

# Explore Newbury

## Walking Tours 2017

### Wartime Newbury

July 8th (Friday)

A guided walk within the largely pedestrian town centre to see the sites which played a part in the two World Wars. We shall see where the film 'The Battle of the Somme' was shown in 1916, where the Lord Mayor's coach was stored during WWII, and why the Emergency Bridge was constructed. Buildings, street corners and river banks have a story to tell.

#### YOUR GUIDE:

Jane Burrell is a former curator of West Berkshire Museum. She divides her time between local history research, poetry of the Great War, and theology.



### Newbury: Around the Kennet & Avon Canal

July 16th (Sunday)

A circular walk led by Phil Wood, taking in the Market Place, Newbury Wharf, Victoria Park, Newbury Lock, West Mills and St Nicolas Church during which we cover Newbury's history from the Domesday Book to the modern day. Pubs, breweries, almshouses, non-conformity, trade and, of course, the church and canal.

#### YOUR GUIDE:

Phil researches, writes and lectures on the history of Newbury and family history. He is President of the Newbury District Field Club (the town's local history society); his particular interests are the pubs and breweries of Newbury and the war memorials of West Berkshire.



All Friday walks are at 11.30am except Good Friday which is 2.30pm and all Sunday and Monday walks are at 2.30pm. Cost: £5 per adult, £4 concessions. Each walk lasts 1 hour (except Dave Stubbs') and has limited spaces. Bespoke walks can be arranged.

Tickets are available from Newbury Corn Exchange, Market Place, Newbury, RG14 5BD

## Central Newbury History Walk

August 4th (Friday)

A walk taking in the Market Place, Newbury Wharf, Victoria Park, Newbury Lock, Northcroft Lane and the south of Northbrook Street with its alleyways, showing Newbury's history from the Domesday Book to the modern day. Pubs, breweries, almshouses, coaching and canal era prosperity and subsequent decline contrast with today's latest buildings and prosperity.

### YOUR GUIDE:

Jeremy Holden-Bell is Chairman of the Newbury Society and has been guiding walking tours of Newbury since the 1980s. He is the author of Two Town Walks in Newbury.

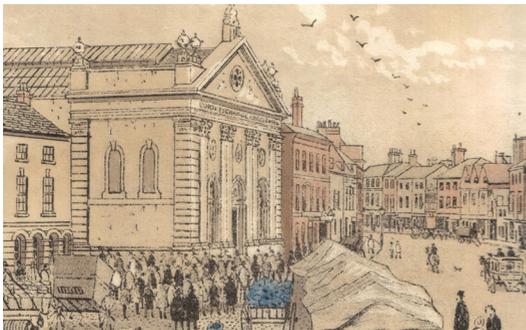
## Market Place and Cheap Street

August 6th (Sunday)

Starting in the Market Place, the site of the Guildhall, the stocks and Queen Victoria's statue, and then following a path towards the railway station, including the site of the building where Lord Falkland stayed before the First Battle of Newbury.

### YOUR GUIDE:

David Peacock researches, writes and lectures on the history of the Newbury area. He is the author of The Story of Newbury (2011), has written for local newspapers, taught evening classes, and given talks to many clubs and societies.



## In The Footsteps of Newbury Artists

August 13th (Sunday)

A guided walk within the mainly pedestrian town centre to see how artists have interpreted Newbury's buildings and street scenes between the 1780s and the mid-20th century. In the days before photography, artists were vital recorders. Arguably, an artist's eye sees more than a camera lens, and Newbury has been fortunate in having its landmarks recorded - and interpreted - by them.

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