

Cogenhoe and Whiston Heritage Society



**Programme of
Open Meetings
2011-2012**

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Admission: Members £1.00, Visitors £3.00

All Welcome

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13th April 2011

The Complete History of Salcey Forest – Andy Patmore

Andy will outline how 8,000 years of history shaped the forest and its wildlife into the area we see today.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

11th May 2011

The Men who carried the News – Bob Shaw

Bob, a member of the Society and a retired local journalist, will outline the history of newspapers in Northamptonshire over the last 300 years.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

15th June 2011 (Afternoon)

The Comptons of Castle Ashby – Violet Grucock

The history of the Compton family at Castle Ashby from the 16th Century to the present day.

2.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

13th July 2011

The Cogenhoe 700 year Festival – 30 Years on

We look at how the village celebrated the 700 Anniversary of the building of St Peters Church through the eyes of its former rectors.

7.30pm St. Peter's Church. Car parking & refreshments at St. Peter's Centre

10th August 2011

The History of the Home Guard – Colin Haddon

Colin and his comrades will take us through the history of the Home Guard in Northamptonshire with demonstrations in uniform of both foot and arms drills.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

20th August 2011 (Saturday)

A Day Out at Deene Park

Our Society will be the private guests of the Brudenell Family who have lived in Deene Park for hundreds of years. Their illustrious ancestor, the Earl of Cardigan, won fame when he led the charge of the Light Brigade in the Crimea War. Details to follow.

14th September 2011 (Afternoon)

Victorian Northamptonshire Inventors and Inventions – Jon Paul Carr

The Victorians were known for their inventions, be it good, bad or very mad. This illustrated talk looks at inventors from Northamptonshire and their contribution to 19th Century life.

2.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

12th October 2011

Subterranean Secrets of London – Amanda Pickard

Much of the Second World War was directed from a subterranean world. Amanda talks about the secret underground bunkers and tunnels.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

22nd October 2011 (Saturday)

Cogenhoe & Whiston Heritage Society will be hosting the Annual Meeting of the Northampton and District Association of local history in the Cogenhoe Village Hall. Members who wish to attend will need to apply for tickets. This is not a part of our Society's programme but all members are welcome to attend. Details to follow.

16th November 2011

Waddesdon House and the Rothschilds – Robert Keating

Robert, who has been a guide at Waddesdon House for the last 15 years, will outline the history of this illustrious family and how they built up the house and its contents.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

14th December 2011

A celebration of Christmas with the Moulton Morris Men

The evening will start with a medieval mummers play and continue with an exhibition of seasonal morris dancing.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

Wine and mince pies will be served.

28th December 2011 (Wednesday)

Annual Christmas Walk - Ted Barnes

This year we will explore the area south of Cogenhoe towards Denton and Brafield and attempt to better understand past agricultural practices.

1.30pm Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

Sensible clothes and footwear essential. *Mulled wine and mince pies served from 3.00pm in Village Hall. Please leave muddy boots at the door. Non-walkers most welcome.*

11th January 2012 (Afternoon)

Critical Battles in Northamptonshire – Martin Marix Evans

Northamptonshire, situated as it is in the centre of England has long been a battleground between different forces vying for national supremacy. Martin, a military historian, will share with us some of the battles that have been fought in the county.

2.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

8th February 2012

The History of Bletchley Park – Mick Miers

Bletchley Park played a critical role in the defeat of Nazi Germany. Mick will take us through the history of the breaking of the German codes and how it was done.

7.30pm York Room, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

14th March 2012

2012 AGM followed by:

Roger Powell

Royal Bastards and Royal Mistresses

The history of the British Monarchy has often been glorious – but it also has another, less seemly side. Roger, who has published a number of books on the subject, will elaborate.

7.30pm, Cogenhoe Village Hall, York Avenue, Cogenhoe.

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