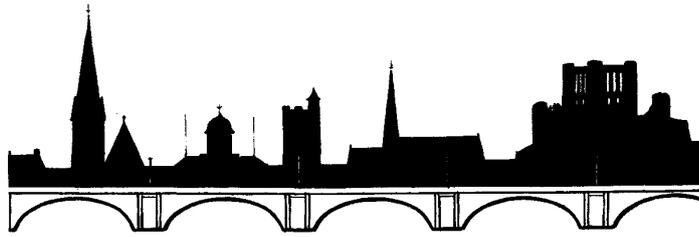


# KELSO HERITAGE SOCIETY

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November 2021

## NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the November 2021 issue of our Newsletter.

We plan to produce a monthly newsletter over the autumn and winter with articles of local historical interest, information updates etc. We would welcome your feedback. Contributions to the Newsletter are also welcomed.

The November talk in Kelso Rugby Club took place on Monday evening 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 when Kenny Mclean presented – Great Weather Events of the Scottish Borders. The talk ranged from the Eyemouth Fishing Disaster to the horrendous floods and snowstorms over the past 100 years. It brought back memories for some of us.

The talk was preceded by the Annual General Meeting where the proposal to raise the membership fees was adopted unanimously. The fees are now £12.00 single and £20.00 joint membership. All existing members have been advised of the changes and the information will be available on our website [kelsoheritagesociety.co.uk](http://kelsoheritagesociety.co.uk) There are no scheduled speaker events in December so the next event will take place on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January when we will hear the story of the ‘Union Chain Bridge’ which is currently undergoing major restoration.

### **Kelso Cricket Club’s 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

This year Kelso Cricket club the oldest in Scotland has been celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This preceded the first English county club by some 18 years. The club moved to Shedden Park in 1851 and continues to play there today.

There is an interesting article on the Cricket Scotland website written in 2017 by Jake Perry with information supplied by the Kelso Cricket Club and it covers an interesting period in the clubs history around 1850 when the club had an interesting

fixture list including a touring English XI who played against 22 men of Kelso. Famous cricket names including Wisden and Lillywhite were in the team that day.

To read more about the article please click on the following link

[Club Focus – The Twenty-Two of Kelso – Cricket Scotland](#)

In more recent years Jack and Andrew Ker along with Ryan Flannigan have represented Scotland. Kelso Heritage Society wish them well for the next 200 years

(contributed by Colin Henderson, Trustee Kelso Heritage Society)



Shedden Park with the Memorial Gates in the

Background

## **Contextualising Hume Exhibition**

**2nd to 8th December 2021 Kelso Town Hall**

Join Harp Archaeology for the Contextualising Hume Exhibition! See the incredible handcrafted Hume Castle, talk to the archaeologists and see the objects and artefacts revealed during recent excavations! Take part in 'Ask the Expert' sessions, and discover everything the project has uncovered since 2018! The exhibition is being held in Kelso Town Hall, daily from 2nd to 8th December, 10:30 am to 4:00pm (3:30pm on Wednesday 8th). The Contextualising Hume Project has been run by the Hume Castle Preservation Trust, and has been funded by the National Lottery Heritage Fund, and the Fallago Environment Fund.

For more information contact [info@harparchaeology.co.uk](mailto:info@harparchaeology.co.uk)

## Online

### ***National Museum of Scotland*** \*

Various exhibitions to view

National Library of Scotland – Map Library

Well worth a visit!!

<https://www.nms.ac.uk/>

<https://maps.nls.uk/>

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