



Somerset Group

2019 Events Programme

Meetings are held in Wells Town Hall, Market Place, Wells.
Visitors and guests and always very welcome to all meetings.

7th January 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group - *Lancaster & York*
by Alison Weir.

19th January 1.30 for 2pm: *The Mortimer Family and their link
to the House of York* – Philip Hume from the Mortimer History
Society.

4th February 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *Stoke Field –
the last battle of the Wars of the Roses* by David Baldwin.

16th February 1.30 for 2pm: *Ricardian Resistance 1485-1487* –
Stephen David.

4th March 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group - *Life in the Middle
Ages* by Martyn Whittock.

16th March 1.30 for 2pm: *The archaeology of the Stillington
Chapel, Wells Cathedral* – Jerry Sampson, Cathedral
Archaeologist.

1st April 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group - *The Betrayal of
Richard III* by VB Lamb.

The Richard III Society

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11th – 12th April: Branch 2 day trip to Oxfordshire.

20th April (Easter Saturday) 10.30am – 12.30pm: Coffee Morning.

29th April 10.30am-12.30pm: Book Group – *The Wars of the Roses* by Michael Hicks.

18th May 1.30 for 2pm: *Law and Order in medieval England without a Police Force* and *Cross Bow versus Longbow* – Dave Fawcett.

25th May 6pm: Requiem Mass for Margaret Pole at Farleigh Hungerford Castle Chapel.

1st June 9.30am – 4.30pm: Joint Conference on *The Wars of the Roses* organised by Strode College, The Richard III Society Somerset Branch and the Battlefields Trust (Cost £25 including buffet lunch and refreshments) – book tickets through Strode Theatre.

3rd June 10.30am-12.30pm: Book Group – *The Wars of the Roses* by Michael Hicks.

15th June 10.30am – 12.30pm: Coffee Morning including ‘Storytelling’.

1st July 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *The House of Beaufort* by Nathan Amin.

8th – 12th July: Branch 5 day trip to Yorkshire.

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20th July 1.30 for 2pm: *Shakespeare and the real Wars of the Roses* – Dr Alan Phillipson.

16th – 19th August: Branch 4 day trip to Leicestershire.

2nd September 10.30am-12.30pm: Book Group – new season – discussion of summer fiction reading, and plan for 2019/20.

21st September 10.30am–12.30pm: Coffee Morning.

7th October 10.30am-12.30pm: Book Group.

19th October 1.30 for 2pm: Annual General Meeting followed by What if? – an alternative history presentation by Alan Hamilton.

4th November 10.30am-12.30pm: Book Group.

16th November 1.30 for 2pm: *The Winchester Geese and Medieval Cosmetics* - Lesley Thomas.

2nd December 10.30 -12.30pm: Book Group.

14th December 10.30 – 12.30pm: Christmas Coffee Morning.

Day trips and other events

It is hoped to arrange field trips, days out etc during the summer if possible, and a Christmas lunch, in addition to the existing programme.

Further information is available from the Chair.

Chair: Helena Smith.