



Bolton's Genies



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This month's picture is of perhaps happier times of the New Year's Day Fair , held between 1930-1960. courtesy of Bolton News.

<https://tinyurl.com/bdhaz7m2> | On the other hand perhaps they just had different problems then.



So firstly, just to wish you all a Happy New Year and we hope you are all well and "rarin' to go." Half of my family are currently Covid +ve and the other half recovering but that seems to be normal for most families these days, and thanks to the vaccination programme maybe not as devastating as it might have been a year ago. Onwards and upwards.

Of course, the hot topic for this month and genealogical year even, is the release of the 1921 census on Findmypast. Many resent the extra charges made for access but maybe we have to accept that family history research is "big money" these days and the companies that are investing in making all the new databases accessible to the public are not doing it as a favour, but as a profitable business venture. In the case of the 1921 census, they have invested £millions, and 3 years manpower into the retrieval from underground storage, and stabilization and conservation programme of the documents, before they even started to meticulously photograph, transcribe and post on the website. It could be said we are lucky to be easy commuting distance to Manchester where the Central Library is offering free access to all, and the MLFHS advisors are at the ready to help. I suspect the access to terminals might be a bit clogged up for the foreseeable future though. More details here <https://www.mlfhs.uk/1921-census-event> . Be warned initial comments are that there are many transcription errors so perhaps a false economy if paying from outside.

Here in Bolton our 2022 programme is beginning and now on our website.

<https://www.mlfhs.uk/bolton/events/meetings> We plan to continue using online methods only though until it is considered safe to go to physical as well, hopefully in April. You might also have noticed a delay in posting our programme on the website and Eventbrite , and also a much quieter Facebook page . This is as previously explained because of sheer lack of manpower and skills. We need help, and new blood, if possible, from younger members who are more comfortable with modern IT skills. Can anyone suggest and help with other ways of spreading the word? Maybe other forms of social media?? We appoint our 2022 committee next month. Any potential new volunteers, please contact our secretary as above.

OUR LAST and NEXT MONTHLY MEETINGS

Wednesday 5th January BFHS Online via Zoom

“The Hidden Secrets of Marriage Registrations” by Antony Marr

It was good to start the New Year seeing Antony again and to hear this follow up talk to his discussion about Birth and Death Certificates last year.

