

EYLHS Newsletter 50

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Newsletter of the East Yorkshire Local History Society

Front cover: St Oswald, Filey, 14th century effigy of a civilian, possibly representing a heart burial.

Contributions

Based in Hull it is not always easy to keep track of events in other parts of the Riding; news that members could contribute on their town or village should be sent to the editor.

Short articles, illustrated or unillustrated, news on libraries, archives, museums, societies or education, queries other people may be able to answer, etc. for inclusion in future newsletters should also be sent to the editor.

Newsletter

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News from the Society

Programme

As usual, the Society has arranged a full programme of lectures and excursions. Please support the events and bring along your friends.

PLEASE NOTE: If you can please consider paying by Bank Transfer or Internet Banking as our bank now charges for cheques. However, if you have to pay by cheque please make all cheques payable to the East Yorkshire Local History Society. All cheques and booking slips should be sent to the Programme Coordinator.

Programme Coordinator:

Pamela J Martin (Tel no 01482 442221; e-mail pjmartin@pjmartin.karoo.co.uk)

Saturday 29th March 2025

Toll Gavel United Church Hall (behind the church), Toll Gavel, Beverley HU17 9AA

2.00pm

AGM

Approx. 3.15pm

'After the Fire'

Presentation and talk

Speaker: Martin Needler

Martin Needler is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor who, during his working life, had an expertise in connection with historic buildings. His illustrated talk will explain his involvement in the greatest Gothic structure north of the Alps in relation to the fire which destroyed the roof of the South Transept of York Minster in 1984

An Afternoon Tea buffet will follow to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the East Yorkshire Local History Society.

FREE to Members

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

****Own Transport**

Friday 4th April 2025 or Friday 25th April 2025

The Champney Treasure House, Champney Road, Beverley. HU17 8HE 1.00pm

A visit to the Archives & Local Studies and Conservation Departments

Guided Tour of the recently refurbished Archives and Local Studies Services.

Guide: Hannah Stamp (Archivist)

Hannah is responsible for the Archives & local Studies Public Services and represents the Department on our Executive Committee.

Meet in the Treasure House main Foyer

Cost: £3 per person

Max. 12 people per tour

The tour lasts approximately 2 hours.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

****Own Transport**

The nearest car park is the one in Grayburn Lane. The Treasure House Café is open at lunchtime.

Friday 16th May 2025 or Friday 23rd May 2025

2.00pm

Visit to Knedlington Old Hall, (near Howden)

Guided Tour by Phil Thomas

Includes Tea and cake

Knedlington Old Hall is a small East Yorkshire gentry house, built between

1649 and c.1660 for a locally prominent Puritan family on a very ancient site. It may be no coincidence that its construction neatly spanned the years of the English Commonwealth. Most unusually for a non-aristocratic house in the region, it is built in a high-status and expensive mixture of brick (then a relatively unfamiliar material) and limestone to an advanced square, double-pile plan, detailed with care and theatricality. A little later in the seventeenth century the interiors were enriched. At the same time, the extensive and unusual farmstead complex around the Hall began to take its present form and a new entrance gate was constructed.

In 1964 the Old Hall was ruthlessly 'modernised' in the inappropriate materials generally used at the time. The present owners have worked to undo almost all of these damaging changes in breathable materials, and to create a setting suitable for a prominent seventeenth century house. They are about to begin repairing and conserving the most significant outbuilding in the farmstead complex; a dovecote, stable and scullery probably built in the 1770s.

Meet at the House

Cost: £8 per person

Max. 15 people per tour

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

****Own Transport**

Directions for visitors

Knedlington Old Hall is in the hamlet of Knedlington, just one mile west of Howden in East Yorkshire. DN14 7EU
From the East:

Take the A614 towards Goole. Ignore the turnings to Howden, and at a mini-roundabout turn right onto the A63 towards Selby. Follow the A63 for one mile and at the first crossroads turn left towards Asselby and Barmby. You are now in Knedlington. The Old Hall is on the right in half a mile, at the far end of the hamlet. The drive is immediately before the house.

From the north:

Take the A19 south to Barlby Roundabout. Turn left (signposted M62 E, M18, Hull Howden A63) and follow the A63 for about 8 miles. Drive past the first turning for Howden, and the road will bear to the right. At the next small crossroads, turn right towards Asselby and Barmby. You are now in Knedlington. The Old Hall is on the right in half a mile, at the far end of the hamlet. The drive is immediately before the house.

