

Industrial Heritage Days

EMIAC, the East Midlands Industrial Archaeology Conference, comprises a group of societies from across the East Midlands.

EMIAC Industrial Heritage Days are held twice a year and are **open to anyone** with an interest in industrial archaeology or related historical subjects. The first event was held in 1970 and this, the 92nd, is being hosted by NEDIAS, the North East Derbyshire Industrial Archaeology Society.

The other EMIAC affiliated societies are:

- Derbyshire Archaeological Society
- Leicestershire Industrial History Society
- Northamptonshire Industrial Archaeology Group
- Railway & Canal Historical Society – East Midlands Group
- Society for Lincolnshire History & Archaeology

About NEDIAS

The North East Derbyshire Industrial Archaeology Society was founded in 2001 and has around 100 members. In addition to monthly meetings held in Chesterfield, the society carries out fieldwork and publishes a newsletter and a journal. Further details are available on the NEDIAS website or Facebook page.

Getting to Cromford Mills

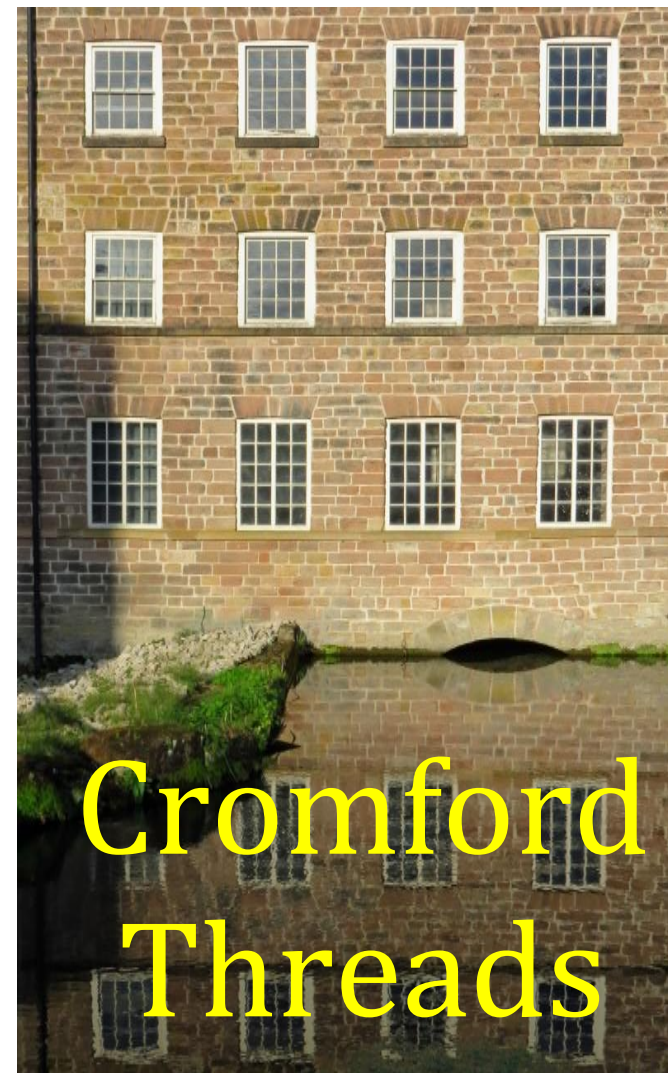
Cromford Mills are situated on Mill Road, north east of Cromford village and accessed from the traffic lights on the A6. The Mills are clearly signposted and pay and display parking (£4 per day at the time of writing) is available on site.

The postcode for sat nav use is DE4 3RQ.

Cromford station, on the line between Derby and Matlock, is a 10 minute walk from the Mills. Bus services operating at suitable times are Trent Barton 6.1 from Derby and Bakewell and the TransPeak service from Derby and Buxton.

Please note that the conference room is on the second floor of a historic building. We regret that access is by stairs only and no lift is available.

North East Derbyshire Industrial Archaeology Society



Industrial Heritage Day
EMIAC 92

Saturday 6 May 2017 - Cromford Mills

Mill Road, Cromford, Matlock. Derbyshire, DE4 3RQ

Cromford Mills, begun by Sir Richard Arkwright in 1771, has been described as the most important preserved textile heritage site in the world. Now owned by the Arkwright Society, its significance along with that of other sites nearby led to this part of the Derwent Valley being designated a World Heritage Site. This conference, organised by kind cooperation of the Arkwright Society, will explore some of the lesser known connections which led to this small part of Derbyshire assuming such a pivotal role in industrial history.

Cromford Threads - Programme

- 09.00** Setting up bookstalls and displays
- 09.30** Registration and coffee
- 10.00** Welcome and introduction
- 10.10** *From Silk to Cotton: The Early Factory System in the Derwent Valley*
Prof. Stanley Chapman
- 10.45** *Lead Mining and Smelting around Wirksworth and Cromford*
Dr Lynn Willies
- 11.20** Break
- 11.35** *The Life and Times of the Arkwrights*
Darrell Clark
- 12.10** *Johann Gottfried Brügemann – the Cromford Ratingen Story*
Peter South
- 12.45** EMIAC Business Meeting
- 13.00** Lunch and Bookstalls
- 14.00** “Pick and Mix” from activities to include:-
- Visit to the new Arkwright Experience on site (entry included)
- Cromford – a virtual tour from the comfort of the conference room
- Visit to Cromford Church, 1797, burial place of the Arkwrights
(alternative visit will be arranged if church is in use for weddings)
- 16.30** Close of Conference

The Speakers

Prof. Stanley Chapman is Emeritus Professor of Business History at the University of Nottingham. He has written extensively on industrial, commercial and financial history, and for 20 years was editor of the journal Textile History.

Dr Lynn Willies has for a long time been active locally and internationally in mining and metallurgical historical research. Specialising in the Peak District industry, he was awarded a PhD for his work by Leicester University.

Darrell Clark has for many years been involved with the project to restore Cromford Mills. As Visitor Services Manager he built up the team of volunteer guides, and regularly lectures on Cromford Mills and on the Arkwright family.

Peter South, a Cambridge graduate, worked in textiles for 19 years for Courtaulds, and then 19 years for Coats Viyella plc. In retirement he has been a tour guide at Cromford Mills for 12 years, and is now Head Guide.

Cromford Threads - Booking Form

Places at the Industrial Heritage Day must be booked in advance. The cost is £17.50 per person which includes coffee on arrival, a buffet lunch and admission to the recently opened Arkwright Experience.

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To book please complete this form and send it with your remittance to the address below. Your booking confirmation and further information will be sent by email. If you would prefer a confirmation by post, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. The final date for bookings is 20 April 2017.

I / We wish to attend EMIAC 92, Saturday 6 May 2017 at Cromford Mills:

Name(s)

Address

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..... **Postcode**

Email address

Society (if applicable).....

Additional information – please complete if applicable

I would prefer a vegetarian lunch:

I have the following special dietary requirements:

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I wish to have display space for:.....

Space is limited and is therefore available for EMIAC affiliated societies only.

Please enclose a cheque for £17.50 per person payable to **North East Derbyshire Industrial Archaeology Society** and send to:

Les Mather, 8 Carnoustie Avenue, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S40 3NN