

#### **Museum Services**

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"Looking Back A Generation" Book Launch 7.30pm @ Coleraine Town Hall

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Down The Town & Up The Street Event 7.30pm @ Coleraine Town Hall

#### **Thursday 28th November**

Ulster Scots Language Week Ceilidh 2pm - 4pm @ Ballymoney Town Hall

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## Collecting the histories of Castle Street, Ballycastle



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As part of a project to restore and refurbish Ballycastle Museum, supported by The National Lottery Heritage Fund, we are continuing to dig into the history of Castle Street.

We recently delivered outline building histories to properties on the south side of the street, and are now working towards the same for the north side.

If you've lived or worked on Castle Street and have photos or stories to share, we'd love to hear from you.

Please contact Nic Wright, Ballycastle Museum Project Officer, at nic.wright@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk or on 07542 227 764.

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## **Michael Dunlop Homecoming Display**









Michael Dunlop made history earlier this year when he racked up his 29th TT win, surpassing the record previously held by his late uncle, Joey Dunlop.

To recognise this incredible sporting achievement, Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council hosted a special homecoming event, allowing Michael's family, friends and his legion of fans to come together and celebrate his milestone TT victory. As part of this event a new display, featuring his leathers, helmets and a selection of photographs from each of his TT wins opened at Ballymoney Museum. The display is within our permanent gallery as well as our community gallery and is open to view until the middle of November.



#### **Ulster Scots Language Week Ceilidh**



#### Please book via Eventbrite:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ulster-scots-language-week-ceilidh-tickets-1064117146029



## A Causeway Safari Tale Exhibition









## We are going wild at Ballymoney Museum with our new 'A Causeway Safari Tale' exhibition.

With over 3500 visitors to our Causeway Safari Park exhibition, we are delighted with the comments, photographs and memories being shared.

Once one of the biggest and much-loved attractions on the Causeway Coast this exhibition looks at the history of the park and those who both worked in it and visited it, reflecting the joy the Park gave to all.

There are plenty of activities for all ages to enjoy, with safari dress up, puzzles, colouring in, spot the animal trail, a safari jeep photo prop and the chance to recreate your photo with a toy lion cub.

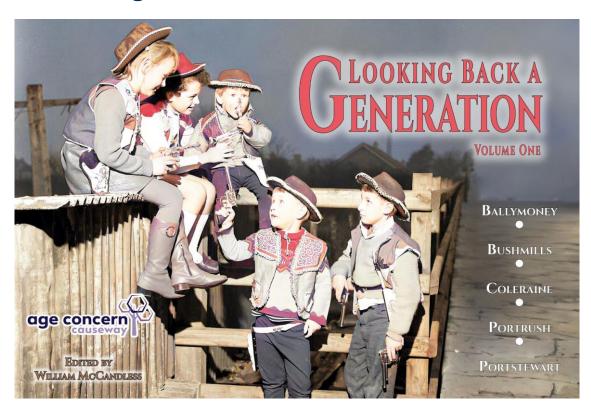
Upstairs we have a selection of photographs on our window display as well as a chance to see the 'Swings and Roundabouts: On Safari' programme on our NI Screen, Digital Film Archive. We also have a free booklet on the exhibition available when you visit.

If you haven't visited us yet, here's some feedback to why you should. 😊

- "Great exhibition, lovely to share with my son."
- "Fantastic- great memories"
- "Brings back so many memories"
- "Fab for kids"
- "Alot of nostalgia. Brilliant exhibition, well done!"



#### "Looking Back A Generation" Book Launch



#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm in Coleraine Town Hall.

Age Concern Causeway recently launched an innovative dementia safeguarding wristband and they are now publishing a book "Looking Back A Generation". The publication is a collection of photographs published in the local Chronicle and Constitution newspapers in the 1960s, 70s and 80s.

