Harpenden doubled in size in the 1930s



"We look forward to seeing you on 20 April!"

Councillor Fiona Gaskell, Mayor of Harpenden, President of the Harpenden & District Local History Society

For more information on the Society, event, how to join, or volunteer contact Roger Butterworth, Chairman, on april20@harpenden-history.org.uk or call 07410133555

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HARPENDEN LOCAL HISTORY DAY

Join us for an exciting journey back in time as we celebrate 50 incredible years of the Harpenden History Society at the Eric Morecambe Centre!

Visit the museum

- Discover the treasures of Harpenden's past
- Explore fascinating exhibits & artefacts
- Presentations by local history experts
- See the children's art in the 'My Harpenden' competition
- Official opening speech at 11am by Annie Brewster, High Sheriff in Nomination

Be part of Harpenden's History

Sat 20 April 11am-3pm



www.harpenden-history.org.uk Eric Morecambe Centre, Rothamsted Park, Harpenden.

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Explore the vibrant past of our town at the EMC on 20 April. From the Iron Age to the present, immerse yourself in a captivating journey through time.

Discover ancient maps, vintage photographs and illustrations. Our local historians will inspire you with mini-presentations, unveiling our town's rich history and how it shaped our community.



This exciting event will include the official opening of the new Harpenden Museum by Annie Brewster, High Sheriff of Hertfordshire in Nomination.

DID YOU KNOW?

Harpenden had a Racecourse on the Common

From the 1830s to 1914, the Harpenden Races were held in the same week as the Epsom Derby. It was a highlight of the year with special trains and cheap excursion tickets attracting thousands of racegoers to the town.

Watch the amazing new drone footage of the Harpenden racecourse and imagine life as a jockey 150 years ago. see the film which finally reveals the location of the racecourse!

Meet the Experts!



Annie Brewster High Sheriff of Hertfordshire in Nomination. *A Brief History of the Office of High Sheriff*

Dr Alexander Thomas Independent Archaeological & Historical Researcher. *Grain, Trade and Pilgrims: Harpenden from Prehistory to the Medieval*

Amanda J Thomas Author and Historian. *Medieval Harpenden, The Plague and its Consequences*

Dr Tony Berk Scientist, Author, Tour Guide Was Harpenden important even before the Railways?

Stephanie Reynard Vice-Chairman, The Arts Society Harpenden Evening (TASHE). Francis (Frank) Owen Salisbury of this Parish (1874-1962)



Also Exhibiting

Harpenden Society | The Arts Societies | Rothamsted Research St Albans & Hertfordshire Architectural & Archaeological Society Wheathampstead History Society | Redbourn Village Museum

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