



The Richard III Society  
Adelaide South Australia Branch

**Newsletter**      April 2016

**The next meeting is this Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May and will be our Quiz. Don't be scared! Rilla and I have carefully made sure it's not too hard but also not too easy. Lots of lovely prizes to be won. 1.30pm for 2pm at NCW 95 South Tce Adelaide. \$5 plus mantelpiece raffle prize. Come and have fun.**

**Minutes of April meeting**

**Present** D Haynes, S Walladge, A Cooper, R McEvoy, M Collings, V Walden, L Cortez, R Overy, K Jones

**Apologies** L & C Gill, J Forster, A & K Feldman, D Mitchell, J Mann, T Mausolf

**Minutes** of previous meeting (Feb) read & accepted

**Correspondence**

J Carr emails on her trip so far.

L Carr Ian McKellen film – she & Mum Judith going to see.

Ricardian Register March 2016

A Devrell sent a banner car sticker- website Bob Pritchard embroidery- R3

Ricardian Recorder

Ricardus Rex April 2016 –did you find the April Fool joke?

Benedict Cumberbatch and play performance The Hollow Crown

Dickon Independent

Ricardian Times NZ

Ricardian Chronicles USA branch

Ricardian Bulletin to point out our 2 articles

**Treasurer's report**

\$687.51

Pens as fund raiser- Cost to members \$2.

The story re international phone number on Sue's mobile- Turned out to be the company in Ireland that does the pens despite the order originally being sent to Australian address. When confirming details on what was to go on pens- "Richard turd society Adelaide SA branch" in his lovely Irish accent.

**General business**

**Books** -5 for sale plus Conn Iggulden Wars of the Roses- Trinity, Barbara Gaskell Denvil- The King's Shadow, Michael Hicks- Richard III and Chris Skidmore Bosworth- The Birth of the Tudors to go into our library.

**Lisa Cortez**- the website up and running but some problems with members area.

Meeting closed followed by DVD Medieval Murder Mysteries The Princes in the Tower.

And that was just awful. I'd not really watched it when recording but hadn't been impressed. We'd watched The Princes in the Tower at the February meeting and that was anti Richard and historically inaccurate but this one was far worse! Couple of other reviews which I said could be anonymous!

It wasn't just dreadful it was bloody awful

Multiple spelling errors & the people interviewed (especially the Forensic pathologist - if that was his title - time he went to pasture) were unable to give a credible hypothesis

Laughable really

You can use my name, I have no shame!!! Cheers Ruth

Most disappointing documentary on what happened to the princes in the Tower. I think it was not very professionally filmed; some of there-enactments were very amateurish and the content was very badly presented. Richard III is presented as the most evil of kings without any balance

whatsoever, even though the film's narrator admits there had been other suspects to the murders. This is sensational journalism at its best where hypothesis were presented without the backup evidence and the expert witnesses express their opinions in emotive terms. The film loses

credibility though when it makes small but important factual errors. I noticed at least two. 1. It was stated that Richard intercepted the two princes in the royal party making its way to London after the death of Edward IV - in fact only Prince Edward was travelling, the younger prince

Richard was with his mother in London. 2. There is mention of Richard III's younger brother being killed. In fact is that George was Richard's older brother.

These important inaccuracies demonstrate that we cannot trust the researcher's facts. If we can't trust the film on some basic facts, how can we trust that the story and any of the 'new evidence' is in fact credible and not just sensationalised opinions?

Lisa Cortez

## Here's the series and what's covered      Medieval Murder Mysteries Series 1

- **Christopher Marlowe: Death in Deptford**      Murder most foul! Medieval killings revisited. Playwright Christopher Marlowe died in strange circumstances in 1593, sparking various theories.
- **King Edward II: A Mysterious Death**      Mystery surrounds the death of Edward II, whose forced abdication led to his demise in custody. Discover the grisly truth about this royal scandal.
- **Arthur Of Brittany: The Boy Who Should Have Been King**      The teenage Duke of Brittany and would-be King of England fell foul of a royal relation in 1203. Experts revisit this cold case.
- **Amy Dudley: The Queen, Her Lover, And His Wife**      The death of Robert Dudley's wife in 1560 caused uproar, as the nobleman was Elizabeth I's alleged beau. Explore the motives for murder.
- **The Princes in The Tower: Royal Blood**      Richard III, whose body was recently exhumed, is linked to the deaths of two princes in the Tower of London in 1483. Experts consider his guilt.
- **Juan Borgia: A Death in The Dynasty**      The infamous Borgia family were devastated when favourite son Juan was murdered in 1497. Can modern experts crack the case and finger the killer

**I let Tim know we probably won't be doing winery picnic at this stage and this was his reply**

**Subject: Re: Winery trip r3 picnic**

That's a shame, Sue, the winery is looking great and the smell of fresh chardonnay in french oak is wafting through the tank room.

