

# LONG EATON 50 PLUS FORUM

## NEWSLETTER

Spring 2016 ISSUE

Editor Ian Neill

Report on our March 2016 Open Forum Meeting  
held at 10:15 am on March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Long Eaton Town  
Environment



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### CHAIR'S REPORT

.By the time you read this, we will be nearly half way through 2016. How time flies when you are enjoying being 70!

During our March Open Forum (reported later), one of our committee members, Cindy Smith, kindly sat in the gallery and was able to report that she could hear and see perfectly well. We are grateful for help from Chris Corbett in removing one light fitting that had been causing a problem. She did point out that the view of the screen is obscured for a few seats to the left of the gallery. Marion Drage is resigning from the committee at the AGM in June but will still continue to provide our special Christmas Raffle Hamper. I'm very pleased that the rest of the committee are happy to serve another year. Many thanks to Ian for organizing our April trip to the beautiful Burghley House & Gardens. I'll be putting some pictures on our website to help us remember the lovely spring day we had together. Next up.. Whitby!

We are making slow progress on the Toton Sidings Remembered Project and I will be asking for support from interested members in June so we can plan our next moves together. Last week saw the last session of our long running astronomy group. Members wanting to continue their interest have been encouraged to join the Long Eaton Astronomical Society which meets monthly.

### NEXT MEETING

June 13<sup>TH</sup> 2016

10:15 TO 12:00 Noon  
TOWN HALL LONG EATON

#### Speakers

Sarah Bains      Lead for Wellbeing Erewash  
Nancy Plumber    Local sight- impairment Group  
Shevani Raichura Derbyshire Police Digital  
Officer

Theme

Wellbeing

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FOOD BANK BOX WILL BE AVAILABLE

Attendance 101 Members and 6 visitors  
Raffle made £78.500 Thanks to Marion and Jenny who ran it and all those who contributed, both financially and prizes.

**THE VIEWS EXPRESSED IN THE NEWSLETTER ARE THOSE OF THE CONTRIBUTORS AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE FORUM**

### Speaker – Peter Fox – Transport Stories from the Long Eaton District

Peter explained that he is a retired teacher. He is a Governor at Wilsthorpe School and a member of the Geographical Association in Sheffield. He has also studied the Long Eaton Census.

Peter gave acknowledgement to Long Eaton Library for the use of their micro-reader and Keith Reedman for some of the photos.

Peter dedicated his presentation to the 2/7th and 2/8th battalions of the Sherwood Foresters who lost over two hundred men during the Easter Rising in Ireland in April 1916.

In his excellent talk, Peter gave a brief summary with dates and then told some fascinating stories related to transport. Here are a few of his stories.

#### Date: 5<sup>th</sup> October 1854 – Location Thrumpton Shallows

River Trent Blocked:

From Wednesday last upwards of 250 boats have been grounded. on Saturday there were 82 boats were entirely blocked up the lines, cables, ropes, blocks drawn in such intricacies as to form one complete web, many succeeded in getting off on Saturday night after trying with blocks, pulleys, anchors, cadgers, lines and the strong pulling of horses and men leaving 30 or 40 to try again!

#### Date: 16<sup>th</sup> June 1886 1.10. p.m. - Location: Trent Station

Prime Minister W E Gladstone and his wife were passing through on a trip from London to Scotland:

At Trent Station, the train was to stop for three minutes in the wrong place and the Gladstones never heard the address which was given. The crowds marched to Trent Station although the weather was threatening

By 1 o'clock about four thousand persons were assembled together with a special train from Nottingham with working men

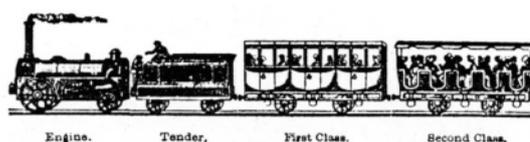
Every point of vantage was occupied the niches in the iron supports were filled by enterprising juniors, who sat like sparrows

A ladder was erected on Platform 4 and upon it was perched a large number and on the top the Rev. F. Knowles who looked down upon his congregation with a bearing countenance.

