

# Friends of Malton Museum

## Autumn 2019



It was with great pleasure that the Friends were able to present a cheque for £1,000 to Dr Peter Addyman, Chairman of Trustees at our AGM in May. This cheque contributed towards the match funding required to meet the conditions of the grant received from Arts Council England for the 2019 exhibition "Malton Horse Power". This well presented exhibition designed by Paul Middleditch of Ten Fathoms Design and mounted by the in-house team is proving a very popular exhibition, increasing visitor numbers and providing excellent feedback.

The series of summer lectures held in the Assembly Room have again proved to be very popular attracting audiences of between 30 and 40 on each occasion.

Once again we are at the start of another series of lectures in the Malton School Library. I'm sure that you will all agree that Josie has once again put together another excellent programme for 2019/20.

Caroline Jones, Chairman



Dr Addyman accepting the cheque from Christopher Jones, Friends Treasure

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2019/20 Friends Committee

Caroline Jones - Chairman  
Celia Ankers

Maurag Carmichael - Secretary and editor

Josie Downs - Programme Secretary

Christopher Jones - Treasurer

Isabel Jones

**Friends Membership** remains at £10 per annum, Concessions £9.00. Visitors £4.00 per lecture. The Treasurer reminds us that membership for 2019/20 is due at the first lecture on 18<sup>th</sup> September.

As you know **The Friends of Malton Museum** support the museum, not just financially, but in a variety of ways. It has been a busy summer and these are just some of the projects where Friends supported museum projects.

**Publicity Day** - when Friends supported an initiative to publicise the 2019 exhibition “Malton Horse Power”. Malcolm Barnard and his Farrier friend Jarvis Browning gave a demonstration of horse shoe making “in the field “. Dressed in authentic uniforms, and using contemporary tools, they produced horse shoes on a genuine Great War field forge. The public were treated to a depiction of army farriers setting up a forge near the battlefield, and quickly making the horse shoes necessary to keep the Army “on the move”.



**The Front of House Team**, - meeting and greeting almost 2000 visitors so far this year. Would you enjoy being a member of Front of House, interacting with visitors, sharing information on the exhibition and upcoming activities and events. Each shift is three hours long from 10 to 1pm and from 1 - 4pm. Training is provided

**The Pop Up Shop** - in April - masterminded by Isabel Jones was a huge success making a profit of £2,565 for museum funds was supported by a network of Friends and Volunteers

**Town Tours of Malton** take place every month - the tours tell the interesting history of the Market Place and introduce some well-known characters from bygone days. A set route has been established and two volunteer guides help to deliver the tour. The tours take place once a month, usually on a Saturday from 11am-12:30. The tour team always welcome additional tour guides and if you would like to become a guide and, as part of the Tour Guide team, you will help to deliver Malton Museum’s Town Tours. Training is provided, including the opportunity to shadow a town tour before delivering your first one.

**The Summer Lectures** - the series of 4 successful lectures achieved good audiences on each occasion. All the concerts are supported by a team of Friends - just 3 of the team who provide support



The second **Good Companions Summer Concert** held in May - a joyful evening of lively music greatly appreciated by a sell out audience. Friends and volunteers provided refreshment, manned the door and ran the raffle

**The Learning Team** - Speaking to both children’s and adult groups meet on an ad hoc basis and plan and deliver a range of learning activities. This includes family workshops in the school holidays, outreach sessions at libraries and other heritage sites. The team have completed over 20 sessions this year. Would you enjoy helping the team to deliver their handling sessions for adult groups? Training is provided.

## Kim Davis - Exhibition Project Manager 2019/20

Kim joined us in February 2019 and it has so far been a very busy year for her. Kim says

“It has been exciting to be part of the Malton Horse Power exhibition. Malton Horse Power celebrates the vital role of horses throughout the ages in Malton and Norton. The Arts Council funding, kindly matched-funded by The Friends of Malton Museum has allowed the museum not only to be put on this new exhibition, but to deliver a range of community projects. Projects have ranged from gathering photographs to create a racing flipbook, creating horse memory boxes, capturing oral histories and carrying out new research with volunteers. It has certainly been a jam-packed year!”