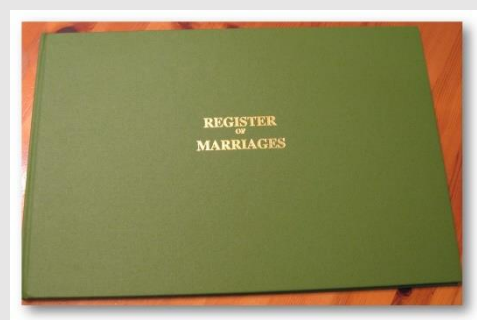


- He first explained his plan which was to talk about the components of a marriage, the history of the event, the definition, making it valid, corrections, divorce and bigamy. Antony defined marriage as “The union of a man and woman, voluntarily entered into for life, to the exclusion of all others”. As the laws changed “man and woman “ was removed, then “two people” added.
- Until Civil Registration started in 1837, legal marriages were performed under the rules of Canon Law <https://tinyurl.com/85zwf3pd> . However, there were many marriages taking place that did not conform to Canon Law, termed clandestine marriages. The Lord Hardwicke Marriage Act of 1753 stipulated that all ceremonies, including those of Non Conformists and Roman Catholics had to take place in an Anglican church (only Jews and Quakers were exempt as their recording methods were deemed acceptable by the church). It was not until 1837 that Civil Registration in a Register Office enabled a legal marriage without religious involvement. Marriages were not supposed to take place outdoors. In 2005 Civil Partnerships between the two sexes were allowed, and same sex marriages became possible in 2014. In essence all came under the general marriage laws.
- Until 1929, marriage age was 14 for a male and 12 for a female providing that the consent of parents or guardians was obtained for those below the age of 21. This was changed in 1929 and 16 became the lowest age for both parties still needing consent of parents if under 21. This was changed again in 1969 when the age of consent was put at 18.
- There was a big increase in weddings during WW1, as it was erroneously thought that married men would be exempt from the “call up”, and it also meant their wives would get state allowances and pensions.
- The list of “prohibited degrees” was also discussed i.e., marriages between people deemed to have close blood relationships. Widows and widowers were not allowed to remarry to their former spouse’s siblings. There are many examples of spouses left with young children to care for, gratefully accepting the help of a single brother or sister of the deceased in keeping the household running. Remarriage was not allowed though so it was common to relocate to a new area where they were not known, to tie the knot. He also discussed how easy it was to commit bigamy (a criminal offence since 1603) and even trigamy, as names were adapted, and blatant lies told, but in new places where the individuals were not known. Tell-tale clues might be consistent with parents’ names, occupations, places of origin etc. Permission for marriage was needed for those in military service from their Commanding Officer so as to allow for arranging married quarters etc. This took time though and if about to go to war they often married quietly somewhere, and then went through another service later when official approval had been won.
- The validity of a marriage also depends on the licensed approval of the venue whether a religious building, the Register Office (RO), hotel or club house etc. Participants must not already be married to others or each other. Official notice must be given on the RO notice board (and the mechanism, examples, and pros and cons of the latter was given). All weddings took place after banns (read in church on three successive weeks), licence (which had to be applied for mainly so a wedding could happen before the three weeks of banns were up) or by Certificate. This is when a couple gave notice of a marriage to the local Registrar and displayed it in the Register Office for three weeks. All these devices

were so that anyone had the opportunity of objecting. The initial attitude to a Civil Registered marriage was discussed as being beneath the dignity of most God fearing folk, a Register Office wedding often being used by the poor.

- For a marriage to be legal, the couple must say the required words e.g. “I call upon these persons here present to witness....”. “I do solemnly declare that I know not..... These have been adapted appropriately for the modern age where couples can choose the words. The ceremony must be witnessed by at least two people who are not officials or an interpreter, and old enough to understand the significance of the event, but still only their signatures are required. The details of the wedding should not be entered until the ceremony is complete, but it seems likely that marriage registers were completed beforehand by hard-worked vicars.
- Antony next explained the new mechanisms of marriage since May 2021. After giving notice, a Marriage Schedule is issued, then the marriage Ceremony when the Schedule is signed by the Couple, Celebrant, and Witnesses. That document is then deposited at the Registration Office , where the details are entered on computer, and that now becomes the Primary Record. A Certificate will be issued to a couple a few weeks later. The recent marriage of Boris Johnson was given as an example <https://tinyurl.com/3fb7j5vs> of a modern document.
- After 4th May 2021, there is space on the marriage document to include the mother’s name as well as the father’s, together with step-parent if the couple decide to give the information (Boris and Carrie didn’t) <https://www.warrington.gov.uk/changes-marriage-registrations-after-4-May-2021> . Inclusion of the mother’s name had been mooted for some considerable time but when the necessary legislation was being processed this caused major upheavals and expense, as the change involved much administration and all Marriage Registers had to be retrieved, as they are now obsolete.
- Churches used to have two registers with one to pass on details of all births, marriages and deaths to the local Register Office, who then forwarded the information to General Register Office. The second register was retained at the church and when full, might be lodged at the relevant County Record Office or Diocesan Registry. This second original copy might well have better details on than the GRO copy after all the transcriptions so should always be checked if possible. Corrections in a Church Register should be numbered and in numerical order to ensure they have not been manipulated before being signed.
- Divorces were not easily available. At first it might have been an “a mensa et thoro “ (from bed and board) arrangement which was much like a modern legal separation, but the parties could not remarry https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Legal_separation . An actual divorce needed a private Act of Parliament which was costly and heavily weighted in the husband’s favour. The husband could divorce his wife for “criminal conversation” but not vice versa. For the wife to get a divorce, more proof of adultery as well as the real problem of cruelty was needed, and artificial “hotel divorces” or “witnessed liaisons” sometimes had to be arranged to facilitate paperwork. In 1858 a Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes was established and records to 1918 are held at the National Archives and also Ancestry.
- There was an increase in divorce after WW2 as husbands returned from the war to find unexpected babies, and long separation caused marriages to fail. Sometimes unintentional bigamy had occurred due to presumed death.
- Antony closed with a reminder that a marriage certificate only records that a marriage ceremony took place within the fulfilment of the requirements of law. It does not confirm validity. He recommended Rebecca Probert’s books as giving much more expert detail.

