

The William Cobbett Society- 250th Anniversary. Events list in 2013.

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The Farnham Herald will provide regular up-dates.)

- 2012** Autumn
Fri Oct 5th *Launch of Blog* (www.williamcobbett.org) and Twitter @ Rural Rides)
Annual Memorial Lecture at Farnham Castle: 'William Cobbett and the Great Reform Act of 1832: What went wrong and why. ' By Penny Young
- 2013**
Feb
Launch of **Monthly 'Cobbett's Corner' in Farnham Herald**
Cobbett Song Competition results
Results of **Journalism and Social Media Competitions at UCA**
Museum Schools programme starts
- Tue Feb 19th *Acorns History Group, Woking*: Talk on Cobbett by Dr. Richard Thomas
Tue Mar 5th Talk to *Farnham Barley Group* on 'Cobbett and his period'
Thu Mar 7th *Museum of Farnham Society* - Evening talk by Barbara Biddell, President of the William Cobbett Society.
- March
Sat Mar 9th **Exhibition by Parliamentary Archives** in the Royal Gallery- date tbc.
Opening of Exhibition on 'Cobbett and his period' at the Museum of Farnham.
By The Rt. Hon. Jeremy Hunt PC MP
Sat Mar 9th *Talk in the Garden Gallery* after the Museum opening. Mrs. Susan Steer
March
Mon Apr 8th **St Andrew's Church event**- Date and details tbc.
Farnham U3A Monday Talk : Dr. Richard Thomas "William Cobbett (1763-1835). The Life and relevance of Farnham's most famous son"
Fri Apr 19th *Farnham U3A Military History Group*: "Cobbett and 54th Regiment of Foot" by Jeremy Archer (or May 17th tbc)
Fri / Sat Apr 19/20th **"A Toast to Mr Cobbett" - By Luath Grant Ferguson at Farnham Maltings.**
An evening of words and music to include a one-act play.
(Evening performances Friday and Saturday; Matinee Saturday)
Mon Apr 22nd *Woking History Society*: Talk on Wm Cobbett
Th-Sa Apr 25-27th **BEEREX Festival** -launch of new Cobbett Ale
Fri May 17th *U3A South East Region at Stoke d'Abernon*. A Seminar on Wm Cobbett (10.00-16.00hrs) with R Thomas and L Ferguson and possibly Mr Cobbett himself.
Sun Jun 2nd **Farnham Castle –"Madding Crowd". An Entertainment** and tea with Mr Cobbett
Wed Jun 5th *Farnham Society lecture* by Dr Richard Thomas. "William Cobbett (1763-1835) - Journalist and Agitator: Is he still relevant today?"
Sat Jun 15th **Waverley Singers perform a new work** celebrating the life and work of William Cobbett at St Thomas-on-the-Bourne
Wed Jun 26th *Cobbett's Wey NADFAS: Talk on Cobbett* by Dr. Richard Thomas "William Cobbett (1763-1835): The Life and Contemporary significance of Farnham's Superhero"
Sat Jun 29th **Farnham Carnival** - including an appearance from Mr Cobbett.
June/July **Ashgate Publishing launch 'The Opinions of William Cobbett'**. Edited by J Grande and J Stevenson . Extracts from his writings with Commentary
Sun Jul 14th **Rural Ride: to Botley and Cobbett's farm.**
July **Farnham Repertory Theatre. A new play on Wm Cobbett by Rosemary Wisbey** (Dates tbc)
July **Cycling Rural Ride**- to be confirmed
July **Rural Life Centre Exhibition**- Summer holidays event- (dates tbc)
Fri – Sun Sep 6-8th **Farnham Heritage Open Days**- (Dates tbc). Georgian Tea party and Mr Cobbett at the Museum of Farnham
Sept **Foyles Celebration of the launch of Ashgate's 'The Opinions of Wm Cobbett'**
Sept **Book Exhibition at Reading University's Museum of English Rural Life**
Fri Oct 11th **Annual Memorial Lecture at Farnham Castle- Sir Bernard Ingham.**
Nov 20th *Talk to the Farnham Society* "William Cobbett and the Day Parliament Burned Down" by Caroline Shenton (tbc).