

King's Lynn Under Siege and Marriott's Warehouse Trust

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The Strongest Fortress in East Anglia

During the English Civil Wars, the Norfolk port of King's Lynn was fortified, besieged, and then re-fortified.

370 years on, the town is home to *King's Lynn under Siege* (KLUS), an archaeological and historical project investigating the experiences of King's Lynn and its citizens during this turbulent period of British History, and in so doing, establishing King's Lynn as a centre for English Civil War research.

As part of the activities for this year's King's Lynn Heritage Open Day, the two co-founders of KLUS will be presenting *The Strongest Fortress in East Anglia: revolution and civil war in Kings Lynn, 1640-1660*, an illustrated talk which looks at King's Lynn during the English Civil Wars.

Archaeologist and historian Dr. Neil Faulkner will consider King's Lynn during the Civil War period, and how it featured in a wider, national context; whilst David Flintham, a specialist in 17th century fortress warfare will focus on the town's fortifications and how the latest European techniques transformed King's Lynn into the strongest fortress in East Anglia.

The talk will take place at 17:30 (5.30pm) on Saturday, 15 September at Marriott's Warehouse, a Grade II listed building on King's Lynn's historic South Quay.

This talk is free, although donations to the Marriott's Warehouse Trust are welcomed.

For further details on this event please see <http://www.marriottswarehousetrust.co.uk/>.

For further details on the King's Lynn Under Siege Project, visit, <https://www.militaryhistorylive.co.uk/mhl-kings-lynn-under-siege.html>

See over for biographies of the speakers and information about the venue

Biographies

Dr Neil Faulkner FSA is an archaeologist and historian who works as a writer, editor, lecturer, field worker, and occasional broadcaster.

David Flintham FRGS is a military historian specialising in 17th century fortress warfare.

Marriott's Warehouse

Built in the 1580s, this well-preserved building was a most important warehouse for the shipping of goods in and out of medieval Lynn. It was used by the King's Lynn trading family, the Marriott brothers in the 18th C. and has been known by their name ever since.

In order for the Warehouse building to be open free, and to be used for the education of the people of King's Lynn and beyond, the Trust was set up to create a welcome space where themes of River, Trade, Buildings and People can be explored in both permanent and temporary displays.

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