



GLOUCESTERSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION

GLHA Member Societies' Events List - January 2026 edition

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Date	Organisation	Title (Speaker)	Location	Time
03/01/2026	Thornbury Local History and Archaeology Society	Disaster waiting: the Severn Bridge disaster (Paul Barnet)	St Marys Church Hall	7-30pm
08/01/2026	Maisemore Local History Society	Battlefields, castles and riots in Glos over 2000 years (Tony Condor)	Maisemore Village Hall	7-30pm
14/01/2026	Cirencester Archaeological & Historical Society	Technology Underpinning Roman Wine & Oil Production (Emlyn Dodd)	Sir Emrys Jones lecture theatre, Royal Agricultural University	7-30pm
14/01/2026	Stonehouse History Group	20,000 decimillimetres under the canal (Phil Bischler)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
14/01/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	New Year Lunch (Peter Cornish)	The George Inn, Peter Street, Frocester, Stonehouse, GL10	12-30pm
15/01/2026	Chipping Campden History Society	An Arts and Crafts Christmas (Kirsty Hartsiotis)	Chipping Campden Town Hall	2-30pm
16/01/2026	Rissingtons Local History Society	Blockley Water Mills and their Gardens (Blockley Heritage Society)	Village Hall, Upper Rissington	2-30pm
19/01/2026	Historical Association Gloucestershire	The Abolition of Slavery in the British Empire. (Dr Kate Rivington)	Zoom ONLY	7-30pm
20/01/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	Cotswold Raptor Project - Hobbies (Richard Tyler)	Box Village Hall	2-30pm
20/01/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Cuts of Gloucestershire based on the History of the County Canal Network (John Putley)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
20/01/2026	Painswick Local History Society	Pilgrims and Pilgrimage in Gloucestershire (John Putley)	Croft School	7-30pm
20/01/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	History of the County Canal Network (John Putley)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
21/01/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	MOD War Detectives: Identifying and Commemorating the Missing of two World Wars (Alexia Clark)	France Lynch Church Rooms	7-30pm
21/01/2026	Cheltenham LHS	Blood, Magic & Power: The Murder by Witchcraft of William Bayntun (Louise Ryland-Epton)	St Luke's Hall	7-30pm
22/01/2026	Tewkesbury Historical Society	Social for Members (Quiz)	Trinity Church, 10 Oldbury Road	7-45pm
26/01/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	Surnames and local history (Simon Draper)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
26/01/2026	Winchcombe History Group	The Mercers, the Masons and a Mariner:17th Century trading tokens of the Cotswolds (Neela Mann)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
26/01/2026	Gloucestershire Archaeology	Revealing Rome in the Cotswolds: Chedworth & the Victorian Passion for the Past (Jeanette)	St Andrews United Reformed Church Hall & online	7-30pm
27/01/2026	Gloucestershire Society for Industrial Archeology	History Of Crofton Pumping Engine (Ian Broom)	Zoom	7-30pm
27/01/2026	Gotherington and Area LHS	Surnames and Local History (Dr Simon Draper)	Gotherington Village Hall	7-30pm
27/01/2026	Leckhampton Local History Society	The Arts and Crafts Movement in Cotswold Churches (Kirsty Hartsiotis)	St. Peter's Church, Leckhampton	7-30pm
03/02/2026	Cheltenham LHS	Down Winterbotham Road: the enduring legacy of a Cheltenham family (Adrian Barlow)	St Luke's Hall	10-30am
04/02/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	Tolkien's Gloucestershire - The Real Middle Earth (Andy Mellor)	The Painswick Centre, Bisley Street, Painswick	2-30pm
04/02/2026	Northleach Historical Society	Surnames and Local History (Simon Draper)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
05/02/2026	Maisemore Local History Society	Cider making in Gloucestershire from foxwhelps to firkins (Andy Meller)	Maisemore Village Hall	7-30pm
09/02/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	Nailsworth 1964 to 1984 - film (Lionel Bathe)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