As previously our heads were reeling by the end of his talk as there was so much to take in. All attendees will be receiving a copy or link of Antony’s hand out, and this will also be available for all members in the 2022 handout section shortly <https://www.mlfhs.uk/member-area/documents/bolton-records/meeting-notes-archive> .

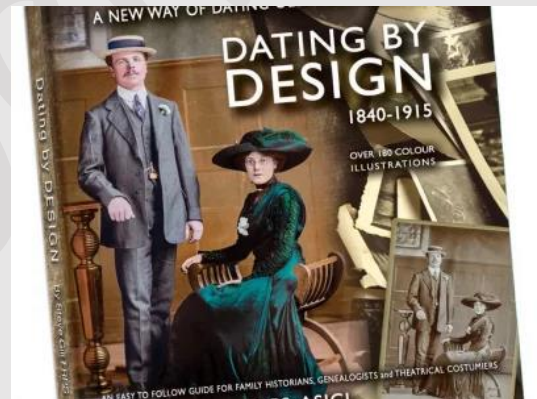


Wednesday 5th February 2022 7.30pm Online via Zoom

BFHS Annual General Meeting followed by "Dating by Design" by Steve Gill

We do hope as many as possible will be able to attend this talk which will be preceded by our annual general meeting and the appointment of committee members, and roles for 2022-2023. Our current committee numbers are much reduced now to what they were. David Baker has agreed to stay on for one more year as Chairman, Christine Ellis as Secretary and tutor, Sue Boddy as Treasurer and Membership secretary, Rita Greenwood as journalist secretary and tutor, Barbara Owen managing Health and Safety and tutor, Michael Isherwood web master, and Jane Milne as Newsletter Editor and Programme Coordinator. We welcomed Val Chadwick who agreed to join us before Christmas. She has been a member for many years, and she is experienced in committee work elsewhere. We are lucky that Graham Holt has agreed to continue being our Zoom host despite standing down from the committee and this is a possible route for other roles. We have lost our Eventbrite manager and Social Media Administrator, and demands have changed. We badly need help with modern methods and approaches, to attract younger folk who would still like help with their own family research. Can you help or suggest anyone else who can? We need assistance with technology and social media, as well as the routine "run of the mill duties" that hold us all together. Much of this can be done from a distance so no need to live in Bolton or have the ability to attend physical meeting, and we can offer involvement, friendship, and help with your own research. This AGM should only take about 10 minutes to complete the formalities.

After this our talk welcomes back Steve Gill who has a background of a 50 year career as a qualified professional photographer, and qualified photography teacher and was recently awarded a Fellowship of the Royal Photographic Society and also Accredited Senior in Imaging in the Creative Industries. The only photo-restorer to gain those awards. He has given us several fascinating talks over the years showing his skills at analysing the story of some of our precious family pictures, and advice on how to conserve them. We are told this talk uses hand colourising to "really show off the style our ancestors had", and to tell . In 1994 about his new book, "Dating by Design". Click here to book a place <https://tinyurl.com/2p96k6p3>



WE PLAN TO CONTINUE TO ONLINE MEETINGS ONLY UNTIL APRIL WHEN WE HOPE TO RESUME PHYSICAL TALKS , WITH ZOOM STREAMING, FROM BOLTON GOLF CLUB PLEASE NOTE OUR CHANGE OF VENUE

Talks from other MLFHS branches are also available of course and free to all members each month. Just scroll down the page of this link <https://www.mlfhs.uk/> , and select an event. Visitors are also welcome for a small charge.

- Where?

