

COLYTON PARISH HISTORY SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

16th May 2017

Editor's note

Two Civil War events organised by the Promote Colyton Group this month: 18 May there is the last social evening before the big day and on 25 May a free talk by Bruce Upton. Also some of the new finds which have been donated to the Heritage Centre.

Sarah Charman, **Editor**

1. News

a) English Civil War event planning social evening – 18 May



Social Evening

Thursday 18th May
7.00 - 9.00pm

Sunday School
Building, Church
Green, EX24 6JS

Our last meeting
before the big day -
final arrangements!
Please come along
and show your
support

All welcome - wine
and refreshments
served

We look forward to a
good evening!

Living History Day
Coming to Colyton on
Saturday 10th June 2017

Please bring your friends!

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Please come to the last of our social meetings on Thursday 18 May 2017

7.00-9.00pm at the Sunday School Building, Church Green, EX24 6JS. Find out how you can be involved and in this great event for the whole town. For more details: 01297 552626.

b) Vile Ministers and Poor Silly Creatures Talk

Visit AND THE COLY VALLEY presents Colyton

Refreshments available

All welcome!

Vile Ministers & Poor Silly Creatures

A fun historical talk

Admission Free

St Andrew's Church, Colyton

Thursday 25th May 2017. 7.30pm

by Bruce Upton (from the Bridport Museum)

The story of the "Clubmen's" abortive attempts to curb the excesses of both sides in the English Civil War

As an introduction to our next major event coming to Colyton on Saturday, 10th June 2017.

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A day in the life of Colyton Townsfolk
ENGLISH CIVIL WAR circa 1644

To help set the scene for the English Civil War event in June, an entertaining evening event has been arranged.

Mr Bruce Upton from Bridport Museum will give a light hearted talk and slide presentation based on local incidents in the West Country during the Civil War period c1644. Tales of local communities defending themselves against marauding Roundheads and Cavaliers - '16th century Dad's Army'!! Admission Free - all welcome

c) New Accessions to the Heritage Centre



Since the Heritage Centre re-opened for the 2017 season we have received a selection of pictures, newspaper cuttings and photos of local people to add to our collection, including these fascinating coins found in the Colyton area. One coin is a Charles II halfpenny and the other is a French 10 centimes coin depicting Emperor Napoleon III. The coins we hope to display and the other donations will be listed and filed in the ring binders on the bookshelves.

Note to Heritage Centre volunteers: When donations are offered, please remember to ask for the donor's name and a contact number or email address and as much other relevant information as possible, so we can thank these people in writing. The accession forms and plastic bags for safe keeping of small items are in the accessions box under the counter in the Heritage Centre. After a donor has filled out a form please rest the pack of blank forms on top of everything else in the box ready for the next accession. Thanks to Penny Gall for organising this.



- d) **Jim Board book signing** - Acclaimed local author Jim Board will be signing copies of his book *'The River Runs By'* at the Heritage Centre in Merchant's House, Market Place, Colyton on Thursday 1 June between 10 am and 1.00 pm.

- e) **CPHS Annual Membership Fees** - If anyone has still not paid their CPHS membership fees for 2017 and would find it easier to set up a standing order (£8 per couple or £5 per individual) then CPHS bank account details are as follows : Lloyds Bank - sort code 30-90-37 account 00992240. If you wish to do this then please notify Roger Hutton: roger.hutton1@btopenworld.com Fees are due in January of each year. You may like to note that our Charity Commission Registered Charity Number is 1167230.

2. Forthcoming Events

a) Future CPHS Meetings in 2017

The Power of Advertising by Bruce Upton of Bridport at 7.30 pm on **Wednesday 27 September** in Colyton Town Hall.

Buildings of Sidmouth by Nigel Hyman at 7.30 pm on **Wednesday 25 October** in Colyford Memorial Hall.

The Churchills by Patsy Kingdon at 7.30 pm on **Wednesday 22 November** at Colyton Town Hall. If you do have any Churchill memorabilia, particularly if it has a local connection then please do bring it along on the evening!

b) Other Organisations' Events



Legacy to Landscape Project News - 2017 Events May - June:

Meadow in Midsummer, Bolshayne_- Saturday 27 May, 2pm – 4pm

Enjoy the orchids and other summer wildflowers of the glorious hay meadow at Bolshayne, with botanists Phil Wilson and Marian Reed.
Bolshayne Farm, Southleigh Road, Colyton, EX24 6RX (SY 221 937)

Landscape Detectives, Colyton - Wednesday 31 May, 2pm – 4.30pm

Travel back into the mists of time on a gate leaning amble to see clues in this marvellous landscape that reveals the intriguing history of the Shute estate in Colyton Parish with local historian Colin Pady.
Hillhead picnic site, Colyton, SY 244 934

Orchids at dusk, Widworthy_- Wednesday 6 June, 6.30pm – 8pm

Magical evening walk amongst a sea of orchids and enjoy a riot of colour from early summer meadow plants with botanists Phil Wilson and Marian Reed. Limited parking – booking essential, Free - Lucehayne Meadow, near Widworthy
legacytolandscape@gmail.com 01404 31001

English Civil War, 'A day in the life of the Colyton towns folk',

Saturday 10 June, from 10.30am - Visit the history activity at the Legacy to Landscape stall as part of this community event. No booking required. Free
Market Place, Colyton from 10.30am, www.colyton.co.uk

Meadow Magic, Widworthy - Saturday 17 June, 2pm – 3.30pm

Stroll amongst a stunning wildflower meadow and enjoy the glorious display of orchids and 'shackle baskets', local name for Hay Rattle, with botanists Phil Wilson and Marian Reed. Limited parking – booking essential. Free
Lucehayne Meadow, near Widworthy legacytolandscape@gmail.com
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For more information and for the full 2017 events programme:
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