

Avon Local History & Archaeology – Programme of Events at Member Societies

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Wed 30 Jan 2019	Harptrees History Society	Chris Eldridge	Talk	Alfred the Great and the Somerset connection
Tue 5 Feb 2019	Yatton Local History Society	John Crockford-Hawley	AGM with light refreshments and talk	Public art in Weston
Thu 7 Feb 2019	Downend Local History Society	Clive Burlton	Talk	A night at the cinema - Bristol 1960's style
Thu 7 Feb 2019	Long Ashton Local History Society	Tony Coverdale	Talk	The later Avon Valley copper and brass industry
Fri 8 Feb 2019	Banwell Society of Archaeology	Gary Gowans	Talk	Hadrian's Wall -edge of the empire
Fri 8 Feb 2019	Knowle & Totterdown LHS	David Hardill	Talk	The history of Parnells, Yate
Mon 11 Feb 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bristol	Chris Biggs	Talk	Guilty pleasures - Bristol's industrial heritage
Mon 11 Feb 2019	History of Bath Research Group	David Crellin	Talk	John Wood; who was he? New research about his origins
Mon 11 Feb 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	John Penny	Talk	The story of W.D. & H.O. Wills
Tue 12 Feb 2019	Clutton History Group	Andrew Linham	Talk	The Strawberry Line
Tue 12 Feb 2019	Thornbury L.H. & A.S.	Prof. Steve Poole	Talk	Pleasure and shame: Sydney Gardens and the reputation of a gentleman, 1824-1830
Wed 13 Feb 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Sodbury Vale	Paul Barrett	Talk	Light in the darkness hour - Dunkirk's little ships
Sat 16 Feb 2019	City of Bath Heraldic Society		An heraldic workshop	Things we have forgotten and things we thought we knew
Mon 18 Feb 2019	Keynsham & Saltford LHS	David Fearn	Talk	The Kennet & Avon waterway
Tue 19 Feb 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS		Tbc	
Tue 19 Feb 2019	Marshfield & District LHS	Tony Coverdale	Talk	The early Avon copper industry 1690 - 1740
Thu 21 Feb 2019	UWE Regional History Centre & "M" Shed	Dr Laura Harrison	Free Seminar at "M" Shed at 6 p.m.	There wasn't much to do... at least not here
Fri 22 Feb 2019	Whitchurch Local History Society	Abbie Edbrooke	Talk	Clevedon Pier: 150 years of resilience
Mon 25 Feb 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Ann Warren	Talk	Quaker records and families
Mon 25 Feb 2019	Bristol & Gloucestershire Archaeological Society	John Reeks	Talk	New insights into the early interregnum as well as the Civil War period
Mon 25 Feb 2019	Gordano Civic Society	John Rickard	Talk	Vernacular houses of North Somerset
Tue 26 Feb 2019	Avonmouth Genealogy Group	Judy Helme	Talk	Going the extra mile - the Forder family
Tue 26 Feb 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Ann-Marie Wilkinson	Talk	Early censuses
Wed 27 Feb 2019	Harptrees History Society	James Bond	Talk	Deserted medieval villages in Somerset
Mon 4 Mar 2019	ALHA Executive Committee			Executive Committee Meeting
Tue 5 Mar 2019	Kingswood History Society	Carla Contractor	Talk	Famous men and women buried in Arnos Vale Cemetery
Tue 5 Mar 2019	Yatton Local History Society	Chris Biggs	Talk	Guilty pleasures: chocolate, beer and tobacco manufacturing in Bristol