Via the M62:

Leave the motorway at exit 37 for Howden. After the motorway slip-road, turn left onto the A614 at the next roundabout. In one mile turn right at the mini-roundabout onto the A63 towards Selby. Follow the A63 for another mile and at the first crossroads turn left towards Asselby and Barmby. You are now in Knedlington. The Old Hall is on the right in half a mile, at the far end of the hamlet. The drive is immediately before the house.

PLEASE NOTE Priority Booking will be given to those members who had bookings cancelled last year. After three weeks has elapsed, any remaining vacancies will be filled on a 'first come first served' basis.

Thursday 26th June 2025

10.00am – 5.30pm approx.

Day Visit to Pickering

Morning Programme includes a Guided Tour of Pickering by John Kinghorn and a visit to the Beck Isle Museum (this includes time for refreshments at own cost).

Buffet lunch at the 'Black Swan'

Afternoon Programme a Guided Tour of Pickering St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church including the medieval wall paintings by Revd Gareth Atha.

Pickering is a historic market town with many places of interest and we will discover some of these on the day. Your entry ticket to Beck Isle Museum, which is a hidden gem and quite extensive, will allow you access on later occasions during the year, free of charge. Pickering Parish Church dates back to 1140 and we will learn about its architecture and the rare wall paintings dating back to medieval times.

Meet at Beck Isle Museum (there is limited parking)YO18 8DU on Bridge Street not far from the NYM Railway Station.

Cost: £30 per person

(includes Guided Tour, entrance to the Museum for whole year, buffet lunch and Church visit)

Max. No. 20 people

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Own Transport

NB Sensible weather gear and shoes advisable.

Thursday 3rd July 2025

10.00am

Visit to Leven

Guided Tours by Mary Carrick and Sandra Dews

Morning Tour led by Mary Carrick

A short introduction to the village history and then set off down the path alongside the canal, perhaps with a visit to the house gardens on the way to see the old canal-end warehouse.

Walk along the canal to the first bridge, looking at aqueduct over Barff Drain and then right into Old Leven. From there walk back into Leven along West Street, looking at Vernacular architecture features to junction with main road; then southwards to visit the church and back to New Inn for Buffet Lunch.

Walk about a mile and a half to two miles with plenty of stops.

Afternoon Tour led by Sandra Dews Eastwards up High Stile and then back westwards to road junction, looking at existing historic buildings and, perhaps, a chance to see inside one. Back along main road south to New Inn.

Walk about a mile and a half.

Opportunity for those who want, to see the site of St Faith's church and the old manor house which involves a short drive with car-sharing.

Meet at the New Inn, Leven (on the left at the small roundabout as you enter the village). Post code HU17 5NZ with parking either side of the building.

Cost: £15 per person

(Includes buffet lunch)

Max. No. 20 people

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Own Transport

NB Sensible weather gear and stout shoes advisable.

Saturday 19th July 2025

2.00pm

Talk and Guided Tour of Skirlaugh St Augustine's Parish Church HU11 5EU

To include Tea/Coffee and Cake
Skirlaugh Parish Church (Anglo-Methodist) is a Grade I Listed Building and boasts fine examples of Perpendicular Architecture. It was commissioned to be built between 1401 and 1404 by Walter Skirlaw, who became Prince Bishop of Durham.

Meet at the Church

Cost: £5 per person

****Own Transport**

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Directions: Take A165 from Leven roundabout and turn left at the mini-roundabout in Skirlaugh (down Church Lane). Church Car Park on the left just before the Church path entrance. Street parking also available.

Friday 15th August 2025

Visit to Sutton/Wawne Museum and Guided Tour of Sutton

Museum address: - 25 Church Street HU7 4TL and opposite the street called Highfield and the Sutton Village Care Home.

11.00am

Visit to Museum

Includes Tea/Coffee and Biscuits

Lunch bring your own 'pack up' which can be eaten on the premises or The Ship and Duke of York (Church Street) both serve lunches. Tea, coffee and biscuits available at the Museum for a small donation.

2.00pm

Guided Tour of Sutton

Guide: Paul Schofield

Meet at the Museum for morning and afternoon events

Cost: £12 per person

Max. No. 25 people

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

****Own Transport**

There is plenty of on street parking on Church Street and side streets. A small free car park can be found on the same side of the street as the museum.