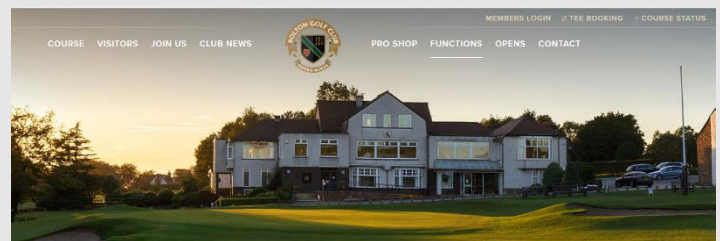
Wherever you can access the internet and have a suitable appliance to connect up. All MLFHS members free. £3.00 to non-members.

- When?

Bolton's are 7.15pm for 7.30pm start on the first Wednesday of most months.

- How?

We use Eventbrite so all you need to do is open this page <https://www.mlfhs.uk/bolton/events> , select the talk you wish to attend, left click and follow the booking instructions.



GENIE'S TIPS for January 2022

Well, the BIG news from our MLFHS Facebook page is of course,



Free Online Access to the 1921 Census of England and Wales at Manchester Central Library from 6 January 2022

Manchester Central Library has been chosen as one of two regional hubs to offer free online access to the 1921 Census of England and Wales. Visitors to Manchester Central Library will be able to access the 1921 Census of England and Wales via the [Findmypast](#) website for free following its publication on the 6th January 2022. Access at Manchester Central Library will be supported by the Manchester and Lancashire Family History Society Helpdesk and the Archives+ Team.

HOW TO ACCESS A LIBRARY COMPUTER AND THE 1921 CENSUS

Do you hold a library card from a Greater Manchester library?

1. If you have a library card from Bolton, Oldham, Rochdale, Salford, Stockport, Tameside or Trafford please take it to a staff customer information desk and ask to become a consortium member. Staff will amend the card details and you will be now able to access the library computers.
2. Find an available computer. You are not limited to the Local Studies area.
3. At your computer station log in using the full number on your library card and your chosen password.
4. You can gain access to the [Findmypast](#) website from the library welcome page. On the right-hand side of this page look for the column labelled 'Virtual Library'. Under this column find and click the item labelled 'Family History & Local Studies'. This column will then drop down further to reveal the [Findmypast](#) button.

Are you a visitor to Manchester Central Library?

1. You can become a member of the library and obtain a library card by showing staff one form of ID that includes your address. You will then be issued with a library card and can access a computer yourself. Then please follow steps 2 -4 above.
2. The Manchester & Lancashire Family History Society Help Desk can also offer support in their area. The MLFHS Family History Help Desk is open M-F 10:30-3:30.
3. There is no geographical restriction on library membership.
4. Everyone is encouraged to join the library in order to get free Internet access

General notes:

MCL (Manchester Central Library) will allow visitors use any of the computers in the Archives+ area (i.e. the computers near the Manchester & Lancashire Family History Help Desk) for up to 2 hours. Visitors can continue to use the computers for longer than that, if there are enough available. Charges for computer use are currently:

- Free for library members
- £2 per hour for non-library members.

MCL are not pre booking computers in the family history area to ensure there are enough for people who need support from the Helpdesk. However, computers are bookable elsewhere in the library for an initial one hour by phoning 0161 234 1983.

Peter Calver's latest Lost Cousins newsletter provides quite a few useful tips on the most advantageous way of getting the most information from here . <https://www.lostcousins.com/newsletters2/1921special.htm>

Scottish GENES Friday, 3rd December 2021 PRONI to release Belfast poor relief application indexes online from Chris Paton's Scottish Genes

<https://tinyurl.com/28m59u4j>

"I've just attended the final PRONI stakeholder forum this year, and there is some great news for family historians - PRONI's Christmas gift to us all is the online release of the digitised indexes to Belfast's poor law applications from 1892-1921!

