

Season 2019 to 2020

All meetings start at 7.30pm prompt Except AGM which starts at 6:30pm

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Tuesday 10th September 2019

PROFESSOR JOYCE HILL

IN AND UNDER THE VATICAN

For the opening of our 58th season we are delighted to welcome Joyce Hill, an emeritus Professor at Leeds University where she was the first woman Pro-ViceChancellor. She has won an international prize for her research into medieval studies. Joyce was privileged to have a private visit to the excavations beneath St Peter's. In the first part of her talk she will give an insider view of this remarkable city state and an outline of its history. The second part (under the Vatican) explores the excavations, showing how they relate to Constantine's 4th century basilica which was built above them and how the present St. Peter's relates both to the basilica and to the excavations.



Tuesday 8th October 2019

DENISE HEYWOOD

SIR STAMFORD RAFFLES

Denise is an art historian, author, photographer and journalist. She worked in Cambodia in the 1990s and has been a scholar of Southeast Asian art ever since. Raffles, whose name is synonymous with a luxury hotel rather than the greatest Buddhist temple in the world, was the enlightened colonial administrator of Java, Indonesia. He discovered the 8th century temple of Borobudur, hidden under volcanic ash, in 1814, acquired wondrous artefacts in Java, such as shadow puppets and textiles, which are now in the British Museum, and founded Singapore, the most important trading port in the East.



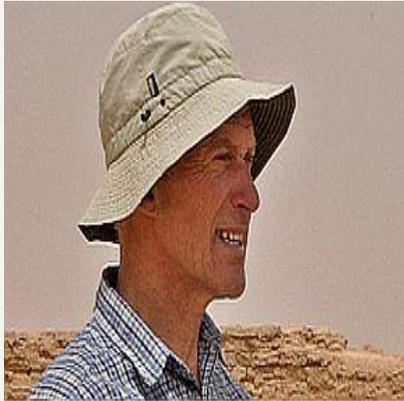
Tuesday 5th November 2019

CAROLINE HOLMES

STEP INTO THE CHRISTMAS CARD

As Christmas approaches, we welcome Caroline Holmes, a Garden Historian as well as a lecturer, broadcaster and design consultant. For the last 150 years Christmas cards have been

adorned with nativity scenes, holly, ivy and mistletoe, rotund Father Christmases, hosiery and trees. They have ranged from sacred to profane; have covered plant symbolism, carols echoing the Nativity with animals, shepherds and kings, New Year wishes and cartoons. So what on earth do Christmas cards portray - are they tasteful or tasteless?



Tuesday 14th January 2020

JOHN PILKINGTON

ERITREA AND ETHIOPIA

Retracing a Victorian Expedition We greet the new year with a visit from John, an old friend of The Everyman Club, who will be taking us back to 1868 when Queen Victoria's government mounted an extraordinary bid to rescue a small clutch of European hostages in the Abyssinian highlands. They built a Red Sea port, then a railway across the coastal plain and finally brought in 44 Indian elephants and took on 26,000 local people to serve the soldiers and carry their heavy guns into the heart of Africa. 150 years later, John has been following their route, partly on foot with a donkey, and has been comparing Eritrea and Ethiopia then and now. He found today's inhabitants spirited and energetic, living in dramatic and extremely challenging lands. It was history and adventure combined!



Tuesday 11th February 2020

STEPHEN LOVELL

CUBA - IT'S TIME TO SALSA

Live Life like Castro - Stephen is a garden designer, a qualified adult education teacher and a cruise ship speaker. On this, his first visit to the Everyman Club, he invites us to travel with him to Cuba, a country with a rebellious past. Close to the States but oh so different with landscapes, beaches, wildlife and incredible people enjoying classic cars, todys and cigars - all in glorious sunshine. This promises to be an evening with a difference!

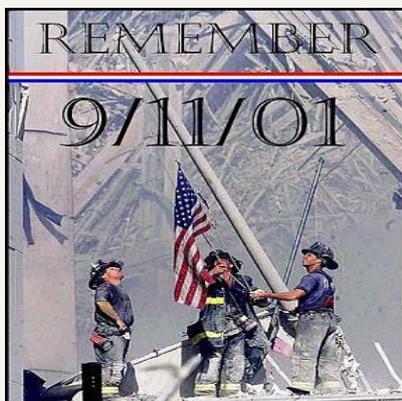


Tuesday 10th March 2020

JUDY WILLIAMS

BESS OF HARDWICK

Elizabeth Cavendish, later Elizabeth Talbot Countess of Shrewsbury, was a notable figure of Elizabethan society. By a series of well made marriages, she rose to the highest level of English nobility and became the second richest lady in the land after Queen Elizabeth 1st. Meet her, find out how it all happened and have a guided tour of her “new” Hall from Judy who has been a volunteer at Hardwick for 22 years.



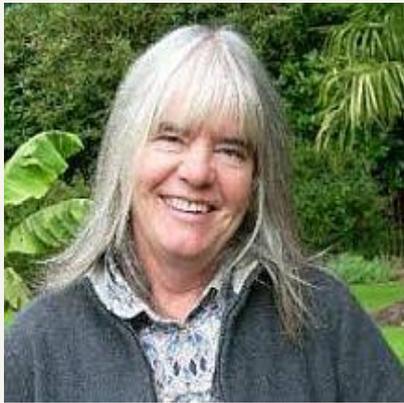
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Tuesday 21st April 2020

PHIL HOLT

“CONTROLLING 911”

A welcome return visit from Phil who will remind us of a day that changed our world for ever. Everyone will remember what he or she was doing when they heard of the attacks on New York and Washington. Phil was an air traffic controller for nearly 40 years and was on duty on September 11th 2001. In this fascinating presentation Phil will tell the story of his colleagues at the Boston, New York, Washington and Cleveland air traffic centres. His experience as a controller, instructor, examiner and human factors specialist gives an unprecedented insight into the most fraught 4 hours in the history of air traffic control



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Tuesday 12th May 2019.

NOTE: OUR AGM WILL TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO THIS MEETING AT 6.30PM

LORETTA RIVETT

LINCOLNSHIRE FAMOUS PEOPLE

Loretta was born and bred in Lincolnshire and has had a lifelong interest in Lincolnshire people and places. Despite being, as some have suggested, “on the way to nowhere” and “a brute and beastly shire”, Lincolnshire has many famous natives. These include explorers, scientists, writers, poets, musicians and even a king! Some have been forgotten but were famous in their day and others have stood the test of time. How many of them will we recognise?

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