The lawns are green and the leaves are just turning.

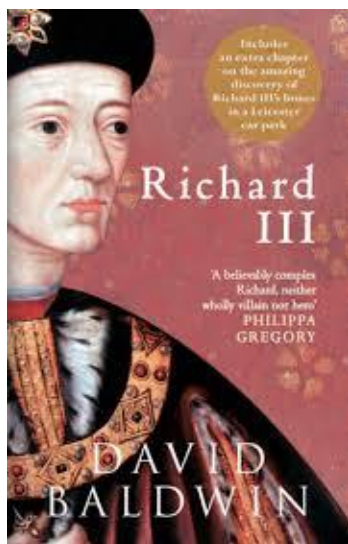
## **David Baldwin**

It is with great sadness that we have learnt today that David Baldwin died on Monday, 4th April.

He will be missed by all who know him.

On behalf of the membership of the Richard III Society, our condolences have been sent to his family. An obituary will appear in the Bulletin in due course.

The Executive Committee



## **Historian David Baldwin who predicted the location of Richard III's Greyfriars grave dies aged 69**

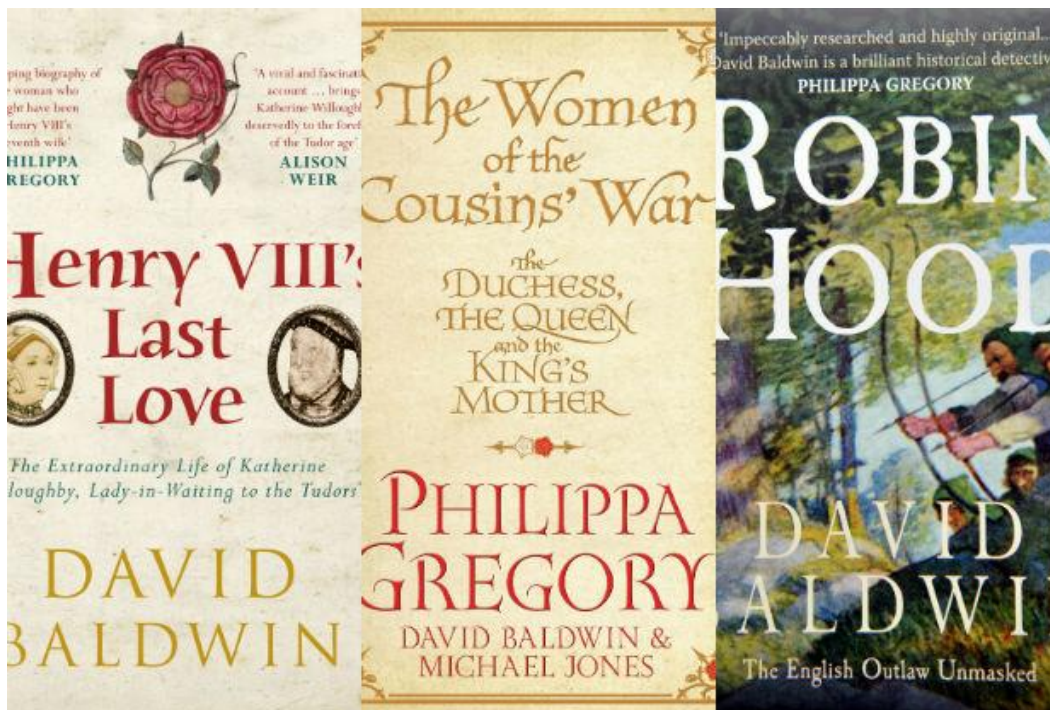
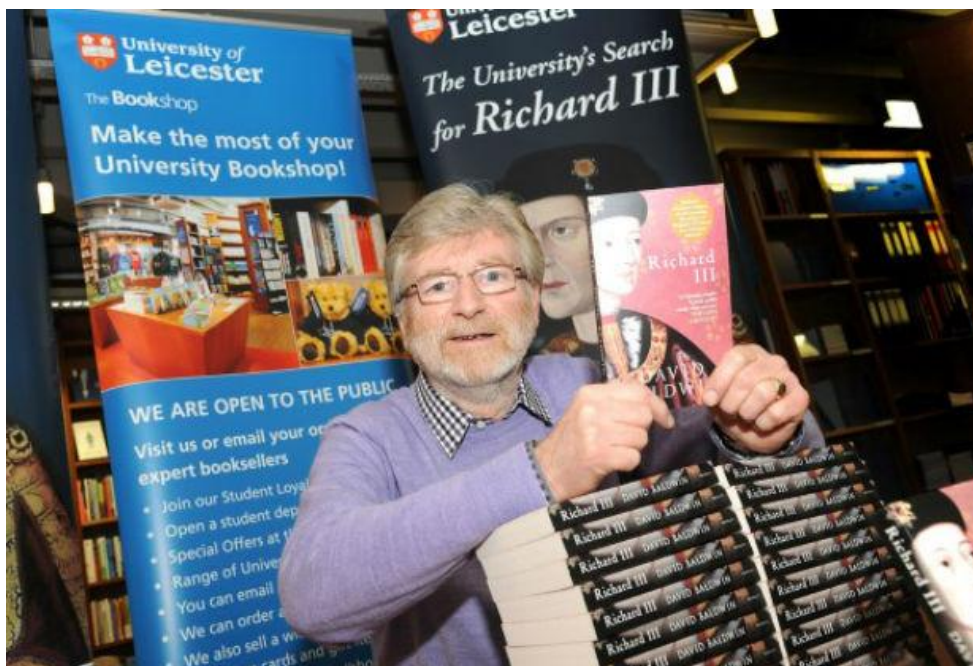
By [PA Warzynski](#) | Posted: April 18, 2016

