



# The Royal Society of St. George

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## GLOUCESTERSHIRE BRANCH

*PATRON: Mr. Edward Gillespie, O.B.E., Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Gloucestershire*

*President: Councillor Pam Tracey, M.B.E.*

*Chairman: Mrs. Pat Ayres, M.B.E.*

## **NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR THE 2020 NAIRAC YOUTH AWARDS**



The Gloucestershire Branch of The Royal Society of St. George enjoys recognising Gloucestershire youngsters who are 'unsung heroes'. We are now asking for nominations for the 2020 Nairac Youth Awards. The Awards are named in memory of Captain Nairac, G.C. (*pictured left - see note below*).

Nominees must be 21 years of age or under, living in Gloucestershire, and have demonstrated determination, courage, or selflessness in supporting others or their community.

The Awards are given annually during the Branch's St. George's Day Service. We are delighted that Mr. Edward Gillespie, O.B.E., Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Gloucestershire (Patron of our Branch), has agreed to present the Nairac Awards during the next Service on the evening of Thursday, 23 April 2020, in Tewkesbury Abbey.

Two Awards are available, one for an individual and one for a group of young people. The winners will receive a silver salver to hold for a year, a framed certificate to keep and a cheque for their chosen charity.

Anyone wishing to nominate a young person or group of youngsters for the 2020 Awards should send their reasons, together with the names and contact details of the nominees, **by NO LATER than 29 February 2020** to:

Mrs. Margaret Fuller, Branch Secretary,  
The Royal Society of St. George Gloucestershire,  
Woodborough, Mopla Road, Tutshill, Chepstow, Monmouthshire NP16 7PS  
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### *Notes:*

Captain Robert Nairac, G.C., was from Standish, Gloucestershire. He joined the Second Battalion Grenadier Guards in January 1973. During his second tour of duty in Northern Ireland he was passing himself off in Armagh as an Irish republican to infiltrate terrorist strongholds and gather vital information when he disappeared in 1977. In February 1979 the Queen approved the posthumous award of the George Cross, the highest honour for gallantry in peacetime, to Captain Nairac. It is now known that Captain Nairac was abducted, tortured and murdered by Irish terrorists. He was 28 when he disappeared. His body has still not been found. The investigation into his murder continues.