Saturday 20th September 2025

EYLHS Local History Book Fair

Venue: Hull Minster (formerly Holy Trinity Parish Church), 10 King St, Hull, HU1 2JJ

10.00am – 3.30pm

This year the Book Fair will form part of the annual Heritage Open Days (HODs) celebration on the last Saturday of the 10 day programme.

As in 2024, we are expecting around 30 tables will be on show from more than 20 exhibitors.

The event is open to the public and is FREE to attend.

Income from exhibitors, less expenses of table hire and printing costs, is donated to the Minster.

It is hoped many EYLHS members will attend and support the Society.

****Own Transport**

Saturday 25th October 2025

Toll Gavel United Church Hall (behind the church), Toll Gavel, Beverley HU17 9AA

1.30pm

'The Life and Death of the Hull and Leith Paddle Steamer "Pegasus" 1835 – 1843'

Talk and Presentations

Speaker: Jane Bowen

Jane was born and raised on Clydeside; took a degree in history at London University, and after teacher training worked in the Home Counties, Isle of Man and North Yorkshire, before joining the Scottish Schools' Inspectorate. She retired to Northumberland in 2002 and since then has been involved in local history research, publishing a book on the village workhouse where she then lived, before getting involved with the 'Pegasus'. She moved to East Yorkshire in 2019.

2.30pm Afternoon Tea will be served to mark the Society's 75th year.

3.30pm

'Researching the history of East Yorkshire- a personal journey'

Talk and Presentation

Speaker: Dr David Neave

David will deal with both memories of the EYLHS from more than 60 years ago and some of his own work on the social, landscape and architectural history of East Yorkshire. David joined the Society in August 1961 when he was a schoolboy in Lincoln with no direct link with East Yorkshire.

Cost per person: £12

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

****Own Transport**

Friday 7th November 2025

The Champney Treasure House, Champney Road, Beverley. HU17 8HE
1.30pm

'Birds, Bats & Belfries'; Revd Francis Orpen Morris, an East Yorkshire Parson-Naturalist, Wildlife Campaigner, Author, and Vicar of Nunburnholme.

Includes the Association for the Protection of Sea-birds based in Bridlington, Egg Climbing and Benjamin Fawcett.

Talk and Presentation followed by a tour of the Museum displays and exhibitions.

Speaker: Sally Hayes

Sally is Beverley Curator at the Champney Treasure House.

Meet in the Education Room on the first floor.

Cost: £3 per person

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

****Own Transport**

The nearest car park is the one in Grayburn Lane. The Treasure House Café is open at lunchtime.

Participation in events

As reported in previous years, it has not been possible to arrange group insurance for events. We therefore strongly recommend that members and their friends take out personal accident/loss insurance, or include this in their households policies. We would also stress the need for suitable clothing - in particular, sturdy footwear and waterproofs - for outdoor events.

Please note

Please fill in each event slip fully as it makes it much easier to contact you if necessary. There is usually a waiting list for most of the Society's events. **If you book an event and then find you cannot attend, please inform the Programme Coordinator.** Please do not transfer your booking to a relative or friend without first consulting the Programme Coordinator, whose

telephone number can be found at the beginning of this section. Refunds will only be given for events costing over £5 Thank you.

Unfortunately, we have had to increase the cost of events due to inflation and the need to change our lecture venue. However, the prices, overall do represent value for money, especially the day events.

Membership Secretary

David Bowes will resign as Membership Secretary after the AGM, we thank him for his diligent work over the past five years.

If any member of the Society feels a calling to take on the roll it would be greatly appreciated. Anyone who is interested please contact the Secretary, whose details are on page 2.

Subscriptions

Subscriptions are now due, the rates are £15 for individual membership and £20 family / overseas.

Our bank, HSBC, has introduced charges for paying in cheques. To reduce our costs if you are able to pay by internet banking, bank transfer or standing order it would be appreciated. Our sort code is 401012 and account number 01058029.

If you do decide to pay by bank transfer in future could you please include your

full name in the reference as it can occasionally be difficult to match the entry on our bank statement with a member.

If you wish to continue paying by cheque please send to The Treasurer, 825 Anlaby Road, Hull, HU4 6DJ.

A Visit to Malton

What luck! June 21st 2024 was the first glorious summer day after a miserable period of weather. Members of the Society spent it in Malton We arrived in high spirits, locking forward to a day in warm sunshine. Malton is an attractive market town, just the right size for a day visit to the Food Capital of Yorkshire. It is sited on a steep hillside overlooking an important crossing-point on the River Derwent. This has been a trading centre even before Roman times. Led by two knowledgeable and enthusiastic guides, one being a retired GP, we concentrated on 18th and 19th century Malton, focussing on the large, sloping market place, where escape routes could be cut off during the lively cattle, sheep and horse markets. The town was noted for horse-racing.

