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## SLHF NEWS

Dates for your diary! SLHF events in 2018:

### ■ Tuesday 13 March, 14.00.

The third **Annual SLHF / National Library of Scotland Lecture** takes place in NLS, George IV Bridge, Edinburgh. Prof. Niall A. Logan will talk on **'Duping the Luftwaffe: bomber decoys of World War II'**. This is an expanded version of a talk he gave at the SLHF conference in 2016. During March NLS will display items from the collections relating to the theme. The talk is free but must be booked in advance via NLS website. Details will be available in mid-January, when booking will open.

<http://www.nls.uk/events>

### ■ Thursday 28 June, 10.30-13.45.

This year's **Walk & Talk** will be to the **Glenlee Tall Ship and the Govan Stones**. The ship is beside the Riverside Museum, 150 Pointside Place, Glasgow. After a guided tour of the ship in the morning we take the ferry across the Clyde for a tour of the early medieval Govan Stones at Govan Old Kirk, led by Prof. Driscoll. Numbers are limited so do book early. Members £15.00; Non-members £20 (includes tea/coffee on arrival, but not lunch). Find out more and book online at: <https://www.slhf.org/event/walk-talk-glenlee-tall-ship-and-govan-stones>

### ■ Thursday 25 October.

**SLHF Annual Conference and AGM** will be at the AK Bell Library in Perth. The programme is in preparation, and will be announced later in the year. The theme is **After the War was Over**, the legacy and consequences around Scotland of World War I.

## CONTACT DETAILS

Email <http://slhf.org/contact-slhf>

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■ We apologise that distribution of **Scottish Local History** issue 99 (Spring 2018) is delayed because of problems at the printers. We anticipate that it will be mailed in late January. Looking forward, number 100 (Summer 2018) will be a special celebratory issue in full colour. Distribution is planned for early April.

## LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES & MUSEUMS

■ **Glasgow Libraries Special Collections** will display a selection of **Glasgow Scrapbooks** relating to Glasgow's history, buildings, events and people, from 8 Jan.–30 Mar. 2018 in the Mitchell Library Level 5. Other Glasgow Libraries events for Jan.–Mar. are at:

<http://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/libraries/Documents/00631%20Mitchell%20A5%20v1%20SP%20low-res%2012%20WEB.pdf>

■ The **National Library of Scotland at Kelvin Hall** has workshops on **Using the Moving Image Archive** (13 Jan.) and **Using film for family and local history** (19 Jan.). Workshops are free, but must be booked in advance.

<http://www.nls.uk/events/kelvin-hall>

■ Although Paisley was unsuccessful in its City of Culture bid, it was short-listed and the impetus of the bid has encouraged investment in the cultural and heritage infrastructure to help to regenerate the area, with proposals to spend some £42 million over the next few years. As part of these plans, **Paisley Museum** has been awarded a £4.9 million Heritage Lottery grant and Renfrewshire has set aside over £24 million for heritage improvements.

<https://www.renfrewshireleisure.com/paisleymuseum/>  
<https://www.hlf.org.uk/about-us/news-features/paisley-museum-weaves-bright-future>

■ The current temporary exhibition at the **National Museum of Scotland** is on **Scotland's early silver**, with exhibits dating from AD75 to 1000 AD on display until 25 Feb. 2018.

<https://www.nms.ac.uk/national-museum-of-scotland/whats-on/scotlands-early-silver/>

Other events are at: <https://www.nms.ac.uk/national-museum-of-scotland/whats-on/>

■ **Govan High School** has its own archive, with school magazines, thousands of photographs of classes, teams and individuals, information on every pupil who lost his life in WWI and on 90 lives lost in

WWII. Contact the voluntary archivist Ian McCracken, to arrange a visit (term time only). He is also interested in any memories and information about the school. [iangmccracken@gmail.com](mailto:iangmccracken@gmail.com)

## SOCIETIES

■ **The Dean Village Association** (Edinburgh) has been producing the *Dean Village News* since 1971 and has recently started adding it to their website. Each issue has items of current interest such as planning and regeneration, and also a short historical article, usually as part of the series 'My friends in the cemetery'. Issue 177, Summer 2017, pp10-11, has an article about the stone commemorating the Murray family who drowned in the steamship *Royal Charter* off Anglesey at the end of a voyage from Melbourne, Australia in a storm in October 1859. <http://deanvillage.org/documents/>

