

# Tuesday Talks – 2021

Online 'Zoom' talks on topics of local interest -  
Organised by Peter Sotheran

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## TUESDAY 19th January 2.00pm

John Hewett – **The MV Photinia and the church bell from Dunsdale** – John Hewett was an engineer on the MV Photinia when she was converted on Tyneside to lay submarine power cables between New Zealand's two islands. A bellringer in Redcar had to ship a bell from Dunsdale to New Zealand's North Island and the ship's owners rose to the challenge.



## TUESDAY 2nd February 2.00pm

Phil Philo – **The Transit of Venus and finding Paradise** – Phil Philo continues his series about the voyages of Capt. James Cook. We now find Cook in the Southern Hemisphere ready to observe the planet Venus as it passes across the face of the sun, a rare opportunity to make significant astronomical observations and calculations.

## TUESDAY 16th February 2.00pm

Ron Tempest – **Turbulent Tempests, Volatile Vanes and Stormy Stewarts** – The Tempests, Vanes and Stewarts were a land-owning and coal-mining dynasty in County Durham whose lives were interlinked through business, romance and scandal. Ron Tempest's talk was one of the highlights of the 2018 series of talks.



## TUESDAY 2nd March 2.00pm

Peter Appleton – **The Alum Industry in North Yorkshire** – a new, revised and expanded version of Peter Appleton's popular talk. A comprehensive guide to the alum-making process and the locations of the major working sites along the North Yorkshire coast.

## TUESDAY 16th March 2.00pm *to be confirmed*

**Evan Sabov** - Saltburn Student discovers new planet –



## TUESDAY 30th March 2.00pm

Phil Philo – **Smook near the beach** – after mapping the coast of New Zealand, Capt James Cook arrives at Australia where he observes 'Smook near the beach' – a sign of local habitation. How will he be received by the indigenous people?

## TUESDAY 13th April 2.00pm

Arthur Smith – **The Zetland Lifeboat Museum and Heritage Centre** – When the RNLI built a new boathouse in 1887 the old building became vacant and became the Zetland's permanent home and museum, now staffed by volunteers and managed by a charitable trust.



**Tuesday Talks resume after Easter on Tuesday 4th May - see overleaf**

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## TUESDAY 4th May 2.00pm

**Dave Cox** – *The RNLI and the Redcar Lifeboat Station*

Dave Cocks has held a number of positions with the RNLI at Redcar for over 40 years, ranging from crew member to Lifeboat Operations Manager. He describes the life and training of modern crew members, the lifeboats and how the service has adapted to meet changing demands over the years.



## TUESDAY 18th May 2.00pm

**Phil Philo** – *The Art of Captain Cook's First Voyage*

Sir Joseph Banks, the official botanist created a prolific collection of fine drawings and water colours of all the new flora they discovered and the people they met. Back in Britain, Cook's voyages inspired many dramatic paintings of key events in his travels.

## TUESDAY 1st June 2.00pm

**Martin Peagam** – *The Town of Rampant Sin!*

Middlesbrough, nicknamed 'The Mighty Hercules' was a town of hard work, hard lives and hard drinking. Martin tells the tales of pubs, drunkenness and crime in Victorian Middlesbrough. Martin is secretary of the Cleveland and Teesside Local History Society.



## TUESDAY 15th June 2.00pm

**Sue Parker** – *Cleveland's Innovative Engineers*

Sue Parker is the Archivist for the Cleveland Scientific Institute. The archives date back to the 19th century and Ms Parker's explorations of the archive have revealed a plethora of innovative engineering solutions created by the area's leading engineers.

## TUESDAY 29th June 2.00pm

**Janet Senior** – *Markenfield Hall, a remarkable building and its remarkable families.*

Markenfield is on our doorstep but is unknown to many of us. The seat of the Grantley family, builders of Grantley Hall, the moated manor house dates from the 14th century; although altered over centuries, it would still be recognised by its original builder.



## TUESDAY 13th July 2.00pm



**Phil Philo** – *The Science of Captain Cook's Voyages*

Cook sailed not just on voyages of exploration and discovery. He had specific scientific tasks to complete as he travelled around the globe. The first was to observe the 'transit of Venus' as the planet passed across the face of the sun. Working purely by instrumenta- tion, observation and calculation he mapped vast areas from Canada to New Zealand.

## TUESDAY 27th July 2.00pm

**Erdde Goodun** – *tba*

*We hope to present the story of a local historic monument*



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