

heritage open days

Warrington

9th - 18th September 2022

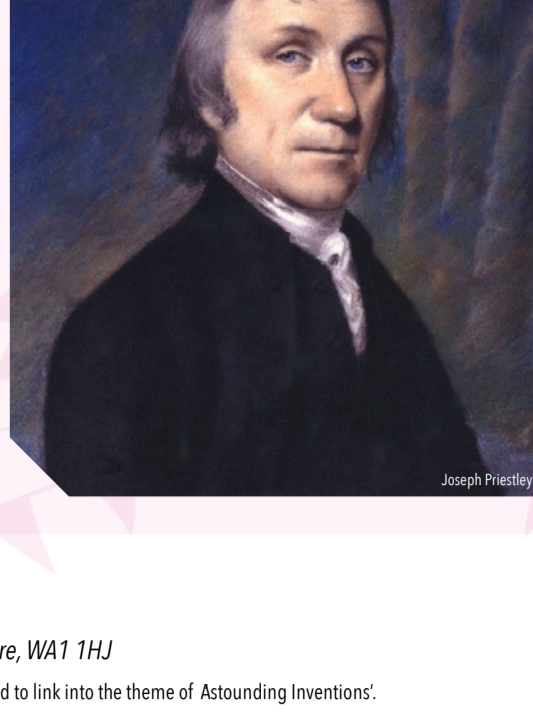
Astounding Inventions at Warrington Museum and Art Gallery

Warrington Museum and Art Gallery, Bold Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1JB

This small display will use items from the collections at Warrington Museum and Archives to tell the stories of some of the inventors and inventions that have connections to Warrington. Barn about the significance of Joseph Priestley's discovery of Oxygen and Thomas Percival, creator of the first Code of Medical Ethics, not forgetting Joseph Bramah and his various locking mechanisms.

Friday 9 September: 10am-4.30pm
 Saturday 10 September: 10am-4.30pm
 Sunday 11 September: 11am-3pm
 Wednesday 14 September: 10am-4.30pm
 Thursday 15 September: 10am-4.30pm
 Friday 16 September: 10am-4.30pm
 Saturday 17 September: 10am-4pm
 Sunday 18 September: 11am-3pm

No Booking Required



'Storytime' at Warrington Central Library

Warrington Central Library, Warrington, Cheshire, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1HJ

A Librarian from the LiveWire team will read a story to children which has been selected to link into the theme of 'Astounding Inventions'.

Saturday 10 September: 11am-11.30am
 Sunday 18 September: 11am-11.30am

No booking required

Mr Matthew Entwistle (Librarian) Tel: 01925 442889

Make your own Teleporting Time Travel Transponder

Warrington Museum and Art Gallery, Bold Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1JB

Warrington Museum & Art Gallery's regular Saturday Crafternoon activity is joining in with Heritage Open Days to bring young visitors a craft themed around Astounding Inventions. Why not test your crafting skills, guaranteed fun. Aged 3+.

Saturday 10 September: 1pm-3pm
 Saturday 17 September: 1pm-3pm

No Booking Required



Rail Transporter Bridge Exhibit and Guided Walks

Warrington Masonic Hall Co Ltd, 15 Winmarleigh Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1NB

Find out what a transporter bridge is and how it works - World Class Industrial Archaeology largely ignored. Display of Rail Transporter Bridge information and the chance to join a guided walk to the bridge. Warrington's Rail Transporter Bridge is unique and one of the only 8 remaining transporters worldwide. Weather and numbers permitting you will be able to join a guided walk to the bridge. Stout shoes and reasonable mobility required.

Saturday 10 September: 10am-4pm
 Walks on an ad hoc basis dependent on demand

No Booking Required

Please see Masonic Hall information for accessibility. Walks not wheelchair access due to ground conditions. Max 10 people per tour/session. Circa 1hr length



Warrington Museum of Freemasonry

Warrington Masonic Hall Co Ltd, 15 Winmarleigh Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1NB

This compact museum is housed in Warrington Masonic Hall, a building of local interest which was built as a Masonic Hall in 1933. Inside the building, in addition to the museum, are two Masonic meeting rooms one of which contains three interestingly decorated Masonic chairs designed by George Hepplewhite. Among the many interesting and rare items is the only masonic apron known to have been at the Battle of Waterloo in 1815.

Saturday 10 September: 10am-2pm

No Booking Required

The masonic rooms on the first floor are accessed by stairs or lift, the museum via 4 shallow steps. Disabled parking is pre bookable outside the building, on street parking opposite.

