



University of the Third Age

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FROM MECHANICAL MUSIC TO MECHANICAL TELEVISION 150 YEARS OF ENTERTAINMENT IN THE HOME

Date and times: Saturday 12 March 2011 from 10.00a.m. to 4.00p.m.
Venue: Pulborough Social Centre, (Village Hall), Swan View, Pulborough, RH20 2BF
Tutor: Ken Tythacott and Jon Weller

Ken will give an illustrated presentation on the history and development of mechanical music from around 1800, through Victorian times, to the 20th century. Contemporary items will be on display and demonstrated. Jon will speak about mechanical and electrical recording and reproduction in the 1920's and focus on the work of John Logie Baird, the inventor of mechanical television. Typical recording and reproduction equipment will be on display and demonstrated. There will be a demonstration of what is believed to be one of the world's earliest television recordings. Made in 1934, it features the popular singer, Betty Bolton.

Timetable and Programme

9.30a.m. Registration.

10.00 – 11.00a.m. History of Mechanical Music
11.00 – 11.30a.m. Coffee/tea
11.30 – 12.25p.m. History of mechanical Music
12.30 – 1.30p.m. Lunch
1.30 – 2.30p.m. Recording and reproduction.
2.30 – 3.00p.m. Tea
3.00 – 4.00p.m. John Logie Baird and mechanical Television.

About the tutors.

Ken Tythacott is a Chartered Mechanical and Electrical Engineer who retired from a career in heavy industry and public service in 1991. He has a long term interest in the history of technology and our industrial heritage, and is a member of SIHG and BVWS (Surrey Industrial History group and the British Vintage Wireless Society).

Jon Weller has had a lifetime interest in all things associated with Audio, Radio and Television. Following a career in the Computer Industry with a major US Corporation, he ran his own IT consultancy. In retirement he has devoted his time to research, and lectures extensively on the work of John Logie Baird and early television.

Administrative Information

Please bring your own packed lunch. Tea/coffee provided.

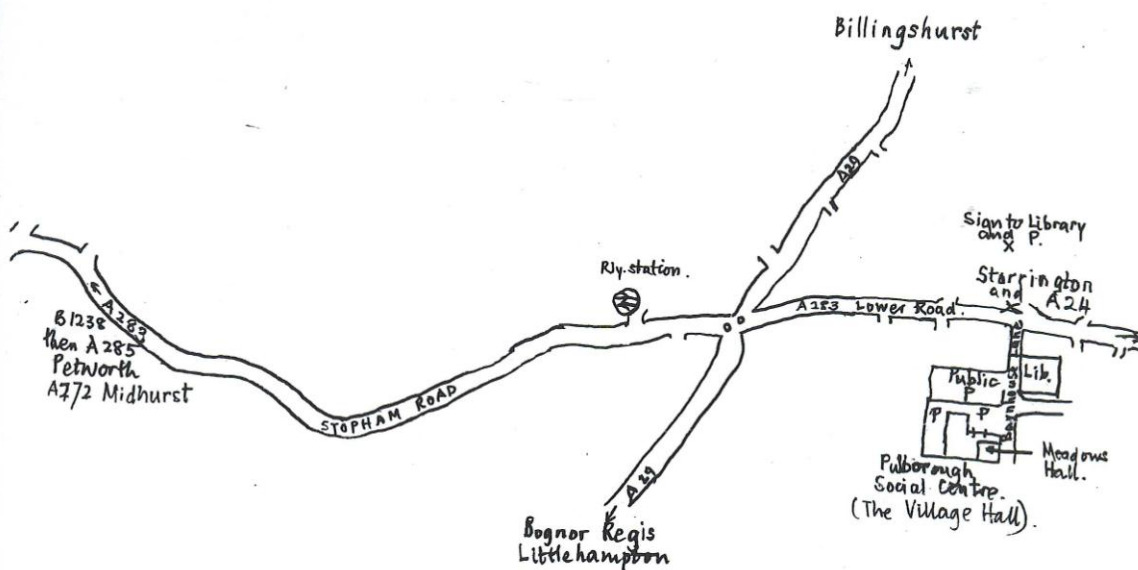
Detach the application form on page two and send it **with a SAE for confirmation of your place and your cheque** (payable to SUN) for £9.00 (£12.00 if not a Sussex U3A member) and with the title of the Study Day on the back to: The Study Day Administrator, PO Box 173, Eastbourne, BN24 9EJ
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Location of Pulborough Social Centre (Village Hall)



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