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# Model Behaviour

Durham in Time has a great collection of mannequins and display boards that can be loaned to local history societies to enhance their exhibitions and events.

In the past year they have been used by a wide variety of groups including St John Ambulance, Seaham Local History Society and the Durham Brass International Festival.



If your group would like to borrow the mannequins or display boards please contact Sheila or Sam on 0191 3708811



# First Aid for St John Ambulance

The Trustees of Burnopfield Ambulance Station held an Open Day on Saturday 30th July to celebrate the re-opening of the building following "The Flood" at the end of 2010. Visitors were able to view an exhibition showing the long

transportation and business contract services as well as a range of First Aid, safety and health training courses some of which are aimed at the workplace and others to the general public for home and leisure time.



Photographs courtesy of SJA member Tammy Short

history of St John Ambulance in Burnopfield including examples of uniform and equipment over the years. Members of St John Ambulance helped with the event and raised about £300 from the sale of handmade gifts, a tombola, refreshments and kind donations.

As well as providing First Aid, St John volunteers also provide a huge range of health care and support services within communities and vital ambulance and rescue services for the communities; this includes emergency services, patient

St John Ambulance is the single largest provider of First Aid services in the United Kingdom and in order to keep up to date with their skills members, including cadets and badgers, take part in first-aid competitions as a means of stimulating interest and keeping up standards. Many competitions have been in existence since the foundation of the Association. Durham County has its own Coroner Graham Shield, which was presented in 1926 and is still competed for each year.



For archive photographs and more information about the work of St John Ambulance in County Durham please visit: [www.durhamintime.org.uk/st\\_john\\_ambulance/](http://www.durhamintime.org.uk/st_john_ambulance/)

# Behind the Thin Blue Line



The North East Police History Society (NEPHS) held their annual exhibition at Beamish Museum over the weekend of the 2<sup>nd</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup> July. The theme of this years exhibition was 'Gentlemen at War: Policing in Britain 1939 -1945'.

The exhibition contained objects and uniforms from the North East Police History Society's own collections as well as items from the archives of Beamish Museum. The exhibition was a great success with over 1000 visitors over the weekend.



Photographs courtesy of Helen Barker - Beamish Museum



The NEPHS was formed in 1995 to preserve the history of the Police Forces the North East of England.

In 1998, the society were approached by Durham Constabulary to make an inventory of the historical documents, photographs and accoutrements with a view to making a display to be shown in Police Headquarters.

The society continues to hold exhibitions and displays and has its own journal called "Crown to Crown".

Do you have a story you would like to see included in the next edition of our newsletter?

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