WHO talks

This list is based on the Wold Historical Organisation's annual membership cards. Any apparent duplication of talks is because a speaker postponed.

The list also includes the Chair of the WHO. Most years the Chair acted as main speaker-finder for the group although in the first year they may have inherited a list of speakers booked by the outgoing chair. In total, by the end of 2017 there will have been about 250 talks.

In addition to these talks, one or two guided walks took place over the summer. And there was a Christmas meal in December until 2016, when it moved to January.

For many of the talks the WHO's Secretary prepared a summary of the speaker's main remarks. These mostly exist as paper copies filed away in the archive. However the Word DOC files more recent ones have been retained. If there is a topic of special interest to you then contact Bob Trubshaw (bobtrubs@indigogroup.co.uk) and I *may* be able to provide a copy of the summary one way or another.

1988 [Chair: Angela Thorpe]

19 January	Mark Strawbridge	The work of the Historic Buildings
		Trust
18 February	John Martin	Geology of the Wolds
15 March	Mrs Ingles	Memories of Thorpe in the Glebe
19 April	Marilyn Palmer	Framework knitters
20 September	r Alec Moretti	Nineteenth century Wymeswold from
		the Census
11 October	John Heath	Man and the Leicestershire
		Landscape

1989 [Chair: Angela Thorpe]

24 January A.G.M. + Andrew Quail (Leicestershire and Rutland Trust for Nature

Conservation) and Kevin Easton

(Severn Trent Water Authority)

21 February Alison Cooper Leicestershire villages in Domesday

21 March R Rose Laxton open fields

18 April Fred Hartley Local archaeology

19 September R. Offley An Englishman's home is his castle

17 October L. Hales Leicestershire canals

21 November Martyn Bennett The First Civil War in the north

Midlands

1990 [Chair: Angela Thorpe]

16 January A.G.M. + members' reports

20 February S Richardson The first 100 years of Methodism in

Wymeswold

20 March Ian Keil Poverty in Leicestershire after the

Poor Law Amendment Act 1834

17 April Thomas Leafe Early mining in the old

Nottinghamshire coalfield

15 May speaker from Leicester Museum Service

16 October David Turnock Railways of Leicestershire

20 November David Smith Vernacular buildings

1991 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

15 January A.G.M. + members' reports

19 February Sue Brown Wymeswold parish registers

19 March Jill Bourne Settlement and place-names of the

Wolds

16 April Tony Squires Ancient Woodlands

21 May David Turnock Railways of Leicestershire

17 September Roy Millward Leicestershire history and its

landscape

15 October Paul Nix Nottingham's caves

19 November John Severn

Dovecotes of Nottinghamshire

1992 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

21	January	/ A	.G.M.
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18 February Caroline Wessel Heraldry

17 March Malcolm Elliot Victorian Leicester

21 April G.V. Lowe The lost Charnwood Forest canal

19 May Ian Keil Agrarian changes in north

Leicestershire

15 September Bob Jarrett Mottes and moats of Leicestershire

20 October David Goldsmith Windmills

17 November Alec Moretti Wymeswold's fields

1993 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

19 January	A.G.M. + Philip Thorpe	Leicestershire Maps
16 February	Mr & Mrs Griffiths	Gracedieu to Garedon
16 March	Fred Hartley	Mining in North West Leicestershire
20 April	Bernadette Atkinson	Sunday Best (Edwardian Clothes)
13 May	Yolanda Courtney	Board Games before World War I
21 Septembe	r Beryl Cobbing	The Parkyns of Bunny
19 October	Ann Bosworth	Victorian Village Life in the Vale of

Belvoir

16 November Patrick Hewitt Leicestershire Clocks and

Clockmakers

1994 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

18 January	A.G.M. + Alec Moretti	Wymeswold documents
15 February	Bernadette Atkinson	Edwardian clothes
15 March	Robert Brown	Memories of village life
19 April	F.N. Hoskins	Woollaton and the Willoughbys
17 May	Anthony Squires	Lost and deserted villages in

Leicestershire

20 September John Bayldon Village buildings

18 October Mike Smith The Big Houses of Birtsall

15 November Suella Postles The farming year

1995 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

17 January A.G.M. + Old pictures of Wymeswold

21 February David Putt Great Central story

21 March Robin Butler New ideas on field systems and

enclosures in England

18 April Caroline Wessel Beaumanor and the Herrick family

16 May Carol Walker Nineteenth century emigration

19 September Mark Gamble Photography – a historical perspective

17 October Robert and Ruth Griffiths Talk about Calke
21 November Peter Hammond Middens and muck

1996 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

16 January A.G.M. + talk by Peter and Joan Shaw

20 February Ann Fewkes Hands over the water

19 March Robin Jenkins Leicestershire church memorials

16 April Joy Cross From Prestwold Hall to Branksome

Towers

21 May Sue Clayton A flavour of Flintham

17 September Walter Leeson The changing face of Loughborough
 15 October Mick and Joyce Billings Aspects of weddings over the years

