

East Brent Parish History Group

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Meeting Notes for 3rd Sept 2014

Those who were at the last meeting enjoyed the talk by **John Dando on "Carnivals"**. It was interesting to hear him tell the history of carnival in Bridgwater and Somerset since the days of Guido (Guy) Fawkes and the Gunpowder Plot in 1605.

Unfortunately there were only a small number attending, so please put the word around for future talks. The speakers have a modest charge and expenses which we need to recompense them for.

All Welcome. No Membership fees!
But a donation toward expenses is greatly appreciated.

Jenny has arranged further speakers and dates are as follows :

5th Nov. 2014 - John Strickland "Day Trip to Burnham by Train".

7th Jan. 2015 - Andrew Janes "From Farmer's Field to Flanders Field".

4th Mar. 2015 - Kay Wych "Housemaid at Glastonbury Abbey" with costumes.

I look forward to seeing you and many others on 1st October.

The Great War – East Brent, Brent Knoll & Lympsham Remembrance

Rev. Simon Lewis is holding meetings with representatives from the 3 Parishes to arrange a series of events in the week leading up to Remembrance Sunday on 9th November 2014.

Each Parish Church will have a general exhibition plus one relating specifically to the fallen in their own Parish. During the week for two evenings in each Church there will be a presentation, talks, films etc. relating to WW1. An initial draft schedule is, please note this may change :

Remembering World War 1:

Monday 3 Nov 7.30pm
St Mary, East Brent
A Potted History

Tuesday 4 Nov 7.30pm
St Michael, Brent Knoll
Variety Show

Wednesday 5 Nov 7.30pm

St Christopher, Lympsham
Talking Heads

Thursday 6 Nov 7.30pm
St Mary, East Brent
Classical Music

Friday 7 Nov 7.30pm
St Christopher, Lympsham
Film & Documentary

Saturday 8 Nov ?
St Michael, Brent Knoll
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Plans are developing to toll a **muffled bell** in each Parish Church on the date their serviceman died during WW1. This will commence on the anniversary of the start of WW1 (4th August). More details from Rev. Simon Lewis.

Future Meetings

East Brent Parish History Group Meetings take place at 7:00 pm in East Brent Village Hall generally on the first Wednesday of each month. There is no meeting during August so the next meeting will be on 3rd September 2014 followed by 1st October 2014.

John Rigarsford continues with his collation of all those WW1 Servicemen from or connected with East Brent Parish. If anyone has photos, badges, medals, memorabilia etc. please get in touch with John at jonrig@rooksbridge.org.uk or via myself.

All are welcome at any meeting. If you have any photos & memories, please bring them along.

Thanks to donations, we now have a scanner and computer permanently available for use at our meetings. Photographs and documents are precious and don't need to leave your possession. There are many stories to be told. I look forward to seeing you there.

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