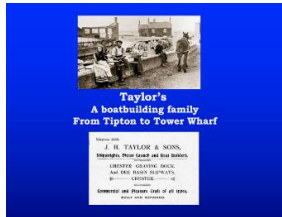


Christleton Local History Group

2026 Spring Season

All meetings start at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall Christleton.

Admission £5 for non members, Incl. Refreshments



Wednesday 28th January 2026.

Taylor's A Boatbuilding Family from Tipton to Tower Wharf in Chester.

Speaker Geoff Taylor. Geoff is a member of the Taylor Family who were the most influential of boat builders along the Chester Canal, based at Tower Wharf. He will link the work in Chester with elements of Chester's maritime and Canal history.



Wednesday 25th February 2026

A new look at The Gallipoli Campaign in 1915.

Speaker Alan Robinson Alan one of our most popular speakers, returns this season to bring us a new look on the Gallipoli Campaign in 1915. This was a campaign that creates lots of talking points about war and how it was fought. Christleton had four men, almost certainly friends, involved in the campaign, Tom Broster and Jack Cullimore from the village and Norman O Kell and Percy Dickenson from Littleton.



Wednesday 25th March 2026

Cheshire's Ancient Mariner- The life of Sir George Beeston

Speaker- Tony Bostock; Tony, a well known and respected Cheshire Historian & Lecturer, makes a welcome return visit to Christleton this season, to talk about Sir George Beeston of Beeston, a Tudor Hero. He was the captain of the fighting ship Dreadnought in 1588 and a Member of Parliament for Cheshire in 1589. He died in 1601 aged 102years



Wednesday 22nd April 2026

Following the Wild Boar. The story of the Twentieth Legion. Legio XXVV

Speaker- David Cummings. As a prelude to a visit to Park in the Past and the new "Roman Fortress" at Hope near Wrexham, I take a look at the history of the Twentieth Legion whilst serving in the UK from AD 43 to AD410. I trace them from their first fortress at Inchtuthil north of Perth, to their building of the second fort at Deva in AD80, to Wroxeter and many other sites where the legion of a cohort of the legion served. Their presence is often indicated by the placing of a **wild boar** stone, brick or tile at the site.