Gloucestershire Local History Association

Summer Events 2022

Celebrating a return to normal gatherings, GLHA arranged two successful events in May and June.

The Local History Day was held on May 14th at the University of Gloucestershire, which provided excellent accommodation for the speakers, history displays and over 90 participants from across the County.

The theme of the Day was The History of Education in Gloucestershire and the speakers were Catherine Holloway - *Stroud Technical School for Girls, its alumnae, and technical education for girls in the post-war period,* Professor Nicholas Orme - *Going to school in Gloucestershire in the later Middle Ages,* Judith Ellis - *The George Townsend Charity - educational opportunities for Gloucestershire boys over 250 years and* Averil Kear - *The Girls' School at Lydney Park in WWII.*

Fifteen local history groups and organisations brought displays, information stands and bookstalls. A buffet lunch was enjoyed by all.



Painswick Local History Society won the prize for the best display.

The Day also included the announcement of the 2021 Bryan Jerrard Award, the winner of which was Nigel Spry, for his article, 'In Memoriam: Gloucester's Nineteenth Century Cholera Epidemics', published in Glevensis **53.**

Photo shows (I to r) Bryan Jerrard, Steven Blake (Chair GLHA) and Nigel Spry.



The Summer Afternoon Meeting, held on Saturday 25th June, was hosted by Cheltenham Local History Society at St Andrew's United Reformed Church in Montpellier. The afternoon included a choice of three different walks or two talks. The theme of the afternoon was Cheltenham's Trade and Industry and included an extensive display on local shops and businesses. Over 80 members of local history groups attended and enjoyed the opportunity to meet others from different groups while taking part in the activities and the delicious afternoon tea at the end of the day.



One of the walks looked at two hundred years of trading history around Suffolk Parade and Suffolk Road. Other options included The Wilsons of Cheltenham and the famous landmarks around Montpellier.

The talks covered the history of shops and the story of Whitbread's brewery in Cheltenham.

