-1962); Radcliffe, St.Andrew (1934-1965); Radcliffe, St.Mary (1920-1950);

Deaths - Manchester (1963-1969); Bury South (1889-1921)

Also updated are Staffordshire, Wiltshire, Cheshire & Yorkshire.

*The UKBMD, UKGDL and UKMFH websites have been updated once more to add more links and to clear out dead links where old websites are no longer operational. Many of the new links have Parish registers and Wills related content. On each of the individual county pages you will find links that have titles of the form "Parish Registers of ..." and "Wills and Administrations...". Each of these links will take you to websites with useful online data, many in the form of scanned images from out-of-copyright books. These are a fascinating read and often provide valuable data to help you build you family trees and learn about your families' lifestyles.*

*If you are a "FaceBook" user and need to track Roman Catholic Ancestry, this may be of interest. There is a FaceBook Group "Catholic History in Preston, South Ribble and Chorley" which is a closed group so that only members of the group can access it. After only a few months it is a rich source of photographs, articles and information. If you are a FaceBook user and are interested in the group, search for "Catholic History in Preston, South Ribble" and click on the "John Group" option. Your request to join will then be approved by the group administrator.*

*Whilst checking out this group another new group came to light for the History of the Diocese of Salford at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LancsCatholicHistory/> : Again a closed group that you have to join to view the posts which include MANY photos of churches.*

As you may or may not be aware, the Lancashire On-Line Parish Clerk Project also has regular updates. (<http://www.lanopc.org.uk/>) In March there were only a few from our patch but quite a few from the Manchester area. If you have connections in that area you may be lucky and find something.

*Don't forget that you can also use the National Archives for searching. They have many records that can be downloaded or cross referenced to other sites from which to save the information. If you are struggling, especially with military records, you may find extra information there. [NationalArchives.gov.uk](http://NationalArchives.gov.uk)*

### ***They're Back! Those Wonderful Church Bulletins!***

*The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.*

*Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled Proceeds will be used to cripple children.*

*The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.'*

*The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'*

*Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.*

*Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.*

*Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.*

## **Hyndburn Programme of Events 2017**

- Jan 3<sup>rd</sup>                    Workshop**
- Feb 9<sup>th</sup>                    'Village Signs'  
By Shirley Addy**
- Mar 9<sup>th</sup>                    AGM – and “Friends and Family – Heroes and Villains”  
By Hilda Rawcliffe**
- Apr 13<sup>th</sup>                    “Carnforth to Clitheroe”  
By Harold Hoggarth**
- May 11<sup>th</sup>                    Workshop – Accrington Reference Library**
- Jun 8<sup>th</sup>                    “Origin of Surnames”  
By Peter Watson**
- July 13<sup>th</sup>                    “History of Accrington Blind Society”  
By Marion Clark**
- Aug 10<sup>th</sup>                    “A Trip to Switzerland in 1916”  
By Tony Foster**
- Sep 14<sup>th</sup>                    Workshop – Accrington Reference Library**
- Oct 12<sup>th</sup>                    “Wounded & Missing in Action, POW of the Germans”  
By Bill Taylor**
- Nov 9<sup>th</sup>                    'Mediaeval Monasteries'  
By Julia Beedon**
- Dec 14<sup>th</sup>                    Christmas Party & Social Evening**

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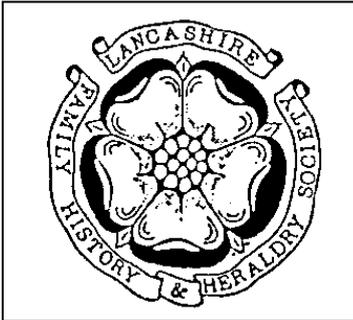
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**April 2017**



*WELCOME*

*Good Evening everyone, and a special welcome to Mr Harold Hoggarth who is speaking to us tonight on “Carnforth to Clitheroe”. Why do I get a feeling that this may be something to do with the railway?*

*As you may have seen from the back page we now have confirmation that the workshops for the rest of this year can still take place in the Reference Library, so the May and September meetings will be there.*

*April in History*

On 16<sup>th</sup> April 1889 Charlie Chaplin was born to actor parents, Charles and Hannah Chaplin, in Walworth, South London. His debut on the stage was at the tender age of 5, but he didn't transfer to the world of cinema for another twenty years. His film career lasted for half a century and he took part in over 80 films. It was a far cry from his poverty-stricken upbringing by an alcoholic father who was frequently absent, and a mother who was incarcerated in an asylum. He also had to accept an illegitimate half brother. He himself was in the workhouse twice in his first 10 years, but then he joined the music hall tours and at the age of 19 joined the Fred Karno Company and left with them for America where he developed his “little tramp” persona. The 1920s and 30s saw his greatest successes but he didn't really want to convert to “talkies”, and his politics began to alienate the Hollywood scene and after various incidents he left The States for Switzerland. He died on Christmas Day in 1977 having been given an honorary Oscar in 1972 and a knighthood in 1975 paying tribute to his contribution to cinema history.