The upper side of the market place curves round in a handsome terrace of Georgian buildings looking at their best in the bright sunlight. Malton is fortunate to have retained many old shop frontages, being subject to strict tenancy rules. There are still many small independent businesses and a noticeable lack of the bland, often

garish "house style" of the national chains that have taken over many market towns, where two plots can be thrown into one. As always, one should look up and admire the diversity of upper storeys and their higgledy-piggledy roof pitches and chimneys. The town is a splendid place for photography. At lunch-time we took over a small cafe, where we could talk non-stop as we tucked into an excellent buffet lunch.

After lunch we returned to the small, two-roomed Malton Museum in the imposing former Subscription Rooms in Yorkersgate. It was established in 1935 and is run by volunteers. Two of them described their collection, which includes both important Roman artefacts and more recent objects relating to the brewing trade and horse-racing. For local historians and school teachers this is a great resource.

Our thanks to Pam Martin for planning the day in Malton, which some of us rounded off with tea and cake in the "Hidden Monkey"!! What a good way to spend a perfect midsummer day!

Joan Kemp

Pevsner North Riding Lecture

Dr. Jane Grenville gave a very interesting lecture on revising Pevsner's North Riding of Yorkshire by starting with the background history of Nikolaus Pevsner who was born in Leipzig, Saxony in 1902 and after studying at several Universities moved

to London in 1933. After a University research post which led to a job in furniture design he also wrote and had published two books. In 1940, Pevsner was taken to the internment camp at Huyton, Liverpool as an enemy alien but was released after three months. He had found that the study of architectural history had little status in academic circles especially to travellers wanting to inform themselves about the architecture of a particular district. Invited by Allen Lane, founder of Penguin Books, work on the Buildings of England series began in 1945, and the first volume was published in 1951. We also could hear the voice of Nikolaus Pevsner and his son on a video clip, which was a very interesting addition to the slides. Dr. Grenville told us that of all the interesting work she had carried out in her career, updating Pevsner was her most enjoyable and she selected Swaledale for her talk as she said that it is a place where everyone should visit. I already had a photograph of Reeth on my phone reminding me that I would like to explore this area and so I came away more determined. In Dr. Grenville's revised edition, it was considered a triumph to include the Kearton home in Muker and in reconstructing why the entry for Reeth was so brief, it was thought that as Pevsner passed through with his long-suffering wife Lola, his driver, after a busy day in Richmond, he was eager to get to the comfort of the CB Inn. Charles Bathurst, Lord of the Manor of Arkengarthdale in the 18th Century, gave his name to the CB Inn. Pevsner wanted readers to

point out any errors and omissions in his published first edition so that the second edition would be the most accurate. Reading the introduction to the revised volume it is mentioned that the North Riding of Yorkshire was abolished on April Fool's Day 1974. The County of North Yorkshire that replaced it extends far into the old West Riding and has lost parts of the North to County Durham and the various administrations of Teesside. This volume covers the old boundaries.

Sally George

New Books

Free, Johansson and Wilkinson Hessle in the 19th century; a publication of Hessle Local History Society, 2022, 172 pp, b/w illustrations. Available from Hessle book Shop or Ian Wilkinson on 07549 027967 or email Wilkinson.i1961@yahoo.co.uk

A valuable account of this ancient settlement, recorded in the Domesday book as Hase when it was already some four hundred years old. It was a convenient crossing point across the Humber to Barton, and the Haven could accommodate small sailing vessel, carrying goods to and fro between Hessle and Hull, or elsewhere along the river. In the 12th century it was recorded as Hesel, (the place at) the hazel tree, which leaves open the question of pronunciation. Generally 'hezzle' has been regarded as the plebeian form and 'hessle',

emphasising the double s, as the 'posh' one!

The eleven chapters cover every aspect of daily life, agriculture, transport, trades, the church, education, health, local government, policing, and social activities, assembled from newspaper reports and a plethora of local history publications and original manuscripts. Each section is fully annotated with details of the sources which provide a sound basis for further research. A simple chronology, 1801-1902, gives us a sample of important dates and events, followed by a general index of places, names, and subjects.

