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WELCOME

Hi Everyone. I hope you have all had a good summer and holiday if you have had one, and come back refreshed for a new season of Family History, searching and talks. I have jiggled the format now so that articles come in the right order, with information first and mini articles after. It makes more sense as I am not printing the newsletter any more.

Enjoy this month's workshop, and if you need help or are just starting with your research please ask, we are all willing to help. Don't forget alternative resources for searching with, other than computers, there is a wealth of information in the reference library all there for your use. If you are searching locally you may not have checked out the Burgess Rolls, i.e. the Electoral Registers from 1880s.

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If you check out the next page, you will find the updated programme for the first part of next year. I think we have got a good selection of speakers, some new and some returners, so it should be an interesting year.

Please also make a note that the workshop in January has had the date amended to the 17<sup>th</sup>, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, as we have to fit in with Library Staff for evening supervision.

## **Hyndburn Programme of Events 2018 - 2019**

**Sep 13<sup>th</sup>            Workshop – Accrington Reference Library**

**Oct 11<sup>th</sup>            “Missing in Action, POW of the Germans”  
By Bill Taylor**

**Nov 8<sup>th</sup>            “Blood and Gore in Victorian Medicine”  
By Dick Chitty**

**Dec 13<sup>th</sup>            Christmas Social**

**2019**

**Jan 17<sup>th</sup>            Workshop**

**Feb 14<sup>th</sup>            “Emigration from Lancashire”  
By Gordon Read**

**Mar 14<sup>th</sup>            AGM – and “Bells, Bell Ringing & Bell  
Ringers”  
By Stuart Crosby**

**Apr 11<sup>th</sup>            “Lancaster Castle”  
By Dr Graham Kemp**

**May 9<sup>th</sup>            Workshop – Accrington Reference Library**

**Jun 13<sup>th</sup>            “Elizabeth Parker of Browsholme Hall”  
By Linda Sawley**

**July 11<sup>th</sup>            “Bene & Hot – The Tommies’ Tipple”  
By Denise North**

**Aug 8<sup>th</sup>            “Beyond the Iron Curtain with Guitar”  
By Neil Smith**

Meetings, except workshops, are held at the Accrington & District Blind Society premises on Bank Street, Accrington – 7.15 for 7.30pm start.

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

## Lancashire BMD updates

**Births;** Blackburn (1988-1998); Bury (1961-1965);

Births for Bolton RD to expand forename initials to full forenames:

Little Hulton (1837-1902)

Births amended to include Mothers' maiden names; Manchester (1967-1969)

**Marriages;** Ormskirk Register Office or Registrar Attended (1951-1974); Bury Register Office or Registrar Attended (1966-1968); Radcliffe, St. Thomas & St. John (1973-1980); Ramsbottom, St. Andrews (1965-1991)

Ramsbottom, St. Paul (1928-1981); Newton Heath, All Saints (1947-1954)

**Deaths;** Bury (1921-1927); Manchester (1977-1982);

Updates have also been made to Staffordshire, Yorkshire and Cheshire.

**Durham Records Online** has added Alnwick St. Michael baptisms 1854-1868;

Alnwick marriages 1841-1853 & Easington marriages 1837-1915 updated; Alnwick baptisms 1813-1853 & burials 1792-1850; Sunderland baptisms: 1838; Newcastle St. Ann baptisms 1878-1887; Ponteland baptisms & burials 1695-1728:

## News from Lancashire Archives

The volunteers who indexed the Lancashire crewlists have won a national award. The judges of the of the Archives and Records Association Volunteering Award 2018 said *Ancestors at Sea*, the Lancashire crewlists project, "was the clear winner in an outstanding field. The new index gives details of over 70,000 seamen from Lancashire, the UK and Ireland and includes a significant number of European and international sailors, too.

As part of their annual review of fees and charges, an informal user group is being held at 11.00am on Friday 5 October where Jacquie Crosby wants to consult users about what services you would be willing to pay for and what charges might be increased.

If anyone has any memorabilia regarding Whittingham Hospital, staff at the Archives would also love to hear from you regarding it.

If you have holiday time still pending and are down south, you may wish to visit this -

**The Family History Show, London**  
Saturday 22nd September 2018 -  
10am to 4.30pm

**Sandown Park Racecourse, Esher**  
Lectures during the day include topics on Military History, Photo dating, Breaking down Brick Walls and The Future of Genealogy.

## A Bit Naughty?

A man approaches a young woman in a shop. He says "I can't find my wife, can I talk to you for a few minutes?"  
The woman says "Sure, but do you have any idea where your wife is?"

"Not a clue," he says, " but whenever I talk to a beautiful woman with a figure like yours, she appears out of nowhere!"

## Do you know?

**WHY:** Why are people in the public eye said to be 'in the limelight'?  
**BECAUSE:** Invented in 1825, limelight was used in lighthouses and theatres by burning a cylinder of lime which produced a brilliant light. In the theatre, a performer 'in the limelight' was the centre of attention.

**WHY:** Why is someone who is feeling great, 'on cloud nine'?  
**BECAUSE:** Types of clouds are numbered according to the altitudes they attain, with nine being the highest cloud. If someone is said to be on cloud nine, that person is floating well above worldly cares.

*Bury Fusilier Museum 18<sup>th</sup> June  
– 21<sup>st</sup> September. Warth Mills  
Project Official Exhibition*

*This is a special exhibition revealing  
the untold story of the Italian,  
German and Jewish refugees who  
were interned in Manchester during  
WWII having been identified as  
Enemy Aliens. If you would like to  
read more information about these  
men, visit the website below where  
their individual stories can be found.  
[www.warthmillsproject.com/internees/](http://www.warthmillsproject.com/internees/)*

*Are you having trouble with  
photographs and identification?  
Family Search has a facility for  
you to upload a “selfie” and a  
photo of your ancestor and do a  
comparison to check if there are  
similarities. It could be of use if  
you have unidentified images, and  
wonder if you are related.  
Family Search also has a complete  
archive of Ellis Island records free  
to search. These are the  
immigration records for the U.S.A.*

## New from Find my Past

Ireland, Dublin Metropolitan Police Prisoners Books 1905-1908 and 1911-1918; Wiltshire Quarter Sessions records spanning the years 1602-1688; baptisms, marriages and burials from the parish of Ravenstonedale (1571 to 1780), Westmorland Wills spanning the years 1686 to 1738; Scotland, Lanarkshire Death & Burial Index 1642-1855; Clandestine Marriages - thousands of “Fleet” marriages from the National Archives spanning the years 1667 to 1754; Parish Registers of Leckhamstead, 1558-1812 and Parish Registers of St Mary, Reading, 1538 -1812. Lancashire baptism records 1538 to 1917 covering 191 parishes, banns and marriages 1538 to 1932 covering 194 parishes and burials from 1538 to 1990 covering 123 parishes; Scotland, Edinburgh Marriages 1595-1800; Scotland, Testaments 1514-1800 - property, relatives, and more in records of their last will and testaments. Edinburgh Apprentices 1583-1700; Over 37,000 additional 'open' records have been added to the 1939 Register; Cumberland Monumental Inscriptions in the Graveyards of Brigham & Bridekirk, 1666-1876.