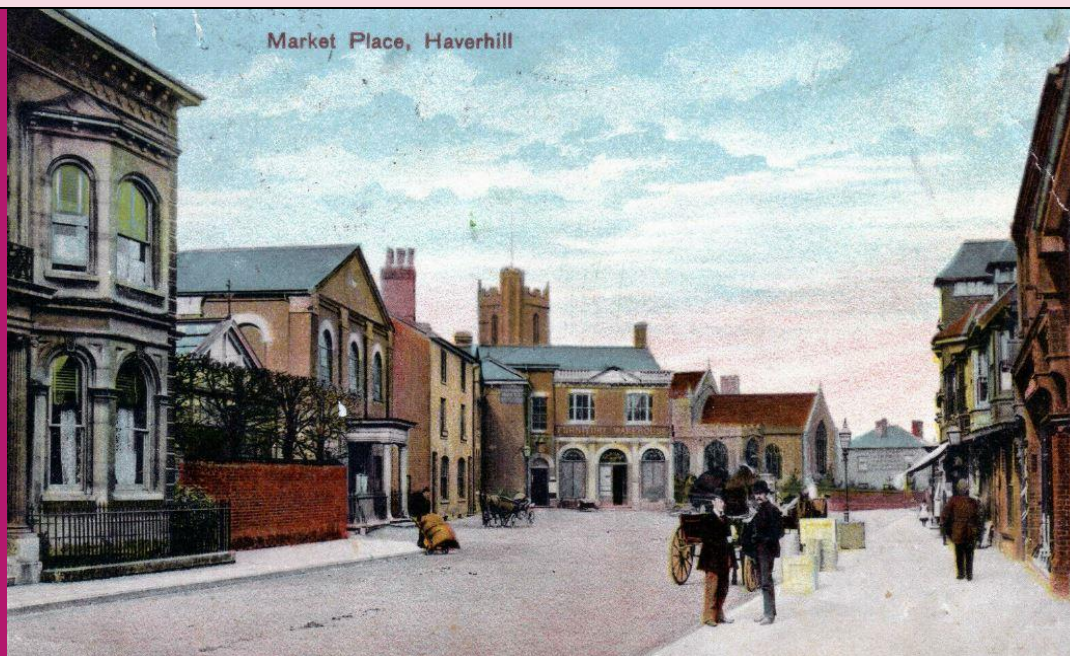




NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2024

SUFFOLK FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

Registered Charity No 1087748

Next Meeting: Thursday 14th November 2024 at 7.30pm

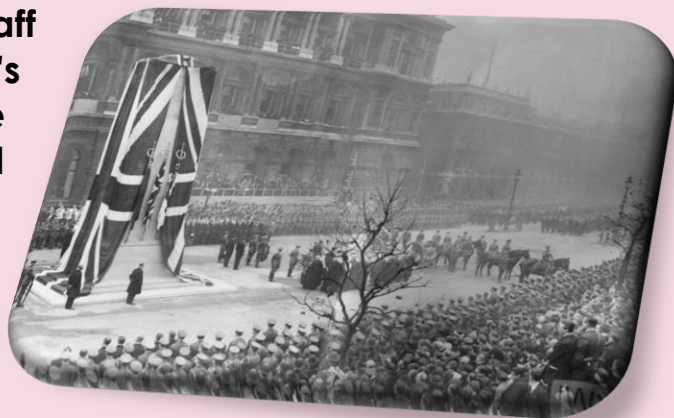
Old Independent Church Hall

A Century at the Cenotaph with Lyndsay Knight and Taff Gillingham

Join us as Lyndsay Knight and Taff Gillingham give a brief history of Britain's focus of national Remembrance - The Cenotaph, looking at its history, origins and symbolism and an annual service that has little changed in over a century.

Taff Gillingham is a military historian and historical military advisor for film, television and theatre productions. He co-owns Khaki Devil, a company specialising in the hire of uniforms, equipment, weapons and historical advice and is co-director of the Great War Huts project. He has a background in film and television design and is a former trustee of The Suffolk Regiment Museum.

Lyndsay is a heritage professional with a background in galleries, museums, and art and design. She has worked on the organisation of key national events for the Department for Culture, Media & Sport, including the First World War centenary, and the national service of Remembrance. Lyndsay currently works for Historic England and is Project Manager at Great War Huts.



We saw a large turnout last month to listen to Ashley Cooper's talk on rural life in the 1900s. Thank you to all those who came along to support, including all the new faces, welcome to you all.

I should have mentioned on the night that Ashley donated his fee to 'Breast Cancer Now', so thank you Ashley.



We are all aware of some of the noticeable dates in November such as Guy Fawkes was arrested in 1605, the guns that finally fell silent as World War I ended in 1918 and the news that President John F. Kennedy had been shot and killed in Dallas, Texas in 1963.

But here some others:-

3rd November, 1534

The English parliament passed the Act of Supremacy. The act essentially created the Church of England and cut church ties with Rome. This meant that the English monarch was established as Head of the Church of England instead of the Pope. The Act of Supremacy was passed under Henry VIII. It stemmed from Pope Clement VII's refusal to grant the king an annulment of his marriage to his first wife Catherine of Aragon.

4th November, 1843

The 5.5 metre statue of Lord Nelson was hauled to the top of its 60-metre column in Trafalgar Square, London. The statue was built to commemorate Admiral Nelson's decisive victory in 1805 at the naval Battle of Trafalgar during the Napoleonic Wars. The battle – during which he died – established British naval supremacy for over 100 years and destroyed Napoleon's plans to invade England.