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Thu 7 Mar 2019	Downend Local History Society	Michael Manson	Talk	Vice and virtue: Old Market through the ages
Thu 7 Mar 2019	Long Ashton Local History Society	Murray Stewart		History of Leigh Court
Fri 8 Mar 2019	Banwell Society of Archaeology	Brian Wright	Talk	Beating the bounds
Fri 8 Mar 2019	Knowle & Totterdown LHS	Bob Jones	Talk	Life in the backyard - craft industry in medieval towns
Sat 9 Mar 2019	Gordano Civic Society		Visit. Limit of 15 people	St Peter's Church, Portishead, including the tower
Mon 11 Mar 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bristol	Mike Rowland	Talk	Bristol beauties - famous and infamous women
Mon 11 Mar 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Prof. Peter Dunn	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	Swaddling - then and now
Mon 11 Mar 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Prof. Gordon Stirrat	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	The poppy: panacea and plague
Mon 11 Mar 2019	Gordano Civic Society	Dr Mark Hallwood	Talk	Everyday life in 17th Century Portishead
Mon 11 Mar 2019	History of Bath Research Group	Richard Williams	Talk	The development of Oldfield Park, Bath's "New" industrial dormitory
Mon 11 Mar 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	Alan Gray	Talk	History of Mendip & Bristol ochre mines
Tue 12 Mar 2019	Clutton History Group	Terry Merrett-Smith	Talk	Ration books to Rock 'n Roll
Tue 12 Mar 2019	Thornbury L.H. & A.S.	Dr Toby Jones	Talk	Newport medieval ship
Wed 13 Mar 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Sodbury Vale		Members' evening	
Sat 16 Mar 2019	City of Bath Heraldic Society	Adrian Ailes	Talk	Medieval heraldry - symbols of patronage, family pride and social importance
Sat 16 Mar 2019	Pilning & Severn Beach History Group	Clive Burlton	Talk. Severn Beach Village Hall, 7 for 7.30	Bristol - the lost city
Mon 18 Mar 2019	Keynsham & Saltford LHS	Gary Best	Talk	The social impact of John Wesley in the Bristol area
Tue 19 Mar 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Michael Manson	Talk	Vice and virtue: Old Market through the ages
Tue 19 Mar 2019	Marshfield & District LHS	John Girvan	Talk	Doing time in Wiltshire: prisons, bridewells and lockups
Wed 20 Mar 2019	South Gloucestershire Mines Research Group	Hamish Orr-Ewing	Talk. Coalpit Heath Village Hall. 8.00	Underground Bristol
Thu 21 Mar 2019	UWE Regional History Centre & "M" Shed	Dr Bob Pryce	Free Seminar at "M" Shed at 6 p.m.	Victorian to present day Bristol in three dimensions
Mon 25 Mar 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Phil Nichols & Robin Ansell	Talk	Secure the shadow - Somerset photographers
Mon 25 Mar 2019	Bristol & Gloucestershire Archaeological Society	Peter Twinn	Talk	Roman rural settlement in Central/South Gloucestershire, staying connected
Tue 26 Mar 2019	Avonmouth Genealogy Group		AGM, followed by members' evening	

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Tue 26 Mar 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Eve Bickerton	Talk	Know Your Place
Wed 27 Mar 2019	Harptrees History Society	Oliver Hulme	Talk	Secret bunkers in Somerset
Fri 29 Mar 2019	Whitchurch Local History Society	Nick Hall	Talk	The Somerset coalfield and Radstock Museum
Tue 2 Apr 2019	Kingswood History Society		Talk	The early Avon copper & brass industry 1600-1740
Tue 2 Apr 2019	Yatton Local History Society	Clive Burlton	Talk	Harry Dolman: life and times. The man with a hundred patents
Thu 4 Apr 2019	Downend Local History Society	John Putley	Talk	Ugly Mugs: great Gloucestershire gargoyles
Thu 4 Apr 2019	Long Ashton Local History Society	Mike Oakley	Talk	Railway stations and halts of Bristol and North Somerset
Fri 5 Apr 2019	Stoke Bishop History Group	Gordon Young	Talk & Film	Bristol blue plaques and Bristol revisited - 1956 and present
Sat 6 Apr 2019	Regional Industrial Archaeology Conference			Saltford Hall, Wedmore Road, Saltford, BS31 3BY. See B-I-A-S website for details
Mon 8 Apr 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bristol	Jennifer Tann	Talk	Sweeps to slaves - working children in the past
Mon 8 Apr 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	David Martyn	Talk	The history of Kings Weston House
Tue 9 Apr 2019	Clutton History Group	Roger Angerson	Talk	Richard Champion and his Bristol porcelain
Tue 9 Apr 2019	Thornbury L.H. & A.S.	Meg Wise	Talk	Heraldry and symbolism at Thornbury Castle
Wed 10 Apr 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Sodbury Vale		AGM and tba	
Thu 11 Apr 2019	Knowle & Totterdown LHS	Alan Freke	Talk	Frenchay Hospital's hidden history
Fri 12 Apr 2019	Banwell Society of Archaeology	John Smith	Talk	Roman life around Banwell
Mon 15 Apr 2019	History of Bath Research Group	Nigel Pollard	AGM and talk. 6.30 p.m. start	Leopold Buildings, Hedgemoad - a survivor
Mon 15 Apr 2019	Keynsham & Saltford LHS	Jim Pimpernell	Talk	The Dramway/Avon Wharf
Tue 16 Apr 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Terry Merrett-Smith	Talk	Ration books to Rock 'n Roll
Tue 16 Apr 2019	Marshfield & District LHS	Prof. June Hannam	Talk	Suffragettes in Bristol & Bath: rethinking militancy
Thu 18 Apr 2019	UWE Regional History Centre & "M" Shed	Dr Clive Burgess	Free Seminar at "M" Shed at 6 p.m.	William Canynges, late merchant of Bristol: constructing an after-life before death
Tue 23 Apr 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Lynda Hotchkiss	Talk	Time, gentlemen, please!
Wed 24 Apr 2019	Harptrees History Society	Pat Hase	Talk	Transported women
Fri 26 Apr 2019	Whitchurch Local History Society	Nick McCamley	Talk	Secret underground cities
Sat 27 Apr 2019	ALHA		Local History Day at Thornbury Leisure Centre	Getting About
Sat 27 Apr 2019	City of Bath Heraldic Society	Michael Furlong	Talk	Home and away - the heraldry of the Merchantile Companies Trading Overseas
Mon 29 Apr 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Colin Chapman	Talk	Was your ancestor a criminal?