#### Date: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 1845 8:50 a.m. - Location: Breaston

#### Railway Accident:

- Two horses drawing an empty wagon owned by George Bromley were being led across the Midland Railway line by a youth of 13 or 14.
- There was a slight curve at this point and neither the boy nor the engine driver could see the other until it was too late.
- The boy ran away but the engine dashed into the rump on one of the animals and the head of the other, severing it. The first horse was thrown as high as the engine chimney and landed on the line. The wagon was smashed.



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### **The First Motor Car Accident:**

- A motor car travelling at about 40 mph ran into Dr. Dickson's carriage while the Doctor, his wife and coachman, Mr. Smith were driving along Nottingham Road.
- The driver of the car had come from trials at Welbeck and was on the wrong side of the road.
- Mr. Smith was hurt and the horse became terrified and jumped into the middle of the car.
- The car cost £2,000 and the damage is estimated at £1,000!

### **Date: 1<sup>st</sup> July 1927 1:20 p.m. - Location: Claye's Works to the Peak District Long Eaton Motor Club's Kid's Treat:**

- Organised by Mr. Langham Brown 300 children were taken to the Peak District and for tea at Islam Hall
- There were 98 vehicles including cars, motor cycles with side cars and motor cycles!
- It rained!

### **Date: 19<sup>th</sup> November 1949 – Remodelling of Long Eaton Green**

- A new plan was made for Long Eaton Green with a large 88' radius island, the removal of the public conveniences 30' carriageways and a one way system.
- Three smaller triangular islands were also put in place.

“The island, well – tended and full of growing flowers, could do much to beautify the centre of Long Eaton..!”

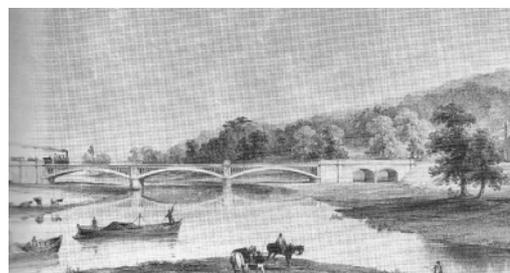
Peter read a poem that was written about the noise:

Last night I lay sleeping  
A terrific noise began  
It sounded like a metal thing banging on a can  
Louder and louder It clanged through the night  
Making sleep impossible  
Until the morning light

It was about the construction of the M1!

### **Date: 13<sup>th</sup> September 1963 – The M1**

Peter finished his presentation by showing a video of the construction of the M1 and the first cars driving down the new road.



### EREWASH CVS ADVERT

#### Volunteer Marshals and Committee members

Volunteers required to help in the running of Long Eaton's annual carnival and show held in June around the town and on West Park.

About Long Eaton Community Carnival Association

To provide an annual carnival parade and show in Long Eaton.

#### What are they looking for?

Marshals for the parade and on the showground, committee members to assist with planning and fund raising through the year. Help in setting up the showground.

#### Practical Considerations

Parade marshals need to be reasonably fit. Assistance on the showground depending on the task at hand.

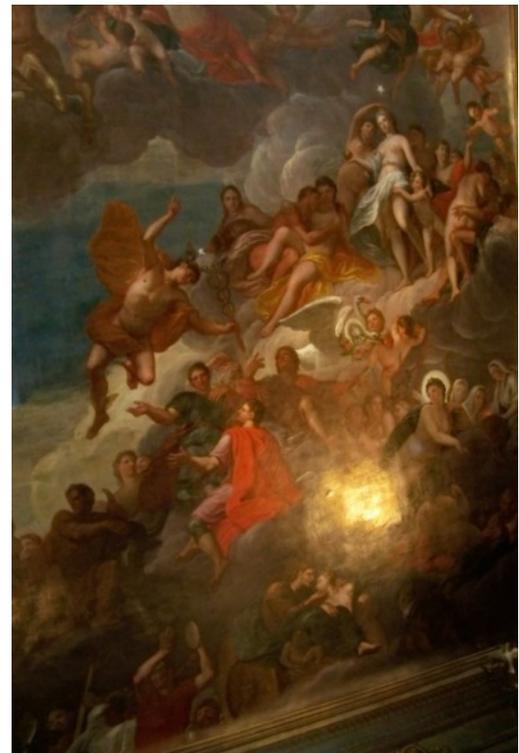
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#### More Pictures from Burghley