10/02/2026	Thornbury Local History and Archaeology	Princess Cariboo, Almondsbury's Princess (Tom Sanday)	St Marys Church Hall	7-30pm

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11/02/2026	Stonehouse History Group	Pancake day: the Linby Pancakes, a Viking army and the history of pancakes and their Day (Gareth Howell)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
16/02/2026	Historical Association Gloucestershire	How to lose friends and alienate people: Chieftains in the Icelandic medieval sagas. (Dr Louisa Taylor)	Zoom online ONLY	7-30pm
17/02/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Grist to Healings Mill (John Dixon)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
17/02/2026	Painswick Local History Society	Cranham Potteries (Jan Whitton)	Croft School	7-30pm
17/02/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Grist to Healings Mill (John Dixon)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
17/02/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	The History of Stroud (Ian Mackintosh)	Box Village Hall	2-30pm
18/02/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	Local Graveyards (Members' presentation)	France Lynch Church Rooms	7-30pm
18/02/2026	Cheltenham LHS	The Elusive Digger Settlement at Slimbridge (Stuart Butler)	St Luke's Hall	7-30pm
19/02/2026	Chipping Campden History Society	Tolkien in the Cotswolds - the shaping of Middle Earth (Andy Meller)	Chipping Campden Town Hall	2-30pm
19/02/2026	Tewkesbury Historical Society	Baptists in 17thc England (Simon Lawton)	Tewkesbury Methodist Church	7-45pm
20/02/2026	Rissingtons Local History Society	Pagans and Puritans: the Story of May Morning in Oxfordshire (Tim Healey)	Village Hall, Upper Rissington	2-30pm
23/02/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	The mills on the River Chelt (Ray Wilson)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
23/02/2026	Winchcombe History Group	A virtual guided tour of Anglo-Saxon and Norman Winchcombe (Dr Steven Bassett)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
23/02/2026	Gloucestershire Archaeology	Stone Age to Iron Age: Exploring early human activity in South Glos (Gail Boyle)	St Andrews United Reformed Church Hall & online	7-30pm
24/02/2026	Gloucestershire Society for Industrial Archeology	The Story Of Two Stroud Cloth Mills (Ann Taylor/Ian Macintosh)	Gloucestershire Heritage Hub	7-30pm
24/02/2026	Gotherington and Area LHS	A walk down memory lane via steam, tram and horse (Ian Boskett)	Gotherington Village Hall	7-30pm
24/02/2026	Leckhampton Local History Society	Research and Display Evening (Members & Visitors)	St. Peter's Church, Leckhampton	7-30pm
25/02/2026	Cirencester Archaeological & Historical Society	Local Places and the Arthurian Tradition (Dr. Mary Bateman)	Parish Church	7-30pm
25/02/2026	Oakridge History Group	Percy Dearmer, the man responsible for the Oakridge War Memorial (John Loosley)	Oakridge Village Hall	7-30pm
04/03/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	Making a Living on the River Severn in Minsterworth and Elmore (Simon Draper)	The Painswick Centre, Bisley Street, Painswick	2-30pm
04/03/2026	Northleach Historical Society	'Taking the Waters' The Rise and Fall of the English Spa (Melanie King)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
05/03/2026	Maisemore Local History Society	Charlie Wheatstone's clever tricks' inventor of electric telegraph and concertina (Stephen Rowley)	Maisemore Village Hall	7-30pm
08/03/2026	Historical Association Gloucestershire	The First Opium War, 1839 to 1842: Origin, Theatre and Consequences. (Professor Yang-Wen Zheng)	Zoom and Gloucestershire Heritage Hub, Clarence Row,	7-30pm
09/03/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	Stroud Before Traffic Lights - film (Geoff King)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
10/03/2026	Thornbury Local History and Archaeology Society	Edward Jenner and Smallpox (Gareth Williams)	St Marys Church Hall	7-30pm
11/03/2026	Stonehouse History Group	Lines in the landscape: decoding boundaries, with a Gloucestershire/Wiltshire focus (Simon Draper)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
17/03/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Severn Bridge Disaster (Chris Wiggs)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