Tributes have poured in for historian David Baldwin who died on April 4, following a battle with cancer

Historian and author David Baldwin who correctly predicted the location of Richard III's grave 26 years before archaeologists uncovered him has died aged 69.

Mr Baldwin, of Oadby, died on April 4, at Leicester Royal Infirmary, following a battle with cancer.

During his life, he published a number of books and articles on a variety of historical topics including the true identity of Robin Hood, the fate of the Princes in the Tower and Henry VIII's prospective seventh wife.



## **Invitation to all Australasian Branches of Richard the Third Society**

Richard the Third Society (NSW Branch)    Biennial Conference    Albury    2 November 2016

In the sometime tradition of the NSW branch, a mini-conference is being planned for this year to tide us over until the next Australasian conference (to be hosted by West Australia) in 2017. In the past the NSW branch has held these smaller scale conferences at Cammeray, Bundanoon and Mittagong.

This year we are looking to Albury on the NSW/Victorian border and the Albury Manor House Motel as the venue. This motel offers a range of accommodation, dining room and conference facilities and is conveniently located near the railway with a courtesy car available for transfers.

<http://www.alburymanor.com.au/>

A full day programme is planned for Wednesday 2nd November 2016. For those travelling up the day before it is suggested we meet up for drinks and dinner and a screening of highlights from the BBC programme "The Trial of Richard the Third". This was originally produced to coincide with 1983 to 1985 quincenarian celebrations of Richard III's reign and created a lot of interest at the time. For those wanting to stay on after the conference, we are investigating various tours, which would be available on Thursday. Albury is close to some of the great wine producing areas of Australia, and is rich in early history.

A booking form with more details and costings will be available in April.

Register your interest to receive a booking form as soon as details are finalised.

For those considering travelling to Albury by train from Sydney bookings cannot be made before May i.e. 6 months in advance. Kevin Herbert has done some research and all details will be circulated to those interested in this option. It is suggested that you may like to travel together and Kevin's research suggests that Car C may be very suitable. It is a First Class carriage so costs a little more but with the added advantage it only takes a maximum of 23 passengers, many of whom may be Ricardians in this case! It has a large accessible toilet at the entrance to the carriage and is close to the buffet facility. If you are interested in this option please contact Kevin direct in the first instance or more details will be available with the booking form.

Please consider presenting a paper or review or poem – all welcome and considered dependent on the time frame.

For more information or if you would like a booking form sent out please send an email to the address below.

[richardiiialbury2016@gmail.com](mailto:richardiiialbury2016@gmail.com)

It promises to be a very exciting, informative and enjoyable experience. Consider putting Albury on your travel list for this year and joining fellow Ricardians for a right royal gathering of good cheer and rich stories.

