

Newsletter August 2018



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Branch News

Situation Vacant

Our Chairman is retiring at the end of March 2019.

The Oldham Branch will have a vacancy in April 2019 for a

Chairperson

if you are interested please get in touch before the 8th September.
To find out more please email:

oldham@mlfhs.org.uk

If the vacancy is not filled the branch will CLOSE

Our next meeting will be on Saturday September 8th at 2.00 pm in The Lees Suite, Civic Centre, Oldham.

Corporal Stewart Cook will speak on a topic about the First World War

More information next month.

Free to members

Non-members £2.50

Free car parking on Oldham Civic car park for 3 hours but please get a ticket.

Tracing Your Female Ancestors Blog

Carol Wells has published a blog on the Manchester Archives + site titled **Tracing Your Female Ancestors Using Vital Records**. You can read it at

<https://manchesterarchiveplus.wordpress.com/>

Society News

Visit to the Pankhurst Centre

Monday 13th August at 1pm

Talk and tour

The birthplace of the Suffragette movement, is now the Pankhurst Centre. The Centre houses a small museum and heritage centre that remains as a legacy to the Pankhurst family and the Suffragette movement, and also serves as a women's community centre.

Places are limited so booking is essential. Book via Eventbrite on the Society's Home Page.

Members of MLFHS only

£3.50

Meet at the Pankhurst Centre for 1pm start

"We Will Remember Them": a presentation on war memorials

Speaker: Mike Coyle

Tuesday, September 4th, 10:30am

Manchester Central Library, Manchester

Free

This talk covers the types and significance of war memorials to families and communities, and the efforts of communities and individuals to research and preserve them.

Mike Coyle is a passionate advocate for war memorials, a volunteer with the War Memorials Trust and a fieldworker with the Imperial War Museum's 'War Memorials Register'.

John Marsden of the Manchester & Lancashire Family History Society will also talk about the Society's database of names taken from over 1000 memorials in Greater Manchester.

North West Film Archive will show a short film about the unveiling of a couple of North West War Memorials.

This event is open to all but booking is essential.

Book on Eventbrite via www.events.mlfhs.org.uk or via Eventbrite on the Society's home page.

Bolton Branch Meeting

WW1War Memorials, Grave Markers and the Pilgrimage Trips

Speaker: David P Hearn

Wednesday 1st August at 7.30

Meetings are held in the Montserrat Room, 1st Floor, Old Links Golf Club, Chorley Old Road, Bolton, BL1 5SU. (There is parking for 70 cars).

Guests and potential members are sure of a warm welcome. From 7.00pm tea & coffee are available in the room, and drinks are available from the bar. Unwanted genealogy magazines and CDs can be swapped/collected at the meetings. At the end of every meeting there is a Help Desk, manned by experienced researchers, available to assist you with your genealogy problems.

The meeting are free for members of the MLFHS, £3 for non-members. There is no need to book.

Local News

Talks by Other Groups (which are not part of our society)

Saddleworth Historical Society

Traditional Farmhouses in and around the Lancashire and Yorkshire Pennines.

An illustrated presentation given by **J. Kevin Illingworth** at the Catholic Church, off High Street, Uppermill on **Saturday 18th August** at 7.30pm.

All welcome but a charge of £3.00 on the night for non-members. Refreshments available.

Oldham Historical Research Group

Peace in Oldham?

The Oldham Riot 1917 by Sheila Goodyear **and Local Conscientious Objections** by Dorothy Bintley

at Oldham Local Studies and Archives on **Wednesday 15th August** at 7.00pm.

Written by Sue Forshaw.