

Shingley History Society

For our April meeting, to commemorate the bi-centenary of the death of local poet Percy Bysshe Shelley, Kathryn Attwood (playwright and writer of the play 'Mad Shelley') came to speak about his life and works. Shelley's forebears were born in the Horsham and Warnham area and so he really was a local. In his short life he achieved much being a free-thinker, poet and traveler. Carol Hayton then spoke about the Shelley Memorial Project and the importance of such a memorial to the area. There are a number of events to raise awareness and the funding. We were also treated to a couple of readings of the poet's poems – a fitting end to the evening.

Please note that the afternoon tour of Nutbourne Vineyard in September, begins at 2 o'clock when we will be served with tea and coffee with homemade cakes before the tour. Booking your place is essential so please do sign up as soon as possible with our Secretary, Jean. Her email address can be found below. Payment of £25 per person will also be required at the time of booking.

Programme for 2022

Thursday June 23rd 6.30pm: Summer Social to be held at Green Gates.

Thursday September 8th 2pm. Nutbourne Vineyard. A private tour with tasting starting with tea/coffee and home-made cakes. The cost is £25 per person.

Thursday October 20th 7.30pm: Wilfred Scawen Blunt. John Lytton will talk about the life of his great grandfather Wilfrid Scawen Blunt, poet, activist, traveller and breeder of Arabian horses, 100 years on from his death in September 1922.

Thursday December 1st: AGM. Michelle King will talk about Sussex traditional Food

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You can find Shingley History Society on the Shingley Parish Council website www.shingleyparishcouncil.org.uk then follow the Sports and Recreation link.