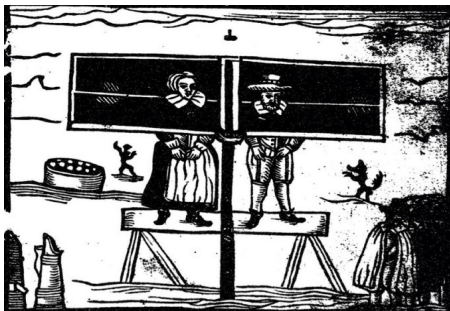




February



March



October

Chudleigh History Group was formed in 2002 with the objectives of researching and recording the history of the Chudleigh area and also developing awareness of our local historical sites.

Meetings are held most months on the first Friday of each month in the Woodway Room of Chudleigh's Town Hall. The Programme for 2020 is set out overleaf.

The membership year runs from January to December and the annual membership fee for 2020 is £6.00 per person.

Attendance fees are £1.00 for members and £2.00 for non-members which includes complimentary tea, coffee and biscuits.

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This site contains a lot of information about the Chudleigh area and the activities of the History Group.

CHUDLEIGH HISTORY GROUP



Aerial view of Chudleigh - 1948

PROGRAMME FOR 2020

Preserving our Parish History

January 2020 - No meeting

07 February 2020

7.00pm Annual General Meeting

7.30pm Devon's Railway Heritage

An illustrated talk by Robert Hesketh - Railways have profoundly altered Devon, leaving a rich and varied heritage. This talk explores that heritage, covers the two main lines, 4 branch lines, preserved railways and former railway routes and includes over 100 images.

06 March 2020

7.30pm - 3000 Years of History from the Sea - The Salcombe Wrecks

An illustrated talk by Ron Howell, the secretary of the South West Maritime Archaeological Group which covers 4 wrecks discovered in one area of the seabed including a Bronze Age wreck and one carrying Islamic gold. Exhibits from these wrecks are on display in the British Museum, Exeter Museum and in the Plymouth Art Gallery.

03 April 2020

7.30pm - Roman Devon

An illustrated talk by Bill Horner, Devon County Council Archaeologist. Archaeological finds are the main way that our knowledge of previous millennia is improved and there have been a number of local discoveries within Devon in recent years including the Ipplepen site and the recent discovery of the site of a Roman fort outside the northern city walls of Exeter.

01 May 2020

7.30pm Saving Castle Drogo

An illustrated talk by Paula Clarke from the National Trust. Restoration work to save Castle Drogo has been ongoing for six years and is now close to completion. This is a fascinating modern castle situated on a granite outcrop overlooking the Teign gorge and Dartmoor that is well worth a visit.

05 June 2020

7.30pm Dawlish - from tiny village to busy resort

A talk by David Force. This talk covers in a light-hearted style how an ancient and isolated tiny village was "discovered" by the Georgians and became a popular seaside resort. The talk includes how Brunel influenced its growth and prosperity in the middle of the nineteenth century.

July 2020 - No meeting

07 August 2020

7.00pm - The Hidden River - A Historical Walk in Teignmouth

This walk is being provided by the Teign Heritage Centre and Museum. There will be a charge which will include a future visit to the museum. Numbers will be limited to about 20. This is an interesting walk covering some of Teignmouth's past. Details will be provided in May/June.

04 September 2020

7.30pm - Stokelake's Interesting Inhabitants

An illustrated talk by Leah Stirrat about the history of Stokelake House which is just outside Chudleigh on the hill up to Finlake. Leah lived in a part of Stokelake House and this talk originated in a wish to find out more about this old property and its inhabitants.

02 October 2020

7.30pm - Crime and Punishment in 17th Century England - Ducking Stools, Dissenters, Debtors and Drunks

An illustrated talk by Janet Few. How was crime dealt with in the seventeenth century? What were the punishments for various crimes and how could you avoid them? The lives of many of our Stuart ancestors were touched by crime in some way; as victims, witnesses, lawbreakers or law enforcers. How would they have been regarded and treated by their contemporaries?

06 November 2020

7.30pm - The Vikings in the West Country

An illustrated talk by Derek Gore from Exeter University. It has often been said that the Vikings were not active in the South West peninsula. This talk covers documentary and archaeological sources that tell a different story that there is convincing evidence of Scandinavian impact on this area.

December 2020 - to be advised.