<https://tinyurl.com/3hsvembm>

The index books, which cover periods of 3 months at a time, are for applications made for indoor relief, i.e., into the workhouse, and are catalogued under BG/7/GK/1-107. Whilst the admission registers themselves are not going online, being able to research the indexes through the online catalogue is still going to be a massive game changer for poor law research in the city. The first tranche will be out towards the end of this month (expect the update around 29 DEC 2021), and there are plans to extend the coverage further in due course."



"Count the G's" November 1st, 2021,

<https://leavesfamilyhistory.co.uk/blog/grandparents-count-the-gs/>

This website regularly has such simple and helpful comments. Well worth having a further look, and one of these days we will hopefully be able to invite Anne Sherman to come and speak to us, when we will hopefully soon have the option of Zoom talks for those at a distance or live face to face speakers.



"Understanding relationships in family history trees is not always easy, and when dealing with DNA matches can add to the confusion. This is a simple guide to work out which set of grandparents you share with your DNA matches, without the confusion.

What does it mean when a DNA match is your potential 2nd or 3rd cousin? Ordinary (1st cousins) share the same grandparents so 2nd and 3rd cousins etc. are a generation further back. You don't have to sit with a family tree to work it out though; this simple trick will help you.

All you need to do is 'Count the G's.' The word 'Grandparents' has one G (1st cousin), Great Grandparents has 2 G's (2nd cousin). It is a simple as that."



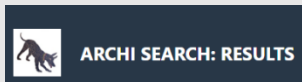
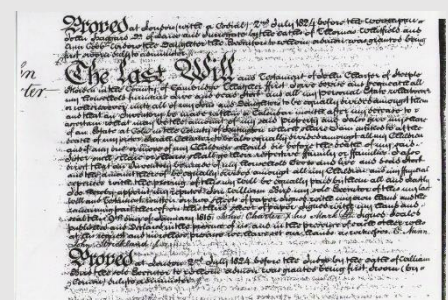
Palaeography: reading old handwriting 1500 – 1800 A practical online tutorial <https://tinyurl.com/4cacnv86>

I have heard a few requests for help recently re how to make sense of the writing in old documents, (and I don't mean cursive, like us oldies learned at school

<https://www.letterjoin.co.uk/> but a bit older than that) . Do you all know about this very helpful article from the TNA.

"Palaeography is the study of old handwriting. This web tutorial will help you learn to read the handwriting found in documents written in English between 1500 and 1800.

At first glance, many documents written at this time look illegible to the modern reader. By reading the practical tips and working through the documents in the Tutorial in order of difficulty, you will find that it becomes much easier to read old handwriting."---



ARCHI UK MAPS: HOME <https://www.archiuk.com/>

I have just found another free resource for maps both in the UK and further afield.

Welcome to ARCHI, The Worldwide Archaeological and Historic Sites Index with Maps. If you haven't done so already, try a search now and see for yourself why so many people are using ARCHI to research the history of their area.

This link leads to some Bolton sites <https://tinyurl.com/bd88j37e>



The Isle of Man Family History Society <https://tinyurl.com/yc8x6s6e>
I know from conversations that quite a few folk from Bolton also have family from the I of M. Do you know about their FHS There are some good documents here in their collections.

"The Library and Online Resources The Library is now open on Wednesday's and Saturday's from 2pm until 4pm. The library is based at the iMuseum, Kingswood Grove, Douglas IM2 3AS. It is possible to visit the library outside normal opening hours if you can notify the librarian in plenty of time. If you email us at iomfhs@manx.net quoting your postal address and membership number if applicable. We cannot research your tree for you but can look up an entry from the resources above.

There is also a library at the Manx Museum and Registry of Deeds at Government Offices may also be worth a visit."

WORKSHOPS AND COURSES,



BFHS Workshops for Family Historians Intermediate Level. at Bolton History Centre, Le Mans Crescent, Bolton

For genealogists who have hit the proverbial brick wall we are returning to the classroom at last and offering four physical workshops on Saturdays 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th March 2022 From 10 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

£25.00 per head for the course (includes refreshments and study material)

A cheque for £25.00 will secure a place
Please contact 01204 525472



Genealogy: Researching Your Family Tree <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/genealogy>

Alternatively, or, even better as well as, and those of you who are unable to attend a Bolton physical meeting for whatever reason, might be interested to know that Strathclyde University are also repeating their free online 6 week course in March this year, which caters for beginners upwards, and many more experienced find it good for revision of techniques. This can be slotted in at any time of the day or night, but of course not quite the same social scene or Bolton /Lancashire focussed.

