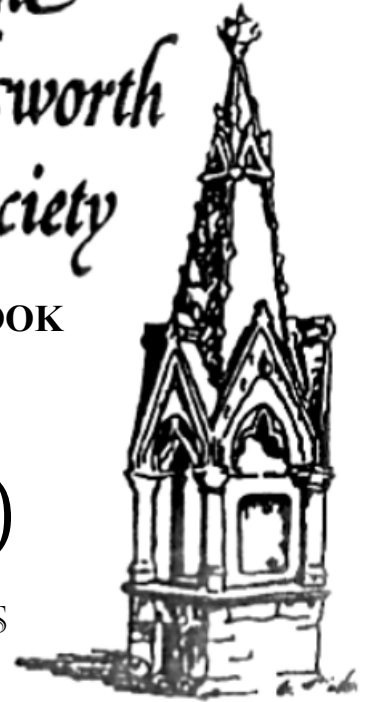


# The Nailsworth Society

YEAR BOOK  
2024

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YEARS



[www.thenailsworthsociety.co.uk](http://www.thenailsworthsociety.co.uk)

Annual Membership: £10 per person  
(Covers all groups)  
Membership Year: January – December

For members joining after 1st October  
membership lasts until the end of the following year

For full joining information visit the website or  
phone the Membership Secretary

Event information for all groups appears on the  
noticeboard in  
the Library foyer and on the website  
[www.thenailsworthsociety.co.uk](http://www.thenailsworthsociety.co.uk)  
The Ramblers are also on Facebook at  
<https://www.facebook.com/NailsworthSocietyRamblers>

## OFFICERS

Chairman: Kath Nielsen (01453 834046)  
Vice Chairman: Sharon Mansell (01453 835071)  
Secretary: Wendy Kelly (01453 839260)  
Treasurer: Allison Hope (07715 916924)  
Membership Secretary: Judith Haines (01453 833547)

## DATES FOR DIARY:

**Saturday, 6th January 2024: TEA PARTY** at 3pm in the Sawyer Hall open to all members and prospective members. Annual membership available.

**Monday, 29th April 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
Nailsworth Primary School Hall. Refreshments at 7pm for 7.30 pm start, followed by Martin Fry "The Cotswold Lad: A Celebration of Gloucestershire and Beyond".

**Sunday, 9th June 2024: Society 50th ANNIVERSARY**  
Tour and Afternoon Tea at Chavenage House.

## GROUP ACTIVITIES

In 2024 all meetings except outside activities are to be held in the Sawyer Hall, Christ Church, Newmarket Road, Nailsworth GL6 0DQ unless otherwise indicated. The 2024 charge per meeting is members £2 and non-members £5. Guests welcome.

**Please note:** Speakers and subjects are liable to alteration in unforeseen circumstances. Up to date information is available on the website.

## RAMBLING GROUP

Co-ordinators: Mary Saunders (07970 376323)  
Allison Hope (07715 916924)

The Rambling Group meet on the 4th Thursday of each month except January and December, leaving from the Library at 9.30am. We usually drive to a local Pub then eat there at the end of the walk. Lifts can be arranged but organisers need prior information. Walks are about 5+ miles. Details of each walk are circulated by email, please contact the organisers if you wish to be included. A poster is placed in the Library at the beginning of each month and on the website. More information from Mary Saunders - [mscottsloe@gmail.com](mailto:mscottsloe@gmail.com) or 01453 832749

Nov30th (Saturday) Ramblers' Supper and AGM at 7pm in the Parish Rooms.

## CREATIVE WRITING GROUP "TELL-TALES"

Group Leader: Tony Anhoury (01453 834927)

Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at participants' homes. Subject of each session is agreed between members and material can be short stories, prose, poetry or drama. Occasional tutorials held.

Public performances of material will be announced during the year.

## PERFORMING ARTS (THEATREGOERS)

Group Leader: Susan Staniforth (07891 436917)

Visits to a variety of different performances are arranged throughout the year mainly publicised by e-mail to Society members, posters and the Nailsworth News. These productions include plays, musicals, concerts and dance including ballet. Discounts are often available as these are group bookings but early booking is recommended to fit in with the venues' group booking deadlines. When going to regional events transport is provided by minibus or coach and the cost is shared between those attending.