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Mon 29 Apr 2019	Gordano Civic Society	Pat Hase	Talk	On the parish
Thu 2 May 2019	Downend Local History Society	Alan Matthews	Talk	Bristol to Bath the Midland way
Tue 7 May 2019	Clutton History Group			To be arranged
Tue 7 May 2019	History of Bath Research Group	Henry Brown	Visit to St Swithin's, Walcot. 6 p.m. start	Tour of the newly cleaned monuments
Tue 7 May 2019	Kingswood History Society	Mark Steeds	Talk	Reforming Bristol women
Tue 7 May 2019	Yatton Local History Society	Paul Hodge	Talk	History of Bristol Water
Fri 10 May 2019	Banwell Society of Archaeology		AGM and Members Night	"Bring a thing"
Fri 10 May 2019	Knowle & Totterdown LHS	Sarah Harris	Talk	A history of windmills and windmillers in Somerset
Sat 11 May 2019	Pilning & Severn Beach History Group		Photographic Exhibition	Mafeking Hall, Pilning. 11 am to 4 pm.
Mon 13 May 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bristol	Tony Painter	Talk	History of place names - with a local flavour
Mon 13 May 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Dr Bruno Bubna-Kasteliz	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	Scottish doctors at the Russian Imperial Court
Mon 13 May 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Dr Mike Davidson	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	Scottish doctors and the slave trade
Mon 13 May 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	Alan Bateman	Talk	Two farmers & a Lancaster bomber
Tue 14 May 2019	Thornbury L.H. & A.S.	Philip Ashford	Talk	The migration of 1619 from South Gloucestershire to Berkeley, Virginia
Thu 16 May 2019	UWE Regional History Centre & "M" Shed	Dr Ryan Hanley	Free Seminar at "M" Shed at 6 p.m.	From Carolina to Kingswood: Boston King's story of slavery, salvation and sedition
Sat 18 May 2019	City of Bath Heraldic Society		End of season lunch and AGM	Tickets for lunch are £5 and must be booked by mid-April
Mon 20 May 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Pat Hase	Talk	Family history - who does she think she is?
Tue 21 May 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Helen Thomas	Talk	Bedminster's tobacco women
Tue 21 May 2019	Marshfield & District LHS	Dr. John Chandler	Talk	The world runs on wheels: travel in 17th century Bristol
Tue 28 May 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Clive Burlton	Talk	Bristol's great war
Wed 29 May 2019	Harptrees History Society		Visit to Saltford Brass Mill	6.30 p.m. Cost tba
Tue 4 Jun 2019	Kingswood History Society	Professor Ronald Hutton	Talk	The English Civil War
Fri 7 Jun 2019	Whitchurch Local History Society	Yvonne Bell	AGM and talk	Love and marriage - Edwardian style
Mon 10 Jun 2019	ALHA Executive Committee			Executive Committee Meeting
Mon 10 Jun 2019	History of Bath Research Group	Roger Rolls	Visit. 6 p.m. start	Mineral Water Hospital - last chance to see the pictures and board room
Mon 10 Jun 2019	Nailsea & District LHS		Social - Wine & cheese evening	Details to be announced. By kind invitation of Peter & Anne Hills

