

Redditch History Talks

I have 12 current and planned PowerPoint presentations covering aspects of Redditch history

History of Redditch Part 1 the early area: This covers the period of settlement and landscape in our local area from glaciers to the emergence of Redditch as a town.

History of Redditch Part 2 beginning to today: Following from Part 1, this overlaps with the medieval period and continues until the present time, covering industry, transport and the evolution of the area.

Redditch History 1 Bordesley Abbey: The origins and expansion of the Cistercian Order, the story of Bordesley Abbey 1138 to 1538, the Dissolution of the Abbey under Henry VIII and an illustrated tour around Bordesley precinct today.

Redditch History 2 Contribution in WW2.: Showing the important contribution Redditch made to the war effort and the sacrifices made by the town.

Redditch History 3 Queen Elizabeth II: Subtitled Queen Elizabeth II, the Royal Family, and Redditch, this talk covers the period from the birth of our Queen to today including visits by the Queen and the Royal Family to the town.

Redditch History 4 Farming Heritage: Using maps, photographs, drawings, sales documents and other information the presentation describes the farming heritage of Redditch over the past 100 years.

Redditch History 5 The River Arrow – flowing through Redditch history: The story of the River Arrow and its importance to the history of the town. **(planned for Redditch Local History Society Meeting August 2018)**

Redditch Industry 1 Fish Hook History: Covering the History of the Fish Hook and the predominance of the Redditch Manufacturers in modern developments. I have a personal interest in this as my father, Ted Green, ran the fish hook department at Allcocks and my brother, Vincent Green, was the last fish hook maker in Redditch and, probably, Europe.

Redditch Industry 2 Battery History: This covers the period from 1918 to 1993 when Redditch had one, then two, sites manufacturing industrial nickel cadmium batteries at Hunt End and Union Street This is a personal expertise, and much can be found at my site <http://www.alcadhhistory.org.uk/>

Redditch Industry 3 Needle Industry: The Needle – it's history and how the Redditch area became the manufacturing centre for the world. **(planned for mid 2018)**

Redditch History Walk – West: A 3 mile walk around the Western part of historic Redditch based on a 1903 OS map.

Redditch History Walk – East: A 3 mile walk around the Eastern part of historic Redditch based on a 1903 OS map. **(planned for Redditch Local History Society Meeting September 2019):**

Note: Presentations listed but not yet available (greyed out) can be brought forward if required. All presentations are continually updated as additional information is obtained.

I make no charge for giving presentations, but I am happy to accept a donation for the 'Where next association'.

Anthony Green 17th March 2018