Max 10 people per tour/session. Full tour, questions and answers 1 hour Contact for the day: Vic Charlesworth 07503154691, Caroline Crook 07890 996449
 The building is identified by 2 large stone pillars at the entrance. Winmarleigh St is directly opposite the Warrington Town Hall gates.



St John the Evangelist Church, Walton, Warrington

St. John the Evangelist's Church, Old Chester Road, Higher Walton, Warrington, WA4 6TQ

Located in the conservation village of Walton and described as a mini-cathedral, the church is in a gothic style built in 1885 of Cheshire sandstone with richly carved oak fittings, built for the estate workers of Sir Gilbert Greenall, Bart.

Saturday 10 September: 10am-4pm

No Booking Required

Free parking on Old Chester Road leading up to the church, or in Walton Hall car park (pay and display). Short walk from Walton Hall car park to the church. Toilets are available in the Church Hall across the road from the church, including disabled and baby changing facilities.



St. Mary's Church, Great Sankey

St. Marys Church, Liverpool Road, Great Sankey, Warrington, Cheshire, WA5 1RE

Come and see our slide shows of our stained glass windows, former Vicars of the parish, and old photos of the church and the churchyard. Plus an excellent collection of photos containing more recent events at the church.

Saturday 10 September: 10am-4pm
 Sunday 11 September: 10am-4pm

No Booking Required

Opposite the Chapel House pub on the A57.



St Oswald's Church, Winwick

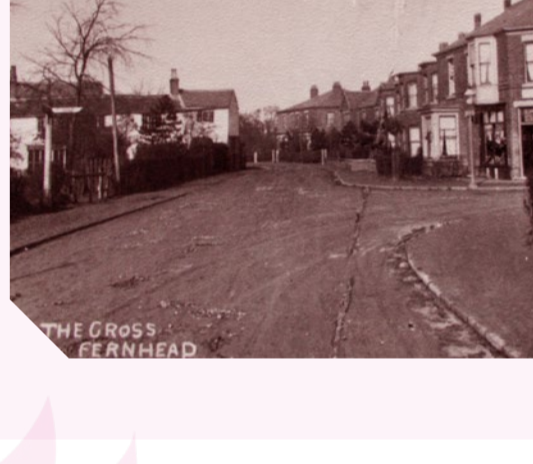
St. Oswalds Church, Golborne Road, Winwick, Warrington, Cheshire, WA2 8LF

Come and admire the magnificence of the 10th century Anglo-Saxon cross arm weighing in at .75 of a ton or the marriage certificate of Edward John Smith, Captain of the Titanic, to Eleanor Pennington in 1887. A guided tour of the historic church will be available, as will the purchase of merchandise, tea and coffee.

Saturday 10 September: 12noon-3pm
 Saturday 17 September: 12noon-3pm

No Booking Required

Max 15 people per tour/session. 1 HOUR
 Contact for the day: Peter Beck 07814 912276



Discover the Changing Face of Padgate and Fearnhead Exhibition

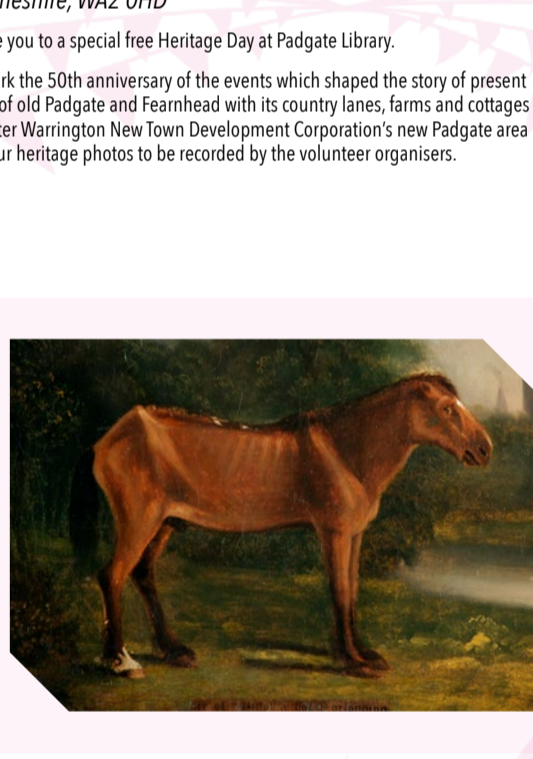
Padgate Library, Fearnhead Cross, Insall Road, Padgate, Warrington, Cheshire, WA2 0HD

Look back at the amazing history of Padgate RAF Camp and the famous recruits, such as Bill Wyman of Rolling Stones' fame, who were stationed there! Find out the origins of local place names and look at historic photographs of local events.

