



Nottinghamshire Archives

Welcome to the latest email newsletter from Nottinghamshire Archives

Spotlight on the Archives: May 2012

Although we are basking in a heat wave at present, only a few weeks ago May was fast becoming one of the **wettest months** on record.

Our spotlight on the archives for May highlighted the fact that **floods** are not a recent phenomenon in Nottinghamshire. In fact, there are many references to flooding in Nottingham and elsewhere in the county among the Archives. These include a reference to **boats** being used to take provisions to the inhabitants of Narrow Marsh in Nottingham in 1795 and the flooding of Nottingham **Midland Station** to platform level in 1947.

This picture shows flooding along Loughborough Road in West Bridgford in May 1932, including an **abandoned car** in the middle of the road.



DD/1849/11/2

You can find out more including further examples of flooding in the county on our web site at <http://www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/learning/history/archives/archivescollections/archivesdom/>.

There's still time to catch our April Document of the Month on the web site, which features local reactions and experiences to the **sinking of the Titanic** in 1912.

New collections available at Nottinghamshire Archives

The following records have recently been catalogued at Archives and are now available:

- Parish registers for St Bartholomew's church in **Sutton cum Lound**, 1904 – 2006 (PR/30,655-661), St George's church in **Barton in Fabis**, 1885 – 2011 (PR/30,664), St Paul's church in **Daybrook**, 1945 – 1985 (PR/30,665-9) and St Swithun's church in **East Retford**, 1573 – 1988 (PR/30,670-95)
- **Calverton** vestry and highway board minutes, 1839 – 1895 (PR/30,663)
- **Sutton cum Lound** enclosure award, 1778 (PR/30,662)
- Property book and terrier of **Everton Parish Council**, 1905 – 1992 (PAC/107/9)
- Children's creed and history register for **Nottingham Scattered Homes**, 1941 – 1949 (CA/SS/3/5) Restricted access
- Nottinghamshire County Council **adoption application registers**, 1930 – 1986 (CA/SS/16/1-3) Restricted access
- Photocopies of pen and ink drawings of **Shirehall, Nottingham**, 1988 (DD/2649)
- Title deed of 1812 for **Tupman of Nottingham, printers and stationers** (DD/2678)
- Financial ledger of **R Cripps and Co Ltd of Nottingham, bicycle manufacturer and dealer**, 1909 – 1933 (DD/2679)
- Catalogue of **Leaderflush Ltd of Nottingham, door manufacturers**, 1930s (DD/2680)
- Title deed of 1931 for land at Rutland Road in **West Bridgford** (DD/2681)
- Employee papers of **John Player and Sons Ltd of Nottingham, tobacco manufacturers**, 1970s – 1981 (DD/2683)

- Accounts of **Charles A Brunning, seedsman of Newark**, 1899 – 1909 and of the executors of **John Harvey**, 1878 – 1903 (DD/2685)
- Lace sample books of **Thomas Adams Ltd of Nottingham**, 19th – 20th centuries (DP/100/1-2)

Some of these collections are marked as **restricted access**. If you are interested in any of these items please contact us for more information.

Visit our online catalogue at <http://nawcat.nottinghamshire.gov.uk> to get more information about these records.

Among new collections recently accessioned at Nottinghamshire Archives are:

- Electoral registers for **Ashfield District Council**, 1974 – 1996 (accession 8145)
- Minutes of the **Nottinghamshire Footpaths Preservation Society**, 2008 – 2009 (accession 8149)
- **Older people's care home** registers of residents, 1954 – 2010 (restricted; accession 8152)
- **Ruth's Archive**: Family First newsletters and photographs, c1968 – c2002 (restricted; accession 8155)
- **Broxtowe Borough Council** minutes, 2002 – 2007 (accession 8156)
- Minutes, programmes, visitors' books, newsletters and other papers of the **Nottingham Inner Wheel Club**, 1939 – 2011 (restricted; accession 8157)
- Religious writings of **Rebecca Ann Harrison Towers**, 1898 – 1899 (accession 8159)
- Catalogue of boilers, domestic radiators, pipes and valves of the **Beeston Boiler Company Ltd**, 1952 (accession 8161)
- History and notes of the **East Circus Street Theatre, Nottingham**, 1964 (accession 8162)
- Accounts ledger of **H M Leman & Leman, solicitors of Nottingham**, c1910 – c1926 (accession 8165)
- **Marriotts of Nottingham** sales catalogues and other **Nottinghamshire sales catalogues**, 20th century (accessions 8172 and 8167)