Denise Rawling

Helen Portus

Kevin Herbert

*Mini-conference Organisers*

From Alex Cameron



Regarding Ian McKellen and the remastered Richard III. In case you have not seen it, there is an interview with the Guardian here [http://www.theguardian.com/film/2016/apr/03/ian-mckellen-10-best-shakespeare-roles-on-film?utm\\_source=esp&utm\\_medium=Email&utm\\_campaign=GU+Today+main+NEW+H&utm\\_term=165027&subid=17991756&CMP=EMCNEWEML6619I2\\_footer](http://www.theguardian.com/film/2016/apr/03/ian-mckellen-10-best-shakespeare-roles-on-film?utm_source=esp&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=GU+Today+main+NEW+H&utm_term=165027&subid=17991756&CMP=EMCNEWEML6619I2_footer)

**You have cheated a bit by choosing three actors: Maggie Smith, Kristin Scott Thomas and Annette Bening from *Richard III* (1995), which you adapted and starred in and which is now being remastered for the BFI.**

My initial feeling was gratitude that they all agreed, for very little money, to be involved in a project that was a bit crazy, and to slot into a production they had not been part of before. Maggie Smith played my mother. I had always thought she was the crucial person in Richard's life, the one who sent him off-kilter. She hated him even before he was born and said so – and you can't have your mother say that to you without being affected by it. Richard returns hatred for hatred. Maggie brought considerable experience in handling Shakespeare's verse and honoured the metre and did everything else that I approved of (I began acting at Cambridge, where they were very concerned about blank verse speaking). Maggie spoke with all that inner force she has, and indignation and power.

Kristin Scott Thomas was great too. She realised Lady Anne was on her uppers when Richard woos her. He promises her a return to the corridors of power. On film, we were able to continue to imagine the story of Lady Anne, in silent moments. Coming over to work with British actors playing Shakespeare, as [Annette Bening](#) did, was very brave and she was terrific. They all were. Women are terribly important to that story.

From Pam

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-3538190/Richard-III-like-ve-never-seen-Designer-turns-Plantagenet-king-s-X-ray-s-striking-artwork.html>

<http://www.itv.com/news/central/2016-04-14/new-skull-artwork-of-king-richard-iii-to-go-on-display/>

Richard's Xrays as art.

<http://www.express.co.uk/showbiz/tv-radio/661073/Benedict-Cumberbatch-sexy-Richard-III-The-Hollow-Crown-Dominic-Cooke>

Review of The Hollow Crown which starts on BBC2 on May 7.

<http://www.leicestermercury.co.uk/Richard-III-statue/story-29172394-detail/story.html>

All vandalism makes me see red!

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-leicestershire-36119758>

New windows in Leicester Cathedral.

<http://www.blackmorevale.co.uk/Time-Team-artist-Victor-Ambrus-shows-Richard-III/story-29167076-detail/story.html>

The Museum of Somerset in Taunton has an exhibition of work by Time Team illustrator Victor Ambrus including his version of the battle of Bosworth.

<http://home.bt.com/news/odd-news/sir-ian-mckellen-credits-richard-iii-role-for-film-success-11364056075399>

Sir Ian McKellen crediting his role as Richard III for his being offered parts in Lord of the Rings and X-Men.

### **From Jonathan Hayes USA R3**

Now I have to admit this is the most interesting piece of unsolicited e-mail I've received in a long time. Perhaps some Ricardians who are into medieval sports might be interested?

Best Ricardian regards, Jonathan Hayes

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** SKF Rehan ENT... <info@skfrehanent.com>

**To:** chairperson@r3.org

**Sent:** Saturday, April 30, 2016 12:56 AM

**Subject:** Manufacturer and Exporter of Falconry Products.

Dear Sirs/Madam,

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Looking for your reply soon,