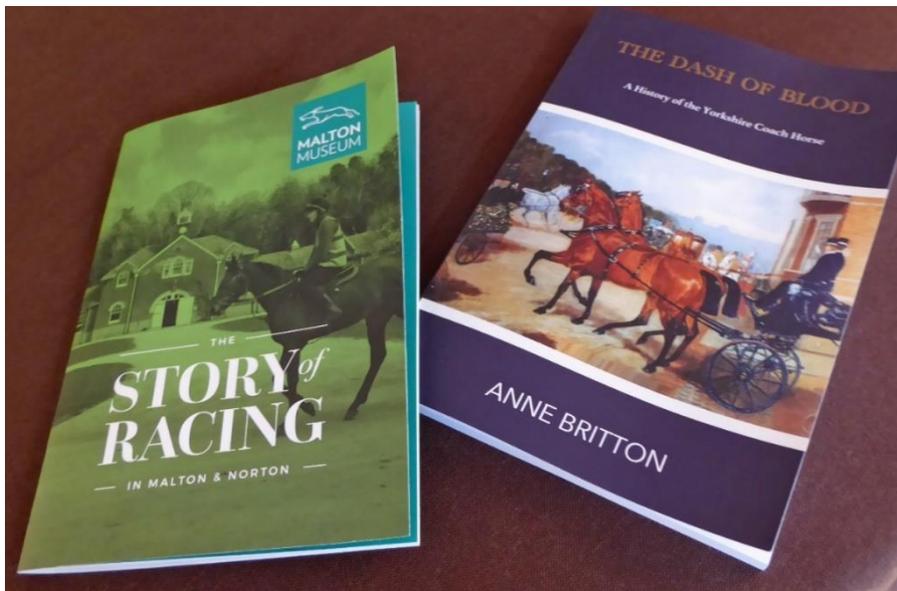


Kim with two of the Volunteers, Bob Fitter and Roy Howell at the official opening of Malton Horse Power. Photograph by kind permission of Malton Gazette and Herald

**Friends** may not know that the Museum has an extensive library with publications relating to prehistory finds up to the current exhibition. These can be borrowed by Friends. For details contact: [enquiries.maltonmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:enquiries.maltonmuseum@gmail.com)

As illustrated above -

Malton Museum could not exist without the support of its Volunteers and Friends. If you are not already either a Friend or a Volunteer (you can be both) and think you would like to be involved in any of the opportunities described - please contact us on [enquiries.maltonmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:enquiries.maltonmuseum@gmail.com) or on 01653 691262



Two new books now on sale in the Museum “**The Story of Racing in Malton & Norton**” by Margaret Mackinder and Christine Churches and “**The Dash of Blood**” A History of the Yorkshire Coach Horse by Anne Britten. Both support the Malton Horse Power exhibition

## FUTURE EVENTS

**28<sup>th</sup> September** – 10.30am to 2.30pm **Involve**. (The Milton Rooms)  
An event co-ordinated by the Rotary of Malton & Norton to promote all the groups and opportunities for social involvement in and around the towns. A valuable event for promoting volunteering and the museum. If you would like to help by sharing the cover over the day please leave a message on 01653 691262

**26<sup>th</sup> October** – **Sheriff Hutton History Fair**. Both the Friends and the Museum will be represented. This is an opportunity to promote Friend's lectures, Volunteering and the Museum. This event is open to the public from 12 noon. (Sheriff Hutton Village Hall) - cost £2.00.

### **Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> October - Fundraising Quiz**

Doors open at 7pm. Quiz starts at 7.30pm.

Get together a team of up to four and test your general knowledge with a traditional pen and paper quiz. There will be a fabulous prize for the winning team.

Cost £10 per team (up to four members):

**Venue:** The Assembly Rooms at the Milton Rooms, entry via the Museum on Yorkersgate.

### **Booking Information**

**Email:** [enquiries.maltonmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:enquiries.maltonmuseum@gmail.com)

**Call:** 01653 691262 to book your places, you can leave a message. Please let us know which event you will be attending, your name, and a contact number.

**Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> 2020. Open Garden.** Margaret and Stephen Shaw will, once again, host an open garden. This will be in conjunction with Acorn Community Services. Further details in the Spring Newsletter.

If you have a query about any of the items in this newsletter, or would like to be involved with any of the projects mentioned, please contact [friends.maltonmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friends.maltonmuseum@gmail.com) or leave a message on 01653 691262

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## TWO NEW CHANGES

The Museum Website is now being managed by David Snowdon (volunteer) and his team who are working on updating the website. Follow their progress on [www.maltonmuseum.co.uk](http://www.maltonmuseum.co.uk)

The Museum is looking for an enthusiastic, motivated and organised individual to join the team and fill the post of Museum Administrator. Would you enjoy this challenge? For details please see: <https://www.maltonmuseum.co.uk/news/we-are-looking-for-a-museum-administrator/>

## Friends Lectures

### 2019 -2020

18 September 2019  
Roman Magic: Occult Objects and Supernatural Substances.  
By Adam Parker

16 October 2019  
The History of Birdsall Stables  
By Janine Buckley

20 November 2019  
Armenia  
– a Beautiful Country.  
By Norman Blow

No lecture in December

15 January 2020  
The Story of Slingsby Castle.  
By Margaret Mackinder & Kate Giles

19 February 2020  
The Archaeology of the First World War.  
by Alex Sotheran

18 March 2020  
The Civil War in Yorkshire.  
By Gillian Waters

15 April 2020  
Beneath the Streets of Rome:  
An Archaeological Quest  
By Joyce Hill

20 May 2020  
Annual General Meeting

*We always welcome new speakers, if you would like your name to be included on our list of speakers. Please leave a message on [friends.maltonmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:friends.maltonmuseum@gmail.com)*

