

BRIDPORT WOMEN'S HISTORY

events in November 2018

@ Bridport Museum:

Women on Bridport's Home Front, 1914-19

Series of 5 talks by Prof Karen Hunt on Mondays, 2.30-4pm from 5 November; £20 for 5 or £5 each (incl. coffee & cake). Book in advance.

Bridport Women's Activism, 1910-20

Study Day with range of speakers revealing activism of women of different classes and ages before, during and after WW1. 18 November, 9.45 - 4.00; £10 (incl. coffee & cake). Book in advance.

Home Front, Home

Exhibition telling the story of Bridport's WW1 home front through the lives of 7 women. Free.

@ Literary & Scientific Institute:

Hatpins to #Hashtags

Programme of events from Feminist Archive South around exhibition, Politics & Protest: posters from the Women's Liberation Movement, 16 – 24 November, including

Dorset Women's Suffrage: forgotten stories

Talk by Prof Karen Hunt, 17 November, 2.30-4.00. Free. Book in advance.

For details & to book:

www.bridportmuseum.co.uk www.lsibridport.co.uk

Women on Bridport's Home Front, 1914-19

- 5 November: An unusual town: the rope and netting industry in wartime Bridport
- 12 November: Women working on Bridport's home front: paid work and volunteering
- 19 November: Food: the challenge of surviving on Bridport's home front
- 26 November: Radical history on Bridport's home front: women's suffrage, trade unionism and conscientious objectors
- 3 December: The legacy of the home front for Bridport

Bridport Women's Activism, 1910-20

A study day with sessions that look at Bridport & the wider context:

Working-class women's activism

On the Trail of the Bridport Wildcats: Lucy Goodison and Carlos Guarita
Mary Macarthur and the National Federation of Women Workers, 1906-21: Cathy Hunt

The Making of 'Home Front, Home'

Panel: Emily Hicks (Museum Director); Nicola Kelly (volunteer researcher); Crystal Johnson (curator); Spike Golding (designer).

Middle-class women's activism

The Learned and Literary Ladies of Devon Suffrage: Julia Neville
Rediscovering Bridport Suffragists: West Dorset Women's Suffrage Society, 1910-20: Karen Hunt

Women's suffrage in Dorset: forgotten stories

Dorset is not a county usually associated with the long campaign for votes for women that culminated in partial enfranchisement in 1918. However, that does not mean that the women (and men) of the county were indifferent to women's lack of citizenship. This talk explores where in Dorset women chose to organise, what they did and the effects it had locally. Why did suffragism blossom in some places and not others; why were there far more suffragists than suffragettes; and how did the experience of this campaigning affect Dorset women once the vote was won?