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### CHARITY ADS.

#### **PARKLANDS STROKE CLUB**

##### **HAVE YOU OR SOMEBODY YOU KNOW HAD A STROKE**

Why not come along to Parklands Stroke club.  
We meet every second Friday, starting on the 7<sup>th</sup>  
of November, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM  
Where? At Petersham Hall

Contact:- Pat on 0115 972 2389

#### **LONG EATON AND DISTRICT INVALID CLUB**

Meets every second Tuesday of the month at  
Sawley Memorial Hall.

Come along and join us  
We run 3 coach trips per year  
Pick up points are too numerous to mention but  
there will be one near you,

The Erewash RAFA (884) Branch Welfare  
'Drop-In' Centre,  
is now open at 91, Grasmere Rd, Long Eaton,  
next to the Petersham Hall Social Centre, for all  
people to join, regardless of military service. The  
Trentbarton Indigo bus service from Nottingham,  
via Long Eaton, to Briar Gate, stops outside the  
premises every 20 minutes. For Sat Nav code:  
NG10 4DZ.  
There is plenty of parking in the area next to the  
Co-op shop.

#### **LONG EATON INDIAN ASSOCIATION**

Meets every Monday (except bank holidays) from  
12:00 until 3:00 PM  
United Reformed Church, the Green, Long Eaton  
Chair based exercise and social  
£12.00 per quarter  
All welcome

#### **LONG EATON ALL MEDIA AND ARTS GROUP**

Meets every Thursday evening from 7.00 PM  
until 9:00 PM at Petersham Hall  
Contact Loraine on 0115 972 6132  
All Welcome

#### **PETERSHAM HALL**

The fully refurbished hall is now running the  
following clubs or meetings

SureStart Monday Morning  
Flower Arranging Monday Evening  
EMH Tuesday Club Tuesday Afternoon  
Bingo Tuesday Evening  
Social Line Dancing Wednesday Afternoon  
Serious Line Dancing Wednesday Evening  
Social Thursday afternoon  
Art Club Thursday Evening  
Stroke Cub Friday Afternoon  
Private Function Friday Evening  
For more information on these events  
[www.phca1969.org.uk](http://www.phca1969.org.uk)  
or phone Ian on 0115 972 6057

The Association is also arranging for a Tinsel &  
Turkey holiday starting 7<sup>TH</sup> November 5 days at  
the Crown Hotel, Weymouth Dorset Cost £299.00

### RAWTENSTALL

Back in medieval times Rawtenstall (pronounced Rottenstall in case you were wondering!) was part of the Forest of Rossendale, and although the forest has largely been replaced by rolling fields and dales, the Rossendale Valley remains a picturesque place to visit. With bed and breakfast accommodation in Rawtenstall, you might want to plan a stay to explore the area and discover its delights.

The Buffer Stops Bar is at the station but only serves locally brewed beer.

The Whitaker is a must see for anyone visiting Rawtenstall. This recently renovated period property makes for a stunning museum, gallery and café. With their constantly changing displays and collections and their tasty café you can spend the day here and take a walk round Whitaker Park, with its picturesque gardens and the Incredible Edible allotments.

Fitzpatrick's is just one the many unique independent shops on Bank Street, they have been making cordials and drink since 1899.

