

Two Great New Books on the History of Rye ...

- David & Barbara Martin, with Jane Clebb and Gillian Draper *Rye Rebuilt: Regeneration and Decline within a Sussex Cinque Port Town, 1350-1660* – a very readable book which discusses the form and fabric of the port town, concentrating in particular on the old buildings for which the town is rightly famous. The period covered extends from the French raids of the 14th century, through the 16th-century boom years to the town's mid-17th decline. Illustrated summaries of over a hundred medieval and Tudor timber-framed houses are included. This is going to be a classic of its kind. Retail price £30.00, but available prepublication for £20.00.
- The companion volume is an illustrated history of Rye from its origins at the Norman Conquest until the end of its period of great prosperity under the Tudor monarchs: *Rye: a History of a Sussex Cinque Port to 1660* (Phillimore) by Gillian Draper, with David and Barbara Martin and Alan Tyler. This book substantially takes forward our local knowledge of life in Rye and its hinterlands, covering themes such as seafaring, piracy, the Ypres tower and defences, the parish church and pilgrims, and trade and work in the medieval town. Gill's book is an important contribution to the history of the Cinque Ports in particular and medieval and early-modern towns in general. Retail price £25.00, but available pre-publication for £20.00.

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- *Rye Rebuilt* – at a special pre-publication price of £20.00, copies
- *Rye: History of a Sussex Cinque Port* - at a special pre-publication price of £20.00, copies

The books will be available for collection at the launch, Friday 13 November 2009, 18:30 for 19:30, Rye Community Centre, Conduit Hill.

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