

News 2015

Our oldest member, Albert Marston, celebrated his 90th birthday on the 9th December and one day later was presented with a commemorative mug by the Society's President, Ken F Bowden, in the company of many fellow members.



On Saturday the 17th October the Nat hosted a Antiques Valuation roadshow. The roadshow proved very popular and will be repeated in 2016.





Mr David Thornber who has kindly restored our Stephenson's Rocket Model back to working order.

In February 2015, two Year 9 Fearn's Sports College pupils, Rosie Ashworth and Ryan Lewis, both 13, accompanied Humanities Co-ordinator Mrs Cheshire on a government-funded trip to the First World War battlefields. On the four-day tour they visited Belgium and France, walked on battlefields and in



a trench, paid their respects at cemeteries, observed the Last Post at the Menin Gate and visited Flanders Field Museum. While at Tyne Cot Cemetery they located a memorial headstone to Mrs Cheshire's great-great uncle who fought and died at the Battle of Passchendaele in 1917.

The children also visited Lijssenthoek Commonwealth Cemetery. Following on from this trip, both pupils will become responsible for passing on their experience, so that as many people as possible benefit from their involvement and learn the importance and relevance of remembrance." As part of this the Nat is proud to host a display put together of the pupil's trip. You can read more by visiting the Fearn's Community Sports College Website

The Nat was fortunate to be chosen to take part in the Asda Green Token Charity fundraiser and on Thursday 4th June we were handed our cheque for £ 50.00 from Laura the Asda Coordinator.



On Thursday 21st May 2015 the Nat held its annual general meeting during which two very special presentations took place. Mr Peter Hindle retired as the Nat's Treasurer after 4 years and after 16 years Mr Maurice Priest retired as Minutes Secretary. A further presentation took place on Thursday June 5th when Mr Donald Entwistle retired from the committee after over 50 years.





Mrs Ibbitts Fantastic Easter Open day

On Saturday 4th April the Nat along with members of the Bacup THI Events group organised a spectacular Easter open day. The Nat was tastefully decorated with all manner of Easter decorations and fresh Springtime flowers,

a vintage coconutter costume and pictorial history display along with competitions rewarded by great prizes kept visitors old and young and new and regular visitors entertained.

February & It's Bone Voyage to Blodwen

On the 17th February the Nat said goodbye to one of our oldest members when Blodwen our Neolithic skeleton returned to Llandudno. Blodwen who dated back to 3510 B.C was found on the Little Orme in Llandudno and donated to the Nat in 1896. She was in her late 50s or early 60s when she died and was about 5ft (1.52m). You can read more about Blodwen on our Blodwen page or hear the story of her departure by clicking on the photograph. To celebrate her arrival at Llandudno Museum, a special exhibition was opened by the Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism, Ken Skates on Thursday, April 16. <http://www.itv.com/news/wales/2015-04-16/blodwen-exhibition-to-open-in-llandudno-museum/>

