

The 40th West London Local History Conference

CELEBRATIONS & COMMEMORATIONS in South & West London History

PROGRAMME for 28 November 2020

This is our fortieth conference so the programme theme has been chosen to mark this special anniversary. Our speakers will consider the ways in which individuals and communities from our area of South and West London have chosen to celebrate achievements or to commemorate loss in the past.

- 9.30 **Zoom meeting opens** to admit participants
- 9.50 **Welcome and introduction** to the way the online conference will operate
- 10.00 **40 years of our Local History Conference**
Val Bott, co-chairman of the organising committee and editor of *The Brentford & Chiswick Local History Journal*
- 10.10 **An aristocratic funeral – the mourning & burial of Sir John Maynard of Gunnersbury in 1690**
James Wisdom, Chairman, Brentford & Chiswick Local History Society
- 11.00 **BREAK**
- 11.30 **Marking milestones in the history of Richmond Park**
Max Lankester, Vice-President, The Friends of Richmond Park
- 12.15 **Come to The White City: the exhibitions at Shepherds Bush 1908-1914**
Keith Whitehouse, Chairman, Fulham & Hammersmith Historical Society
- 1.00 **LUNCH**
- 1.45 **The story behind the grand opening of Putney's Regal Cinema in 1937**
Neil Robson presents research by *Philip Evison*, Putney local historian
- 2.30 **The Isleworth 390: commemorating those who died in World War I**
Annie Green on the Isleworth Society's centenary project
- 3.15 **Thanks and summary** of the day's proceedings as the **Conference ends**

The Conference starts at 9.50am. As we are expecting around 60 people to join in we will open the Zoom session at 9.30am to give time for everyone to assemble. Remember we will be able to hear anything you say as you join in!

When we start the conference we will mute everyone's microphones because background noises can be so intrusive.

There will be a short time after each contribution for questions. You can type them using the chat facility and they will show up during the session.

If you wish to join the discussion or make a comment then either type into chat, wave your hand, un-mute your microphone or, if there are too many people to appear on the screen in one go, perhaps say "hello". Whoever is chairing the session will bring you in.

There will be a mid-morning break and a lunch break. If you need to leave the conference during the talks but intend to return it is best to turn off your video and mute your sound but stay online.