During the century the population increased from less than 700 to over one thousand, the most striking rises being in the first and last decades. For many years its best connections were the ferry to Barton on the Lincolnshire side of the river or inland to Beverley, while the road along the riverside to Hull was often, especially in the winter, a difficult path for both wagons and individual travellers.

Turnpiking and road improvements gave easier access and Hull merchants and gentlemen found it was a pleasing place to build a country house, in this still essentially rural and agricultural landscape. From the 17th century there was an intermittent history of shipbuilding with the construction of substantial naval vessels at Hessle Cliff. In the 19th century Scarr's shipyard was established at the Haven and maintained a production which lasted

till the 1970s. The Hull-Selby railway, completed 1840, encouraged an increase in population with an expanding middle class, and numbers of labourers and servants who provided for their needs.

This volume celebrates the 30th anniversary of the foundation of the HLHS and is an impressive achievement for such a youthful society. The principal authors are Michael Free, Eve Johansson, and Ian Wilkinson with the help and support of the members.

Arthur G. Credland

Free, Johansson and Wilkinson Hessle 1500-1800 Hessle Local History Society, 2024, 145 pp, illustrations in b/w and colour. £7.99 from Hessle book Shop or Ian Wilkinson on 07549 027967 or email Wilkinson.i1961@yahoo.co.uk

This is a useful introduction to the 'early modern' history of Hessle, a brave undertaking when the sources prior to the 18th century are so thin. It is most unfortunate that the Tudor and Stuart parish registers are largely illegible owing to water damage. They had been stored in the parish chest which was stolen but subsequently found and rescued from a midden. From the mid-15th century to 1835 the settlement was part of the Hullshire ward in the county of Hull before transfer into East Yorkshire, which means that specific details regarding Hessle are often lacking.

There are ten chapters, the first five covering the 16th and 17th century, two for the 18th century, concluding with chapters on the foreshore, education and enclosures. Records of taxation from 1525 give evidence of 88 heads of household which implies a population of nearly 400. Most of the land was leased from the Hull Charterhouse. Musters rolls, the earliest from 1558 show the replacement of the bow with firearms. In 1584, four years before the Armada, the numbers of men equipped with 'calevers' (calivers), guns lighter than a musket and used without a rest, outnumber the archers.

Over the years the balance of power gradually shifted from the Lord of the manor to the parochial bodies who took responsibility for maintenance of roads poor relief and policing. From 1500 to 1661 All Saints church was technically the mother chapel of Holy Trinity Church but church records deal largely with the affairs of the latter while we are mostly left in the dark regards the situation in Hessle during the religious turmoil of the Reformation, Dissolution and the Pilgrimage of Grace. Upset of the structure of society continued with the Civil War and the battle between Royalist and Puritans, which resulted in the execution of the king but Restoration of the monarchy in 1660. In the 18th century the fabric of All Saints was a constant problem as can be seen with mediaeval parish churches across the country. The clergy generally became less concerned with

caring for their flock and more involved in the social milieu of the gentry. Dissatisfaction with the Anglican church encouraged the expansion of dissenting worship and the methodist evangelism of John Wesley.

The hearth tax returns indicate 98 houses in 1673, and population was probably still less than 500. Assessment necessitated inspectors entering every dwelling an intrusion greatly resented by everyone. Superseded by the window tax in 1696, a tally of the number of 'lights' was now easily made by an external count.

The Pease family of merchants leased the Hesslewood estate c.1749 using it first as a summer retreat away from their trading activities in Hull. After buying the land and property they built the current structure, with fine views of the Humber, completed in 1791. Land enclosures, accompanied by improved methods of agriculture resulted in greater productivity but meant that many families who had been sustained by working their own field strips were now hired hands on farms owned by large scale land owners.

The continuation of the Hessle-Barton ferry enabled passengers and goods to be carried across the Humber and the Haven provided a place for small trading vessels from Hull or elsewhere along the Humber to load cargo. Bulk items such as coal for domestic fuel, came in and chalk went out. A valuable commodity extracted from the local

quarries it was crushed, roasted in lime kilns and to be spread on the land. It was also an ingredient used in the Pease paint works in Hull. The building of ships at Hessle Cliff was intermittent but provided vessels of considerable size and fire power for the Royal Navy. The chalk cut back from the shore left a flat, hard standing, ideal for setting up the building stocks, and bulky timbers were easily delivered from the river. The volume is completed by a chronology and general index, plus the family trees of the Percehaye and Pease families.