17/03/2026	Painswick Local History Society	Milo of Gloucester (Tina Pentney)	Croft School	7-30pm
17/03/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Severn Bridge Disaster (Chris Wiggs)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
17/03/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	Life and Works of Edward Elgar (Dr Tim Brain)	Box Village Hall	2-30pm
18/03/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	A History of Gloucestershire's Inland Waterways (Tony Conder)	France Lynch Church Rooms	7-30pm
19/03/2026	Chipping Campden History Society	Witchcraft in Gloucestershire: the archaeological evidence (Wayne Perkins)	Chipping Campden Town Hall	7-30pm
19/03/2026	Tewkesbury Historical Society	Archaeology: Peasants, Cows and Monks at Cowfield Mill (Jonathan Hart)	Tewkesbury Methodist Church	7-45pm
20/03/2026	Rissingtons Local History Society	Bletchley Park and the Enigma Machine (John McCormick)	Village Hall, Upper Rissington	7-30pm
23/03/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	The Stroudwater Canal (Louise Nicholson)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
23/03/2026	Winchcombe History Group	Victorian Abundance: stained glass in the 19th century Cotswolds (Kirsty Hartsiotis)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm

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24/03/2026	Gloucestershire Society for Industrial Archeology	Cuts Of Gloucestershire – the history of the county's canal network (John Putley)	Gloucestershire Heritage Hub	7-30pm
24/03/2026	Gotherington and Area LHS	A Blue Plaque Tour of Gloucestershire 'poets, pioneers and performers (Andy Meller)	Gotherington Village Hall	7-30pm
25/03/2026	Cheltenham LHS	George Rowe's 'Illustrated Cheltenham Guide' of 1845: then, now and in the intervening years (Dr	St Luke's Hall	7-30pm
25/03/2026	Cirencester Archaeological & Historical Society	The Early History of the WI (Sheila Rowley)	Ashcroft Centre	7-30pm
25/03/2026	Oakridge History Group	The Oakridge patricide, the 1893 Wyndham murder (John Loosley)	Oakridge Village Hall	7-30pm
30/03/2026	Gloucestershire Archaeology	Tale of two Roman Calvary Swords, the evaluation at Willersey Jan 2026 (Pete Busby)	St Andrews United Reformed Church Hall & online	7-30pm
31/03/2026	Leckhampton Local History Society	Tolkien and the Cotswolds-the shaping of Middle Earth (Andy Mellor)	St. Peter's Church, Leckhampton	7-30pm
01/04/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	AGM, then: Exquisite Embroideries to Glittering Glass - The Work of Women Artists in Cotswold Churches (Kirsty Hartsiotis)	The Painswick Centre, Bisley Street, Painswick	2-00pm
01/04/2026	Northleach Historical Society	Blood on their Hands an Insight into Roman Medicine (Stefan Urbanowski)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
02/04/2026	Maisemore Local History Society	Historical glimpses of Gloucestershire and beyond to music and prose (Martin Fry)	Maisemore Village Hall	7-30pm
07/04/2026	Cheltenham LHS	Members' Research & Display event	St Luke's Hall	10-00am
08/04/2026	Stonehouse History Group	The history of Hoffmann's (SHG members)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
13/04/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	History of Brimscombe Mill (Sharon Mansell)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
14/04/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	AGM followed by Films of a Maritime Theme	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
14/04/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Selection of films of Waterways Interest	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
14/04/2026	Thornbury Local History and Archaeology Society	"I predict a Riot" - the real story of the 1831 Bristol uprising (Garry Atterton)	St Marys Church Hall	7-30pm
15/04/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	The Schools of Chalford Parish (Members' presentation)	Frances Lynch Church Rooms	7-30pm
15/04/2026	Cheltenham LHS	Gloucestershire & the Atlantic Slave Trade (Tony Condor)	St Luke's Hall	7-30pm