MISCELLANEOUS

Lions Clog Works, Bolton <https://tinyurl.com/yrzyh67d> courtesy of Michael L Jackson of the Lancashire Society .

He tells us *“This is the complete catalogue combined with my history of clog making in Church Bank, Bolton”*

The full document <https://tinyurl.com/yckr4zym> now present in our Members area via this link, has 70 pages and makes fascinating reading. Apparently, Michael does give talks on the subject, so he is definitely on our list of folk to invite in the future.

In the meantime, if you would like to know more, here is a link to his face book page covering many aspects of Lancashire cultural history.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/lancshiresociety/permalink/3976551862401765/>

Lion Clog Works (Bolton, Lancashire) Catalogue of Clogs and Pattens



Introduction by Michael L. Jackson
March 2021

THIS MONTHS LOCAL NEWS and SOME ORGANISATION UPDATES

Lancashire Records

UKBMD Summary <http://goo.gl/I29JpL>



Lancs OPC <http://goo.gl/AN699Z> and left click on the “What's New” tab on the left



Lancashire Archives News and Events <https://goo.gl/H8UexE> for their latest newsletter and more

Can you help Lancashire Archives to understand more about its users? By Janice Tullock
Archives and Heritage Consultant

Lancashire Archives wants to learn more about the people who currently use its services, in person, online, and remotely, so that staff can plan for the future. I am looking to bring together online a group of people to talk about how they use the archive service; what works and doesn't work for them; and how they might want to use the service in the future. Through a 90-minute informal group chat in mid to late January I will gather information from a variety of users - those who have used the service for a long time and those who have visited only recently. Knowing this information will help Lancashire Archives to understand more about what you need, to plan and prioritise its work, and to advocate for the service. It's a real chance to influence how Lancashire Archives looks in the future. If you would like to support Lancashire Archives by participating in the group, please complete the form at: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LancsArchiveUser>

I will be looking to gather a wide range of views, and there will be other opportunities to participate. Thank you for your help, Lancashire Archives can't do this without you! This is part of a larger piece of work that will also look at how Lancashire Archives can reach those who don't currently use its services. Watch this space for more news.

MEMBERS COMMENTS, QUERIES, and MEMORIES)

7th Dec 2021 Thanks to reader Bob Dobson for this response to last month's article about "Crouching Miners". I wonder if terminology might have varied in different mines????

" I read the item on the miners' habit of crouching down on their haunches with interest. My first job after leaving school was with the NCB and involved me going down pits in Accrington and Burnley almost daily as part of the learning process, as I was clerk to the manager and under-manager. I was also interested in dialect. How to spell the word for the crouching is uncertain , but it certainly doesn't have a 'd' in it . Both carrin' and ceawrin' have a silent 'g' at the end of the word. "

Bob



COMING ACTIVITIES FROM OTHER MLFHS BRANCHES

Please note these events are all included free to subscribed MLFHS members, £3 to guests.



Manchester branch <https://www.mlfhs.uk/manchester/events/meetings>
Meeting dates here are varying so please check the calendar here.



Saturday, 2pm – 3,30pm Oldham and District Branch oldham_webmaster@mlfhs.org.uk

Usually meet on the second Saturday of each month 2-3.30pm and currently via Zoom. There is also the option to book for the talks through the MLFHS website, Oldham Branch, 'Meetings <https://www.mlfhs.uk/oldham/events/meetings>



Thursday 2p.m -3.30pm Anglo Scottish Branch

Usually meet on the first Saturday afternoon of each month 2-3.30pm, and currently via Zoom. .
Eventbrite Link <https://www.mlfhs.uk/anglo-scots/events>

OTHER LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETIES PLANNED COMING EVENTS

(DUE TO THE CURRENT UNPREDICATBLE SITUATION RE COVID PRECAUTIONS WE ADVISE CHECKING THEIR RESPECTIVE WEBSITES PERIODICALLY FOR UPDATES ON SAME.)