Arthur G. Credland

Local History Meetings & Events

All the events listed below are subject to cancellation or rearranging, please check with the organisation before turning up to any event.

The Yorkshire Archaeological and Historical Society maintain a comprehensive list of Yorkshire Archaeological and Local History Societies <https://www.yas.org.uk/> Learn-more/More-Yorkshire-links

Hull Local History Group meet weekly on Thursdays from in Garden Village Clubhouse, Elm Avenue, from 10.30am for coffee/tea with speakers from approximately 11.00. Some Thursdays will be 'away days'. The chairman is

Tony Wing wing52@wing52.karoo.co.uk

2 March 2025, *Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group*, Peter Thornborrow, A visit to Newlaithes Manor House, Horsforth, and Kirkstall Abbey, see <https://www.yvbsg.org.uk/events.html> for further details

5 March 2025, *Cottingham Local History Society*, Michele Beadle 'Out with the old and in with the new'. A history of Hull's Repertory Company at the Little Theatre and the early years of the New Theatre Cottingham Civic Hall, Market Green, 7:45pm

10 March 2025, *Hull Civic Society*, Michelle and Alan Beadle 'Give us a V (Hull speedway', Holiday Express Inn, Ferensway, 7:30pm, £2 for non-members

10 March 2025, *Scarborough Archaeological and Historical Society*, Professor Ian Armit 'Exploring kinship at the Iron Age cemetery of Wetwang Slack, East Yorkshire', Salvation Army Hall, Alma Parade, 7:30pm, £3

11 March 2025, *Hull History Centre*, Daniel Reed 'Favour'd with the Lord's wonders' – the Society for the Reformation of Manners in Hull, 1698-1706, 12:30pm

11 March 2025, *Hedon and District Local History Society*, Dr Alex Ombler 'Reuben Chappell: Goole's Maritime Painter', Hedon Methodist Church, 2:00pm, £5

15 March 2025, *Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group*, Day School - Vernacular Architecture of the South Pennines, see <https://www.yvbsg.org.uk/events.html> for further details

16 March 2025, *Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group*, Introduction to traditional lime plastering, see <https://www.yvbsg.org.uk/events.html> for further details

20 March 2025, *Pocklington Local History Group*, Chris Bond 'The Use of Mapping to explain Pocklington's Past', Court House, George Street, 7:30pm, £3

25 March 2025 *British Association for Local History*, Ripon with Mick Stanley, see <https://www.balh.org.uk/events> for further details

26 March 2025, *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Peter Lowden 'Hull's General Cemetery plus the new Data Base by Friends of Hull General Cemetery', 10:30am, £3.

27 March 2025, *Hull and East Riding Historical Association*, Professor Alexandra Walsham 'Remembering the Reformation', Danish Church, Osborne Street, 7:30pm

28 March 2025, *Pocklington Local History Group*, 'Revealing the Pocklington Shield', Burnby Hall's community hall from 7.30pm - 9.00pm, tickets £5 from <https://pocklingtonhistory.com/events/index.php#event2>

8 April 2025, *Hedon and District Local History Society*, Sally George 'Sunk Island to Trent Falls: Walking the East Riding Coast, part 3', Hedon Methodist Church, 2:00pm, £5

10 April 2025, *Hull and East Riding Historical Association*, David Atkinson 'Assessing Trauma, Resilience and Recovery in the Hull Blitz', Danish Church, Osborne Street, 7:30pm

12 April 2025, *Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group*, Visit to Woodsome Hall, Fenay Bridge, see <https://www.yvbsg.org.uk/events.html> for further details

12 April 2025, *Scarborough Civic Society*, Andrew Clay 'Life at the Sea Life Centre', Wood End, The Crescent, 10:30am

29 April 2025 *British Association for Local History*, A City of Flows?: Chester, 400-1500, see <https://www.balh.org.uk/events> for further details

30 April 2025, *Pocklington Local History Group*, Tom Ety 'The distinguished York painter William Ety', Burnby Hall community hall, 7:30pm, £3

30 April 2025, *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Richard Clarke 'Hull's Georgian Suburbs', 10:30am, £3.

