

KINGSTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY PROGRAMME FOR:- 2017/2018

- Thursday November 9th at 7:30 pm AGM with a welcome glass of wine & light refreshments followed by an exhibition of Archive material showing “Then & Now” of Kingston. There will also be an opportunity to pay £3.50pp membership fee for 2017/18.
- Thursday November 23rd at 8:00 pm Nigel Overton Maritime Heritage Officer & Curator of Plymouth City Museum & Art Gallery will give an illustrated lecture about the city’s link with the survivors of the Titanic in 1912 entitled “Plymouth and the Titanic”
- Thursday December 7th at 7:00 pm Christmas Menu and Social at The Dolphin, Kingston (Menu available to view & sign up if you wish to come)
- Wednesday January 31st at 7:30pm Lecture by Robert Hesketh, a freelance writer and photographer with a strong interest in local history, entitled “Smuggling in Devon-the truth behind the fiction”
- Thursday February 22nd at 7:30 pm Nigel Grist, local historian and Modbury resident, will give a detailed look at the surviving sites from the Bronze Age; also exploring the ancient Tin Mining industry on Dartmoor.
- Thursday March 22nd at 7:30pm John Gibson, joint owner of Thorn House, Wembury- overlooking the banks of the River Yealm with a historical garden created by William Arkwright -will take us back through the history of the estate with a talk entitled “A 1,000 years at Thorn”
- Saturday, April 21st at 10:30am There will be a tour of Hemerdon House and Gardens, Plympton. This is a fascinating late 18th Century country house and the home of the Woolcombe family over many generations; we will be shown around by a descendent of the original local family. The cost will be £7:50pp; and a local hostelry may be found for lunch (more details later)
- Thursday May 24th at 7:30pm Stephen Fryer, member of the “Harrowbeer Interest Group” formed in 2004. Stephen will give a talk about the World War 2 Airfield entitled “The History of RAF Harrowbeer, Yelverton 1941-45.

We hope you will enjoy the programme that we have planned for you but if you have a request for a speaker or visit to an historical place of interest please let us know we are always open to suggestions.

All details may be found on our website kingstonlocalhistory.co.uk
Meetings take place mostly on the fourth Thursdays of the month at 7:30pm (occasionally 8:00pm) in Kingston Reading Room; refreshments are also available and our events/trips/visits to historical venues are organised jointly by Margaret Kelly margaret.cmkelly@btinternet.com “Little Barn” Kingston O1548 810358 and Jennie Stanley stanz@stanz.plus.com “Brae Cottage” Kingston O1548 810819. Please let us know if you have any suggestions for speakers or visits.

