

SUMMER SPEAKERS Fridays at 11.00am

5 August: Robert Cockayne: Iceland

12 August: Robert Cockayne: Scotland, the East Coast

19 August: Robert Cockayne: Scotland, the West Coast

26 August: Ivor's Movie - the 2019 Road Trip, Part 5

2 Sept: Dennis Apple: The Mitford Sisters

* OPERA with ROBERT *

Thurs 4 Aug 10.30am: Opera Gala from Baden Baden

Thurs 18 Aug 10.30am: Summer Night Concert from Vienna

* MONDAY FILMS - at 1.30pm *

1 Aug: 'Unforgiven' with Clint Eastwood

8 Aug: 'The Merchant of Venice' - Al Pacino & Jeremy Irons

15 Aug: 'Ladies in Lavender' - Judi Dench & Maggie Smith

22 Aug: 'Nanny McPhee' - Emma Thompson & Colin Firth

29 Aug: Closed - (Bank Holiday)

60+ Keep Fit: Audrey Malik, Mon: 10.30 to 11.30am
+ Seated Exercise Class 11.45 to 12.30pm

KEEP FIT!



KEEP MOVING !!

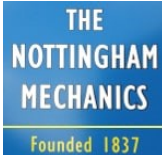
Elders Forum DANCE - Fridays at 1.30pm

TABLE TENNIS - Fridays: 1.30 to 3.00pm

SHORT MAT BOWLS - Thursdays at 1.30pm

KEN GODFREY'S JAZZ BAND - 14 OCTOBER!

GHOSTLY TRAIL Treasure Hunt, 2pm: 11 Aug £5



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Your NOTTINGHAM MECHANICS



Newsletter

No 60 AUGUST 2022

What's on? What's happened? What's YOUR view?

Our New Chairman

A huge welcome to our new Chair of the Council of Management, Geoff Freeman!

Geoff writes: I was recently asked if I would like to take on the role of Chair of the Council of Management of the Mechanics. My answer was - 'Yes'.

I will try to pick up from where Geoff Green sadly had to leave the position, and hopefully I will serve you well.

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Looking to the Future

Amazon Smile

We have now set up an amazon 'smile' account to which you may log in as you would Amazon, but the site address is smile.amazon.co.uk If you make a purchase, the Mechanics would get a small percentage of the transaction. If you would like to know more, please pop in to see either Ruth or Adam and they will be happy to help you.

Solar Panels

We are looking into commercial SOLAR PANELS for our roof to help with our carbon footprint, and also hopefully save us money. We will keep you updated as we move through the process.

GROUP MEETINGS (please check with group Contacts)

Harlequin Ladies' Group: Next meeting - Wed 3 August, 2pm:

Rowena Edlin-White: "Spinster, of No Occupation?"

Visitors £2 Contact: Jacqui Curwood on 0115 9586500

Friends of Nottingham Museums: Janet Lievesley: 0115 9221734
(no meeting in August)

Nottm Writers' Club: All welcome! Contact Carol: 0115 9817661

Next meeting: 26 Aug 2.30 to 4.30pm.

Nottm Shakespeare Society: Sandra Appleton: 0115 9256551

Next meeting in September

Nottm Probus Club, Contact: Robin West: 0115 9164774

17 August: 'The Battle of Waterloo' - Brian Stone, historian

Love **CROCHET, PATCHWORK, QUILTING, KANTHA...?**

A NEW STITCH CLUB meets fortnightly on Mondays, 1.30pm

1 & 15th Aug. Contact: Jenny Parker on 0115 9206423

Nottm RSPB Group, Contact: Barry Nelson 0115 9146583

Oddfellows Friendship Group: Games, Speakers, Dominoes etc.

Contact: Karen Pye-Smith 07921821866 www.oddfellows.co.uk

National Federation of Occupational Pensioners (NFOP)

Nottm Branch meets: Weds. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Aug at 10.30am

Contact: Phil Wilson - 0115 875 2346

NDLHS - Nottm & District Local History Society

Details at: ndlhs@wordpress.com

Next meeting: 19 November, 2.00pm - Details later

Newsletter Enquiries to: 0115 9145838 * viv.apple@outlook.com

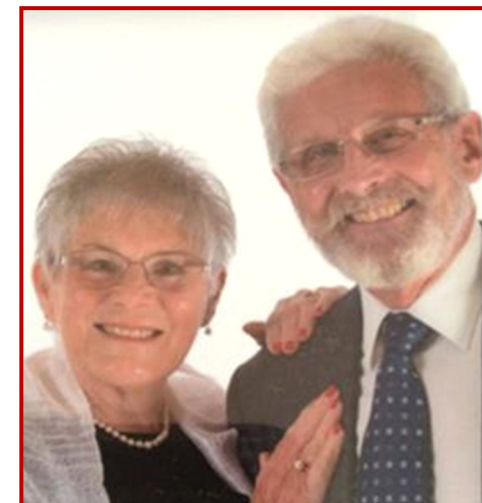
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'What am I Doing?' by Geoff Freeman

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'Who am I...?'

I was born into a working class family in 1944, and lived at Wollaton Park for the first nine years of my life. When I left my Secondary School at the age of 15, I entered a five year apprenticeship as a pipe fitter welder. When I was 20, I was chosen to represent the Nottingham Technical College in the International Apprentice Competition — and gained first place, a proud moment for me and for the College. During my apprenticeship I reached the position of Chargehand, running various large contracts. When I left the Company I moved on to be supervisor for an even larger Company and during those years I also carried out part-time lecturing at the Technical College. I then moved on to be Senior Engineer/Supervisor, and remained with this Company until 1988, when a colleague and myself set up our own Company. Our new partnership went from strength to strength, until I retired in 2006, and the Company is still in business today and carrying on with our good name:- Miller Freeman & Co.



Anne and I have been married for 55 years. We have two daughters, six grandchildren, and early next year we are to be great-grandparents. We are a very close family.

Anne and I joined the Mechanics eleven years ago, mainly because of the Nottingham Wayfarers Rambling Club, who were also members of the Mechanics and told us about all the good things that happen here and of the friendly people. However, my **very** first visit to the Mechanics took place **70** years ago when I sometimes went to work with my grandfather who, for a short time, worked the door. So I suppose that somewhere, the Mechanics is in my blood.

Geoff Freeman