

North Marston History Club Newsletter November 2021

"Giving the past a safe future"

Welcome to this edition of the History Club's Newsletter. It aims to keep you up to date with what we are doing, even though we are not yet able to hold our evening talks (more about that later).

2022 Calendar

As you will know, every year the club produces a calendar showcasing aspects of the history of North Marston. Our calendars are always popular and we anticipate sales this year will be as brisk as in preceding years. The latest calendar is titled "The Lost Buildings of North Marston".



They are £7.50 and can be bought from The Shop or Janet Gowin, 2A Church St, North Marston, MK18 3PH (01296 670466). Cheques should be made payable to "North Marston History Club" or payment can be made by bank transfer (Account No 15310360 Sort Code 30-99-74) with your NAME and CALENDAR as reference. Add £1.55 for p&p.

Heritage Trail

Many of you know the History Club has created a Heritage Trail that guides people around the village and has View-Point signs at key points of interest about the village's heritage. The Trail relies on a Heritage Trail map book which can be bought from The Shop or direct from The History Club. With a grant from the parish council, we are soon to extend the Trail and add new View-Points, and so a new Map Book will need to be created. But, in addition, we will be adding "QR Codes" to each sign so that anyone with a smart phone can scan the code on the sign and hear a narration describing the history of their location. Therefore, people will have two ways of following the Trail and learning about the history of North Marston. We hope this will widen the range of people using the Trail and learning about this fascinating village of ours.

Christmas Cards



Evening Talks

It seems a very long time indeed since we were able to hold our popular evening talks at The Wesley Centre, but we hope to start again from March 2022. We have some very interesting speakers and topics lined up and we'll circulate the details once they have been confirmed.

2022 AGM

We have scheduled our AGM for 12th January 2022 at 7.30 pm at The Wesley Centre. Of course we are somewhat dependant on the weather and the combined effects of colds, flu and covid, so our fall-back will be a Zoom meeting, as with last year. However, if we can go ahead with a "live" AGM the brief business agenda will be followed by the first public showing of our film "The Quainton Pilgrims". We will confirm the medium of our AGM nearer the date.

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And speaking of AGMs

As January approaches, our club membership year renews and members' fees are sought for the 2022 club year. For anyone who would like to join the History Club for the first time, please complete the New Member's Form and follow the payment instructions. If you are already a member there is no need to submit a completed membership form (we have your details already) but send payment as detailed in the form below if you wish to re-join. The History Club is a very worthwhile voluntary organisation that welcomes anyone with an interest in history of this wonderful village of ours.

Many thanks for your support.

John Spargo, Chairman NMHC

NORTH MARSTON HISTORY CLUB NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FORM Full Name and Address including post-code. (For joint membership please enter both names on this form). E-mail NB We will only use your personal information so we can send you Newsletters or important Club updates. If we need to contact you for other purposes we need you to consent by ticking in this box. Fee £5.00 for individuals, £8.00 for joint membership. Make cheques payable to North Marston History Club and send with this form to Jennifer Heffer, 2A Marston Fields Road, North Marston, MK18 3PF 01296 670273

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