

Lambley Historical Society
2012 Programme

- 30th January **AGM followed by**
Chris Weir – Robin Hood, Sherwood Forest & All That!
Chris Weir takes a sideways look at mediaeval Sherwood Forest. How do we know what it was like, who was roaming around, who really ran the Forest, what happened to all the deer, why was the Major Oak called the Major Oak and lots more!
- 20th February **John Ward – Beetroot for Breakfast (Women's Land Army)**
A talk on some of the many interviews with the ex Land girls and their stories interviewed for his book. It centres on the social background of some of the girls and their reaction to the work they undertook.
- 19th March **Ian Morgan – The Fossdyke - a watery tale of mystery and intrigue.**
Hear the story of Britain's oldest canal and the tales of murder, mystery and intrigue that have happened along its banks over the centuries. From Tom Otter and the slaying of Mary Kirkham to the beauty of the city of Lincoln this talk is designed to let your imagination run wild.
- 16th April **David Amos – Illustrated Talk on DH Lawrence's Eastwood**
The talk takes a tour around the former coalmining town of Eastwood where the author DH Lawrence (1885 – 1930) was born and brought up. The talk looks at some of the places connected with the Lawrence Family and also includes the strong links with the mining heritage, including the role of Arthur Lawrence (the authors father). Many of the local haunts which Lawrence used in his work will be included in the talk.
- 20th May **David Amos - Walk around D H Lawrence's Eastwood**
To complement the talk the guided walk will visit the DH Lawrence Birthplace Museum on Victoria Street and the Breach House (Lawrence's second Eastwood home). In addition we will have a look at the Lawrence's two other Eastwood homes and various other places associated with Lawrence's work and the strong coalmining heritage of the area. The walk will conclude with a look around the Durban House Heritage Centre where we can finish with tea and coffee in the cafe.
- 20th June **Visit to Grimsthorpe Castle (Daytime)**
Grimsthorpe is a historic house, park and garden in Lincolnshire. The visit will include a tour of the park by minibus and a guided tour of the castle with time to enjoy the gardens at your leisure
- 9th July **Val Henstock – Guided tour of Bottesford (Evening)**
Our walk through Bottesford, taking one and a half hours, will begin with a visit to the church to see the amazing monumental tombs of the Earls of Rutland which dominate all else there. These include the 'witchcraft' tomb. The rural foundations of the village will become evident but we will also recognize the effect of industry and commerce in shaping the lives of its inhabitants.
- 17th September **Jean Townsend – The history of the Coronation**
This talk covers the history of the Coronation and some disasters and near disasters
- 15th October **Ted White – Village life in seventeenth-century Nottinghamshire**
The material comes from the Gedling Town Book which is a collection of Constable's, Churchwarden's and Overseer of the Poor's accounts from 1665-1714. Combined with other sources it tells the story of ordinary people living in the extra-ordinary times from the restoration of the monarchy to the start of the Georgian era.
- 19th November **Peter Hammond - Can you name the object**
Museums have some weird and wonderful objects from the past. Here we actually investigate a selection of them, and we see whether or not you can work out their correct uses from a series of plausible and not so plausible explanations...a bit like call my bluff.