Bank Street in Rawtenstall is a fantastic shopping experience for those of you keen to celebrate local, independent businesses. It provides a great opportunity to shop local and experience a different shopping offer to many other towns.

Lamberts Mill Shop in Rawtenstall is a must see, with the Footwear Museum, 23 local producers, Annie Peach's Tea Room and bespoke niche handmade upholstery, you are sure to find that special unique gift.

Rawtenstall boasts a successful and thriving market, being situated not far from Bury it's the perfect place to continue your market experience with the abundance of fresh food, homemade craft and local trades. The market is open on Thursdays. 9:00 till 16:00 hours.

### BURY

#### **Bury Market**

##### **The indoor market is open on Thursday.**

Bury's World Famous Market is a multi award winning market and has recently added Best Market Attraction 2016 to the list.

Fresh produce ranges from speciality cheeses to beautiful fresh fish and fruit and veg. you will be seriously spoilt for choice. Some of the freshest produce in the North West can be found here; including locally grown vegetables brought to market by the farmer himself, award winning meats, hand raised pies, and freshly made soups. The Market has an abundance of multicultural cafes and takeaways, so there's sure to be something to suit everyone's taste and make sure you don't miss the local delicacy of Bury Black pudding, served hot or cold with lashings of mustard or piccalilli.

#### **Bury Transport museum**

Bury Transport Museum is part of the East Lancashire Railway Experience. Housed in a beautifully restored 1848 goods warehouse this fascinating museum brings the history of early 20<sup>th</sup> century transport to life. With restored vehicles, interactive displays, touchscreens and a dressing up area, the museum is very family oriented with plenty to keep little ones – and adults – busy. Bury Transport Museum successfully combines education and fun.

#### **The Pilot Mill outlet**

Visit The Pilot Mill Outlet and receive a warm welcome from our friendly staff!

There's lots of choice for everyone, clothing for all the family, footwear, luggage, homeware, gifts, pet accessories and much more. Lots of well-known brands are on offer including Antler, Skechers, Hush Puppies, Yankee Candle, Roman Originals, Babytown and Tigi Wear.

The Pilot Mill Outlet is also home to Barista Piccolo coffee shop. Group visits are welcome, lots of incentives are available

### JULY TRIP

### TRAVEL CLUB NEWS

#### WHITBY

**Date 7<sup>th</sup> JULY 2016**

**Price £ 15.00**

There has been an incredible demand for this trip. I have put on a third coach to meet the demand so there are now places available.

Pick up points:-

Petersham Hall 8:00 AM

ASDA Bus stop 8:00 AM

Long Eaton Railway Station

West Park Leisure Centre

### SEPTEMBER TRIP EAST LANCS RAILWAY

**Date 15<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**Price £20.00**

Tickets available at the September meeting

Pick up points:-

Petersham Hall 8:00 AM

ASDA Bus stop 8 :00 AM

Long Eaton Railway Station

West Park Leisure Centre

Returning at 6:00 PM

The Trip will be on a steam train.

The present plan is as follows:-

Catching the 11:05 from Bury

Arriving at 11:35 at Rawtenstall

Returning to Bury on the 14:00 hours train

Arriving in Bury at 14:30

This will give you three hours to explore Bury

See page 6 for details of Rawtenstall and Bury

Those wishing to just go to Bury and not take the train the price will be £12.00

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### APRIL TRIP

#### BURGHLEY HOUSE

**DATE 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2016**

Firstly can I apologise for the incorrect date on the ticket and to those who turned up on the 7<sup>TH</sup>. Can I also say sorry to those who gave up waiting for the coach which was delayed due to the overturned lorry on the A52 that caused traffic chaos in Nottingham and the late arrival of the coach. I think that those who braved all the problems had a good day with excellent weather.

I have some pictures of the visit which I have included



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### TABLET SESSIONS

These are held at the Community House on Derby Road on Monday afternoons

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Photo from Peter Fox's talk at the Forum meeting

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