

Programme for the Season 2016 to 2017

Tuesday 13th September 2016

Andy McConnell: *The Impact of Glass*

Andy McConnell was the first expert on the BBC TV show Antiques Roadshow to specialise in glass. He has now recorded 10 series and remains a firm favourite. Andy has travelled extensively to discover the history of glass production in many countries and has recently published a richly illustrated new book "20th Century Glass". Andy never delivers the same talk twice, doesn't work from notes and rearranges his slides every talk.

Tuesday 11th October 2016

Dr Michael Leach: *It's a funny way to make a living*

Despite his reputation as an outstanding wildlife author, speaker and photographer, Michael is anxious to stress that this will not be a technical talk, but rather a revealing and humorous introduction to the realities of professional wildlife filming. We can expect to have some illusions shattered, as Michael uncovers some of the cunning underhand tricks of the trade that produce amazing photographs.

Tuesday 8th November 2016

Russell Bowes: *The Capable Mr Brown*

Russell is a freelance garden historian, speaker and garden guide. He is a keen practical gardener with a special interest in historic plants. As this is the 300th anniversary of the birth of the great landscape gardener, Lancelot "Capability" Brown, Russell will take a look at his life and career. A man who changed the face of England forever. Born in poverty and obscurity, he became renowned across the world as the father of The English Garden Movement. This talk looks at the historical background of the early 18th century and the birth of the movement. It also brings Brown out of the shadows by looking at his family life, his friends and some of the people he worked for as well as stories behind some of his greatest works

Tuesday 13th December 2016

Sue Hickson Marsay: *Storm Tossed Lady*



Sue Hickson Marsay is the only female pilot launch coxswain in Britain, taking the Humber pilots out to ships that they are to guide into port. Sue lives at Aldborough and she is heavily involved in voluntary work. She is currently the Chair and one of the founding members of the Hornsea Inshore Rescue, an independent lifeboat that operates from Hornsea in East Yorkshire. She will share stories of her life on the waves.

Tuesday 10th January 2017

Martin Withers and The Vulcan to the sky Trust: *An evening with Vulcan XH558*

This event is something different for The Everyman Club as we join forces with The Vulcan To The Sky Trust to bring you a fascinating presentation and talk about the historic Vulcan bomber XH558, the last one to fly. The first part of the evening tells the story of how this great aircraft was restored to flying capability. On the 28th October last year it touched down for the very last time at Robin Hood Airport its new permanent home. The second part of the evening will be a talk by the man who knows so much about this aircraft having flown her during the Falklands War and piloted her on her final flight. That man is Squadron Leader Martin Withers DFC. Even if you are not interested in aircraft, this is a one off special event not to be missed.

Tuesday 14th February 2017

Stephen Gay - The Hope Valley Line



The Hope Valley Line runs from Sheffield to Edale and passes through breathtaking scenery which inspired Britain's first National Park. Stephen is accompanied on his journey by Wrawby his faithful German shepherd dog and his presentation, illustrated by words and pictures, ranges from luscious landscapes and moorland views, to riverside walks and tearoom trails. All four seasons will feature with the aim and challenge of capturing the route in a scenic and artistic composition.

Tuesday 7th March 2017

John and Rosamund MacFarlane: The remote Himalayan Kingdom of Zanskar

John and Rosamund retired to Loweswater in the Lake District following distinguished careers in Medicine and Medicine Research. Since retirement they have travelled extensively and have made several treks to the Himalayas. Their illustrated talk tonight will concentrate on the hidden valley of Zanskar and will offer a rare insight into the people, culture, religion and landscape of this remarkable and rarely visited area.

Tuesday 11th April 2017

Dick and Lisa Robinson: *Nurse Appleton's Diaries*

Edith Appleton was Dick Robinson's great aunt. Her moving first-hand accounts of nursing in The Great War have been described as "an almost unendurable catalogue of horrors", but showing as well Edith's ability to switch from this grinding ghastliness to a joyous appreciation of the natural beauty around her. Dick Robinson, who works in The House of Commons, first published the inherited diaries on a website and later as a book for the Imperial War Museum. He tells this illustrated story with his wife, Lisa, reading extracts from the diaries.

Tuesday 16th May 2017

Annual General Meeting

The AGM gives members the opportunity to receive the Chairman's Report, review the current financial position and to appoint officers for the coming year. The formal meeting will be preceded by a wine and soft drinks reception followed by entertainment featuring local performers.