19 November Jean Morris History of Stilton cheese

1997 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

21 January A.G.M. + talk by Patricia Baker

18 February Peter Liddle Abbeys and Priories of Leicestershire

18 March Sue Brown and Janet Spavold Ticknall potteries and potters

WHO 10th anniversary event:

Friday 4 April Jane May A history of food, cooking and eating

habits

15 April Ann Fewkes Hands over the water

20 May Joy Cross William Goodacre - Entrepreneur

16 September Trefor and Margaret Griffiths The Reformatory, Mount St Bernard

Abbey

21 October Brenda Moore Historic Kegworth

18 November Chris Salisbury Four bridges and a fish weir

1998 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

20 January A.G.M.

17 February George Lowe Oddities and Curiosities

17 March Rev Kenneth Wayne Pub Signs and their Story

21 April Rev Jeffrey Hopewell History of Church Plate

19 May Dennis Baker Transport in North-west Leicestershire

15 September Jane May Victorian Underwear

20 October Fred Hartley Formal Gardens of Leicestershire

17 November A.F. Dix Magic through the Ages

1999 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

19 January A.G.M.

16 February Richard Thomas Origins of bell ringing and

the bells of St Mary's

16 March Dennis Baker Transport in north-west Leicestershire

20 April Bob Payne Turnpike roads of Leicestershire

18 May John Brownlow Health and life in 1863

21 September Peter Hammond Clay pipes and their makers

19 October Pat Stanley Robert Bakewell and the Longhorn

breed of cattle

16 November Alan Marshall Fire fighters

2000 [Chair: Alec Moretti]18 January A.G.M.

22 February Ernie Miller The Barnsley Connection: the Arts

and Crafts movement at Loughborough College

21 March Howard Rees Bicycles

18 April Cynthia Brown Death and Decorum16 May Tony Waltham Caves of Nottingham

19 September Patrick Clay Recent archaeological discoveries in

Leicestershire

17 October Pamela Marshall Wollaton and the Willoughbys

21 November Peter Liddle Donington le Heath and other manor

houses

2001 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

16 January A.G.M. + Kenneth Wayne Rural Rhymes

20 February Tony Grundy A Pictorial History of East Leake
20 March Robert Gregory Crime and Punishment in Leicester

before 1914

17 April Diana Courtney Follies and Curiosities of

Leicestershire and Rutland

15 May15 May18 SeptemberAlec MorettiWhose house is this?

16 October Mike Beech Canals

employment in 19th century

Leicestershire

2002 [Chair: Alec Moretti]

15 January A.G.M.

19 February Steve Biggins Caulke Abbey Gardens19 March Richard Pollard Romans in Leicestershire

16 April Gavin Kinsley The Saxon Cemetery at Willoughby on

the Wolds

21 May Bob Jarrett History of English Inns

17 September	Derek Seaton	The Life and Times of Thomas Cook
15 October	Ben Beazley	History of the Leicester City Police
		Force
19 November	Jean Perry	The Workhouse

2003 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

21 January	A.G.M. + Jason King	Battle of the Somme
18 February	Colin Green	The History of the Leicester Water
		Supply
18 March	Brian Williams	The Search for Garendon Abbey
15 April	Geoff Hollis	Hathernware Terracotta
20 May	Sarah Williams	Symington's of Market Harborough
16 September	Arthur Denny	Livery Companies
21 October	Keith Challis	Reading the Landscape: The origins
		of Laxton, England's last open field
		system
18 November	Ben Beazley	History of the Leicester Police Force

2004 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

20 January	A.G.M. + Philip White	Hoton then and now
17 February	Brian Axom	Wymeswold Airfield
16 March	Ben Beazley	History of the Leicester Police Force
		(part II)
20 April	David Ramsey	Slate Carvers and Headstones of
		Leicestershire
18 May	Kevin Feltham	Medical History: Smallpox
21 September	Len Cantor	Historic Churches of Leics and
		Rutland
19 October	Anne Bosworth	Victorian Life in the Vale of Belvoir
16 November	Tony Jarram	Under the Wings of the Falcon

