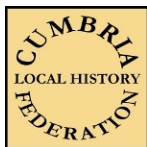


# Cumbria Local History Federation

presenting the local history groups of Cumbria

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## Annual Convention 2009

Saturday 26th September 2009 at the University of Cumbria, Newton Rigg, Penrith.

**Revised** programme and booking form **Revised**

AGM – Conference – Practical Sessions – Exhibition

*The Caldbeck Room: - A Free Exhibition 10.30 - 4.00pm (open to all until 1.30pm but also used for workshops pm)*

### Exhibitors at present:-

Bampton and District LHS  
Cumbria Archive Service  
Cumbria Industrial History Society  
Lamplugh and District Heritage Society  
Shap Local History Society  
Sedbergh and District History Society  
History of Kirkby Group

Brampton Local History Group  
Cumbria Family History Society  
Cumbria Local History Federation  
Lorton and Derwent Fells LHS  
Staveley and District History Society  
Past Presented, David Bradbury  
Cumbria Past (CWAAS)

*The Eden Room: - AGM 0930, Conference 10.30-12.45pm.*

- Key speaker Professor John Beckett. *English local history and the Victoria County History: an Overview*. John Beckett is Professor of English Regional History at the University of Nottingham and Director of the VCH. He is the distinguished author of *Writing local history* and of numerous books and papers on Cumbrian History, including *Coal and Tobacco*, the history of Whitehaven and the Lowthers.
- David Bowcock. *A new record office for Cumbria: developing facilities county-wide*. David Bowcock is Assistant County Archivist at the Carlisle Record Office, Cumbria Archive Service

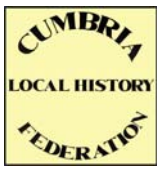
*Lunch* – will be a specially enhanced buffet in the Brambles Restaurant include a selection of freshly made sandwiches (some vegetarian), canapé selection, crudites and dips, savoury tartlets, potato wedges, quiche, cakes and fruit, tea & coffee.

*1.45 - 3.45pm Choice of two out of five practical workshops.*

- **New** in addition to the practical sessions previously announced below, we are able to offer a further session on the proposals for the Cumbria VCH project which is now approaching implementation. Dr Angus Winchester will be present to outline the proposals to people interested in the project and to hear the views of local historians in Cumbria.
- We will also run three tutor-led workshops on practical aspects of local history, plus a practical discussion in the Eden Room on digital records and images, led by experienced users. Delegates are able to choose two of the five sessions.

There is no charge or need to book to attend the AGM or the exhibition in the morning. The charge is will be £12 for the conference and practical workshops for members of the Federation and of its members societies, and £15 for non members. Lunch will be £8. Enquiries to Derek Denman [derekdenman@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:derekdenman@dsl.pipex.com) or tel. 0190085551. Please see the programme and booking form overleaf.

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# Cumbria Local History Federation Annual Convention 2009- programme

## Delegate programme

(In the Eden Room, the sound system and hearing loop will be in use.)

- 9.00 am Tea/coffee on arrival for the agm
- 9.30 – 10.10 **The Federation's agm.** Members and observers are welcome without charge.
- 10.30 am **Conference Session 1.** Chair: - Richard Brockington, Chair CLHF.  
Key speaker Professor John Beckett. *The VCH (Victoria County History) and local and regional history today.*
- 11.30am Tea, coffee and biscuits
- 12.00 noon **Conference Session 2.** Chair: - Derek Denman, Treasurer CLHF  
David Bowcock. *A new record office for Cumbria: developing facilities county-wide;*
- 12.45 pm **Lunch**, for those who have booked will be served in the Brambles Restaurant, about 50m from the conference room.
- 1.45 to 2.25 and 2.35 to 3.15 **Practical Workshops** Two sessions of 40 minutes, each session comprising four separate workshops. Room allocations will be given on the day according to numbers booking. Delegates may choose any two from: -
  - A. Introducing (and improving) Secretary Hand.** Led by Margaret Owen, Senior Archivist at the Kendal Record Office. The session provides an opportunity to practice using parish register entries (beginners) and sources relating to plague in 16th century Cumbria (improvers). Latin *not* required'.
  - B. Newspapers as a source for Social History.** Led by Bill Myers. Chair: Iain Johnston. Suitable subjects for enquiry and techniques for searching newspapers, illustrated with 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century newspapers from Barrow and Ulverston, on CD and in bound volumes.
  - C. Decoding Heraldry.** Led by **Mary O'Regan** Armorial bearings were once the defining mark of a gentleman, and formed a record of lineage. The session aims to give an understanding of heraldry and an introduction to analysing arms.
  - D. 'It won't byte! Creating digital stuff for local historians and having fun'.Using Digital Records and Images.** In the Eden Room. Led by John Berry Simon Danby and David Bradbury. Chair: Jenni Lister. Help with the techniques and practice of making, storing, and communicating historical records of all sorts. Short presentations and your questions answered.
  - E. The Cumbria VCH Project** Led by Angus Winchester and Richard Brockington. The Cumbria VCH working group proposes a Cumbria VCH project which invites local historians to help create topographical VCH databases and histories. Hear the general plans and give your views.
- 3.30 pm Closing discussion and remarks (Eden Room)
- 3.45 pm Tea and coffee. Drawing of the raffle. (Caldbeck Room)

Send to: - Derek Denman, Beech Cottage, High Lorton, Cockermouth CA13 9UQ (agm)

I would like to book for the CLHF Convention on 26th September 2009 as follows: -

..... member delegate places at £12 per person\*. ..... non-member delegate places at £15  
..... finger buffet lunch places at 12.45pm at £8.00 per person. (Receipt will be sent with pack)

\*I/we are members of CLHF.....or Member  
Organisation.....

Practical sessions

Name of Delegate	Two Session Choices – enter A,B,C,D or E	

I enclose a cheque for .....(cheques payable to Cumbria Local History Federation please).

Name .....

Tel No ..... Email.....

Address (for pack).....

**Badge Information:** Name(s).....

Organisation (if appropriate).....