

## ROADE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2012

Members' New Year Lunch

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February

The Buncefield Disaster by Christine Marshall

*An illustrated talk by Roade resident, Christine Marshall, who was one of the Health & Safety Executive's senior investigators, on the story behind the explosion and fire at the oil storage depot at junction 8 of the M1 on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2005.*

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Salcey Forest by Andy Patmore

*An illustrated talk on the History and Natural History of Salcey Forest by a Ranger in Salcey Forest who has worked in local woodlands for the past 30 years. His talk will outline the major events that have occurred over hundreds of years and have moulded the forest into what it is today. He will also highlight the important flora and fauna that has survived the changes made by man (and woman) over the centuries.*

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 3pm:

Archive film show in conjunction with MACE

*An opportunity to see historic films of the village, accompanied by an appeal by Kay Ogilvie, the Senior Curator for the Media Archive for Central England, for residents to check their lofts for old film illustrating local events, people and buildings. Copies can be produced for owners in modern DVD format. For further information, see the Full Circle announcement on [www.roadehistorysociety.org.uk](http://www.roadehistorysociety.org.uk)*

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April:

The History of the Picture Postcard by Douglas Goddard.

*A talk by the chairman of the Northamptonshire Postcard Club, using picture postcards to show their history and publishing, collecting and archive interest. There will be a competition for the most interesting pre-1970 postcard, so please bring yours along for display before the talk and during the interval.*

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7.15pm:

RLHS AGM, followed by: The BRAG affair by Peter Mawby

*Peter Mawby, a member of the Society, will talk about BRAG (By-pass Roade Action Group) formed in 1988 by a group of Roade residents to provide a by-pass for the village. The proposal reached the top of the priority list and was passed by the SNDC Planning Committee but was ultimately unsuccessful. Peter was the Chairman of BRAG and he will provide an insight on the struggle. Extracts from a video used at the time form part of the presentation*

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:

The Society will be participating in the village-wide celebrations of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June:

Harrington village visit

*A guided visit around this historic conservation village, including the Church dating from 1218 and the Falls (terraces of the old manor, site of the house and Knights Templars' cell). Following lunch, a visit will be made to the Carpet Baggers aviation museum, named after the US Squadron from the nearby USAF Station 179 which subsequently became the site for the Thor missiles deployed for the "four minute warning", which we will also visit.*

All meetings are held in St Mary's Church Hall and start at 7.30pm, unless otherwise stated. Non-members are very welcome. Entry is £3 per person for non-members or £2 for members and refreshments are available.

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