



# Autumn Programme 2017

# KILMARNOCK—LIVING WITH LEISURE

## **4th October : Gaiety Theatre**

A talk on the Gaiety Theatre, Ayr. Followed by AGM

**Jeremy Wyatt**

## **11th October : Sanny Sloane**

The History of Sanny Sloane—a life in the Ayrshire Coalpits.

**Esther Clark**

## **18th October : Flanders Fields**

In Flanders Fields—A remembrance of WW1

**Bill Howie**

## **25th October : Women & War part 2**

Valerie returns with a continuation to Women & War

**Valerie Reilly**

## **1st November : Andrew Carnegie**

The life of Andrew Carnegie, the Scottish industrialist and philanthropist.

**Barbara Graham**

## **8th November : Down Memory Lane**

A slide show.

**John Smillie**

## **15th November : Mary Barbour**

The life of Mary Barbour, the here of the Govan rent strikes.

**Maria Fyfe**

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**22nd November : Sir Alexander Fleming**

The Ayrshire man who discovered penicillin.

**Stuart Wilson**

**29th November : Postcards**

Collecting postcards of Kilmarnock and Ayrshire

**Dan Ross**

**6th December : Christmas Party**

Masonic Hall, London Road, Kilmarnock. 1230 for 1pm

## KILMARNOCK LIVING WITH LEISURE

Grand Hall, London Road, Kilmarnock

Wednesday 2pm to 4pm

£10 per 10 sessions

**CHAIR : Joyce Gallacher 01563 524458**

**TREASURER : Sandra Luna**



## SKELMORLIE & WEMYSS BAY BRANCH

### **27th September : Gardens of the World**

Continuing the wonderful DVD series from Monty Don.

Followed by AGM

**Jenny McGee**

### **4th October : Coats & Clarks—the binding thread in Paisley's History**

There is no doubt that these great thread manufacturing families of Paisley made vast fortunes from their multi-national corporations, but a social conscience was also evident. Val will tell about their many philanthropic endeavours that, literally, changed the township of Paisley.

**Valerie Reilly**

### **11th October : Sullivan's Other Music, and Other Music**

David, former director of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company, returns to talk about and play some of his personal musical favourites.

**David Mackie**

### **18th October : The Glenlee : Glasgow's Tall Ship**

An illustrated talk on the history of this beautifully restored clipper now berthed at the Riverside Museum.

**Alan Blackwood**

### **25th October : Life in an Orphanage in Nepal**

Local resident Elizabeth will tell and illustrate an inspiring tale of how her daughter set out to attempt to better the lives of 20 abandoned children living in one of the poorest countries in the world, where people struggle to eke out an existence.

**Elizabeth Hyett**

## **SKELMORLIE & WEMYSS BAY BRANCH**

### **1st November : Kunning to Shringi-La—Travels in SW China**

Geographer and world traveller John returns to tell us about this fast developing corner of China with a fascinating past, illustrated as always with photographs of the highest quality.

**John Blease**

### **8th November : Outing to Pollock House and the Glasgow Museums Resource Centre**

### **15th November : From Russia with Love**

John spent his entire working life with IBM and travelled extensively throughout the world. Here he talks about this fascinating and enigmatic country which he came to know very well.

**John Lewis**

### **22nd November : This History of the Glasgow Police**

Alastair, a former policeman who now runs Glasgow Police Museum, tells the story of the founding of the City of Glasgow Police and its early development. Famous cases are recounted and he highlights details for the police officers who solved them. Two centuries of innovative progress and the embrace of technology by the Force ensured that it kept pace with society.

**Alastair Dinsmor**

### **29th November : The Battle of Jutland**

Ayrshire historian Bill takes a detailed look at the naval actions of WW1 culminating in the Battle of Jutland, off the northern coast of Denmark, and the consequences of this for the conduct of the rest of the war.

**Bill Fitzpatrick**

### **6th December : End of Season Quiz with Sherry & Shortbread**

## **RENFREW RETIREMENT BRANCH**

### **19th October : The Story of North Sea Exploration**

From oil dependency to renewable energy.

**James Allan**

### **26th October : Titanic**

The background to the designing and building of the 3 super liners of the White Star Line. A brief look at the early career of the Olympic, getting the Titanic ready for sea, maiden voyage and sinking.

**Bill Fitzpatrick**

### **2nd November : Robert Burns**

**Enez Anderson**

### **9th November : The Woman Who Did Not Die**

The story of Henrietta Lack's place in modern medicine. A simple woman who enabled advancements in vaccines, drug therapy and cellular medicine, HeLa Cells

**Moira Searle**

### **16th November : What is a Hate Crime?**

Prevention, keeping safe and reporting.

**Ms Megan**

## **RENFREW RETIREMENT BRANCH**

**Enable Hall, Sandy Road, Renfrew**

**Thursday 2.15pm to 4.15pm**

**£9 plus £1 class membership**

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**23rd November : tbc**

Details will be issued at branch.

**30th November : Lead up to WW1**

Events from unification of Germany in 1871. Tensions in Europe, mainly between Germany & France and growing tensions between Germany and Britain.

**Bill Fitzpatrick**

**7th December : Christmas Customs**

WoSLA Chair, Marc entertains us with the origins of UK Christmas Customs

**Marc Sherland**

**14th December : Past Films of Renfrewshire**

An overview of the work being carried out by 'Renfrewshire Film' to save films of our past for future generations.

**Richard Weeks**



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Skelmorlie Community Centre, Skelmorlie

Wednesday 9.45am to 11.45am

CHAIR : Jenny McGee 01475 521090

TREASURER : Ruth Murray

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## **West of Scotland Local Association (WoSLA)**

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