E-mail: [susanstaniforth@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:susanstaniforth@hotmail.co.uk)

## LOCAL STUDIES GROUP

**Group Leader: David Partington (01453 832034)**

### MEETINGS FOR 2024

**ON 4th MONDAY IN THE MONTH at 7.30pm**

Jan 29th	Cider Making in Gloucestershire – Andrew Meller
Feb 26th	Architectural Follies in Gloucestershire – Johnathan Holt
Mar 25th	Big Cats of Gloucestershire:- The Theory and the Reality – Rick Minter
April 22nd	The Cotswold Canals Today – an update and progress report by The Cotswold Canals Trust
May 27th	Spring Bank Holiday : No Meeting
June 24th	Dragonflies and Damselflies – Ged Cassell
July 29th	Cathedral of Cloth:- The Story of Ebley Mill and the People who Worked there – Ian Mackintosh
Sept 23rd	The Life and Work of W H Davies, Poet and Supertramp - John Roberts
Oct 28th	The Arcane, Bizarre and Down Right Witchy – Kirstie Bingham
Nov 25th	Secret Cirencester – David Elder
Dec 2nd	“Ripping Yarns and Wizard Wheezes” : The Golden Age of British Comics, 1950-1975 - John Read Christmas Celebration Special jointly with Arts, Crafts & Music Group held in <b>Nailsworth Primary School Hall</b>

## ARTS, CRAFTS & MUSIC GROUP

**Group Leader: Jane Bodkin (07905 030852)**

### MEETINGS FOR 2024

**ON 1st MONDAY IN THE MONTH at 7.30 pm**

Feb 5th	Andy Lovell: outstanding printmaker and illustrator
Mar 4th	Bellringing – Angie Ayling
April 1st	Easter Monday : No Meeting
April 18th	<b>(Thursday afternoon)</b> Visit to Cotswold Sculpture Park
May 6th	Bank Holiday : No Meeting
May 8th	<b>(Wednesday morning)</b> small group morning visit to Wholewoods woodcraft base, Tetbury
June 3rd	Rene Cason, excellent local photographer
July 1st	Sue Condie Gardner, artist and designer
Sept 2nd	The Passion of Stanley Spencer – Revd. Ian Cooper
Oct 7th	The Festival of Britain 1951 – Jacq Barber
Nov 4th	Creating structures from wood – Adrian Leaman
Dec 2nd	“Ripping Yarns and Wizard Wheezes” : The Golden Age of British Comics, 1950-1975 - John Read Christmas Celebration Special jointly with Local Studies Group held in <b>Nailsworth Primary School Hall</b>

## LOCAL HISTORY RESEARCH GROUP

**Group Leaders: Paul and Jane Butler (01453 836331)**

### MEETINGS FOR 2024

**ON 2nd MONDAY IN THE MONTH at 7.30 pm**

Feb 12th	Film: Taulua the paper boat – Allan Beale
Mar 11th	Roman Nailsworth and surrounding area – Neil Holbrook
April 8th	Nailsworth Shops Then and Now – John Amos
May 13th	1921 Wortley Terrace, Wotton: Who was Sophie? - Jeff Walshe
June 10th	<b>Outdoor Event</b> – see below
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Outdoor Event</b> – see below
Sept 9th	Local Transport, Road and Rail – Brian Middleditch
Oct 14th	Fabian Ware of the War Graves Commission – Maureen Anderson
Nov 11th	Film: ANZAC Over England – David Goodland

#### Outdoor Events:

June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Evening visit to <b>Painswick</b> for walking tour led by Carol Maxwell. Details to be confirmed.
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Nailsworth Brewery sites</b> Treasure Hunt – details to be confirmed.

## GARDENING GROUP

**Group Leader: Kath Nielsen (01453 834046)**  
**Secretary: Heather Cunild (01453 832553)**

### MEETINGS FOR 2024

**ON 3rd MONDAY IN THE MONTH at 7.30pm**

Jan 6th	<b>(Saturday)</b> Tea Party at 3pm in the <b>Sawyer Hall – open to all Society members and prospective members.</b> Annual membership available.
Feb 19th	<b>Afternoon visit to Colesbourne</b> to see the snowdrops
Mar 18th	“A Considered Approach to Pests and Diseases” – Nick Morgan
April 15th	“The Scented Garden” with Gail Plant
May 20th	<b>Evening visit to Pound Farm, Brookthorpe</b>
June 19th	<b>(7) Visit to Stratford Park</b> Garden, Stroud. Time to be confirmed
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>(Tuesday)</b> Afternoon <b>visit</b> to Woodchester Park House, Nympsfield
July 15th	<b>Afternoon visit to Brockworth Court</b>
Aug 19th	“Winter Beauties” with Duncan Coombs
Sept 16th	“Pruning” with Ian Sadler
Oct 21st	“Trug Making by a Miserable Old Trugger” – Carl Sadler
Nov 18th	Members' social evening. Speaker to be confirmed