2005 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

18 January	A.G.M. + Alec Moretti commemoration	
15 February	David Marcombe	Burton Lazars
15 March	Jenny Scott	Leicestershire Archaeological Finds
19 April	David Bell	Down the Garden Path (a history of
		privies)
17 May	Gareth King	Battles in the Midlands
20 September	David Girdler	Plastics 1851–2001
18 October	Brian Williams	The River Soar and its Navigation
15 November	Richard Holmes	Old Melton in Slides

2006 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

17 Janua	ary A.G.M.	. + talk by	y Colin	Lines
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21 February	Jack Smirfitt	Framework Knitting in
		Nottinghamshire
21 March	Thomas Leafe	Nineteenth Century Pit Boys of
		Nottinghamshire
18 April	Ernest Miller	Ancient Board Games
16 May	Helen Boynton	Ancient Fossils of Leicestershire
19 September	Marion Wallwork	Send Them to the Workhouse
17 October	Tony Squires	The Historic Parks and Gardens of
		Leicestershire and Rutland
21 November	Member of ULAS	Archaeology of Leicester's High Street

2007 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

16 January	A.G.M. + display of maps by Peter and Joan Shaw	
20 February	Bob Payne Melton Mowbray Navigation: a typic	
		Leicestershire canal?
20 March	Freda Raphael	Upwardly Mobile
WHO 20th anniversary events:		

14 April Bob Trubshaw Slides of old Wymeswold

14 May	Bob Trubshaw	Shock Horror! The radical restoration of Wymeswold Church
16 September	Bob Trubshaw	The Wolds: What, When and Where
16 October	Rodney Cousins	Willow Basket Weaving
20 November	Richard Buckley	Archaeology of Leicester Abbey
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2008 [Chair: Pa	tricia Baker]	
15 January A.G.	.M. + Patricia Baker	Bulwell memories
19 February	David Whitt	Grace Dieu
18 March	Lyndon Cooper	Archaeology of roads and associated
		quarrying in Leicestershire
15 April	Anthony Jarram	Fire, steam and gunsmoke
20 May	Rod Gill	Tollerton Airfield
16 September	Richard Knox	Asfordby and its environs
21 October	Anne Tarver	Eighteenth century Leicestershire
18 November	Debbie Bilham	Tinfoil, wax, beetlejuice and ribbons of
		rust: a history of audio recording
2009 [Chair: Pat	tricia Baker]	
20 January A G	.M. + Neil Paterson	An Unfortunate Incident in 1670
20 dandary 7	iwi. • Ivoii i atersori	Wymeswold
17 February	Paul Cullen	Nottinghamshire Place Names
17 March	Jo Carter	Between Stairs: Life of a Lady's Maid
21 April	Chris Stone	Industrial Archaeology of
		Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire and
		Northamptonshire
19 May	Roger Bradley	Photography and the Film Age
15 September	Gareth King	Life in a Mediaeval Village
20 October	Kinsey Dart	Cholera, Dr Snow and the History of
		Sanitation

The 1715 Leicestershire Election

17 November Neil Paterson

2010 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

19 January	A.G.M. + Phil Thorpe	Railway Uniforms
16 February	Peter Liddle	Hallaton treasure hoard
16 March	Peter Allan	Finding things in fields
20 April	Stuart Bailey	A walk around Georgian Leicester
18 May	Robin Jenkins	Passing muster
21 September	David Hall	A Saturday afternoon walk
19 October	Peter Hammond	Murder, misfortune and misery
16 November	Adrian Henstock	Dr Robert Thoroton 1623-73

2011 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

18 January A.G.N	И. + Norman Bryan Peach	Wymeswold Clockmakers	
15 February	John Carpenter	Glass Slide Detective	
15 March	Len Holden	Country Houses	
19 April	Pam Hobson plus archaeolog	gist What's under the A46?	
17 May	Richard Knox	Finding Bosworth Battlefield	
20 September	Martyn Bennett	East Midland village communi	ties and
		the Civil War 1642–1651	
18 October	John Hall	Three Men of Edwalton	
15 November Denis Baker		Development of the Co-operat	ive
		Movement with respect to Coa	ılville

2012 [Chair: Patricia Baker]

Peter Liddle	The Time Team in Leicestershire
Kevin Feltham	Creating a heritage trail in
	Kibworth Harcourt
Tony Jarram	Luddites and lacememakers
Matthew O'Callogan	A history of local food
Jason King	The First World War
Penny Hodgson	Playing cards
Cliff Housely	Military sweetheart brooches
Gareth King	Life in a medieval village
	Kevin Feltham Tony Jarram Matthew O'Callogan Jason King Penny Hodgson Cliff Housely

20 November	Graham Jones	Wigmund the Welshman?
		Lords, lands, and churches

2013 [Chair: Ivor Perry]

