



Newsletter

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UK TRIP – NORTHUMBRIA, APRIL 8 – APRIL 12, 2019

This trip to the UK will take us to the North of England which will be very much new territory for the Federation and makes it an exciting prospect. Based in Newcastle, now a unique and vibrant city, we will explore both the city itself and its environs. The area is steeped in history dating back to Roman times, through the medieval period and up to modern times. Our itinerary will include a visit to Hadrian's Wall, Chester's Fort, Durham Cathedral, Durham Castle, Wallington Hall/Big House, Alnwick Castle & Gardens, the Beamish Outdoor Museum, Woodhorn Colliery and the Holy Island of Lindesfarne. The trip will start in Naas, travel by coach to Belfast, take the ferry from Belfast to Cairnryan and then by coach across country to Newcastle. We will have the services of a Blue Badge guide for the duration of the trip and will be staying in the Copthorne Hotel in Newcastle. Further details will follow soon and booking will be early in the new year.

FEDERATION AUTUMN SEMINAR – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018 – LEXICON DÚN LAOGHAIRE

“ALL ABOUT ARCHIVES”

The Federation of Local History Societies, the Lexicon Library in Dun Laoghaire and the Professional archivists are joining together to have this event. If you are an amateur historian or if you have historically important material you will gain great benefit from learning how to make your material suitable for deposition in one of our libraries or historical repositories. You don't want it to end up in a skip. Also learn of the very interesting work of the archivists

all over Ireland. A great day of interest to all those interested in local history not just the experts. Details on Federation website info@localhistory.ie. The event is free but ticketed and you must book in advance. Booking is simple. Go to the Eventbrite website, look for “Research Collections at dlr Lexicon, date 7th Oct. 2018. Click on:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/research-collections-at-dlr-lexicon-tickets-50434522013?aff=ebdshpsearchautocomplete>

then book a ticket.

CORK CELEBRATES PAST EXHIBITION – CORK CITY HALL SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018.

The Federation will, as in previous years, have a stand in the Millennium Hall, City Hall Cork for the annual Family Heritage Festival Day. This is a great day for local history societies, local historians and the public in general and it offers the Federation a great opportunity to interact with societies from Cork City and County.

FEDERATION AGM 2019 – HODSON BAY HOTEL ATHLONE - FRIDAY 24 – SUNDAY 26, MAY 2019

The 2019 AGM will be in Athlone and will be hosted by the Old Athlone Society. It promises to be another interesting and exciting weekend and we look forward to welcoming everyone. Staying in the beautiful surroundings of the Hodson Bay Hotel, the weekend will include the AGM, Walks & Talks, a boat trip to visit Clonmacnoise and a chance for all to share our common interest in local history.

Visit to the National Archives – Dublin. – We hope to arrange another visit to follow up on our previous very successful visit. Possibly a date in November this year. Details to follow.

New Members – We would like to welcome the following societies who have recently joined the Federation and look forward to working with them. West Belfast Historical Society; Kilmurry Historical & Archaeological Association Ltd.; Rathmines, Rathgar & Ranelagh Historical Society.

Larry Breen, PRO



Standing under the Major Oak tree in Sherwood Forest, reputedly where Robin Hood hid from the Sheriff.