

The Cramond Association

*Promoting the amenity of the community of Cramond,
Barnton and Cammo and safeguarding its heritage*



Summer 2020

Dear Resident,

Please join or re-join the Cramond Association

This has been a very different and challenging year!

We wish to thank you for your support during it, and hope that our activities have been of value and interest to you. Your continued support is vital to help us do all that we do; from supporting the community (which includes lobbying for improvements) and holding various events and activities. We have supported various groups during 2020 not only by passing on information but also by making donations.

The Cramond Association is a Scottish Charity with the objective of maintaining and improving the awareness of our area. Our effectiveness depends on our membership; the more members, the stronger our voice will be in achieving our objectives and the more we can do. As a resident, you will be aware of how attractive our area is and its rich heritage, dating back to one of the earliest settlements in Scotland of Mesolithic peoples some 10,000 years ago, the Roman camp 2000 years ago, and the 17th and 18th century mills on the River Almond. You will also be aware of the threats to it and these we need to resist, as well as working to improve what we have, for ourselves and others.

Currently, over 500 households are members, but we should like more of you to join. Donations are also welcome! This coming year will be different, and we may not be able to hold our regular events as we have done in the past. We aim, however, to try to use electronic methods to reach you and provide talks and events remotely. Access to these will be available to members on Zoom and should also be accessible on a members' area on the website. Members will receive a password for accessing both the talks and that members' area. We will continue to produce Newsletters to inform and entertain.

Our other current activities, which will continue in some form, include:

- Improving the woodlands around the village and improving the Walled Garden
- Liaising and working with the airport on noise and nuisance issues
- Collaborating with other local groups, including supporting action on planning issues
- Developing and extending our website (look us up at **www.cramondassociation.org.uk**)
- Reporting on activities and matters of interest on our Facebook page (@cramondassociation)
- Providing information boards around the village and historic sites in partnership

Our wish is to expand and evolve our activities to meet current and future conditions and to do this we depend on hearing from our members. When you join, please let us know what you would be interested in and we will see what we can do. Suggestions for how we can better do our job in the new normal will be welcome, as will offers of help.

Below is our lecture programme, and a subscription form is also attached. We are pleased to announce that in addition to the traditional payment methods, subscriptions can be paid direct to our bank account via the internet.

We hope you will want to support us and the community of Cramond, Barnton and Cammo. This coming year will remain challenging but with your support and help, we intend to meet that challenge, and both grow and change.

With our thanks and every good wish for your health and wellbeing.

Prof Adam Cumming (President) and Prof Anthony Seaton (Vice President)

Cramond Association Talks and Events 2020-21

For the rest of 2020 these will be on Zoom.

September 14 – AGM on Zoom

September 28 – Ammonium Nitrate and Explosives Accidents – Adam Cumming

October 26 – Environmental disease, or how we fall ill – Anthony Seaton

November 30 – Re-Drawing Edinburgh – The 1920 Expansion – A Thompson/H Sullivan

December 11 – Christmas Event of some kind – TBD

Jan – April 2021

Order, dates and venues to be confirmed:

Book-Collecting: A Delightful Gentle Madness – Stefan Slater

Aircraft Noise and its Management – Lindsay Cole

AGM

Cramond Association History Section Talks 2020-21

For the rest of 2020 these will be on Zoom.

October 14 – The History of Air – Anthony Seaton

November 18 – Scotland's Historic Churches: The European Connection – Adam Cumming

Jan – April 2021

Order, dates and venues to be confirmed:

Medical Scandals in 18th-Century Edinburgh – Sheila Szatkowski

'If War Should Come' and 'Squadron 992 – Forth Bridge Raid':

British World War 2 Information Films – Ian Garden

Central Library Capital collections – Clare Padgett

The History of Punishments – Bill Weir