

15 September

“Old books hoarded up in corners”:
William Lambarde writing and reading
in late Tudor Kent

**Claire Bartram, Canterbury Christ Church
University**

Claire will treat us to some of the fruits of her
current research project, a book on Provincial
Authorship c.1509-1660 which includes chapters
on William Lambarde, Reginald Scot, Francis
Thynne and William Somner.

13 October

Papermaking in Maidstone: the
expansion and growth of a significant
industry in the eighteenth and
nineteenth centuries

Maureen Green, author

Maidstone has a rich papermaking heritage.
One paper mill with a long history is situated
right next to the KHLC (Balstons Springfield
Mill); another, Hayle Mill, has been owned and
operated by the Green Family through five
successive generations.

10 November

Court rolls, custumals and gavelkind:
Kent manorial records and the Manorial
Documents Register Project

Liz Finn, Kent History and Library Centre

Liz reports on her
work to locate
and list all Kent’s
manorial documents
for the Manorial
Documents Register,
and looks forward
to her project’s
ultimate goal: a
first-ever online
searchable database
of manors and
manorial documents
that will prove an
invaluable tool for
Kent historians.

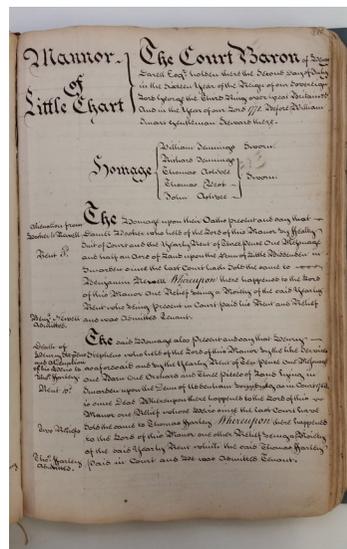


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Manor of Little Chart, reference Kent
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All talks are on Thursday evenings at 6.30pm
except for 23 April (Saturday, 2.30pm)

£5.00 per talk, booking advisable
Season ticket £30.00

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Reading Kent’s Past

A series of talks at the
Kent History and Library Centre
James Whatman Way, Maidstone ME14 1LQ

February - November 2016



11 February

Bryan Faussett: Kent's Forgotten Archaeologist

David Wright, professional genealogist

Hear David talk about his recent book on Faussett, the pioneering Kent genealogist, archaeologist and antiquary who at his death had amassed the world's greatest collection of Anglo-Saxon jewellery and antiquities.

10 March

Kent on Film - Exploring and Preserving the County's Film Heritage

Frank Gray, Screen Archive South East

Film can be an invaluable historical source, and Screen Archive South East has a fantastic collection of historic moving images for Kent. The founding Director of Screen



*In the Garden of England, 1938,
John & William Barnes [Screen
Archive South East]*

Archive South East describes the work and the holdings of this public sector archive.

23 April

Animals, Birds and Bodily Parts: Shakespeare's Secret Language

Mike Irwin, author

Mike tells us the title 'means exactly what it says', and that it offers a way into what he takes to be Shakespeare's essential underlying theme in all his major plays. *(Please note that this talk takes place on a Saturday at 2.30pm.)*

19 May

Shakespeare's women: are they relevant today?

Lynsey Blandford, Templeman Library, University of Kent

Lynsey highlights some familiar Shakespearean female characters by examining the literature as well as modern representations of the plays in film and on stage. She also aims to contextualise the original plays by considering examples of real early modern women who may have acted as inspiration and some influential literature written at the time.

9 June

Kent and Kingsley Wood 1924-1943

Hugh Gault, biographer; and Jane Gallagher, Templeman Library, University of Kent

Kingsley Wood was MP for Woolwich West from 1918 to his death as Chancellor of the Exchequer in September 1943. He left no personal papers but in 1972 thirty-three volumes of press cuttings were donated to the University of Kent. A one-nation Tory, he worked alongside Churchill, Chamberlain, Baldwin and Lloyd George, amongst many others.



Cartoon by Leonard Raven-Hill (d.1942), published in Punch 13th March 1935