

Woodford Halse History Society was founded in 1955 by a group of local residents who shared an interest in all aspects of both local and general history.

*Membership is open to everyone with an interest in History who lives in or around the Woodford Halse area.*

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# Woodford Halse History Society

Founded 1955

Programme 2018 - 19

*The Society holds meetings  
on the third Tuesday of every month,  
September to May.*

*New members and visitors are  
welcome to all our meetings.*

Annual Membership £15.00

Guests £3.00 per meeting

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Please Note that Woodford Halse History Society may hold members' details on a computer system, but these **will not** be divulged to any third party.

18th September 2018

***Votes for Women in Oxford & Oxfordshire***

Katherine Bradley

Experienced lecturer & historian, Dr. Katherine Bradley charts the progress of the campaign for women's suffrage in Oxford from the 1870s until the 1918 Representation of the People Act.

Followed by the AGM

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16<sup>th</sup> October 2018

***Harvest Rituals***

Deborah Hayter

Foremost a landscape historian, lecturer Deborah Hayter considers how rituals arose to try to secure a good harvest, as well as celebrate its outcome, reflecting on the involvement of & impact on whole communities.

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20th November 2018

***A 17th-century Christmas***

Tim Healey

Freelance writer, broadcaster, & Director of the Oxford Waits, Tim Healey provides a vibrant portrait of Christmas in a turbulent age

18<sup>th</sup> December 2018

***Armistice 1918 & After: Some Local Perspectives***

Stephen Barker

Stephen Barker considers the impact of the First World War Armistice & the legacy of war on local communities, looking at Armistice celebrations, the soldier's return home, & how families managed in the immediate aftermath

*Followed by a glass of wine and mince pies to start the Festive Season.*

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15<sup>th</sup> January 2019

***Meal & Quiz***

The Windmill Pub  
Badby

*With thanks to Jenny Fell, quiz-organiser.*

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19th February 2019

***Amy, Wonderful Amy Johnson***

Roy Smart

A great pioneer & inspirational darling of the 1930s, Amy Johnson's is an extraordinary & uplifting story of achievement, brought to us by Roy Smart, former Naval Officer, Fleet Air Arm pilot & air director, to brighten a February night.

19<sup>th</sup> March 2019

***'Professors of Rowing':  
Early Oxford-Cambridge Boat Races***

Mark Davies

Local historian, author & canal-boat resident, Mark Davies offers an interesting story of the early inter- university races & the important role played by individuals often denigrated by university society: the boatmen

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16<sup>th</sup> April 2019

***The Rollright Stones***

David Shirt

Dr. David Shirt is a trustee of the Rollright Trust

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21<sup>st</sup> May 2019

***Site visit to the Rollright Stones***

David Shirt

Members will be offered a guided tour of the site

Please meet at the site at 7pm

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**WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE OUTSIDE EVENT ON 21st MAY 2019, ALL MEETINGS START IN THE MEMORIAL HALL,  
WOODFORD HALSE AT 7.30pm**

A "suggestion" box will be available at each meeting to receive your comments and ideas for future subjects etc.

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