



Newsletter Number 16 - September 2025

Welcome to the Museum's Autumn newsletter. We continue to be busy in our efforts to offer our visitors, Friends and community, engaging and interactive collections, insights and stories into the recent and past history of Radlett and surrounding villages. Our varied displays and full events programme are designed to appeal to all ages.

RADM CELEBRATES NATIONAL MUSEUM ACCREDITATION SUCCESS

We are proud to announce we have been awarded Accreditation by Arts Council England, the UK's benchmark for well-run museums and galleries. This prestigious recognition confirms that the museum is managed by local volunteers in a professional way, dedicated to the preservation and care of its collections, and committed to sharing them with the community today and for generations to come.

The award is especially meaningful as it fulfils one of the museum's founding aims: to safeguard the remarkable local history collection of the late Philip Eastburn, a respected historian and long-time Radlett resident. His vision of a local museum has now been realised, with the Radlett & District Museum officially recognised as part of the national heritage sector.

Emmie Kell, Director Museums and Cultural Property at Arts Council England said:

"We're delighted that Radlett & District Museum has been successful in gaining their Accreditation status. This means that their collections will be looked after and maintained, offering inspiration, enjoyment and learning for the local community and visitors to enjoy now and in the future".

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

We continue to run events and offer resources which reflect on and commemorate this 80 year anniversary of VE Day.



Our current exhibition in the museum displays WW2 photos, memories and accounts of civilian life and wartime operations in the Radlett area, including Local Heroes, Secrets and Spies, local landmark Requisitioned Buildings and original wartime documentation.

“A fascinating exhibition. We were most interested to learn about Radlett’s history in the war“



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We have an exciting programme of events for the Autumn and early Winter, which we would be delighted if you could join us for, including:

1st Saturday in the month: Colouring for young children. Free in the museum. 10am to 12noon.

1st – 30th November: “Lest We Forget” Exhibition opens in the museum through to end November.

13th November: Charity performance of the much-loved play “It’s a Wonderful Life” at the Abbey Theatre, St Albans.

13th November, 8pm. Tickets £15. Contact a museum trustee for more information or contact events@radlettmuseum.com

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Theatre Night Fundraising Event
8pm Thursday 13th November 2025
(Doors open 7.30pm)
Abbey Theatre, Holywell Hill,
St Albans AL1 2DL
All seats £15
Raffle, Bar, Tea & Coffee available
Parking: at Westminster Lodge, behind the Theatre
[Parkopedia evening rate: £2]
For tickets e-mail: events@radlettmuseum.com
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For Nursery & Primary school-aged children accompanied by an adult

Activities to include:
CARD MAKING - FESTIVE GIFTS
CRAFTING - TABLE DECORATIONS

£7 per child £3 per accompanying adult
(to include up to 4 activities and refreshments)

ARTS & CRAFTS AFTERNOON
SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2.30-4.30pm

VENUE: Radlett Lawn Tennis & Squash Club
425 Walling Street WD7 7JG (free parking)

For tickets e-mail: events@radlettmuseum.com
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(6th December: Arts & Crafts afternoon with refreshments at Radlett Lawn Tennis & Squash Club. Ideal for making a variety of festive gifts and family time. Suitable for primary age children. 2.30 – 4.30pm. Tickets £7 per child, £2.50 per adult. Contact a museum trustee for more information or contact events@radlettmuseum.com.

20th December: Saturday morning: The last opening day before the Christmas Break. Festive celebration and chat over mince pies and coffee for volunteers. In the museum 10am to 12 noon.

NEW YEAR: 26th January 2026: AGM followed by Volunteers' Tea 2-4pm. More details to follow.

BE PART OF OUR STORY

The museum can be found behind the Village Institute on the corner of Watling Street and Theobald Street. Free entrance and free parking.

Pop in and see us. You can be sure of a warm welcome.

We continue to invite further volunteers to help in the museum and at events. We invite you to be a Friend of the museum by annual donation or by legacy.

For our latest news log onto

www.radlettmuseum.com and
www.facebook.com/RadlettAndDistrictMuseum.

We continue to be grateful for the support we receive from Hertsmere Borough Council and Aldenham Parish Council.

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