

## Contact Us

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### Membership Subscriptions

Standard	- £10.00
Senior	- £7.50
Group	- £30.00
Life	- £ 100.00

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# GAINSBOROUGH & DISTRICT HERITAGE ASSOCIATION

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40 Years of  
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# NEWSLETTER June 2011

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This year's Annual General Meeting was once again held at Gainsborough House, on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May. The membership was well represented, and representatives of other local organisations were in attendance. The meeting was opened and Chaired by Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan, as East Midlands Representative of the British Association of Friends of Museums.

With the Chairman's post being vacant, the Treasurer presented an extended report on the events of the last year. Particular emphasis was placed on the years significant fundraising activities and how this was being spent on the development of the Heritage Centre facilities.

The election of the Committee and Officers was simple this year with all positions receiving uncontested nominations. The committee were elected as follows:

Chairman - Mrs Susan Edlington  
Vice Chairman - Mr Carlton Bradley  
Secretary - Mr James Titley  
Treasurer - Mrs Lynne Birkitt

Archives - Mrs Dorothy Pearson  
Exhibitions - Mr Andrew Birkitt  
Publicity - Mr Carton Bradley

Committee - Mr Bruce Linegar  
Mr Roger Jubb  
Miss Diana Rose  
Mr Alan Robinson  
Miss Jodie King

Mrs Pauline Jackson agreed to continue in her position as Membership Secretary.

## OLD POST OFFICE REPORT

Since our last newsletter there has been much change at the Old Post Office. Our architect drew up plans for the re-ordering of the toilet facilities and these have been undertaken over the past few months by a local builder. We now have newly fitted standard and disabled toilet facilities. The library/research room has been re-plastered and decorated in a hue of crimson and 'off-white'. The inclusion of a 'picture rail' breaks down the severity of the high ceilings whilst including a period feature to the room.


The entry/reception room, the library and the toilets and kitchen have all recently received new floor coverings in colours representative of the decor. The electricians shall be completing the electrical installation in these rooms toward the end of May and it is anticipated that this shall be completed by the time this newsletter is circulated.

The library/research room now has a purpose built display case. Suitable for displaying a wide array of objects and artefacts, the electrically lit secure cabinet shall become an interesting feature of the room.





# THE MARSHALL RALLY



**Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd September 2012**

**A159 - Blyton Road near Gainsborough**

*Free Car Parking + Vintage Shuttle Busses + Refreshments & Bar*

*Traction Engines + Vintage Tractors + Steam Threshing*

*Ploughing Demonstrations + Craft & Trade Stands*

**Admission: T.B.C.**

## CAN YOU HELP?

### NURSE PIERONI

For many years Nurse Mabel Pieroni was District Nurse and Midwife for Gainsborough and District. Her bicycle, which she used for many years, before she was provided with a car, has been donated to the Heritage Centre by Mr. and Mrs. N. Hare.

In order to celebrate the work of those District Nurses and Midwives who worked for the town in the past, a small book will be published through the Heritage Centre.

If you have any information or photographs on Nurse Pieroni or other District Nurses, please contact Diana Rose on 01427 838397.

### GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

A hardback book on the history of the Gainsborough Girls High School is planned by the Gainsborough & District Heritage Association in conjunction with the Old Girls Association of the school for sale in time for Christmas 2011.

Do you have reminiscences and/or photographs which would enable to the story to come alive?

It is also planned to include as many names of pupils and staff as possible plus information on their lives and careers. All information would be included in an archive which would be held at the Heritage Centre.

We have a very full collection of the Viking magazine, photographs and letters which were collected by the school and Heritage Centre before the school closed.

If you have information or any enquiries please contact Diana Rose.

## CAN WE HELP?

Are you stuck with your family history?, A relative you can't find?, Or you'd like to know more about them?

The Gainsborough Heritage Centre can now help you uncover missing relatives or help find more out about them for you. We have access to various records. For a small fee starting at £5, we will provide you with any information we can find. This is done on a no-find-no fee basis, so if we aren't able to help, it doesn't cost you anything.