



Gullane and Dirleton History Society



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Dear Member,

A window on East Lothian heritage.



This year's Heritage Gathering will be at Haddington again on **Saturday February 25th** in the Town House beginning at 9.30 and finishing at 1.00 pm.

Your Society will have a stand to highlight our aims and activities. There will be a series of presentations as well as a chance to chat to likeminded people.

Why not give it a try this year.

What's in a name?



Quite a lot it seems. At the well attended lecture by Liz Curtis last week the difficulties of identifying how names of places have evolved were explained including the vexed issue of the derivation and pronunciation of Gullane.

For those of you with an original programme marked TBA the next lecture on **Wednesday 22nd February** at Gullane will be on the Aberlady Angles with Ian Malcolm of the Aberlady Conservation Society and

Andy Heald of AOC telling the story of last year's dig in Aberlady. There was plenty to find and they will give us up-to-date information on the subsequent research work that has been carried out since digging finished.

Loving Scotland's Heritage.

Which part of Scotland's rich heritage excites you and you think should be celebrated more? Historic Environment Scotland (the new name for the combined Commission of Ancient Monuments and Historic Scotland since their amalgamation) has launched a national initiative to find out the best liked and loved heritage sites even if they are not recognized at the moment. This might be a castle, house, pub, street or even school. There is an on-line survey available to take at www.historicenvironment.scot/whatsyourheritage

Lennoxlove House.



Members and their friends are gradually signing up for this year's outing to Lennoxlove House in April.

Most of you will be aware that this house is steeped in history and has several interesting architectural features with its baronial hall and hidden chapel.

I am hoping that you have **Saturday 22nd April 2017** in your diaries and look forward to hearing from you.

Michael (Thomson)