## HELP WANTED

■ Carol O'Connor is writing a book on suffragettes and is asking the public for information or photos on any relatives who were **Glasgow suffragettes**. She also needs information and photos of women's work, education, health in 19th/20th century (pre votes for women). [carol\\_oconnor@sky.com](mailto:carol_oconnor@sky.com)

## UNIVERSITIES

■ **Strathclyde University** has announced a new online course, launching in January 2018, *Understanding Autosomal DNA Testing for Genealogy: A Beginner's Guide*. This class is ideal for anyone who has undertaken a DNA test to help find their genetic cousins and trace their ethnicity. Classes are online and the next start date is 15th January. <https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/centreforlifelonglearning/genealogy/onlinebeginnertointermediatelevel/genealogy8-weekclasses/>

## WEBSITES

■ The **British Newspaper Archive** has added the *Jedburgh Gazette* to its website, covering 1871-1943. <https://www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk/>

## PUBLICATIONS

■ *Hail Caledonia: the lure of the Highlands*, by Eric Simpson. Stroud: Amberley, 2017. 192 p.; 170 illus, Pbk. £17.99. (ISBN 978-1-4456-4004-4) <https://www.amberley-books.com/hail-caledonia.html>

■ *A-Z of Edinburgh*, by Lisa Sibbald. Stroud: Amberley, 2018. 96p. Pbk. £14.99. (ISBN 978-1-4456-7975-4) <https://www.amberley-books.com/current-month/a-z-of-edinburgh.html>

■ *Ayr & Alloway through time*, by Jack Gillon. Stroud: Amberley, 2018. 96p. Pbk £14.99 (ISBN 978-1-4456-7614-2) <https://www.amberley-books.com/current-month/ayr-alloway-through-time.html>

■ *The country houses, castles and mansions of East Ayrshire*, by Alex F. Young. Catrine: Stenlake, 2017. Pbk. £18.95. (ISBN 978-1-8403-3630-6) [http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view\\_book.php?ref=1114](http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view_book.php?ref=1114)

■ *Old Ecclefechan, Eaglesfield, Kirtlebridge and Kirkpatrick Fleming*, by Raymond Hood. Catrine: Stenlake, 2017. Pbk. £10. (ISBN 978-1-8403-3793-8) [http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view\\_book.php?ref=1113](http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view_book.php?ref=1113)

■ *Old Fochabers, with Llanbryde, Urquhart, Garmouth, Kingston and Spey Bay*, by Douglas G. Lockhart. Catrine: Stenlake, 2017. Pbk. £10. (ISBN 978-1-8403-3791-4) [http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view\\_book.php?ref=1117](http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view_book.php?ref=1117)

■ *Old Howe of Alford*, by Lorna Dey, Michael Dey and Paul Dukes. Catrine: Stenlake, 2017. Pbk. £10. (ISBN 9781840337945) [http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view\\_book.php?ref=1112](http://stenlake.co.uk/books/view_book.php?ref=1112)

■ *Minister of money: Henry Duncan, founder of the savings bank movement*, by Charles W. Munn. Edinburgh: John Donald, 2017. 272p.; illus. Hbk, ebook. £25. (ISBN 978-1-910900-147) <https://www.birlinn.co.uk/Minister-of-Money.html>

## WHAT'S ON

■ **Provincial Booksellers Fairs Association-** Looking for that elusive local history book, ephemera, postcards, photographs? Meet the booksellers to discuss your needs and view selections of their stock.

### **P.B.F.A BOOK FAIRS IN SCOTLAND 2018**

SCOTTISH PREMIER BOOK FAIR

Fri. 24 March, 12.00-19.00;

Sat. 25 March, 10.00-17.00 at the Radisson Blu Hotel, 80 High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1TH

For more information on P.B.F.A. bookfairs, visit the website or contact P.B.F.A., The Old Church House, 14 Melbourn Street, Royston SG8 7BZ

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Fairs are held around Scotland and the UK:

<http://www.pbfa.org/book-fairs/scotland-&-ireland>

Find out about what's happening in local history around Scotland on the SLHF website:

<https://www.slhf.org/events>

<https://www.slhf.org/calendar>

Submit your events at:

<https://www.slhf.org/submit-event>