



# Belbroughton History Society

Registered Charity No. 514764

## 2011/2012 PROGRAMME

*Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>  
September 2011  
7.45 p.m./8.00 p.m.*

- ◆ 7.45 p.m. **AGM**
- ◆ **Richard III** - Max Keen will attempt to (nay WILL) dispel the ugly Shakespearian lies that King Richard was a usurper and murderer. He will reveal the evidence that proves that Richard was, or should have been, one of the greatest English monarchs.

*Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>  
October 2011  
8.00 p.m.*

- ◆ **Worcestershire Murders of the Nineteenth Century.** In the run up to Halloween, Vanessa Morgan will recount a selection of true stories taken from newspapers throughout the 1800s using the descriptions, sometimes gory, as featured in the articles.

*Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>  
November 2011  
8.00 p.m.  
£5.00 admission to  
include a light buffet*

- ◆ **Have Bell will Travel.** Graham Sutherland is a famous face around Warwickshire. He was appointed Town Crier and Beadle of Warwick by the town council and accompanies the Mayor on many occasions. He will give a humorous talk about his experiences along with a demonstration.

*Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>  
January 2012  
7.00 for 7.30 p.m.  
£15  
This evening event  
will include a Hog  
Roast within the price.  
There will also be a  
bar.  
Booking details to  
follow later in the year.*

- ◆ **Twelfth Night Event** – John White will enact the part of 'Sir Joseph Scott' - a Regency Dandy, a Baronet and the MP for Worcester, he is a Midland landowner and a spend thrift! He has worked his way through a very considerable fortune in the pursuit of pleasure. High fashion, the excitement of the card table, and the solace of the bottle, are the key features of his life!

The presentation, which is set within the period 1811 - 1820, deals with the nature of life and society during the turbulent years of the Regency; drawing upon the events of the war with France, the impact of the Industrial Revolution, the illness of George III, and the excesses of the Prince Regent!

Musical entertainment will round off the evening.

*Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>  
February 2012  
8.00 p.m.*

- ◆ **Black Country Burials** - the famous Black Country speaker, Ian Bott will give a talk which is humorous and macabre in places, covering epitaphs, the glorious Victorian attitude to death, celebrity graves and lots of lovely parish churches.

*Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>  
March 2012  
8.00 p.m.*

- ◆ **Hagley Hall and the Lyttelton family.** We are honoured to have Viscount Cobham as a speaker for our final talk of the Winter season who will talk about his ancestral seat.

\* There will be a £2 entrance charge except where indicated

All meetings will take place in Belbroughton Church Hall. Non-members are welcome

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