Halliwell Local History Society <http://goo.gl/8erYyr>

Email margaretk@talktalk.net .Meetings are usually held on the last Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm, at St Luke's Church, Chorley Old Road, BL1 3BE opposite Shepherd Cross St, Bolton, Next Meeting Tuesday 25th January "Yates and the County Mapping of Lancashire" by Paul Hindle



Turton Local History Society <https://goo.gl/adx4GM>

Illustrated talks and meetings are held from August to April inclusive on the fourth Thursday at the new church hall, Longsight Church Centre, Harwood BL2 3HX beginning at 7.30pm. This next month's event

Thursday 27th January - "Shop Local - 50 Years Ago" by David Lloyd

Westhoughton Local History Group – <http://goo.gl/XNugl5>

Meetings currently are taking place on the 3rd Thursday of the month, between 10am and 12md at the Westhoughton Methodist Church Hall . Next Meeting

Thursday 20th January "Wigan's railways and a 19th century stationmaster" by : Marianne Howell -



Horwich Heritage Centre- <http://goo.gl/fSPsij>

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm at the Horwich Resource Centre, Beaumont Road (off Longworth Road), Horwich BL6 7BG.

11th Jan 2022 "Railways & Literature" - Paul Salveson

BOLTON FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY CHRISTMAS QUIZ ANSWERS 2021

- 1 Which journalist, writer and poet wrote the first ever King's Christmas message for George V in 1932 → *RUDYARD KIPLING*
2. What did Tom Smith of London invent in 1847 after getting the idea on a trip to Paris CHRISTMAS → *CRACKERS*
3. What is the name of Bob Cratchit's youngest child in the book "A Christmas Carol" → *TINY TIM*
4. The modern Santa Claus was based on traditions surrounding which fourth-century Greek bishop → *SAINT NICHOLAS*
5. If you were born on Christmas Day, what is your star sign → *CAPRICORN*
6. Which song plays out the end credits of the film "Die Hard" → *LET IT SNOW*
7. What, with parts called "lametta" was invented in Nuremburg, Germany in 1610 → *TINSEL*
8. Who were the French Protestants in the 16th and 17th centuries that objected to celebrating Christmas → *THE PURITANS*
9. What do Americans call reindeer → *CARIBOU*
10. At what time on Christmas Day does the Queen broadcast to the nation → *3 P.M.*
11. What cake is offered typically during Christmas throughout Italy → *PANETTONE*
12. Which item of clothing brought Frosty the Snowman back to life → *A HAT*
13. Which Christmas carol is noted for the Latin line "Gloria Hosanna in excelsis" → *DING DONG MERRILY ON HIGH*
14. What did Henry Cole give us in 1843 → *FIRST COMMERCIAL CHRISTMAS CARD*
15. Eating a Kentucky Fried Chicken Meal is a Christmas tradition in which country → *JAPAN*
16. Which American state's Spanish translation literally means "covered in snow" → *NEVADA*
17. Which festive song is the biggest selling single in UK chart history not to reach number one → *LAST CHRISTMAS (By Wham)*
18. What was the name of the lady who was handed divorce papers on Christmas Day 1986 → *ANGIE WATTS*
19. Who married Alice Fitzwarren → *DICK WHITTINGTON*
20. Who first appeared in a 1939 booklet written by Robert L. May → *RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER*
21. The General Post Office stopped delivering letters on Christmas Day in which year – 1940, 1950, 1960 or 1970 → *1960*
22. Often used in Christmas floral displays, what is Euphorbia pulcherrima → *POINSETTIA*
23. Which British scientist was born on Christmas Day 1642 → *ISAAC NEWTON*
24. On Christmas Day in 1800AD, who was crowned Holy Roman Emperor → *CHARLEMAGNE*
25. On Christmas Day in 1926, who was crowned the 124th emperor of Japan → *HIROHITO*