

# Redditch History Society

## 2025 Season 16 years promoting history in Redditch

The Redditch History Society is a local community group, formed in 2009, which aims to provide a range of monthly history presentations, both local and more general, to promote the history of our town, both within the area and more widely, and to encourage members to investigate, document and promote the history of Redditch and the surrounding area.

We have ten Monthly Meetings throughout the year from February to December (we have no meeting in August). Nine of the meetings have the same format with a speaker for the first hour followed by tea/coffee and biscuits (a small charge applies). The April meeting is our Annual General Meeting and includes a history film.

We meet at the Oasis Christian Centre in Plymouth Road on the second Monday of the month (except for changes due to national celebrations etc).

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### NEWSLETTER

The society publishes an eight-page monthly Newsletter. The newsletter has updates, a meeting report, including the

latest presentation, activities, news, information on the next meeting, and short articles written by members and supporters.

It is available via our website at: [www.redditchhistorysociety.org.uk/newsletter](http://www.redditchhistorysociety.org.uk/newsletter)

We will continue to produce an eight-page edition if we have sufficient material.

The society also supports and encourages members to:

- Create presentations/talks concerning their interests and we are very pleased for members to give their talks at our meetings.
- Produce articles/books on local history and we can publish short articles in our Newsletter.
- Carry out research into our local and regional history.

Of course, we are happy to have members who simply wish to attend our monthly talks. This is most of our members and we are grateful for their support.



For further details of the Redditch History Society visit: [www.redditchhistorysociety.org.uk](http://www.redditchhistorysociety.org.uk)  
E-mail: [secretary@redditchhistorysociety.org.uk](mailto:secretary@redditchhistorysociety.org.uk) or telephone the secretary at 01527 61434

<b>January</b>	<b>We have no meeting in January</b>	<b>January Break</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>The Archives of Redditch New Town</b>	<b>Vicky Fletcher,</b> 'Explore the Past', The Hive
<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>The Lunar Society</b>	<b>Peter Borg-Bartolo</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Annual General Meeting plus, WW2 Newsreels and Broadcasts</b>	<b>Society Executive</b>
<b>12<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Hewell Grange: Is the landscape worth the 2* designation given by English Heritage?</b>	<b>David Whitehead,</b> Hereford and Worcester Gardens Trust
<b>9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Surgery in the Nineteenth Century.</b>	<b>Louise Robinson</b>
<b>14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Ten Birmingham Women</b>	<b>Henrietta Lockhart</b> University of Birmingham
<b>August</b>	<b>We have no meeting in August</b>	<b>August Break</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Redditch 1939 to 1945 How our town supported the War Effort</b>	<b>Anthony Green</b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Early postcards of Redditch Town Centre and the Postal History</b>	<b>Chris Jackson</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Needlemaking in Worcestershire and Warwickshire 1640 - 1940</b>	<b>Richard Churchley</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Richard III: Hero, Murderer or Loyal Brother</b>	<b>Max Keen</b>

Our meetings take place at the Oasis Christian Centre, 4 Plymouth Road, Redditch, B97 4QB. Meetings begin at 2.00 pm and last for approximately 2 hours, beginning with a presentation, lasting about one hour, followed by refreshments and an opportunity to chat with the presenter and other attendees.

Non-members are very welcome for whom there will be a £4 entrance charge, which is refundable against the membership fee if subsequently joining the society the same day. If planning to attend a specific event, please check our web site, our Facebook page, or monthly Newsletter for meeting details and any changes.

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