Best regards,

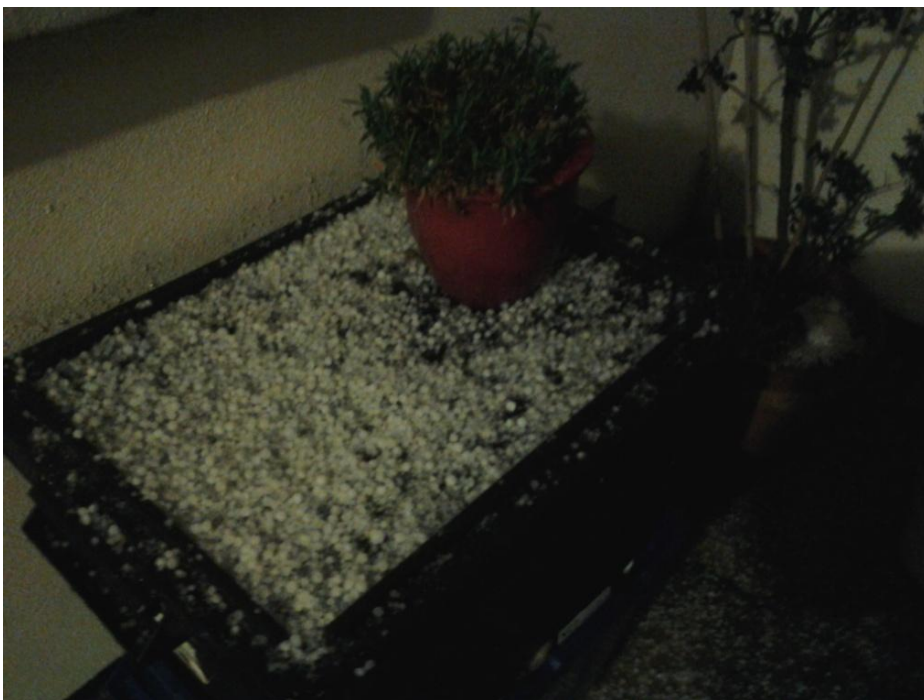
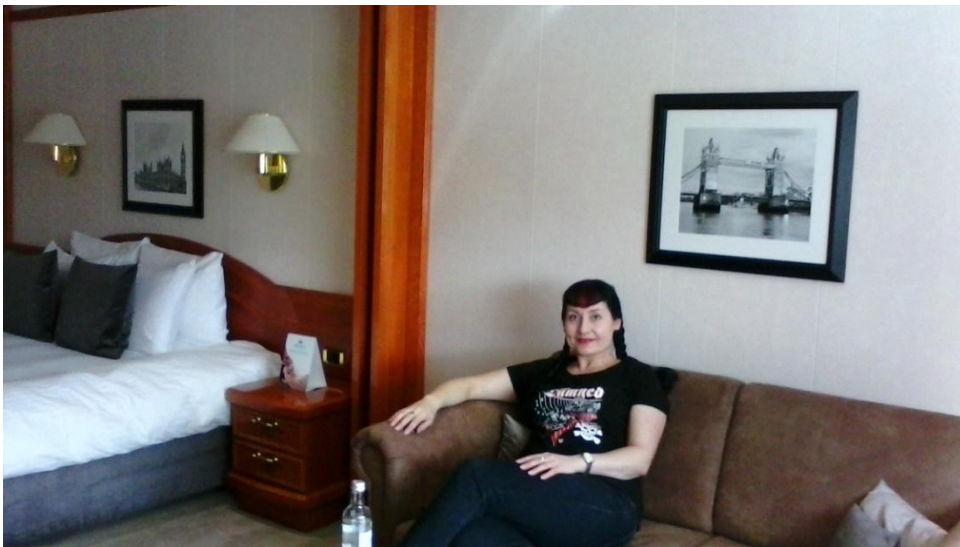
Kashan

From Judith dated 18/4/2016

A very long day, we are both in our PJs at 7.20! We left Louise's house 9.30 caught local train then Virgin to Euston then tube and light rail to the hotel which is a boat on the Thames at the Royal Victoria docks. Our cabin looks out on to the river. We had a short rest then got the light rail and tube to Canary docks which is an enormous shopping area. We had a lovely meal and now have our feet up back at the hotel. Louise's event is at a big complex next to us so it will be easy for her tomorrow and Tuesday, no long journey. I hope to get to see the Cutty Sark and think I know how to get there! The weather is nice today sunny. Roland I think I am very close to West Ham. Judith







hail in Louise's yard

29/4/2016 It has been colder this month than it was at Christmas! We saw snow in Norfolk and it hailed as we returned from the cinema! This is in Louise's backyard

dated 1/5/2016

I'm not sure when I sent my last update to those of you who don't follow Facebook but sorry if I repeat things. I had two and a half days in London and stayed on a boat hotel, very nice! I visited the Cutty Sark and buildings at Greenwich, went over the Thames in the Emirates Air Line and went on board the replica of the Golden Hind. I caught the train to Norwich and stayed with my sister and brother in law near Great Yarmouth. They took me out and we visited interesting places, Lavenham in Suffolk has some very old buildings, the weather very changeable and we had several sleet showers. I met up with Louise and we drove back to Liverpool, stopping on the way at Stamford this is where Middle arch was filmed, lots of interesting buildings. Louise bought a piece of furniture there which luckily fitted into the car. It's dull and wet today but the forecast is better for later in the week. We are planning a trip to Naples.

Louise on the Golden Hind replica







Lavenham Suffolk





30/4/2016

Hi Sue. Louise and I went to the film on Thursday evening, (we saw it together in Adelaide about 20 years ago ) the interview after was interesting. If you go to Sir Ian McKellen's website you can see some of the comments he made. On our way home it hailed, very unseasonable weather, colder in some places than at Christmas. Still having a good time though! Regards Judith

Judith out the front of the Globe Theatre

## Emirate Air Line London







Stamford where Middlemarch was filmed