

Quorn Local History Group - Newsletter – 20th June 2022

Our Next Talk: Monday 27th June 2022, 7pm at St Barts Church - For our midsummer event we are delighted to welcome Trevor Hancock for a very special talk about a cool place a long way from here: 'The Antarctic Chef: My Seasons on Ice'. We will be taken on a pictorial journey through the seasons as Trevor cooked and lived in this far south challenging environment. Trevor is from Quorn: he started his hospitality career at the Bulls Head, then worked at the Savoy and Claridge's Hotels in London, before travelling the world working on the Cunard luxury liner Queen Elizabeth 2, super yachts and villas before ending up in Antarctica. Should be fascinating! There will be refreshments as usual. Members £2, and guests £4.

Snibson Colliery Visit: Reminder - We are hoping to organise a summer trip to the historic Snibson Colliery following Stuart Warburton's talk on Medieval Coalmining in Leicestershire. This would include a tour of the pithead and associated buildings. We do not have a date yet (visit could be any day or evening) but need to know if you would be interested in this - guided specially for us by a real expert. Apparently, there is a very good cafe on site should we want to lunch or have a drink before or after the tour. If you think this is something that you would like to do **please express your interest** and preferences by emailing quornlhg@gmail.com or contact Dennis Marchant on 01509 620295. The tour would be limited to 15 and be for members only and you will need to provide your own transport.

Could you give us a talk? - We are looking for speakers for our 2023 Programme, especially from amongst our Members and local people. Help is available for putting a presentation together (preferably with a historic/Quorn theme or connection), and there is still plenty of time to do so. If you would like to volunteer, or could suggest someone who we might like to speak on a suitable topic, please let Dennis know: dennismarchant@outlook.co or phone 01509 620295.

Historic Transcriptions - Volunteers Wanted - We have a great need to transcribe local historic documents and are looking for volunteers to help with this task. The documents include handwritten Baptist Church records, trade directories and numerous electoral rolls. This is rewarding work which can be done at your leisure at home. As part of this project, Philip Thornborow is currently enjoying (so we believe!) transcribing the 1939 Index, but more volunteers would be much appreciated for other documents. Please contact Sue Templeman (telephone 01509 412112) or email her at quornlhg@gmail.com if you would like to help.

Platinum Jubilee Display - The display is in the Quorn Community Library and presents the jubilee photos and artefacts provided by people in the village. There is a varied selection of items ranging from 1887 through to 2012 on display during the normal Library opening hours. Why not pop in and have a look! You can also visit the groups **YouTube** channel to watch a montage of Jubilee year photos that have been provided by residents.

History of Quorn Exhibition - Just a reminder that the History of Quorn Exhibition is still available for viewing in the Old School Community Room between 9am and 4pm provided there are no booked groups in the room (audio is available via the QR codes). Don't be put off visiting by signs on the room door that imply the room is in use when often it isn't.