

Handy sites for research –

If you can't find someone on the census, have you thought of checking in the trade directories for the area where they were lived? Leicester University has a collection of these books which can be viewed online.

<http://specialcollections.le.ac.uk/cdm/landingpage/collection/p16445coll4>

Don't forget the ScotlandsPeople website. It can be searched free and images purchased by credits. These are reasonably priced.

<http://www.scotlandsplaces.gov.uk/> has images of Scotland and its people and buildings which again can be viewed for free, and is easily searched from its county index.

Please remember that from GRO for England, images can now be supplied digitally in PDF format rather than as hard copy.

If you are on holiday anywhere near Lincoln Castle this summer it may be worth calling in to see the Domesday Book – details below have been supplied by the National Archives (the normal place of residence for the Book).

One of the earliest surviving public records – Domesday Book – will be loaned to Lincoln Castle as part of a major exhibition for 2017.

The iconic document was commissioned in 1086 by William the Conqueror following his successful invasion 20 years earlier.

Domesday gave the king a picture of his realm by recording the taxable value and resources of all the boroughs and manors in

England. On display in the Magna Carta vault from 27 May to 3 September, Domesday will be one of a number of local and national treasures showcased as part of the exhibition *Battles and Dynasties*.

To mark the 101st Anniversary of the Somme, this summer, "Forces War Records" is offering free access on 1-2 July, to its new interactive battlefield map, showing troop movements at the Somme. If you have an interest in troop movements at the Somme it could be worth a look. Make a note in your diary as free access is only for two days.

"Who do you think you are? Live" has now been axed. If you need to get your fill at a fair then head for the Yorkshire Family History Fair, at the Knavesmire Exhibition Centre, The Racecourse, York, YO23 1EX. It takes place on Sat. 24th June, 10am – 4.30pm. Adults £4.80, children under 14 go free. <http://yorkshirefamilyhistoryfair.com/>. From the website you can buy one ticket and get a 2nd free.

Lancashire BMD updates

Births - Bolton North (1948-1953); Bolton South (1947-1967); Farnworth & Kearsley (1963-1967); Turton (1963-1967):

Births amended to include mothers' maiden names – Manchester (1950-1965); Ardwick (1837-1881);

Deaths – Ormskirk (1950-1961); St Helens Second (1957-1968);

Additions have also been made to Cheshire, Wiltshire & Bath BMDs

Lectures at Lancashire Archives,

Bow Lane, Preston for June -

Jun 14th Coroners' records for family historians 12.30 – 1.30pm

Jun 28th Probate records for family historians 12.30 – 1.30pm

Jul 11th How to use the Archive 5.30 – 7pm

All you need to do is email – record.office@lancashire.gov.uk or call on 01772 533034

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More “Church Ladies with Typewriters”

Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.

Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.

The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.

Hyndburn Programme of Events 2017

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

Please contact Muriel Smith – muesmith@yahoo.co.uk – or speak to me at the meetings if you wish to have an article included in the newsletter.

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Hyndburn Branch
June 2017



WELCOME

Good evening everyone and welcome to our June meeting. We are very happy to welcome Mr Peter Watson to our meeting for his talk on the “Origin of Surnames”. This is a wide and interesting topic and I’m sure it will be well received by all. It can also be helpful for pointers in where to next direct your research if you have hit a ‘brick wall’.

Good news – This is just to put everyone in the picture as to the workshops. As at the present time we seem to be fine with these taking place at the library. It has been confirmed that the library is booked for the last one of this year in September, but also the signs are good for next year as well.

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News has also just arrived that the long awaited catalogue of holdings at the Chorley Research Centre has been completed. A complete list of books, microfiche, and parish records held at the centre can be accessed at the resource centre and also online at their website. It means that you can check if what you need is available before visiting the centre at Astley Hall Farmhouse, Hallgate, Astley Village, Chorley PR7 1XA

Opening times Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10am to 4pm; 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 12 noon to 4pm; Tel; 01257 231600 (When open) 01257 262028 (when closed) or check the catalogue online at - <http://www.cfhrc.com/resources-catalogues.html>