

# **Colyton Parish History Society Newsletter 30 June 2021**

Welcome to the summer sun as we begin to emerge from lockdown! This month the reopening of the Heritage Centre has got off to a good start. And there is information about a new guided walk from Colyton tram station to the town centre which is to be launched on 13 July and the annual Somers Day parade will take place in Lyme Regis on 21 July.

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Editor

## **1. History Society News**

The History Society Management Committee would like to draw your attention to the following:

### **Reopening of the Heritage Centre**

We have made a good start with welcoming back visitors to the Heritage Centre this month with over 140 people coming into the Merchant's House. Visitors were delighted to be able to come and see our displays depicting aspects of the long history of Colyton once again. Thank you to those who have volunteered to run the Centre. If anyone else would like to volunteer please do let us know: you will be most welcome!

## **2. Other News**

### **a. Seaton Tramway Summer Events 2021**

Seaton Tram is hosting a series of events this summer – for full details see the tram's website which is updated regularly <https://www.tram.co.uk/>

The events include a - brand new for 2021 - guided walk round Colyton on 13 July. Starting at Colyton tram station your guided tour will begin with a history of the branch line and the coming of the tramway to Seaton. The walk will then continue into the town centre stopping at points of interest along the way and our guides will provide fascinating details about key events in the town's long history and about local industry. The walks begin at 10.30 am and last around two hours. Please note participants should be able to walk and stand comfortably for that length of time. Numbers of participants for each guided walk are limited so book early to avoid disappointment!



Further details are available at: <https://www.tram.co.uk/events/view/trains-trams-trade-guided-walk>

**b. Annual Somers' Day Parade – Lyme Regis, 21 July 2021**

[https://lovelymeregis.co.uk/events/admiral\\_sir\\_george\\_somers\\_commemoration\\_parade](https://lovelymeregis.co.uk/events/admiral_sir_george_somers_commemoration_parade)

**3. Items you may have missed**

**a. Iconic treasures of RAMM exhibition opens 6 July**

Visitors will be asked to nominate their favourite treasure.

<https://news.exeter.gov.uk/visitors-to-exeter-s-museum-asked-to-nominate-their-favourite-treasure?IYA-mail=849809d2-783c-47dd-98e3-4c821c95cf93>

**b. Keeping in time with the rest of the country – reflections on the Definition of Time Act 1880**

Before the Act was passed towns in East Devon were 13 minutes behind London time! [https://www.midweekherald.co.uk/news/staying-in-time-with-uk-8057584?utm\\_source=Newsletter&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_campaign=DM42458](https://www.midweekherald.co.uk/news/staying-in-time-with-uk-8057584?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=DM42458)

**c. Second edition of popular A to Z of History of Honiton Street Names published.**

[https://www.midweekherald.co.uk/news/honiton-a-to-z-history-book-8030426?utm\\_source=Newsletter&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_campaign=DM42006](https://www.midweekherald.co.uk/news/honiton-a-to-z-history-book-8030426?utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=DM42006)

**d. Queen Elizabeth II Collection of Memorabilia**

[https://www.devonlive.com/news/devon-news/gallery/sarah-grants-queen-elizabeth-ii-5560928?utm\\_source=devon live newsletter&utm\\_campaign=western morning news newsletter2&utm\\_medium=email&pure360.trackingid=58001004-5f32-4d84-890b-1117d9df12eb](https://www.devonlive.com/news/devon-news/gallery/sarah-grants-queen-elizabeth-ii-5560928?utm_source=devon%20live%20newsletter&utm_campaign=western%20morning%20news%20newsletter2&utm_medium=email&pure360.trackingid=58001004-5f32-4d84-890b-1117d9df12eb)