

Monthly Lectures 2020

Wednesday Evenings at 8pm in the Kings Chapel.

(except the January lecture-see below)

Coffee / tea is served at 7.30pm, lectures start at 8pm.

29th January

In St Mary's Church

The Drakes of Amersham – 400 years of their Impact on Local, National and International History

A talk by Barney Tyrwhitt-Drake

~~26th February~~ 25th February

The History of Pinewood Studios

A talk by historian and author Mike Payne

25th March (In Market Hall)

The World of the Honey Bee

A talk by local apiarist Howard Pool

29th April

Metroland

A talk by historian and President of the Buckinghamshire Archaeological Society Julian Hunt.

27th May

Black Propaganda Radio

Bletchley Park Guide Mike Kushner will tell us how a fake British radio show helped defeat the Nazis in World War 2.

17th June

Visit to National Trust Properties, Charlecote Park and Farnborough Hall in Warwickshire

30th September

A History of the Seaside Postcard

A talk by John Storr.

28th October

AGM followed by an illustrated talk on the charity **The Horse Trust**, Speen led by Libby Surman and a team from the Horse Trust.

25th November

With the Gurkhas on India's North East Frontier.

A talk by former Chairman of the Amersham Society, Martin Brooks, about his recent visit to the North East Frontier.

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2020 PROGRAMME

The Amersham Society

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The Amersham Society

The Society aims to foster a greater awareness of the amenities and heritage of the Old Town of Amersham and to encourage conservation and sensitive enhancement. As the future of such small market towns comes under an increasing variety of threats, it acts as a watchdog, a forum for discussion and an advocate on behalf of its members. It is a non-political organisation, with membership open to everyone who shares our desire to make the town attractive to residents and visitors.

During the winter months the Society organises lectures at present in the Kings Chapel, often on subjects of local interest, and also an annual summer outing.

The Society is a founder member of the HS2 Action Alliance and with the Alliance is active in campaigning against the High Speed Train project disrupting the life and environment of Old Amersham and the Misbourne Valley.

Members receive copies of our Newsletter in January, May and September. This includes articles of interest about local people and historic buildings, as well as reports of Committee activities, lectures and Society visits. The Editor always welcomes additional articles and features for inclusion in the Newsletter.

If any member is unable to make his / her way to Society meetings and would like transport to be arranged, please contact Geraldine Marshall-Andrew on 01494 433735.

Annual subscriptions are at present £17.00 double and £11.50 single, preferably paid by direct debit to our agent GoCardless. Depending on your bank this may appear on your bank statement as GoCardless or as Amersham Society. We do not accept new standing orders.



Amersham Museum

Amersham Museum works closely with the Amersham Society, which was instrumental in its establishment. The Museum is at 49 High Street, part of a late medieval hall house and in 2017 completed an expansion into the neighbouring building 51 High Street. The museum now includes a temporary exhibition and activity space, a new glass reception and a complete redisplay of the collection. See our website for our wide-ranging programme of activities for people of all ages.

Town walks start from the Museum on Sunday afternoons and will recommence in April. Tudor walks are on the last Saturday of the month starting in the spring. Pre-booked groups and school parties are welcome throughout the year.

Talks and workshops can be delivered off site and we also run reminiscence sessions, using our handling collection.

Volunteers help behind the scenes on a wide range of projects and welcome visitors to the Museum. Friends of the Museum meet together socially and are entitled to free entry to the museum and discounted rates for talks and special events.

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