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**TALKS** are held in The Forum, Millennium Plain, NR2 1TF

Members £4 / non-members £7

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

10.30am



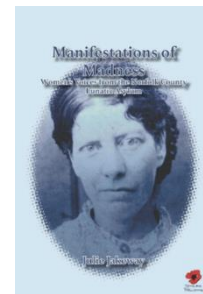
## **TALK** Manifestations of Madness at the Norfolk

### Asylum

Speaker: **Julie Jakeway**

A look at life within Norfolk County Lunatic Asylum in the years 1851 - 1870, including case studies of women whose lives, through poverty, debility, and physical exhaustion, brought them to the asylum for a period of refuge.

**Julie Jakeway's** MA in local history at Leicester University stimulated her interest in Victorian asylums and her subsequent research led to the publication of her book, *Manifestations of Madness*.



**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**

Two ticket options:

1 2pm Tour followed by Afternoon Tea

2 2.45pm Afternoon Tea followed by Tour

Members £42

Non-members £46

Includes Afternoon Tea, tell us about any dietary requirements when you book.

## **TOUR** Maids Head Hotel and Afternoon Tea

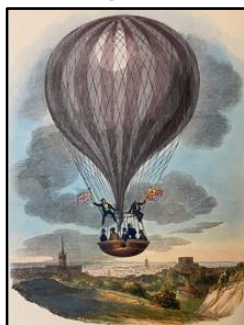
Norwich tour guide, **Paul Dickson** will introduce you to the story of the Maids Head Hotel, one of the oldest hotels in the country. To include a tour of the historic public spaces, featuring the late 16<sup>th</sup> century bar, 17<sup>th</sup> century Oak Room, former courtyard (now the restaurant) and 18<sup>th</sup> century assembly room (now the Minstrel's Suite).

The two tour groups will come together at 2:45pm to enjoy the Maid's Head Hotel's fabulous Afternoon Tea in a private dining room.



**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

10.30am



## **TALK** Balloon Mania in Norwich 1784-1840

Speaker: **Ian Smith**

The appearance in Norwich from 1784 of balloons filled with hot-air, later with hydrogen and much later with coal gas was greeted with growing enthusiasm among the population which quickly developed into 'balloon mania'. This talk will examine the impact of balloon mania on city life and how these early balloon ascents rarely went smoothly. It will identify some of the worst mishaps and also look at how hoaxers took advantage of the often-credulous population.

Since completing a post-retirement BA and MA at the UEA, **Ian Smith** has pursued his special interest in Georgian Norwich.

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June**

10.30am

Members £10

Non-members £12



## **WALKING TOUR** Alleyways East: Off the beaten track

Tour guide: **Jonathan Hooton**

As an important medieval City, Norwich still has many alleyways away from the major road network. Many of these alleyways have an interesting story to tell. **Jonathan's** tour will introduce some of these stories in a guided walk from the Market place towards eastern Norwich. It is an almost circular route, returning to the bottom of Westlegate once the tour is over. The secrets of Weaver's Lane, Boar's Head Yard, the origin of the name of Winall's Yard, Chapel Loke, Lady Julian's cell, Old Barge yard, Stepping Lane and Grouts yard, will all be revealed.

The Tour will begin by the tower at St Peter Mancroft, NR2 1QZ and take about 1 1/2 hours. It is on reasonable footways although there will be several slopes involved in the walk.



**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2pm**

**TOUR and Talk Waterloo Park and its Archives** **SOLD OUT** Email or tel for waiting list

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**  
10.30am

Members £8  
Non-Members £12  
*Includes soft drink & biscuits*



## TALK and Refreshments

### The Remarkable life of Thomas Fowell Buxton

*Followed by refreshments and an opportunity to speak with **Dr Alison Dow**.*

Another chance to hear **Dr Alison Dow** bring to life the story behind this plaque and to share some new material. Alison will look at the life of Thomas Buxton and the Norfolk and Norwich community that inspired him and supported him through the brutal, decades-long Parliamentary battle that led finally to the end of slavery throughout the British Empire.

**Dr Alison Dow** was formerly a GP in Mile Cross, Norwich. She was born and brought up in Northern Rhodesia—now Zambia and is happy to play her part by researching the life of this local historical figure whose role in history has been much overlooked.



**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**  
10.30am

Members £10  
Non-members £12

## WALKING TOUR Alleyways East: Off the beaten track

Another opportunity take this popular guided walk with **Jonathan Hooton**.  
*See 1<sup>st</sup> June listing for full details.*

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2pm**

## WALKING TOUR Exploring Beccles past and **SOLD OUT** *Email or tel for waiting list*

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July**  
6pm

Members £34  
Non-Members £38

*Includes Charcuterie Board of cured meats, artisan cheeses, pickles, bread, dips, olives, roasted peppers, dressed leaves and more and a glass of wine or soft drink.*

## WALKING TOUR Tombland

Followed by **Charcuterie Board** at the **Maids Head Hotel**

Norwich tour guide, **Paul Dickson** will escort you on a circuit of Tombland and also discuss the various buildings that make up the Maids Head Hotel. Hear about the riot of 1272, the impact of the Strangers, Walter Eghe's great escape, Louis Marchesi and the Round Table, Sir Thomas Erpingham, Augustine Steward, Samson and Hercules and much more.

*The tour starts and finishes at the Maids Head Hotel, NR3 1LB*

Tell us about any dietary requirements in advance.



**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**  
10.30am

Members £10  
Non-Members £12

## WALKING TOUR Timberhill and Kings Street

Norwich Tour Guide **Roger Smith** will take you on a tour along Timberhill, down to Kings Street ending at the Novi Sad bridge, covering notable buildings, famous people and other influential factors of the period.

*The Tour will begin on Orford Hill NR1 3QB and take about 1 ½ hours. It is on reasonable footways although there will be several slopes involved in the walk.*



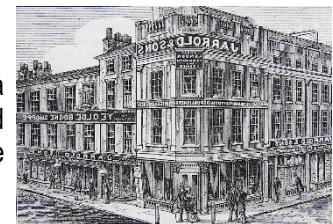
**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August**  
10.30am

Members £10  
Non-Members £12

## WALKING TOUR Shopping for History

Norwich Tour Guide **Annie Ogden** will explore how the City developed as a shopping centre, consider how some shop buildings have experienced significant changes of use over the centuries and what they reveal about the city's social history, historic trades and industries.

*This 1 ½ hour walk starts at The Forum, NR2 1TF and ends on Gentlemen's Walk*



**5<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September**

Date to be released FREE

## HERITAGE OPEN DAY TALK Leprosy to Lunacy Speaker: Vanessa Trevelyan.

For details and to Book: [www.norfolkheritageopendays.co.uk](http://www.norfolkheritageopendays.co.uk) or contact The Forum

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October**  
10.30am

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**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October**  
10.30am

Members £10  
Non-Members £12

## WALKING TOUR Medieval Norwich

**Jonathan Hooton** will take you on a tour of Norwich celebrating Norwich Castle's Royal Palace Reborn project. There is much medieval history to unearth in Norwich, apart from its wonderful set of churches. Norwich was the second most important City after London for much of the medieval period and has many fascinating stories and buildings to discover on this walk from Tombland to the market place, finishing with a view of the Royal Palace.

*The tour will begin at the Erpingham Gate in Tombland and take about 1 1/2 hours.*

