



Somerset Branch

2020 Events Programme

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

6th January 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *Richard III The Maligned King* [Part 1] by Annette Carson.

18th January 1.30 for 2pm: Book Group – *Henry VI The Shadow King* by Lauren Johnson.

3rd February 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *Richard III The Maligned King* [Part 2] by Annette Carson.

15th February 1.30 for 2pm: *Ricardian Churchmen* – Stephen David.

2nd March 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group - *The Third Plantagenet – George Duke of Clarence Richard III's brother* by John Ashdown-Hill.

21st March 10.30am – 12.30pm: Coffee morning.

3rd – 5th April: Richard III Society Annual Conference in Exeter
The South-west during the Wars of the Roses.

6th April 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *Richard III and the murder in the Tower* by Peter A Hancock.

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18th April 1.30 for 2pm: Somerset Branch Research – presentation and discussion by the Research Group – past and present projects.

4th May 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *The Greatest Traitor* by Ian Mortimer.

16th May 1.30 for 2pm: *The English Christian Church in the later Middle Ages 1250 - 1500 – not just waiting for the Reformation* and *Medieval Signs and Wonders: An insight into the mindset of the Middle Ages* – Martyn Whittock.

1st June 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group - *Richard III and Buckingham's Rebellion* by Louise Gill.

20th June 10.30am-12.30pm: Coffee Morning.

6th July 10.30am – 12.30pm: Book Group – *Bosworth* by Chris Skidmore

13th – 15th July: Branch 3 day trip to Tewkesbury.

18th July 1.30 for 2pm: *Margaret Beaufort Saint or Dynast* – Carol Southworth.

15th August: Bosworth Commemoration including Requiem Mass for King Richard III at the shrine of Our Lady of Glastonbury.

22nd – 23rd August: Bosworth Medieval Festival. Services in Leicester Cathedral and Society Memorial Service at St James Sutton Cheney.

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7th September 10.30am–12.30pm: Book Group – new season – discussion of summer reading, and plan for 2021.

19th September 10.30am-12.30pm: Coffee morning followed by, at 2pm, presentation at St Cuthbert's Church, Wells on the Reredos Project – Patsy Barrow (Heritage Open Day).

1st – 4th October: Branch 4 day trip to York to include Richard III Society AGM and members day on Saturday 3 October.

5th October 10.30am-12.30pm: Book Group.

17th October 1.30 for 2pm: Annual General Meeting and celebration of King Richard's 568th birthday and 5th anniversary of founding of the Somerset Branch.

2nd November 10.30 -12.30pm: Book Group.

21st November 1.30 for 2pm: The archaeology of the Stillington Chapel, Wells Cathedral - Jerry Sampson, Cathedral Archaeologist.

7th December 10.30 -12.30pm: Book Group.

Friday 11 December 12 noon: Christmas lunch or **Saturday 12 December 10.30 – 12.30pm:** Christmas Coffee Morning.

Further information is available from the Chair.

Chair: Helena Smith.