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Fri 14 Jun 2019	Banwell Society of Archaeology	Pat Hase	Talk	My family and Jack the Ripper
Fri 14 Jun 2019	Knowle & Totterdown LHS	Rob Acton-Cambell	Talk	A history of Trooper's Hill
Fri 14 Jun 2019	Stoke Bishop History Group	Rose Hewlett	Talk	House history - trace the history of your house
Mon 17 Jun 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bristol		AGM followed by talk	
Tue 18 Jun 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Dr Andy Flack	Talk	Histories of Bristol's historic zoo
Tue 18 Jun 2019	Marshfield & District LHS	Dr. Nick Nourse	Talk	The people's music: from street ballads to music hall in 19th century Bristol
Thu 20 Jun 2019	UWE Regional History Centre & "M" Shed	Dr Peter Malpass	Free Seminar at "M" Shed at 6 p.m.	Homes for heroes? Bristol and the Housing and Town Planning Act 1919
Sat 22 Jun 2019	Pilning & Severn Beach History Group	John Penny	Talk. Severn Beach Village Hall, 7 for 7.30	Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside
Mon 24 Jun 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Stuart Burroughs	AGM followed by talk	Bath and the Workhouse
Tue 25 Jun 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Lois Sparshott	Talk	A genealogical mystery - how I wrote it
Wed 26 Jun 2019	Harptrees History Society		Visit to Shepton Mallet	6.30 p.m. Cost tba
Tue 2 Jul 2019	Kingswood History Society	John Penny	Talk	A tribute to Bristol buses
Fri 12 Jul 2019	Knowle & Totterdown LHS		Walk	A stroll around Knowle
Sat 13 Jul 2019	Pilning & Severn Beach History Group		Sevenside Festival	Severn Beach Village Hall & Playing Field
Tue 16 Jul 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Sara-Jayne Boughton	Talk	Discovery and investigation of a Roman Villa in Lockleaze
Tue 23 Jul 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Paul Gregory	Talk	The Weston, Clevedon & Portishead Railway
Mon 29 Jul 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath		TBA	
Wed 31 Jul 2019	Harptrees History Society	Bob Jones	Guided walk around Bristol city walls	6.30 p.m. Cost tba
Tue 6 Aug 2019	Kingswood History Society		Film show	The history of Bristol
Mon 2 Sep 2019	ALHA Executive Committee			Executive Committee Meeting
Tue 3 Sep 2019	Kingswood History Society		Talk	Chocolate dinosaurs - the history of chocolate making
Fri 6 Sep 2019	Stoke Bishop History Group	Helen Powell	Talk	The history of Stoke Lodge
Mon 9 Sep 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	Roy Ackrill	Talk	Elf & Safety' - myth and fact
Tue 17 Sep 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Eugene Byrne	Talk	The Spanish influenza pandemic of 1918-1919
Tue 24 Sep 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Peter Towey	Talk	British war medals
Mon 30 Sep 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Peter Insole	Talk	Know your place

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Tue 1 Oct 2019	Kingswood History Society	Peter Lander	Talk	Birnbeck Pier
Wed 2 Oct 2019	South Gloucestershire Mines Research Group	Gary Best	Talk. Coalpit Heath Village Hall. 7.30 for 8.00	Kingswood miners and Methodism
Mon 14 Oct 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Prof. Francis Duck	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	Bath War Hospital (1916-919)
Mon 14 Oct 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Mr Walford	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	Vesalius: the angry father of modern anatomy
Mon 14 Oct 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	Andre Coutanche	AGM & Talk	A little kingdom - the Harman family's Lundy, 1925 - 1969
Tue 15 Oct 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS	Chris Biggs	Talk	Broadmead and beyond
Sat 19 Oct 2019	Cambrian Arch Assn & Soc for Landscape Studies		Conference at St Fagans, Cardiff	Recent work in Welsh landscape history
Sat 19 Oct 2019	Pilning & Severn Beach History Group		Severn Beach Village Hall, 11 am to 4 pm	Nostalgia Day - exhibition and history group archives
Tue 22 Oct 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS	Phil Nichols & Robin Ansell	Talk	Somerset photographers 1839-1939
Mon 28 Oct 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath		TBA	
Tue 5 Nov 2019	Kingswood History Society	Jacqueline Wadsworth	Talk	No news of Fred: a family's story from the Great War
Fri 8 Nov 2019	Stoke Bishop History Group	Keith Sheather	Talk	Stoke Bishop - the other side of the tracks
Mon 11 Nov 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	Jean Routley	Talk	The opening of the Royal Albert Dock by Edward VII & Queen Alexandra
Sat 16 Nov 2019	Bishopston, Horfield & Ashley Down LHS		AGM & lunch at BAWA. 12.00 for 12.30	
Sat 16 Nov 2019	Pilning & Severn Beach History Group	Martin Morgan	Talk & demonstration	Fishermen of the Severn. Severn Beach Village Hall, 7 for 7.30
Mon 25 Nov 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	John Penny	Talk	Bath blitz
Tue 26 Nov 2019	Weston super Mare & District FHS		AGM & Members Evening	Memorabilia
Mon 2 Dec 2019	ALHA Executive Committee			Executive Committee Meeting
Tue 3 Dec 2019	Kingswood History Society		AGM, American supper, quiz and entertainment	
Mon 9 Dec 2019	Bristol & Avon Family HS Bath	Cherry Hubbard	Talk	Tudor Christmas
Mon 9 Dec 2019	Bristol Medico Historical Society	Dr Trevor Thomas	Talk at Create Centre 8.15 p.m. Preceded by hot buffet supper at 7.15.	El Greco through medical eyes (single talk)
Mon 9 Dec 2019	Nailsea & District LHS	Clive Burlton	Film show	Potpourri of Bristol Archive film