



Hertfordshire Association for Local History

News and Events

Autumn 2023

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Dates for your Diary

Saturday 14 October 2023

Monday 1 January 2024

Saturday 18 May 2024

October 2024

Symposium: *Rebels, Traitors and Eccentrics in Hertfordshire*

Subscriptions payable (see enclosed Membership Form)

HALH Spring Meeting and AGM, Potters Bar

Symposium: *Post-War Hertfordshire*

HALH Annual Symposium 2023

Rebels, Traitors and Eccentrics in Hertfordshire

The 44th Symposium will be held on Saturday 14 October 2023 at the Katherine Warington School, Harpenden. This year we'll be looking at a variety of colourful characters drawn from Hertfordshire's history. Some were notorious for plotting to overturn the current political regime, others agitated for greater social justice, others for their criminal leanings and eccentricities. Further details and a booking form are set out overleaf.

HALH Subscriptions 2024

Please remember that your 2024 subscription for HALH is due on **1 January 2024**. Further details are contained on the Membership Form enclosed with the Autumn 2023 issue of *Herts Past & Present*.

Winter Lecture Series 2024

Details of these lectures, to be held via Zoom, will be posted on the website and emailed to members later in the year.

HALH Spring Meeting and AGM 2024

The Spring Meeting and AGM of HALH will take place on Saturday 18 May 2024 at the Wyllyotts Theatre, Potters Bar. Admission is free for HALH members, £2 for visitors. The morning session will begin at 11.00. The afternoon session will begin with the AGM and will be followed by the Lionel Munby lecture. Further details will be included in the Spring 2024 issue of *News & Events*.

HALH Spring Workshop 2024

Online maps for local historians and how to use them. Date and venue to be confirmed.

PLEASE NOTE

The Symposium normally takes place in November. We know, however, that some members find this a difficult time of the year for getting to and from events, especially when the weather is bad. We have, therefore, moved this year's Symposium forward one month to October.

HALH Annual Symposium 2024

HALH was originally established in 1949 as the Hertfordshire Local History Council, which means that in 2024 we'll be celebrating our 75th anniversary. To mark the occasion our 45th Symposium will be devoted to looking at life in the county in the late 1940s. The programme has yet to be finalised, but will no doubt include such topics as the founding of the NHS, rationing, developments in education provision, and the nationalisation of the railways. Further details will be included in the Spring 2024 issue of *News & Events*.

HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL HISTORY

44th ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM

Saturday 14 October 2023

10.00 - 16.00

Katherine Warington School, Lower Luton Road, Harpenden AL5 5FH

Rebels, Traitors and Eccentrics in Hertfordshire

The programme will include talks on:

George Edward Dering of Lockleys, Welwyn (*Jennifer Ayto*)

Gabriel Barbor – an unlikely rebel (*Alan Thomson*)

Oddballs of Ashwell (*David Short*)

Scandals, Slander and Gossip – an alternative history of Hertfordshire

(*Elizabeth Eastwood*)

Wicked Ladies and Pie-Men – highway robbery in Herts (*Nicholas Blatchley*)

Diary of an Eccentric – Sarah Lady Cowper at Hertford Castle, 1700–16

(*Clare Gittings*)

together with:

Riot, Rumpus and Revolution – songs from the time of the Chartists

(*The Chiltern West Gallery Quire*)

Tickets £15 for HALH members; £18 for non-members. Buffet lunch £9.

Details of how to order tickets via Eventbrite have been emailed to members and can be found on our website: www.halh.org.uk. If you are not able to book online, please complete the form below, to arrive by **22 September 2023** with your cheque (payable to the HALH) and an SAE to:

Sheila White, 8 Pound Close, Braughing, Herts, SG11 2BH

Tel: 01920 821981; Mobile: 07931 256612; Email: contact@halh.org.uk

APPLICATION FORM

Name

Address

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Email address

Telephone No.

Please reserve tickets at £15 and/or tickets at £18

Please reserve tickets for lunch at £9

Please book a display table for Society