

Being now sited outside the City of Birmingham, the club decided to change its name to Oldbury Lions and continued to operate at the new site until the end of the 1969 season when Oldbury Council advised that the land was required for the construction of the new M5 motorway. Oldbury council offered land adjoining Tivdale Sportsground. The offer was for the use of the land only, and the club were required to construct and maintain the track at its own expense. The creation of the Metropolitan Borough of Sandwell, inspired the club to adopt its present title of Sandwell.

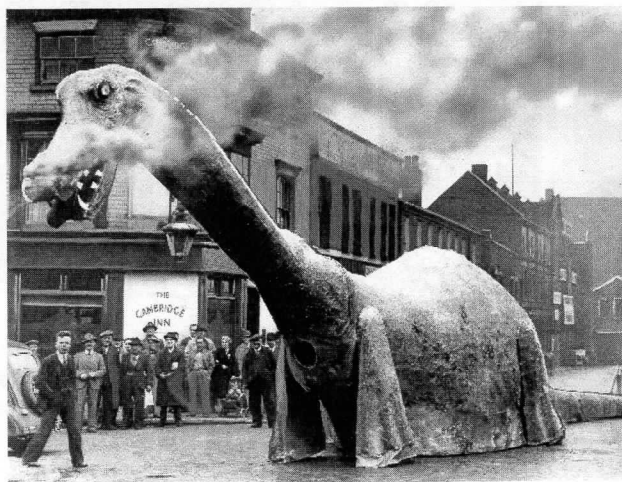
HISTORY BAY

The History bay is open most Mondays for visitors to look at our collections, do research – or even bring in items for scanning and share memories. We are, as part of our latest Heritage Lottery Fund project, actively seeking people to share their memories of Balsall Heath in the past. We are uploading and captioning material for a new database driven website – Digital Balsall Heath – which will complement our existing site. Ring or email to book a time.

NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 28TH – THE BIRMINGHAM PAGEANT

Richard Albutt (our President) speaks about the biggest performance put on in Birmingham – by a cast of enthusiastic amateurs from Balsall Heath and many other Birmingham suburbs.

“Egbert” appeared as one of the entertainments during the Pageant of Birmingham in 1938. The Pageant celebrated the Centenary of Birmingham's Charter of Incorporation as a city; it lasted from 11th to 16th July 1938 involving over 8000 people who participated in performances before King George VI and Queen Elizabeth in the grounds of Aston Hall. The couple were in Birmingham on the 14th of July to open the first part of Queen Elizabeth Hospital.



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