The nostalgic range of subjects takes in sport, youth organisations, school successes, community activities, businesses and some street scenes. Most are centred around the Triangle area with a number taking in Ballymoney, Bushmills and other surrounding areas. The photographs feature people from all walks of local life, and most are named in the

captions. Personalities include Bertie Peacock, Denis Taylor, Alex Higgins, Willie John McBride, Felix Healey, Bobby Kelly, Floyd Patterson and even Jimmy Nesbitt as you have never seen him before!

The 96-page book, which will make an ideal Christmas gift, is priced at £10 and will be available to purchase through many local outlets. It will also be available to buy on the evening of the launch. All proceeds will go towards the many services Age Concern Causeway provides for people living with dementia and their carers.

#### **Down The Town & Up The Street**



We've trawled the archives of the Chronicle & Constitution for photographs of staff who worked in some of the many shops in Coleraine over the years for our Down The Town project. Now we want you to help us put names to some of the faces.

# Tuesday 26 November at 7.30pm in Coleraine Town Hall

We've been focusing on the shops in our Down The Town project and the response has been fabulous. Now we'd like to turn our attention to the people who worked in the many shops over the years.

We have been trawling the archives of the Chronicle & Constitution for photographs and we will be holding an event on Tuesday 26th November at 7.30pm in Coleraine Town Hall to try to put names to faces. If you worked in the town centre we'd love to hear from you and if you've any photographs relating to shops feel free to bring them along. Everyone is very welcome, so come along and join us for a bit of reminiscence - there's a good chance you'll recognise someone in our photographs.

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#### 'Chronicling 180 Years' Exhibition



**Coleraine Chronicle** was first published in April 1844 and this exhibition showcases the place this weekly publication has held in the community for 180 years. In addition to bringing the news to local people, *The Chronicle* has recorded civic, social, sporting, business and farming life across the borough, and we'll be sharing hundreds of photographs captured by the paper's photographers over the years.



## **Life and Times in Limavady**

### New Exhibition









#### 25<sup>th</sup> November – 31<sup>st</sup> January

Life and times in Limavady is a new exhibition that feature a selection of images from the Coleraine Chronicle and the Northern Constitution Archive, chronicling the life and times of days gone by in Limavady and the Roe Valley. The photos on display provide an interesting window onto the past and include images of weddings, outings, nurses, showbands, schools, Christmas celebrations, parties and much more!

#### **Limavady & District War Memorial Boards**

#### New Exhibition



Causeway Coast and Glens Museum Services have worked in partnership with World War One historian Alistair Harper and members of Binevenagh Historical Society to produce an exhibition marking the centenary of Limavady & District War Memorial Boards. The exhibition outlining the history of the boards and profiling some of the names on them, opens on Saturday 2nd November and runs through to the end of the month.

Admission is free and opening hours are Mon-Friday 9.30am-5pm; Wed & Thur 7-9pm; Sat 10am-1pm.

This project has received financial support from The Executive Office through the District Councils Good Relations Programme, as part of the Together Building a United Community strategy.

### 🕎 The Nelson McGonagle Digital Archive 🖳



Now on display within our new gallery space at the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre is a **Nelson McGonagle Digital Archive** where visitors can view Nelson's previous four publications which are now out of publication. Local historian, Nelson McGonagle has collected an array of images over many years, all chronicling the life and times of days gone by in Limavady and the Roe Valley.

The photos provide an interesting window onto the past and themes include sport social interaction and farming and street views, creating a fascinating insight into the history of Limavady and the Roe Valley, while highlighting interesting local characters from the 19th through to the 20th centuries. Outstanding success was achieved with the publication of Nelson's last four volumes. These were packed with nostalgic photographs and poetry and raised £16,000 for charities thanks to the generosity of local residents and businesses.

It is hoped his fifth volume will have the same success, with all proceeds from this book going towards supporting Age Concern Causeway and Limavady Initiative for the Prevention of Suicide (LIPS). Nelson's fifth and final book in his series, entitled 'Limavady and the Roe Valley – Sporting and Social Life' is available to buy through the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre and is priced at £10.

For further information, please contact the Arts Centre on 028 7776 0650 or email: <a href="mailto:museums@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk">museums@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk</a>









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