

We are a small group of local people interested in the history of Brimington and Tapton. These two communities are part of the Borough of Chesterfield.

Meetings

The group meets monthly during the year (*except July and August*), on the fourth Thursday of each month, at Brimington Community Centre, High Street, Brimington, S43 1DB. Our meetings, usually with a guest speaker, normally start at 7:30pm. In December the group meets on the second or third Thursday at 7:30pm. One outdoor visit, usually a local guided walk, is held in June. There are no meetings in July or August.

Publications

Every year the group publishes *Brimington and Tapton Miscellany*. This contains historical items on the area, plus a chronicle of local events during the year. Our website has a range of other resources, such as photographs, downloadable articles, maps and our regular blog.

Other activities

Our aim is to encourage people to bring along items that help record the history of Brimington and Tapton. If you have any old photographs, documents or a story to tell about the Group's area and would be willing to share these with us, we'd love to hear from you.

Membership

Membership of the Group costs £12 per year (there are no reductions). Benefits include reduced admission to the group's fourth Thursday meetings. In addition the Group actively collects and copies old photographs and information from the Brimington and Tapton area. Members have free access to this growing resource. All members receive a free copy of the *Brimington and Tapton Miscellany* relative to the year that their subscription covers.

The Group is affiliated to the British Association for Local History and is a member of the Derbyshire Victoria County History Trust.

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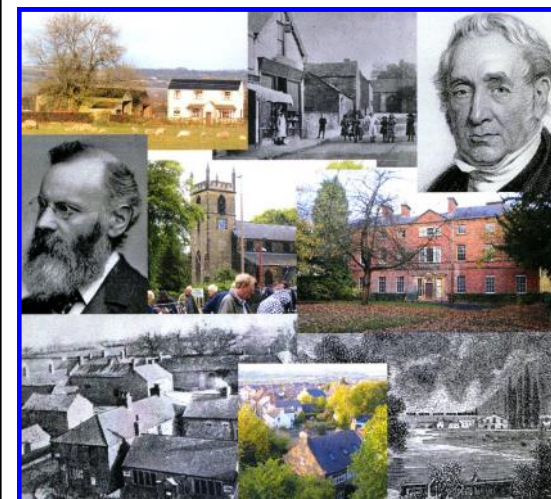
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BRIMINGTON & TAPTON LOCAL HISTORY GROUP



2024 PROGRAMME

Thursday 25 January 2024

The Mines Rescue Service, Chesterfield.

– Holly Froggatt

– *In operation for almost 75 years from 1918 to 1992, the Mines Rescue Station in Chesterfield provided the principal emergency service to all coal mines, private mines, and other establishments in the local area. For those that lived and worked there it was more than a job. It was a community. Capturing first hand reports of life at the Station, through interviews with Brigadesmen, their wives, and children who grew up on Infirmary Road, we aim to preserve the important social history of this remarkable building and keep those memories and voices alive for generations to come.*

Thursday 22 February 2024

John Knowles and the Brimington Moor Ironworks.

– Philip Cousins

– *Brimington Moor Ironworks, etc. Some people will know about the former blast furnace on Manor Road, based around the aptly named Furnace Farm. But when did it operate and how large was it? In this talk Philip will examine its history and that of its operator - John Knowles - a now forgotten north Derbyshire railway contractor.*

Thursday 28 March 2024

A Saucy Tale. The History of Henderson’s Relish.

– Mark Dawson

– *Henderson's Relish or Hendo's is a Sheffield phenomenon. Eulogised by Sheffielders often to the bemusement of others who've never heard of it. It's also a remarkable survival of a Victorian product produced on a relatively small scale by a family business that has a varied and interesting history.*

Thursday 25 April 2024

Potty about the Peak District.

– Sally Mosley

– *An A-Z of the Peak District including fascinating facts, features, funny curiosities and even fungi!*

Thursday 23 May 2024

Derbyshire Well Dressings

– Janet and Paul Barrass
‘All Around The Shire’

– *“Derbyshire Well Dressings and the people who make them – an overview of the ancient Derbyshire craft of Well Dressing and some of the people and places involved - both triumphs and disasters.”*

Thursday 27 June 2024

OUTDOOR MEETING

Tapton House and Parkland

– Philip Cousins

– *A gentle walk around the exterior of the house and in its gardens, led by Philip Cousins, examining its history and that of the families who lived there. Meet in the public section of the car park near the Innovation Centre at 7.30pm. Sturdy footwear is advised.*

SUMMER BREAK

No Meetings in July or August

Thursday 26 September 2024

A Joint Presentation from Philip Cousins and Paul Freeman

– *Short talks on Brimington and Tapton subjects.*

Thursday 24 October 2024

The Hope Valley Line

– Stephen Gay

– *A slide show of the train journey along the Hope Valley.*

Thursday 28 November 2024

Chesterfield in the 1980s

– Philip Cousins

– *Philip will present a selection of his photographs taken in Chesterfield town centre in the 1980s - a period of great change in the town. Come along and remember how Chesterfield used to be.*

Thursday 12 December 2024

– *Our AGM – followed by a short presentation of old photographs of Brimington by our Chairman, Doug Spencer.—followed by the customary Mulled Wine and Mince Pies.*