An exhibition by the Friends of Padgate Library and Padgate and Fearnhead Memories Group. Running from 10th September until 8th October.

Saturday 10 September: 9.30am-1pm
 Monday 12 September: 10am-5pm
 Tuesday 13 September: 10am-5pm
 Wednesday 14 September: 2pm-5pm
 Thursday 15 September: 10am-6pm
 Saturday 17 September: 9.30am-1pm

No booking required



Heritage Day at Padgate Library

Padgate Library, Fearnhead Cross, Insall Road, Padgate, Warrington, Cheshire, WA2 0HD

The Friends of Padgate Library and the Padgate and Fearnhead Memories Group invite you to a special free Heritage Day at Padgate Library.

The Platinum Jubilee celebrations may have ended but this September it's time to mark the 50th anniversary of the events which shaped the story of present day Padgate and its district centre at Fearnhead Cross. Do you have golden memories of old Padgate and Fearnhead with its country lanes, farms and cottages or can you remember Padgate RAF Camp? Did you move to the new estates created after Warrington New Town Development Corporation's new Padgate area planning process began in 1972? Share your stories of living in the area and bring your heritage photos to be recorded by the volunteer organisers.

Saturday 10 September: 10am-2pm

No booking required

Old Billy Local History Day

Victoria Park, Knutsford Road, Latchford, Warrington, WA4 1DQ

A family friendly event to commemorate the 200th anniversary of Old Billy's death.

Old Billy, the longest living horse on record (1760-1822), aged 62 years when he died, worked and died in Warrington. People will have the opportunity to learn about Old Billy's life as a working horse, this will be interpreted through theatre, storytelling, crafts and much more. We are delighted that representatives from Manchester Museum, where the skull of Old Billy is housed, will join us with an activity. There will be local heritage stalls as well as food and drinks.

Sunday 11th September: 11am-4pm



Warrington Parish Church, St Elphins

Parish Church (St Elphin's), 131 Church Street, Warrington, WA1 2TL

St Elphin's Church is the parish church of the town of Warrington, Cheshire, England. The church is special in the National Heritage List for England as a designated Grade II* listed building. A place of worship has been present on the site since about 650 AD, and the presence of a priest in Warrington was recorded in the Domesday Book.

Saturday 10th September: 10am-3pm
 Sunday 11th September: 2pm-4pm
 Wednesday 14th September: 2pm-4pm
 Saturday 17th September: 10am-2pm

No Booking Required



RAF Burtonwood Heritage Centre

Burtonwood Heritage Centre, Old Hall, Warrington, Cheshire, WA5 9YZ

The Centre has thousands of exhibits detailing the history of RAF Burtonwood's operational years. Come and learn about the history of this important site and its role during the Second World War. The aim of the RAF Burtonwood Heritage Centre is to uphold the memory of the men, women and activities that occurred at RAF Burtonwood.

Wednesday 14 September: 2.30pm-5pm
 Thursday 15 September: 2.30pm-5pm
 Friday 16 September: 2.30pm-5pm
 Saturday 17 September: 2.30pm-5pm
 Sunday 18 September: 2.30pm-5pm

No Booking Required



From the Parr's Bank Vaults

Parrs Bank Hotel, 7 Winwick Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1XR

Have you ever wondered what heritage lies behind the magnificent facade of Parr's Bank? Come and join us this Heritage Open Days festival to find out more about the history of this significant Warrington Bank. The exhibition will feature a small selection of images taken from Warrington Archives and Natwest Group Archive.

Tuesday 13 September: 9am-5pm
 Wednesday 14 September: 9am-5pm
 Thursday 15 September: 9am-5pm
 Friday 16 September: 9am-5pm
 Saturday 17 September: 9am-5pm
 Sunday 18 September: 10am-5pm

Booking Required

Ms Emma Hodkinson
 Call: 01925 552424
 Email: reservations@theparrsbank.co.uk
 Go to: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/from-the-parrs-bank-vaults-heritage-open-days-tickets-354468774647>



Lymm Walk - Dead, Demolished and Defunct

Lymm Heritage Centre, Egh Street, Lymm, Cheshire, WA13 0DA

A two hour stroll down the personal Memory Lane of local businessman and personality, John Parry, with fascinating stories of local landmarks and characters; bringing local history to life.

