



CAMBRIDGESHIRE
ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL HISTORY
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Dear Members,

The new Local History season is almost upon us. Since you last heard from the Cambridgeshire Local History Society, a great deal has happened. At our AGM in May, the members present overwhelmingly voted to accept the proposed change to the Constitution, as laid out in the AGM agenda sent to all members. Therefore, as of May our organisation has been called the

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Also since the last newsletter the members of the Executive Committee have been working very hard to improve the facilities that we offer our Individual and Corporate members, this will be an ongoing long term effort.

*You will also see from your new membership card, that the Association has a new logo; permission to use the Cambridgeshire Arms came to late from the Cambridgeshire County Council for it to be included on the front of the “**Conduit.**” A new logo was needed, as it was felt that the old logo looked divisive or even like an ink blob! Yet despite this fresh new look, we want to reassure the membership that we have not expanded our core area of operation.*

*The **Conduit** is included free to all CALH members; we hope you find it very informative and useful, as a valuable addition to your membership package.*

On the inside of the membership card, you will see that we have been working very hard on a new website, the web-address for this will be www.calh.org.uk and we hope it will be fully operational by the end of October, when the new e-mail addresses for the Secretary will be: info@calh.org.uk and for Membership enquiries: members@calh.org.uk . Work will continue to improve this new website and we hope to provide a lot more uses, information, news and photographs for our Individual Members and a much more enhanced facility and interactive usage and links for all our Corporate and Affiliated Members.

*Our new award for “**Services to Local History**” was very successful at this years AGM and it was an honour to be amongst such a hard working and talented group of people (there will be some photos of these award winners on the website in the near future). You will find on the reverse of this newsletter details of our new Award to be presented for the first time at our AGM in 2007. The **CAMBRIDGESHIRE YOUNG PERSONS HISTORY AWARD** or **CYPHA** is designed to award and encourage the Historians of Tomorrow. If you know of anyone in your village school, club or individual that you think might be interested, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary for a CYPHA application form. We are all very excited*

about this new award and hope that as it gets more well known in the county, that it will become very popular in the years ahead.

*We are also working on a Conference to be held on Saturday February 24th; this at the moment has the loose title of “**Women in History.**” I have seen some of the names of the proposed speakers and it looks to be a great day as well. We are hoping to have our AGM in Ely next year, however securing a firm date is causing a few problems at the moment. You will receive more details on both of these events in the New Year.*

Last years lecture season & Summer Excursions was very successful, it was lovely to see so many of you out and about in the countryside. Michael Farrar has arranged another exciting and varied lecture season and I hope we will see many of your faces at our Saturday meetings.

We always warmly welcome your ideas for Lectures, Conferences and Summer Excursions, so please contact the Secretary with your ideas and suggestions.

Best Wishes

Andrew

Secretary

Cambridgeshire Association for Local History