



Gullane and Dirleton History Society

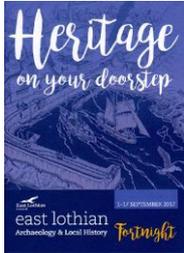


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Dear Member,

Archaeology Fortnight.



Two weeks of talks, guided walks and demonstrations are in progress now as part of East Lothian Council's Archaeology Fortnight. This is a chance to learn about and see your local history brought to life with the aid of experts and enthusiastic amateurs.

There is still time to sign up for events. Pick up a programme at your local library.

The puzzle of medieval Dirleton.



You will recall that exploration took place earlier this summer of a site in Dirleton looking for evidence of the medieval part of the village.

Much stone and some medieval pottery was unearthed but as always the significance of these findings was difficult to interpret.

The Society has organised a chance for you to contribute to the debate by arranging a guided walk around what remains of medieval Dirleton, including the site of the digging earlier this year, on **Saturday 7th October at 2pm**. This will be restricted to members of the Society and the Dirleton Village Association and have limited numbers so you are advised to book early by contacting **Bill Nimmo on 850381 soon**.



Should you miss this opportunity then you might wish to visit the dig site (opposite the school in Dirleton) the following day **Sunday 8th October** when the Society will be holding an open afternoon from 1 to 4 pm. Guidance will be on hand.

Lecture time again.



As you know your Society arranges a series of lectures during the winter on a variety of subjects of historical interest. The first lecture of the season will be on **Wednesday 27th September** in Gullane Village Hall and has the title 'Women pilots of Air Transport Auxillary in WW II – Spitfire women'. Roy Johnstone will talk about the vital role played by women pilots at that time.

This is also the time to renew your **membership** of the Society. It is enormously helpful to the Membership Secretary and Treasurer if members fill in their membership forms and proffer payment before the time of the first lecture. A membership form comes with this newsletter for your convenience or it can be downloaded from our website at

<http://eastlothianheritage.co.uk/gullanedirletonhistory/>

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