3 May 2025 *British Association for Local History*, Jane Austin 250 'Placing Jane - National Figures, Local Context', see <https://www.balh.org.uk/events> for further details

4 May 2025 *British Association for Local History*, Jane Austin 250 'NB There will be very few Dates in this History - A Theatrical Guided Walk', see <https://www.balh.org.uk/events> for further details

4 May 2025 *British Association for Local History*, Jane Austin 250 'Trafalgar Days Costumed Guided Walk - A Theatrical Guided Walk', see <https://www.balh.org.uk/events> for further details

9-11 May 2025, *Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group*, Annual Recording Conference, see <https://www.yvbsg.org.uk/events.html> for further details

10 May 2025, *Scarborough Civic Society*, Patrick Argent 'Sir George Cayley of Brompton', Wood End, The Crescent, 10:30am

13 May 2025, *Hedon and District Local History Society*, Michele Beadle 'Out with the Old, In with the New: Hull Repertory Company & Hull New Theatre's Early Years', Hedon Methodist Church, 2:00pm, £5

13 May 2025, *Hull History Centre*, George Norris, 'Hull Rag and Bone Men', 12:30pm

15 May 2025, *Hull and East Riding Historical Association*, Chandler Saint 'Venture Smith – from Slavery to Freedom', Danish Church, Osborne Street, 7:30pm

22 May 2025 *British Association for Local History*, AGM, see <https://www.balh.org.uk/events> for further details

28 May 2025, *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Colin Cooper 'My Life with Buses', 10:30am, £3.

14 June 2025, *Scarborough Civic Society*, John Oxley MBE 'City Of York and its bid for UNESCO heritage status', Wood End, The Crescent, 10:30am

19 June 2025, *Georgian Society for East Yorkshire*, Dr Alex Ombler 'Hessle Cliff Guided Tour', 10:230am, Meet at the Well Being Hub, Humber Bridge Car Park, £8

25 June 2025, *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Tee Bylo 'Pixie Burke – Boutique Owner & Dressmaker', 10:30am, £3.

30 July 2025, *Carnegie Heritage Centre*, Godfery Holmes 'Changes in the City of Hull's Retail Offering 1965 to 2025', 10:30am, £3.

EAST YORKSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

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Notice of the 72th AGM

29th March 2025 at 2.00pm

Toll Gavel Church Hall, Beverley

AGENDA

1 Apologies for absence

2 Minutes of the 71st Annual General Meeting

3 Presentation of the Annual Report for the year ended
31st December 2024

4 Presentation of the Financial Accounts for the year ended
31st December 2024

5. Election of Officers

(a) President

(b) Executive Committee

6 Members Forum and any other business.

EAST YORKSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Minutes of the 71st Annual General Meeting
held on Saturday 16th March 2024 at the East Riding College, Flemingate,
Beverley

Present: Arthur Credland, Robert Barnard, Sandra Dews, Pamela Martin and other members of the Executive Committee, members and guests.

Apologies: Sue Wade, Helen Good, Rita Steadman, Val Goss, Pam & Richard Walgate, Henry Woledge, Jennifer Briody, Yvonne Nadine, Elaine Moll, Simon Shepherd, Sue Dunling, Jane Ewbank and Jane Payne.

Minutes of the 70th Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 25th March 2023 accepted as a true record. Proposed by Shirley Scotney, seconded by Wendy Lancaster.

Annual report: The Chairman's annual report previously distributed to members.

Financial Accounts: Treasurer Robert Barnard explained that the Society's account surplus was largely due to a generous legacy of £6,000 from Arthur's brother. A refurbished laptop had been bought as a back-up in case of problems with other equipment. Proposed as a valid account by Liz Grove, seconded by David Neave.

President: It is assumed that Sir Ian Macdonald of Sleat has agreed to be president as we have not heard otherwise.

Election of Officers and Executive Committee: Chairman A C Credland; Programme Secretary Pamela Martin; Treasurer Robert Barnard; Membership Secretary David Bowes; Secretary Sandra Dews; Mike Rymer; Helen Good; Mary Carrick; Sue Wade; Ann Normington; Dr Joan Kemp and Hannah Stamp (representing East Riding Archives) all elected en bloc. Proposed by Professor Roger Lewis, seconded by Olwyn Hirst.

Members Forum and any other business:

Liz Grove thanked the Chairman and committee for all their hard work in keeping the Society going.

Pamela Martin thanked members for their quick response to the Events Programme as within a week she had received 38 bookings. There has been a

good response generally and Pam thanked everyone for their support and hopes it will prove to be an enjoyable programme.

David Neave commented on how things had changed since he first joined the society some 63 years ago in 1961, when there was only one meeting per year and a booklet.

