

The Mermaid & Greswolde Arms ~ A Coaching Inn at Knowle

The history of the Greswolde and its part in the local community from the early 18th century to the present day.



A Knowle Childhood ~ The Personal Recollections of Roslyn Croft

Memories of Roslyn Croft's childhood as she grew up in Wilsons Road



A Timeline for Knowle ~ A Journey from Norman to Modern Times

Some of the major events in British history and their effect on Knowle.



TALKS IN PREPARATION

Eva's Legacy

The first local history archive in Knowle, collected by Eva Wootton during her long life from 1898 to 1981, both from her own photographs, paintings and scrap books and from items given to her as Knowle's first unofficial local historian. Ending with *The History of Knowle*. Due February 2013



Bowling in Knowle

The history of the ancient game of bowls in Knowle from the early 17th century, together with the bowling clubs attached to the village inns. Due October 2013



Knowle Local History Society

Illustrated Talks for Organisations



High Street looking north, c. 1900

Knowle Local History Society is an independent organisation formed to promote the study of the history of the village and to provide a service to the residents of Knowle and the wider public.

Making History Live

Introduction

Knowle Local History Society is pleased to offer talks to other organisations. All talks are of about one hour's duration unless otherwise stated. They are set up on a laptop computer used with a digital projector. We have all our own equipment, including a sound system, and only require tables. It is not necessary to turn off the lights, although dimming those next to the screen is helpful. Talks can be given at short notice provided a speaker and someone to operate the equipment are available.

As part of its own programme, the Society presents two talks a year on aspects of Knowle history, with an in-house speaker. Some of the talks we can offer to other organisations were initially prepared for this purpose; others were designed specially for an outside audience. Most are suitable both for village organisations and for those further afield. Further talks will be prepared in the future

In May of each year the Society gives a talk for Knowle Library as part of Adult Learners' Week. We have also been invited to speak at local care homes, which has given pleasure to residents.

*The Society does not charge for giving talks,
but welcomes donations*

Further information may be found on our web site.

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TALKS AVAILABLE

A Thousand Years of Knowle

A chronological history of Knowle from before the Norman Conquest to the present day



The Old Village (Parts 1 & 2)

A geographical tour around central Knowle. Part 1 covers the south end of the village and Part 2 High Street and the north end.



The Place Names of Knowle

The origins of local names, old and new, including the Forest of Arden, the River Blythe, Purnells Brook, field names, roads, buildings, etc.



Springfield Hall ~ A Country House in Knowle

The history of a country house in Knowle from its origins as a private estate to its present day use as a school for children with special needs.



The History of Dorridge

The history of Dorridge from before the railway, when it was part of the old manor of Knowle to the opening of the station and the present day.



Kenilworth Road

A tour along the original main street through Knowle, from the old school to Golden End, the canal, Springfield and Temple Balsall.



Kixley Lane

A tour along one of the oldest roads in Knowle, with recorded history going back to the 14th century. Duration 40 minutes.



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