- **Victim Support Nottinghamshire**: minutes, annual reports, log books, statistics, referrals, articles and photographs, 1975 – 2003 (restricted; accession 8170)
- Photographs, programmes and newscuttings of **Manning School for Girls, Aspley**, 1930s – c1996 (accession 8173)
- Minutes, accounts and circuit plans of **Newark and Southwell Methodist circuit** and records of **Farndon** and **Barnby Gate** churches, 19th – 21st centuries (restricted; accession 8174)

If you wish to view any newly acquired collection which has not been fully catalogued an **advance appointment** will be necessary. Please contact Nottinghamshire Archives with details of the material you wish to view and the date of your intended visit. Please note we require **1 week's notice** of your visit.

Some of the newly acquired collections will be on **restricted access** because of the sensitive nature of their contents and for legislative reasons. It is therefore important to **contact us before visiting** to make sure that you can see the items in which you are interested.

More information including more newly acquired collections is available on our web site at www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/learning/history/archives/archivescollections/archivesaccessions/

Nottinghamshire's Sporting Heritage

Find out all about Nottinghamshire's sporting heritage as reflected in the holdings of Nottinghamshire Archives. This talk will celebrate the London 2012 Olympics!



The talk will take place on **Tuesday 10 July 2012** at 2.30pm. Places cost **£4**. Booking is essential; to book your place, visit www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/archivesevents.

Nottinghamshire Archives Users Group elections

Nominations are invited from regular users of the Archives to stand for election for two seats on Nottinghamshire Archives Users Group (NAUG), one to serve for three years and the other for two years. The Users' Group meets twice a year.

The Group is made up of representatives of seven interested county-wide bodies, three senior staff of the Archives, an archives assistant and three individual members. One of the existing individual members is due to retire this year but is eligible for re-election; and we are also carrying a vacancy.

Nominations must be made on a Nomination Form which can be supplied by contacting Nottinghamshire Archives tel 0115 958 1634 or 0115 950 4524 or [email archives@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:archives@nottscc.gov.uk). The form should be signed by a proposer and a seconder. Nominees, proposers and seconders must all be holders of a Reader's Ticket at Nottinghamshire Archives. Completed nomination forms must be returned to Nottinghamshire Archives by 4.00pm on **Friday 8 June 2012**.

In the event of there being more than two nominations a paper ballot will be held amongst daily visitors during the week of 19 - 23 June 2012. Candidates will be invited to provide a short personal statement for the information of voters.

June 2012

Nottinghamshire Archives will be closed on the following days in June as part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Holiday:

- **Saturday 2 June 2012**
- **Tuesday 5 June 2012**

Please note that Nottinghamshire Archives is not open on Mondays.

Our usual opening hours are:

- **Monday:** closed
- **Tuesday:** 9am – 8pm
- **Wednesday:** 9am – 4.45pm
- **Thursday:** 9am – 4.45pm
- **Friday:** 9am – 4.45pm
- **Saturday:** 9am – 12.45pm

New look web site

Nottinghamshire County Council's new look web site was launched this month. Information on Nottinghamshire Archives can be found at our usual address at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/archives. All our regular news, events and features are included and there are opportunities for you to leave comments on the site as well.