Dr Neave detailed a conference at the Hull History Centre to commemorate the tercentenary of the birth of German philosopher Immanuel Kant (1724-1804) hosted by the Georgian Society for East Yorkshire and Friends of Kant and Königsberg.

Following refreshments there was a most interesting, illustrated talk by David Cook, archivist and previous chairman of the Yorkshire Vernacular Buildings Study Group in which he described the painstaking work carried out by the group on several Beverley buildings in which traces of the old timber-frames can still be found. The oldest house in Ladygate could be dated back to the early 14th century. Full details are included in David's book "Beverley's Timber-Framed Buildings" copies of which were available to members at a discounted price.

Following questions from the audience the Chairman thanked David for an excellent talk and the meeting was brought to a close.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

This year we celebrate the 75th anniversary of the foundation of our society. It was inaugurated 18 March 1950 at the Young Peoples Institute, George street, and the first annual general meeting was held at University College, Hull, 17 February 1951. Dr. F (Freddie) W. Brooks (1899-1980) is the key figure in the establishment of EYLHS but Kenneth A. McMahon (1914-1972) was crucial to encouraging a broad public interest in local history by his classes in the Department of Adult Education at the University of Hull. His students developed a serious and more rigorous approach to the study of local history than had formerly been the case, without taking away any of the undoubted pleasure in exploring the past.

Our 50th anniversary coincided with the millennium and was marked by the inauguration of our annual journal, the East Yorkshire Historian. In addition members also received the Journal of Joseph Robinson Pease 1822-1865, which at full A4 size and 270 pages long remains our largest production to date. Members can expect something special this year but not on this scale!

The hard-working committee, with much of the burden falling on Pam Martin, produced another excellent programme of talks and visits. Particularly popular was the meeting at Swanland organised by Geoff Collier and his colleagues at the Swanland Heritage Centre. This included guided walks around the village a talk about the manorial courts and an outstanding buffet lunch.

Mike Rymer has taken on the organization of the annual Local History Book Fair which is an invaluable means of keeping in touch with all our sister societies as well as individuals who have produced books on local topics which they have self-published. This event will be repeated in September 2025.

Again many thanks to all our committee members, past and present, for the unstinting work which has enabled our society to flourish.

Arthur G. Credland MBE, FSA
Chairman

The East Yorkshire Local History Society

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

For the year ending 31 December 2024

	2024	2023
INCOME		
Members' Subscriptions	2,797.00	2,879.00
Bank Interest	682.25	227.42
Summer Events	2,399.00	1,532.50
Book Fair	525.00	590.00
Book Sales	420.16	382.76
Donations	2,102.28	6,024.00
Gift Aid	356.25	366.25
	9,281.94	12,001.93
EXPENDITURE		
Bank Charges	77.00	79.56
Summer Events	1,892.12	1,387.76
Book Fair	525.00	590.00
Postage/Stationery	940.10	1,463.80
Committee Meeting Room Hire	96.00	48.00
Committee Members Expenses	152.14	145.26
Printing Costs	2,011.14	2,894.12
Insurance/Subscription to BALH	75.00	75.00
Subscription Refunds	15.00	60.00
Computer equipment	33.00	191.60
	5,816.50	6,935.10
Surplus/(Deficit)	3,465.44	5,066.83
BALANCE SHEET		
As at 31 December 2024		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash at Bank	1,820.06	1,857.75
Building Society Deposit	23,614.65	20,111.62
	25,434.71	21,969.37

OFFICERS FOR 2024

President: Sir Ian Macdonald of Sleat, Bart, FRICS, MRSH

Vice-Presidents: Dr. D. J. R. Neave

Chairman: Mr. A. Credland

Hon. Secretary: Ms S Dews

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. R. Barnard

Hon. Journal Editors: Mr. A. Credland

Mr. R. Barnard

Hon. Newsletter Editor: Mr. R. Barnard

Hon. Membership

Secretary: Mr D. Bowes

Hon. Programme Secretary: Miss P. Martin

Executive Committee Members for 2024

+ Member willing to be re-elected

+ Mr. R. Barnard

Mr D. Bowes

+ Miss M Carrick

+ Mr. A. Credland

+ Ms S Dews

+ Miss H Good

+ Dr J Kemp

+ Miss P. Martin

+ Mr M Rymer

+ Mrs S Wade

+ Mrs A Normington

+ Miss H Stamp (representative of ERYC)