16/04/2026	Chipping Campden History Society	People and places in the fourteenth century: learning from the records of Winchcombe Abbey (Prof.	Chipping Campden Town Hall	7-30pm
16/04/2026	Tewkesbury Historical Society	George Rowe, artist and lithographer (Dr Steven Blake)	Tewkesbury Methodist Church	7-45pm
20/04/2026	Historical Association Gloucestershire	Links between the American and French Revolutions. (Professor William Doyle)	Zoom and Park Campus, University of Gloucestershire,	7-30pm
21/04/2026	Painswick Local History Society	Highlights from the Collections (Collections Manager)	Croft School	7-30pm
21/04/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	The Geology and Landscape of Gloucestershire (Dave Green)	Box Village Hall	2-30pm
22/04/2026	Cirencester Archaeological & Historical Society	The History of Gloucestershire Constabulary (Sue Webb)	Ashcroft Centre	7-30pm
22/04/2026	Oakridge History Group	Katherine Parr, Gloucestershire's Queen (Mike Bottomley)	Oakridge Village Hall	7-30pm
27/04/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	Prestbury's Lost Buildings (Michael Cole)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
27/04/2026	Winchcombe History Group	The Slimbridge Dig (Tony Roberts)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
27/04/2026	Gloucestershire Archaeology	Recent Discoveries and developments from the IA and Roman Site at Slimbridge (Tony Roberts)	St Andrews United Reformed Church Hall & online	7-30pm
28/04/2026	Gloucestershire Society for Industrial Archeology	Horse-Drawn Tramways Of The Wye Valley (Heather Hurley)	Gloucestershire Heritage Hub	7-30pm
28/04/2026	Gotherington and Area LHS	A.G.M. followed by Tewkesbury Alleyways (Steve Goodchild)	Gotherington Village Hall	7-30pm
28/04/2026	Leckhampton Local History Society	A walk down memory lane via steam, tram & horse (Ian Boskett)	St. Peter's Church, Leckhampton	7-30pm
06/05/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	The Good, the Bad and The Ugly - History of Polio Vaccines (Gareth Williams)	The Painswick Centre, Bisley Street, Painswick	2-30pm
06/05/2026	Northleach Historical Society	The 17th C Layout of Sherborne Park and Lodge Park - Some Peculiar Observations (Roger Davies)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
11/05/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	A Portrait of Nailsworth (Pip Haywood)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
12/05/2026	Thornbury Local History and Archaeology Society	" From fortress to family home-Berkeley castle and the Berkeley family (Jane Handoll)	St Marys Church Hall	7-30pm
13/05/2026	Stonehouse History Group	AGM and members short talks (SHG members)	Park Junior School	7-15pm
15/05/2026	Rissingtons Local History Society	William Tyndale's Gloucestershire (Alan Pilbeam)	Village Hall, Upper Rissington	7-30pm
18/05/2026	Historical Association Gloucestershire	Panel discussion on the relationship between academic history and historical fiction. (Humanities)	Zoom and Francis Close Hall Campus, University of	7-30pm

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19/05/2026	Winchcombe History Group	The history of policing in Gloucestershire (Dr Timothy Brain)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
19/05/2026	Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club	Swallows, Swifts and Martins (David Cramp)	Box Village Hall	2-30pm
20/05/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	The Rise and Fall of the Bisley Path (Chas Townley)	France Lynch Church Rooms	7-30pm
20/05/2026	Cheltenham LHS	AGM followed by Arle Court: A House Through Time (Sue Rowbotham)	St Luke's Hall	7-00pm
21/05/2026	Tewkesbury Historical Society	The World's Oldest Industrial Heritage in the UK (Adam Sapic)	Tewkesbury Methodist Church	7-45pm
26/05/2026	Gotherington and Area LHS	Cheltenham's Lung' The Long Making of Cleeve Common (David Aldred)	Gotherington Village Hall	7-30pm
26/05/2026	Leckhampton Local History Society	AGM (Members & Visitors)	St. Peter's Church, Leckhampton	7-30pm
27/05/2026	Cirencester Archaeological & Historical Society	AGM followed by RAF Brize Norton – Over 80 Years of Flying Operations (Trevor Jackson)	Ashcroft Centre	7-30pm
27/05/2026	Oakridge History Group	History of Gloucestershire Rural Constabulary(Sue Webb)	Oakridge Village Hall	7-30pm
