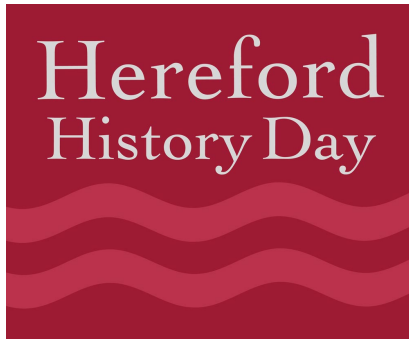


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Hereford History Day Saturday September 23rd 2023 11am – 4pm Hereford Town Hall

Hereford's ever-popular History Day is back.

The annual celebration of the city's past, suspended by Covid, makes a welcome return on Saturday September 23. With a new venue – Hereford Town Hall – the free-to-all event takes a contemporary look at local history.

Following a civic procession through High Town, Mayor of Hereford, Councillor Jacqui Carwardine and BBC's Who Do You Think You Are? researcher Nick Barratt will officially open the event. The much anticipated day will feature a History Supermarket run by local groups, the city's first Young Historian Award and a pop-up GPO Museum. While an Elizabethan History SLAM! poses the question 'Who's Wye Is It?', BBC's Nick Barratt reveals the inside story on the famous family history programme.

Hereford History Day is organised by Herefordshire Lore with support and funding from Hereford City Council, Herefordshire's Family History Society, Wye Valley Brewery and Jackson Property.

"Ours city brims with history," says co-ordinator Marsha O'Mahony, "we're looking forward to a rich mix of guided tours, women's football, a Made In Hereford short film, and information and talks from local historians."

Mayor of Hereford, Councillor Jacqui Carwardine says, "I am delighted to be involved with Hereford History Day. The rich heritage of our City and County is certainly something worth celebrating and the event provides many exciting ways to do this. We look forward to welcoming many visitors to the Town Hall on 23rd September."

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Editorial notes

1. Image Photo credit Maggie Conu & Herefordshire Lore.

More recently held on Castle Green, Hereford's History Days also have a long history, as Maggie Conu's photo shows Hereford's amateur radio enthusiasts holding their own at the Town Hall in the 1950's.

Picture Shows: D. Coates, O. Jones, T Atkins, P. Chambers, P. Bucken and D. Knight - Hereford's amateur radio enthusiasts at the Town Hall in the 1950's.

2. Young Historian Award: City schools are nominating a Young Historian for the Betty Webb Award, given for an inspiring piece of family history. Betty Webb, a reluctant evacuee who made Hereford her home, died in May.



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