

# Fressingfield Local History & Archive Group

## 2018 PROGRAMME

All meetings take place at 7.30pm in the Sancroft Hall, unless directed otherwise.

*Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2018*

### "Feasting & Fundraising in Medieval Suffolk"

Using illustrations drawn from contemporary partying, **Kate Jewell** takes us back to a time when people had to make their own entertainment to achieve their financial ambitions.

*Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2018*

### "Barber's Point"

This evening's journey takes us to the shores of the Upper Alde River and back to the dawn of human settlement, uncovered with painstaking archaeology and told by **Jezz Meredith**.

*Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2018*

### OUR AGM MEETING - 7.00pm

#### followed by a Talk: "Pub Names with a Difference"

A keen photographer, **Geoff White** begins tonight with the story of restored pub signs before some interesting stories that go with the more unusual names.

*Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2018*

### "Pageants, Priests and Purgatory in Suffolk Guildhalls"

The history of what we term 'belief' sometimes lies hidden behind hierarchy and social structures.

**Jane Gosling** will unwrap some examples of beliefs that became promoted as Guildhalls grew in strength and number.

*Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2018*

### "Convicts sent to Australia"

There are lots of reasons why some of us may have families on the other side of the world. **Pip Wright's** talk features accounts of Local Court orders that took many folk away and how those travels are threaded with poignancy.

*Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2018*

### "Heraldry in Wingfield Church"

Heraldry works like a vast, visual family tree and, with both **Bob Elliott** and **John McCracken** as our guides, we shall visit Wingfield to see how particular families endowed the parish and affected our nation's story.

**We plan to begin this evening at 7.00pm with refreshments in the De La Pole Pub, opposite the church.**

*Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 - Open Meeting*

### "The Parish - recorded in 'Press the Shutter'"

The results of our Photographic Project: 'Press the Shutter' made across the year, will show the Civil Parish recorded for posterity: our homes and community buildings, farms and borders, captured for ever in print and in a variety of forms for Archive.

*During August we hope to be publishing our latest Book, written and produced by our Archive Committee. It tells the stories of those commemorated on our 1st World War Memorial, together with returning veterans. Watch out for our announcement of this Special Event.*

*Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2018*

### "A Suffolk Village in Wartime"

This talk by **Sheila Wright** will have parallels in many places, but with her unique illustrations and stories, she will bring one particular village to life and so help us appreciate our own more.

*Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2018*

### "The Cobbold Family and its contribution to Suffolk"

Among the foremost families in our County's history are the Cobbolds. **Anthony Cobbold** will unfold the extraordinary breadth of their contributions, artistic talents and varied enterprises.

*Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018*

### "Archbishop Sancroft"

**Andrew Vessey** will turn the pages of history on this extraordinary local figure who, living through a period of turbulent change, endowed local causes and gave his name to several aspects of communal life.

*Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2018*

### "Party Night and Christmas Past"

This evening continues the tradition of a Party with food and refreshments. But this year your Committee plans to dip into FLHAG's own Archive and invites members to join them in **showing, sharing and telling** some of the ways in which Christmas used to be celebrated in our lives.