

***North East Derbyshire
Industrial Archaeology
Society***

Our interests are of the industrial heritage of this north-east corner of Derbyshire, an area with a very long and strong history of manufacturing industry, from paper products and ceramics through to heavy engineering.

An area where waterpower and coal provided the energy, and where turnpike roads, canals and railways were developed to aid distribution.

The Society brings together like minds that have an interest in the subject at whatever level, from the curious, to those who already have extensive knowledge.

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MEETINGS VENUE

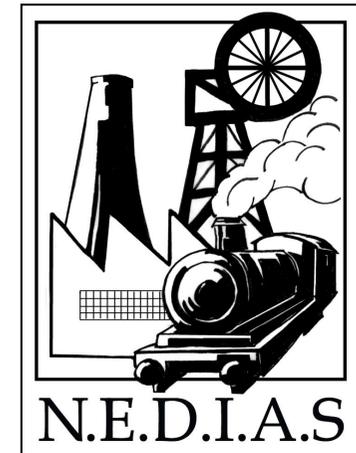
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MEETINGS PROGRAMME

2018/2019



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NEDIAS 2018/2019 Talks Programme

Monday 10 September, 7.30:

Bob Gellatly: **“The Tennessean: a journey from Washington to Memphis”**

Bob’s presentation is about a journey he made in August last year, tracing the route of the famous Tennessean railway. An added bonus is that this coincided with the solar eclipse which occurred during the journey.

Monday 8 October, 7.30

Cliff Lea: **“The Centenary of the Chesterfield area oilwells—Britain's first oilfield of 100 years ago.”**

It was in 1918, just as WW1 was drawing to a close, that Britain’s first systematic oil exploration took place, and the first oilwells were sunk close to us.

Monday 12 November, 7.30

John Barnatt: **“Excavating a late 18th century Newcomen Engine at Watergrove Mine”**

South of Foolow, the Watergrove mine was active from the 18th century until 1853, and water ingress was a real problem over this period; both soughs and pumping engines were used. John recently gave this talk at the Elsecar early steam engine conference.

Monday 10 December, 7:30pm

Christmas meeting. Talks from members. Accompanied of course by mince pies!

Monday 14 January, 7.30

John Lower: **“Building of the Dawn Rose”**.

There was unusual design for narrow boats of the Chesterfield Canal—they’re called “cuckoos”, the last cuckoo being made back in the 1930s. Some years ago, a few members of the Chesterfield Canal Trust decided that it would be a good idea to build a cuckoo, using traditional techniques. Hear from John Lower about this great Millennium project.

Monday 11 February, 7.30pm

Prof. John Parker: **“The history of the local Glass Industries”**

Glass has been made in the north Derbyshire and south Yorkshire region for centuries, and particularly around Chesterfield area we have incredible glass heritage. What were the companies, why here, how did they do it and what did they produce?

Monday 11 March, 7:30pm:

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Monday 8 April, 7.30

Philip Riden: **“The Timber Industry and the Railways”**

Railways needed timber, particularly for sleepers, and our local coal products industries produced that very effective toxic timber preservative creosote.

Monday 13 May, 7:30pm:

DAVID WILMOT MEMORIAL LECTURE

Glynn Waite: **“The History of Railways in and around Chesterfield ”**

North Midland Railway, Grand Central Railway/Manchester Sheffield and South Lincolnshire Railway, Lancashire Derbyshire and East Coast Railway, and a **host** of branches serving local industries and pits. Glynn will be teasing out the fascinating history of our local lines.

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