

County Durham Centre for the National Trust: Winter Programme 2021/22

Date	Time	Event	Speaker	Venue	Contact
2021					
23/10/21	2.00pm	Talk: Much altered inside: The exchequer building at Place Green	Richard Annis	Scarborough Lecture Theatre	
02/11/21	10.00am	Social: Coffee morning with raffle	–	The County Hotel, Aycliffe Village	Miss Gillian Bryant
13/11/21	2.00pm	Talk: Shining light on medieval manuscripts	Andrew Beeby	Scarborough Lecture Theatre	
05/12/21	3.00pm	Christmas music and verse followed by seasonal refreshments	–	Shincliffe Church and Church Hall	Mr Jeff de Cates
11/12/21	2.00pm	Talk: For whom the bell tolls: A brief history and insight into the intricacies of English change ringing	Chris Eznor	Scarborough Lecture Theatre	
2022					
21/01/22	6.30pm	Social: Fish and Chips with Quiz	–	Shincliffe Church Hall	Mrs Jacinta Dean
25/01/22	7.00pm	Talk: Darlington: First among equals	Chris Lloyd	Zoom	
22/02/22	7.00pm	Talk: Poetry, Prose and Peonies	Peter Mathers	Zoom	
26/03/22	2.00pm	AGM and Talk: Town Crier: Don't shoot the messenger	Peter Stemmer	Scarborough Lecture Theatre	

More information on the talks

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We are pleased to welcome the return of Richard, who has extensive experience of excavating and reporting on various sites of all types and periods

13/11/21 Shining light on medieval manuscripts

Prof. Beeby will tell us about work that he and his colleagues have carried out on the medieval manuscripts housed in Durham Cathedral and University Libraries (including Oxford) using spectroscopic techniques to identify and date the pigments used in illustrating documents. This presentation is aimed at a general audience.

11/12/21 For whom the bell tolls: A brief history and insight into the intricacies of English change ringing

The sound of church bells ringing out across the land is familiar to us, they sing when we celebrate and toll for our sorrow. Church bells are rung by a band of fingers, the way they are rung is known as change ringing; the bells ring in a different order each time they are rung, with the added challenge of ringing each order only once. Chris Eznor will be with us to give a talk on the history and mathematics of English change ringing which first developed in the mid-17th century.

25/01/22 Darlington: First among equals

A collection of light-hearted historical anecdotes indicating some of Darlington's firsts, including the birth of the railways, its role in Royal and Parliamentary scandals, plus its place as the cinema capital of the country.