

# CLAY-KICKERS & MINERS: THE UNDERGROUND WAR

Sunday, May 14 12 – 4 pm



## Scotland's Miners & the First World War

12:30 & 2:30 pm

One in every three of Scotland's miners enlisted to fight in the First World War. Euan Loarridge tells their story, and discusses why so many enlisted and how the mining industry coped with the loss of manpower.

## The Moles of War

1:00 & 3:00 pm

Anthony Byledbal reveals the secret story of the soldiers who fought underground during WWI - from the unusual formation of the Tunnelling Companies to the vast tunnelling network under the city of Arras.

## Digging Deep: The Archaeology of Tunnelling on the Western Front

1:30 & 3:30 pm

Join Professor Tony Pollard in the dug-out to hear about the archaeology of Vampir dug-out in Belgium and the search for the Livens Flame Projector in a sap (attack tunnel) on the Somme at Mametz in France.

## Master Tunnellers: The Royal Engineers

2:00 pm

Lt Colin Blair of 39 Engineer Regiment talks us through the origins of the Royal Engineers Tunnelling Companies and their operations at La Boisselle on the Western Front.

## Tunnel Vision

Get a glimpse of tunnelling in action in this living history demonstration by re-enactors Scots in the Great War.

## The First Great Escape

What would it be like to spend eight months digging a 60-metre long escape tunnel using only cutlery and improvised tools?

Join the experiment and discover the amazing story of the Great First World War Escape!

## Clay-Kickers & Miners

An exhibition on WWI tunnellers and engineers – their origins, what they achieved and the risks they took.

## Modelling the War with Charles Mawer

Explore the story of transport manufacturing during the war with this exhibition of 3-D models.

DON'T MISS.....

ALL DAY!