

Welcome to BIFHSGO's new page to access videos and handouts!

You will find this new page (["Past Events"](#)) on the Events page.

Previously, the event abstracts, handouts and videos were only available to members inside the Members' Area—behind the paywall—and could not be keyword-searched by either members or non-members. Now, the abstracts have all been moved to the public side of the website and are accessible to members and non-members using a Google-type keyword search. The handouts and videos remain password-protected and are only available to members.

On the Past Events page, you will see the list of all the years for which we have videos and/or handouts. (Figure 1)

Figure 1

Past Events

BIFHSGO has many recordings from past events since 2011. Presentations at our monthly meetings are currently recorded and made available to BIFHSGO members, with any handouts that have been provided. Prior to 2016, only slides and/or handouts were made available. In years prior to 2020, some conference presentations are also available. To see the presentation abstracts, click on the year of your choice.

To access the videos and handouts, log in to your member account and return to this page.

These resources are not to be shared with non-members. Specifically, videos may not be downloaded, nor the links shared.

If you would like more information about this new page, please see this attachment.

2025	2024	Back to Basics (series) 2023/24
2023	2022	2021

Click on any year. If you are non-member (or a member, but not logged into your account) you will see the titles, authors and abstracts of the meetings that month (Figure 2).

Figure 2

2025

2024

2023

2022

2021

2020

2019

2018

2017

2016

2015

2014

2013

2012

2011

The table below indicates the month of the meetings for which handouts and/or videos are available.

January	February	March	April	May	June
September	October	November	December		

To see any of the videos or handouts, please log in to your membership **Account**.

14 June 2025

From Penrhynedraeth to Peterborough: Digging Deeper into My Welsh Ancestry

Laurie Dougherty

Laurie Dougherty explored her search for her Welsh ancestors starting with her maternal grandparents Blodwen Evans and Robert Jones. Blodwen left her home at the age of 19 to work in Liverpool before marrying Robert Jones, a master baker from Bala. Laurie shared some of the challenges she encountered while conducting genealogical research in Wales as she follows her grandparent's journey from Penrhynedraeth in North Wales to Peterborough, Ontario.

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If you are a member, log into your account and return to this page and you will have access to the videos and/or handouts (Figure 3).

Figure 3

8 March 2025

Exploring the Official Government Newspapers: the Gazettes of the UK

Ken McKinlay

The official newspaper of the government, the *Gazette*, might not seem to be something we would use in our genealogy and family history research. However, you will often find military, civil honour, citizenship etc. announcements in the *Gazette*. In this presentation we explored the various government gazettes in England, Scotland, and Ireland to learn how to search them online and discover what they hold for our research.

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Handout

The image shows a video player interface. The top bar includes a green circle with a white 'S', the title 'Exploring the Official Government Newspapers Ken McKinlay 8 March 2025', and a 'Share' button. The main content area is split: the left side displays a presentation slide for 'The Gazette' website, and the right side shows a man speaking at a podium. The presentation slide features a header with a laptop and historical documents, followed by a red YouTube play button. Below this is a section titled 'Need some help searching The Gazette?' with a brief description of the research service. The slide is divided into three columns: 'SEARCH THE ARCHIVES' with a search bar and a link to 'Help and Guidance'; 'PLACE A NOTICE' with a list of services including insolvency, deceased estates, other notices, and current notice fees; and 'Contact Us' with a phone number, email, and live chat availability. At the bottom of the slide are links for 'COMPANIES', 'AWARDS AND APPROPRIATIONS', and a 'THE GAZETTE 350 YEARS' anniversary banner. A 'Watch on YouTube' button is located at the bottom left of the video player.

If you have any issues with connecting to a video or handout, contact the [webmanager](#).