01/06/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	Dr Edward Adrian Wilson (David Elder)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
03/06/2026	Northleach Historical Society	Outing		
10/06/2026	Stonehouse History Group	to be arranged	Park Junior School	7-30pm
17/06/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	Malmesbury Abbey and Athelstan (Tony MacAleavy)	France Lynch Church Rooms	7-30pm
22/06/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	When the monks came to Prestbury (Tony Noel)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
22/06/2026	Winchcombe History Group	Literary Cotswolds: from Chaucer to Jilly Cooper (Sean Callery)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
24/06/2026	Oakridge History Group	AGM plus talk to be arranged	Oakridge Village Hall	7-30pm
30/06/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	Holy Trinity Church (Chiz Harward)	Minchinhampton	7-30pm
01/07/2026	Northleach Historical Society	A History of Farming in Gloucestershire (John Putley)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
11/07/2026	Stonehouse History Group	Metal detecting and finds from Gloucestershire (Nicola Potter)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
13/07/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	Church of the Annunciation (Jane Bethell)	South Woodchester	7-30pm
15/07/2026	Chalford Parish Local History Group	Guided Walk of Bisley	[Bisley]	7-00pm
02/09/2026	Northleach Historical Society	The Hon Miss Monson (1754-1843) an early 19th C Cheltenham Lady Builder (Dr Steven Blake)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
09/09/2026	Stonehouse History Group	Murders in Minchinhampton (Martyn Beaufort)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
14/09/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	History of the Thames & Severn Canal (John Morris)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
28/09/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	Tudor swearing, sex and Loos (Kirstie Bingham)	prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
28/09/2026	Winchcombe History Group	The history of Concorde (Richard Chatham)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
02/10/2026	Northleach Historical Society	William Marshall, England's Greatest Knight (Dr Rob Jones)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
12/10/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	St Georges School Theescombe (Jane Butler)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
14/10/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Exercise Tiger Slapton Sands Disaster (Paul Barnett)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
14/10/2026	Stonehouse History Group	Battlefield County – castles, battles and riots over 2000 years (Tony Conder)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
26/10/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	Schools,Scholars and Scolding (Angela Dunsby)	Prestbury WI Hall	7-30pm
26/10/2026	Winchcombe History Group	Richard 111 and the Princes in the Tower (Max Keen)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
04/11/2026	Northleach Historical Society	The Gunpowder Plot (Gareth Howell)	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
09/11/2026	Nailsworth Local History Research Group	Nailsworth Footpaths and Alleys (John Amos)	Sawyer Hall	7-30pm
11/11/2026	Stonehouse History Group	Get orf moy land! – the history of farming in Gloucestershire (John Putley)	Park Junior School	7-30pm
18/11/2026	Friends of Gloucester Waterways Museum	Tudor Swearing Sex & Loos (Kirstie Bingham)	Gloucester Waterways Museum	10-30am
23/11/2026	Prestbury Local History Society	Are there ghosts in Prestbury? (David Jones)	Presbury WI Hall	7-30pm
23/11/2026	Winchcombe History Group	The Civil War at and around Sudeley (Derek Maddock and Mike Reynolds)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm
02/12/2026	Northleach Historical Society	AGM	Westwoods Centre	7-30pm
15/12/2026	Winchcombe History Group	Excavating Milestone Ground, Broadway – up to 8,000 years of land use (Jaime Wilkins)	Abbey Fields Community Centre, Back Lane	7-30pm