15 January	A.G.M. + Len Holden	Lord Cardigan of Deene and the
		Charge of the Light Brigade
19 February	Kevin Fletham	Creating a heritage trail in Kibworth
		Harcourt and local villages
19 March	Tony Jarram	Luddites and lacemakers
16 April	Fiona Ure	History of Ladybird Books
21 May	Penny Hodgson	Playing cards
18 June	Peter Allen	Bingham beneath your feet
17 September	Ann Schmidt	Belvoir Angels and their families
15 October	Malcolm Britton	Brooksby and Brooksby Hall
19 November	Melanie Wilson	The history of beads and beadmaking

2014 [Chair: Ivor Perry]

21 January	A.G.M. + Ivor Perry	An update on the Wymeswold
		Roll of Honour
18 February	Martyn Bennett	Rant Level and Dig
18 March	John Maloney	Responsible Metal Detecting
15 April	Brian Jonhnson	Made in Leicester
20 May	Peter Liddle	Battles, Kings and Castles
17 June	Brian Fernley	1914–18 on the Home Front
16 September	Gareth King	Apple legends
21 October	Brian Axon	Wymeswold Airfield
18 November	Ivor Perry	The Wymeswold Roll of Honour

2015 [Chair: Ivor Perry]

20 January	A.G.M.	
17 February	Peter Liddle	Curses sacrifices and temples
17 March	Brian Johnson	The rise and fall of the prefab

21 April	Patricia Baker	Framework knitting
19 May	Gareth King	Victorian ghost stories
16 June	Geoff Feavyour	Leicestershire Constabulary
15 September	Peter Allan	Finding things in fields
20 October	Martyn Bennett	King James 1 st and witches
17 November	Philip Thorpe	A family photograph: the Losebys

2016 [Chair: Ivor Perry]

19 January	A.G.M. + annual dinner	
16 February	Peter Liddle	Medieval pilgrimage in Leicestershire
15 March	David Keene	Sale of a farmhouse in Wymeswold
19 April	Brian Johnson	More 'Made in Leicester'
17 May	Tony Jarram	The day Buffalo Bill came to town
21 June	Peter Liddle	Archaeology of Bradgate Park
20 September	Sue Easton	Queen Victorias' Coronation – an
		eyewitness account
18 October	Ivor Perry	Wymeswold and the Battle of the
		Somme
15 November	Mel Gould	Loughborough Carillon
20 Dec	Neil Critchley	Musical Leicestershire

2017 [Chair: Bob Trubshaw]

17 January	A.G.M. + annual dinner	
21 February	Mel Gould	1916 Zeppelin Raid on Loughborough
21 March	Frank Earp	Nottingham Goose Fair
18 April	Philip Thorpe	Antique Maps of Leicestershire
16 May	David Bell	Murder Cases of Rutland and
		Leicestershire
20 June	Brian Johnson	The Story of the Driving Test
19 September	Lee Timmins	The English Highwayman
17 October	Peter Liddle	Medieval Villages
14 November	Ivor Perry	Welsh Saints
19 December	Bob Trubshaw	Medieval Carvings

2018 [Chair: Bob Trubshaw]

16 January	A.G.M. + annual dinner	
20 February	Mel Wilson	Leicestershire Heritage Apple Project
20 March	Debbie Bilham	Empire of the clouds: the story of the
		R101 airship
17 April	Hugh Griffiths	Brush – the man and his legacy
15 May	Richard Jones	Living with water: past, present and
		future
19 June	Elizabeth and Martin Tingle	Death and remembrance in the Wolds
		1400–1800
18 September	Jess Jenkins	Burning passions: the struggle for
		women's suffrage in Leicestershire
16 October	John Goodacre	The crying sin of England
20 November	David Bate	The lost church of St Ethelburga
11 December	Andrew Brown-Jackson	Natural boundaries: traditional
		Midlands hedge laying and dry stone
		walls

2019 [Chair: Bob Trubshaw]

15th January		annual dinner and AGM
19th February	Anne Speight	The Paget family and Nanpantan Hall
19th March	Douglas Clinton	The Anglo-Saxon monastery at Breedon on the Hill
16th April	Eddie Smallwood	The role of the barber surgeon in the Wars of the Roses
21st May	Katie Bridger	Power in the landscape: the families of Grey and Hastings in Leicestershire
18th June	Ivor Perry	Wymeswold's Peace Celebrations July 1919
17th September	Michele Sanders	Animal magic and the Anglo-Saxon horse burials at Broughton Lodge
15th October	Mel Wilson	A soldier and his wife
19th November	Mike Hawkes	Churches in Leicestershire: is the writing on the wall? [a pioneering study of medieval grafitti]