

The Bryan Jerrard Award 2025

The Bryan Jerrard Award is given annually for what the judges believe to be the best published article on an aspect of Gloucestershire's history during the past year. It is named after Bryan Jerrard, who was Chairman of the Gloucestershire Rural Community Council's Local History Committee (the predecessor of the Gloucestershire Local History Association) between 1978 and 1998. Further details, including the judging criteria and a list of previous winners, are available on the GLHA website (www.gloshistory.org.uk).

The Journals submitted for the 2025 Award were -

Cheltenham Local History Society Journal **41** (2025).

Glevensis **57** (2024) – the journal of Gloucestershire Archaeology.

Painswick Chronicle **27** (2024) – the journal of Painswick Local History Society.

Signpost **22** (Spring 2025) and **23** (Autumn 2025) – the journal of Chipping Campden History Society.

Tewkesbury Historical Society Bulletin **34** (2025).

The Dursley Lantern **21** (2024) – the journal of the Dursley & Cam Society.

The New Regard **40** (2025) – the journal of the Forest of Dean Local History Society.

Transactions of the Bristol & Gloucestershire Archaeological Society **142** (2024).

The Award finalists are -

Benson, Derek, 'Anti-Slavery Activism in Tewkesbury', *Tewkesbury Historical Society Bulletin* **34**.

Chidlaw, Richard, and Hayward, Brian, 'Shakespeare and Dursley – The Final Word?', *The Dursley Lantern* **21**.

Clifford, Peter, "A Tornado of a Man": Jonadab McCarthy and the rise of the McCarthys', *Cheltenham Local History Society Journal* **41**.

Deeks, Roger, 'The Man with no Shirt. *Felo de Se* and the Dymock Burial Scandal', *The New Regard* **40**.

Hare, Michael, 'The Fonts of Deerhurst, Longdon and Castlemorton', *Glevensis* **57**.

Maxwell, Carol, 'The History of Painswick Manor and its many Powerful Lords', *Painswick Chronicle* **27**.

McLaughlin, Owen, 'Camp 61 – The Prisoner of War camp at Wynols Hill', *The New Regard* **40**.

Munden, Alan, 'Transforming education – from Charity School to Parish Boys' School', *Cheltenham Local History Society Journal* **41**.

Pointer, Jonathan, "A Time to Plant, and a Time to Pluck": The London Road Plant Nursery, Cheltenham, 1824-c.1960', *Cheltenham Local History Society Journal* **41**.

Wright, Ian, 'The Butty System', *The New Regard* **40**.

The winner and runner-up for the 2025 Award will be announced at the Gloucestershire Local History Association's Forum in the Dunrossil Room at The Heritage Hub in Gloucester on Monday 15 June 2026.

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