Wednesday 14 September: 2pm
 Saturday 17 September: 2pm

Pre-booking Required

Max group size 4; Booking Contact: Alan Williams
 Call: +44 7540 096262
 Email: lymmheritagecentre@gmail.com
 Access: The route is entirely on the public highways so involves crossing roads etc. Less than 2 miles in total. There are some hills and slopes but no steps. The nominal arrival point is the Heritage Centre itself. There are four steps up to the Centre but this does not form an integral part of the journey.



Short Look at the Origins of Parr's Bank

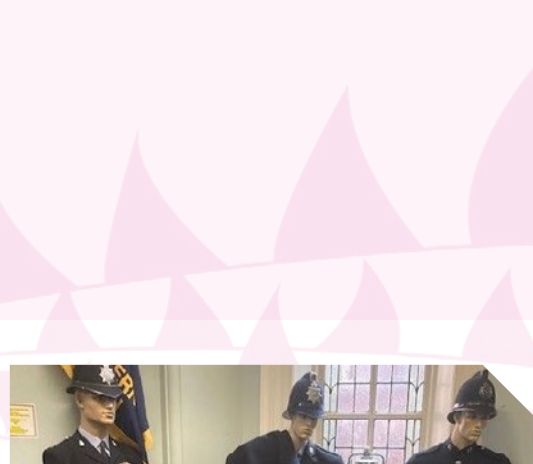
Parrs Bank Hotel, 7 Winwick Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1XR

This talk looks at how Parr's Bank came to be in Warrington and how it was very much a product of its time and place. The speaker will be Philip Jeffs (Archive and Heritage Officer at Culture Warrington) in a large number of the historic photographs used in the talk have been kindly supplied by the National Archive Group, to whom we are grateful. The research for the talk was taken from the archive collections at Warrington Archives.

Saturday 17 September: 11.00am

Booking Required

Contact: Emma Hodkinson info@parrsbanthotel.com 01925 552424



Cairo Street Chapel

4 Cairo Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1ED

Visitors can sit and relax in the gardens which are a quiet oasis in the town centre. We also have a new indoor communal area at the back of the Chapel where tea and coffee will be available. Inside, the Chapel will be decorated with a display of traditional corn dollies in preparation for our forthcoming harvest festival.

Saturday 17 September: 10am-4pm
 Sunday 18 September: 12noon-4pm

No Booking Required

Access: There are several steps at the chapel entrance so wheelchair access is limited. Disabled parking is available in local streets.
 Visitors may take photographs, except during Services. A booklet of the history of the chapel is available and also several booklets on the various notable past members of the Chapel for £1 each. A record of headstones and interments in the burial ground is available for reference use. A quiz based on the chapel and burial ground will be available for children and parents to complete.



Life with the Lionesses Exhibition

Golden Square Shopping Centre (outside Customer Service Kiosk), Warrington

Warrington Borough Council and Warrington Wolves Foundation are working in partnership with Common Sense Initiative (CSI) and Rugby League Cares to bring a touring exhibition to celebrate the history of women in rugby league.

Saturday 17 September: 9.30am-4.30pm
 Sunday 18 September: 9.30am-4.30pm

No Booking Required

The exhibition will be situated outside the Customer Services Desk in the centre of the main shopping Mall, next to Starbucks.

Meet our Mad Scientists (with Community Objectives)

Warrington Museum and Art Gallery, Bold Street, Warrington, Cheshire, WA1 1JB

Come and meet some Mad Scientists from Community Objectives, who will take you through how to earn your 'Astounding Inventor' badge. Ever wondered what it takes to be an 'Astounding Inventor', Community Objectives CIC have opened the doors to a myriad of time zones, inventing space and time to allow you to explore Warrington's rich historical links to inventions and the big brains behind them. From a composing machine by Mr Mackies of Warrington Guardian to the 557 Priestley asteroid, two unusual scientists are sure to bring joy and laughter through their interactive activities, laughable lurking throughout the museum and of course absolute love for anything scientific, but when they do steer of course, which they are sure to do, be sure to help them back on track and earn your 'Astounding Inventor' badge.

Saturday 17 September: 11am, 12.30pm, 2pm, 3pm

No Booking Required

Museum of Policing in Cheshire Open Day

Museum of Policing in Cheshire, 101 Arpley Street, Warrington, WA1 1LQ

Come and join us for a family friendly day. There will be opportunities to see objects relating to the heritage of policing in the county as well as the infamous Victorian cells.

Saturday 17 September: 10am-4pm

No Booking Required

The museum is located inside a fully functioning Police Station, so please be aware that there will be staff members from Cheshire Constabulary in attendance undertaking their normal duties.