13th November, 1839

The last bull run in Britain occurred in Stamford, Lincolnshire, putting an end to a cruel practise that had gone on for 700 years. Bull running involved chasing a bull through the streets of a town until it became weak, before slaughtering it for its meat. It had become illegal in 1835, but the last event didn't occur until 1839.

16th November, 1724

Highwayman Jack Sheppard was hanged at Tyburn in London, in front of an estimated crowd of 200,000. Jack Sheppard was one of the 18th century's most infamous robbers and thieves. During his short criminal career between 1723 and 1724, Sheppard was arrested and imprisoned five times, managing to escape four times. Sheppard was notorious but remained a popular rebel hero – particularly with the poor. As a result, on the way to his execution, the route was lined with distressed women wearing white and throwing him flowers.

24th November, 1859

Charles Darwin published his book *On the Origin of Species* – a groundbreaking scientific work considered to be the foundation of all evolutionary biology.

Suffolk Family History Society News

ZOOM TALKS

18th Nov Janette Robinson "Voices from the Workhouse"

To register for this talk please use this Link: <https://tinyurl.com/WorkhouseVoices>

9th Dec We will be having a family history-based quiz as our December Zoom

To register for the quiz talk please use this link <https://tinyurl.com/SFHSQuiz2024>

News

The 3 talks at the recent Society Fair were recorded and will be put on the members pages of the Society website. If you are interested in Ag-Labs (and most of us have some in our family trees) then I would really recommend watching the videos.

Other events locally that you might be interested in: -



On Monday the 11th November, a short remembrance ceremony will be held in the High Street outside St. Mary's Church at 11am.



It is great to see the group's **Roll of Honour** on display at Peasgood and Skeates in Haverhill.



The next meeting at the Local History Museum will feature a presentation about

Haverhill's War Savings Efforts

Come and find out how successful the people of Haverhill were and discover the town's links with the Free French Navy.



ALL WELCOME

Join us in the Studio, Haverhill Arts Centre on Wednesday, 20th November, 2024 at 7.30pm

Members £2, non members £3 (includes refreshments)



WAR AND SAVING
Every man & woman should read
"WHY WE MUST SAVE AND HOW"
PUBLISHED BY THE PARLIAMENTARY WAR SAVINGS COMMITTEE
Apply for send a post-card for a free copy at once to PUBLICATIONS, DEPARTMENT, P. W. S. C., 42, Parliament Street, London, S.W.

LINTON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

TUESDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2024



Some Hundred Parish Churches Presented by Ken McDonald

LINTON VILLAGE HALL
COLES LANE - 7.30 p.m.
Refreshments and Raffle
Visitors and new members always welcome



AUTUMN COFFEE MORNINGS @ OIC

OLD INDEPENDENT CHURCH
HAMLET RD, HAVERHILL

SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER
10 AM TO 12 MIDDAY

EVERYONE WELCOME. POP ALONG & BRING A FRIEND.
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

ADMISSION FREE



I must be getting nostalgic.

WASN'T IT FUN

SANDIE SHAW SANG OF HER PUPPET,
WHICH WAS ON A PIECE OF STRING,
THEN ALONG CAME MR HUMPERDINK,
AND THERE GOES MY EVERYTHING.

THE BEATLES SANG HELLO GOOBYE,
BOBBY VINTON BLUE ON BLUE,
THE EVERLYS SANG OF CATHYS CLOWN,
WHILE BRENDA LEE WAS LOSING YOU.

THE ANGELS HAD MY BOYFRIEND BACK,
THE BEATLES WITH I FEEL FINE,
RAY CHARLES WAS SINGING BUSTED,
THEN DUSTY GIVE ME TIME.

LESLEY GORE SUNG ITS MY PARTY,
ELVIS WAS THE DEVIL IN DISGUISE,
THEN CLIFF SANG OF THE YOUNG ONES,
WHILE MR VEE HAD A THOUSAND EYES.

THESE SONG BRING BACK THE MEMORIES,
OF THE SIXTIES IN OUR TEENS,
IF YOU WAS OF THAT AGE BACK THEN
YOU'LL KNOW HOW MUCH THIS MEANS.

I WAS THERE, WAS YOU ?

2024/25 Programme of Meetings & Events

Usually, 2nd Thurs of the month, **unless stated otherwise**, start 7.30 pm,

Old Independent Church Hall (**CB9 9EF**), members £1 visitors £2.50 inc. tea/coffee

NB members £2, visitors £3 from September 2024.

14 Nov 2024	Please note change to programme A Century at the Cenotaph	Lyndsay Knight and Taff Gillingham
12 Dec 2024	Christmas Quiz A light-hearted social evening with refreshments	Ourselves
9 Jan 2025	Nursery Rhymes	Ourselves
13 Feb 2025	Eglantyne Jebb British Social Reformer who founded the Save the Children organization at the end of WW1	Margaret Woodley
13 Mar 2025	Breaking the Law and Transportation	Charmian Thompson
10 Apr 2025	It happened here in Suffolk	Pip Wright
8 May 2025	AGM By George what style	Francis Saltmarsh
12 June 2025	The Mayflower	Cathy Shelbourne
July 2025	<i>A guided village walk – (TBC)</i>	<i>Must Book</i>
12 Sept 2025	History of Art	Edel Pinnock
9 Oct 2025	Borley Rectory the most haunted house in England	Bryan Thurlow
13 Nov 2025	CWGC	Mac Macdonald
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Wednesday afternoons, help with your Research at Haverhill Library 2 - 4pm

Guided use of the Internet, especially for newcomers or those 'stuck'

telephone 01440 848095 to book your place