



Gullane and Dirleton History Society



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Dear Member,

Flodden.

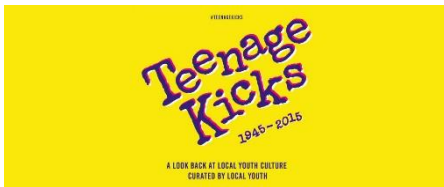
The logistics of marshalling thousands of Scots to assemble and move to fight against the English at Flodden was described by David Caldwell in his lecture last week. He spoke about where the soldiers came from, what armaments they had and how they transported heavy guns along poor roads. He certainly caught the imagination of Society members.



Next up on 5th December will be David Sowerby talking about his research into our very own castle at Saltcoats. He will be seeking information from us to further his investigations.

Please note that the date of the lecture on Colstoun House and the Marquess of Dalhousie has been changed to **23rd January 2020**.

The Coastal Communities Museum.



The museum in North Berwick has had a busy year with the Teenage Kicks exhibition proving very popular and evoking memories for many visitors from afar as well as those who grew up in the town. The last weekend of opening this year will be on 23rd and 24th November after which many displays will be altered, renewed and added to. All this is achieved by

interested volunteers who research, design and erect the new exhibition.

There is always a need for new blood to continue this work and it maybe that some more of the Society's members would be interested in taking up this activity unless (or in addition) you have put yourself forward to work for the Society!

Christmas is coming.



When considering what gifts to give friends and family at Christmas remember that the Society has a number of excellent publications which would make good presents for those people for whom it is a struggle to think of what to give them. We have just had an order from Norway for one of the Society's books.

As usual they will be on sale at the Society's lecture meetings

May I take this opportunity to wish you (a little early) the compliments of the season.

Michael (Thomson)