

# **BERKELEY LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**



## **PROGRAM 2011**

**THE LIBRARY BERKELEY GLOS**

**MEETINGS  
3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY OF THE MONTH  
EVENING 7.45 PM**

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**President Mr. Berkeley**

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**JANUARY 18th**

**The Charfield Railway Accident.**

Researched by Author Alan Hammond for his book 'Two unknown' The search for two children who disappeared in 1928

**FEBRUARY 15<sup>th</sup>**

**The Story of Brimscombe Port.**

Where Thames and Severn Met by author Graham Hobbs, Brimscombe Port was originally built to transfer cargo from Severn Trows, which travelled from the River Severn down the Stroudwater Navigation, to Thames barges which carried the goods eastwards towards London

**MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Unusual and no longer seen occupations on 16mm film.**

Jim Wilkie brings a selection of his large library of film of vanished crafts, the audience chooses the occupations

**APRIL 19th**

**ANNUAL DINNER**

Venue to be advised; meet at 7.15pm for 7.30pm.

**MAY 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Blood, guts and a little off the top.**

A discourse on the art of Chirurgery and barber-surgeons in Gloucestershire. An entertaining look at medicine and surgery from medieval to Tudor times. John Putley in authentic reproduction costume, with medical instruments and local medicines

**JUNE Date to be announced**

**Berkeley Architectural dig tour 2pm castle car park**

**JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Haunted Bristol.**

Miss P Jones with ghostly tales of old Bristol and its colourful past.

**JULY 19<sup>th</sup>**

**SUMMER HOLIDAY**

**AUGUST 16th**

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**SEPTEMBER 20th**

**Down the garden path.**

Linda Hall (author and researcher) gives us a fascinating look at the history of the privy in the Bristol area .You never imagined how varied they could be.

**OCTOBER 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Wreck to rescue.**

John Rhodes tells the story of the 'Resolute Lady' The trow shaped Victorian steam tug which worked on the Severn from 1897-2000 pulling barges up the river in and out of Sharpness.

**NOVEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Wandering and Begging.**

The vagrant children of Bristol. Exploring the Ragged and Industrial schools of Victorian times. Described to us in detail by Shirley Hodgeson

**DECEMBER 20th**

**XMAS CELEBRATION**

Minced pies and mulled wine is enjoyed with a local history quiz / film.

### **Constitution of the Berkeley History Society**

To research the local history of the Vale of Berkeley in all its aspects and through all periods of history, from earliest times to the present day.

To hold lectures and training courses devoted to this aim and to visit places of historic interest in the Vale and beyond.

To encourage members to work individually or corporately on research projects on the Vale's history.

To actively cooperate with other societies and bodies having similar interests.

To collect, preserve, safeguard and possibly publish:- books, prints, pamphlets, maps, illustrations, ephemera, manuscripts and other printed or otherwise recorded material relating to the Vale.

### **Membership/Subscription**

Membership year runs from September 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Membership Fee £3.00.

Annual renewal Fee £3.00

Member's attendance Fee £2.00 Paid on each meeting attended.

Non member's attendance Fee £3.00.

### **Committee**

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New committee members are welcome. (Commitment is small). Please ring and discuss.

### **Future Plans**

The Society's website requires input. Are you interested in this project?

We would like to record any individual projects or information previous or current, stored by members.

We encourage members to collect data on any local subject for the Society to collate, or post on the Website.

Please let any of the committee know your interests and which of the above you would like to participate in.