Please tell us what you think either on the web site or by emailing us at [email archives@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:archives@nottscc.gov.uk)

The screenshot shows the Nottinghamshire County Council Archives website. At the top is the council logo and a navigation bar with links for 'Living and Working', 'Learning', 'Traveling', 'Employing and Volunteering', 'Caring and Supporting', and 'The Council'. Below this is a search bar. The main content area is titled 'Archives in Nottinghamshire' and includes a sidebar with categories like 'History and Heritage', 'Archives', 'News', 'Events', 'Visiting Archives', 'Preservation and Conservation', 'Genealogy and Research Services', 'Geographic Services', 'Learning and Outreach', 'Publications', 'Collections and Catalogues', 'Nottinghamshire Archives Users Group', 'Policies, Strategies and Plans', 'Historic Buildings', 'Archaeology', and 'Fields Notes'. The main content area features sections for 'Key services', 'Find out more', 'Collections', 'Latest news', 'Plans and policies', and 'Related services'. The 'Key services' section lists 'Visiting Archives', 'Geneographic Services', 'Preservation and Conservation', and 'Research and Research Services'. The 'Find out more' section lists 'Services for owners of archives', 'Learning and Outreach', and 'Volunteering'. The 'Collections' section lists 'Archives collections and catalogues', 'Document of the Month', 'Online Catalogue', and 'Family Histories'. The 'Latest news' section lists 'Nottinghamshire Archives Users Group elects 2012/13', 'Bank Holidays in June 2012', and 'New Spring and Summer 2012 Programmes'. The 'Plans and policies' section lists 'Access to Archives Policy (PDF 50KB)' and 'Accessions Strategy (PDF 50KB)'. The 'Related services' section lists 'Researching your family history', 'Libraries', and 'Community Archives'.

Tom Blower display case



Our small search room display case currently features a new display on Tom Blower, the Cross Channel swimmer.

Born in Nottingham in 1914, Tom had a remarkable talent for long-distance swimming and on 4 August 1937 swam the English Channel in a record time. His swimming feats are celebrated in a

selection of archives and photographs from the collection DD/1891, on display in the search room.

For more information in visiting, see <http://www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/learning/history/archives/visitingarchives/>

Rufford's Right Royal Extravaganza

Tuesday 15 May – Sunday 10 June at Rufford Abbey Country Park

To celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, Rufford Gallery turns regal with some right royal exhibits and majestic fun-themed activities.



Amidst photographs and memorabilia from the Queen's Coronation, Silver and Golden Jubilees the gallery will be adorned with bunting and ceramics celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Commemorative plates and mugs painted by visitors in drop-in workshops preceding the show will feature in the exhibition too.

Also on display will be a selection of innovative mugs, plates, thrones and crowns on a Diamond Jubilee theme designed by artists and makers, potential memorabilia of the future!

Nottinghamshire Archives will be showcasing a selection of archival documents highlighting how the people of Nottinghamshire have marked coronations and jubilees in the past. They will also include a range of documents showing Rufford's links with royalty.

The exhibition will be on show at Rufford between 15 May and 10 June but the archives will be appearing at Rufford from April, along with workshops and activities. For further information telephone 01623 822 944 or visit our web site at www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/enjoying/countryside/countryparks/rufford/.

Interested in find out more about Nottinghamshire's links with royalty? Why not book a place on our Wednesday Workshop on Royal Records, **20 June at 2.30pm**, cost £4. See <http://www3.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/learning/history/archives/archivesevents/> for more details.

MAKE HISTORY HAPPEN! Youth Heritage Conference 2012

Organised by Nottinghamshire Archives in association with Nottinghamshire County Council, The Lakeside Arts Centre, the University of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Local History Association

at The Lakeside Arts Centre, University Park, Nottingham

Wednesday 18 July 2012: 10.00am – 4.30pm

Join in on this Conference with a Difference! If you are between 16 and 21 years old and interested in Heritage come along to this unique event. It aims to bring together young people involved in archives, archaeology, arts heritage, libraries, museums, community activities and lots more...

Find out more at special lectures on the history of youth culture, about the fascinating secrets of 21-year old Billy Richard's diary and discover why 'A Load of Old Rubbish' could be important!

- Bookstall
- Quill Pen Writing
- Interactive Workshops
- Heritage Hub

The event is free including light refreshments, but lunch must be purchased (Lakeside Café) or sandwiches may be eaten in the grounds. Booking through the Lakeside Arts Centre (details to be announced).

Find out more about Nottinghamshire Archives at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/archives



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