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YVBSG Events For Your Diary

Walk around South Halifax

Saturday 9 June 2012

Meet at Shears Inn car park, Paris Gates, Halifax at 2pm for a three-hour walk with Stuart Crowther looking at the development of south Halifax including vernacular buildings and industrial sites. The pub does good food and it is probably worth booking if you want lunch beforehand – see website at www.shearsinnparisgates.co.uk or telephone 01422 362936. No need to book for the walk. YVBSG members and guests only.

Photographing Historic Buildings

Saturday 23 June 2012

Would you like to take better photographs of buildings? Join English Heritage photographer Alun Bull for this training day in York designed to help us improve our photography skills. We hope to include a practical outdoor session on photographing buildings in the morning, followed by an indoor afternoon session on what to do with your photos once you've taken them – such as preparing them for reports or presentations. All you need is a camera of any type – no other experience necessary! If you'd like to come, please contact Lorraine Moor (lorraine.moor@york.ac.uk, 01904 632124) by Friday 15 June. Arrangements are still being finalised and details of venue and times will be provided to those who have booked. There is likely to be a small fee to cover the cost of room hire. Maximum 20 people.



Visit to the villages of Winewall, near Colne, and Worsthorne, near Burnley

Saturday 21 July 2012

A full day excursion over the county border into East Lancashire led by Kevin Illingworth, starting at 10.30am. In the morning we visit a corn-drying kiln at the back of Winewall House, a seventeenth century farmhouse in the small, little-known, village of Winewall, near Trawden, south-east of Colne. This is a small barn-like structure of c.1700, listed grade II* as an extremely well-preserved example of a rare building type. Access to the small fire-chamber under the grill of stone joists and stone slats (like a cellar). Courtesy of Stanley Payne. Visit also includes a Winewall walkabout viewing several interesting seventeenth century houses, wells, vaccary walls, and a cheese-press stone.

Lunch at Red Rock Café – no mods and no rockers, but we pass a well-preserved cast iron urinal on the way!

In the afternoon we visit Jackson's Farm, Worsthorne, near Burnley (grade II*). Courtesy of Mrs Jean Witt. Farmhouse of 1627 with earlier cross-wing of c.1600. Jettied porch leads to narrow end through-passage, a plan peculiar in the Pennines to the Burnley and Colne areas. Wing has arched lights and internally a timber-framed partition wall and heavy ceiling beams resting on large moulded stone

corbels. Housepart has remains of elaborate plasterwork. Former smoke-hood arched over through-passage as at Everhillshaw, Heptonstall. Here a large ceiling beam is trying to do the twist! Outside is cheese-press stone and base, and stone roller. Tea/coffee/biscuits here. This part (Jackson's Farm) costs £5; the rest of the day is free of charge.

A Worsthorne walkabout follows, including Wallstreams (two ogee-headed windows). Some white-painted pointing in village, a local tradition. Also The Red Man.

Meet 10.30am at Winewall, near Trawden. Directions: Immediately east of Colne is a roundabout on the Keighley to Colne road (A6068). From here (Keighley Road) take the B6250 (Cotton Tree Lane) to Trawden, downhill in a south-easterly direction. After half a mile LBS Garden Centre will be seen on the left. Turn left after LBS into Winewall Road, then turn left again into the *public* car park, before Winewall Bridge and Cotton Tree Inn.

Maximum 24 people, YVBSG members and guests only. If you'd like to come, please telephone Kevin Illingworth on 01422 844941, saying whether you want lunch and leaving your telephone number clearly.



Jackson's Farm

More YVBSG events for your diary

Visit to Lawkland Hall and Clapham village, north Craven

Sunday 5 August 2012

A visit arranged by Kevin Illingworth which will include the following highlights:

10.30am. Clapham village (or a bit further) walkabout.

12.30pm. Lunch at The Old Manor House (listed grade II, 1701). Sandwiches and meals cost £3.50 to £5.50. The house has a two-storey porch with decorated lintel (1701) and triangular gable dovecote. Decorative hoodmould stops. Massive external stack. Having lunch here enables us to inspect the enormous segmental arched fireplace with joggled voussoirs, decorated keystone (1701) and two bread ovens.

1.45pm. Drive three miles to Lawkland Hall, Lawkland (grade I). Guided tour by Giles Bowring, the owner. House has hall range with crosswings, dating from the late sixteenth century and 1679, with much early twentieth century restoration. Features include priest-hole and tall stair-turret with spiral staircase, and belvedere at the top. Cheese-press stone outside.

Followed by a short walk to Bank Barn, a large seventeenth century barn (grade II), extended in 1763, with three re-used mullion windows (and transoms) in the gable end above the three-door shippon.

Finally, a pleasant walk through part of the 550 acre estate to a bank barn.

Lawkland Hall tour costs £5, all to charity, and there is a limit of 25 people. Lawkland Hall was recorded by YVBSG in 1985 (report number 1032). Search <http://list.english-heritage.org.uk> or www.imagesofengland.org.uk for further details.

Meet 10.30am outside The Old Manor House (Reading Room Café), Clapham, six miles north-west of Settle). Parking: YDNPA car park £4 for more than two hours; however there is free parking on Church Avenue alongside the river (Clapham Beck) as far as St James Church, especially for early birds.



Bank Barn, Lawkland Hall

A train from Leeds arrives at Clapham Station (Clapham 1¼ miles) at 10am on Sundays, if anyone needs collecting. Check National Rail Enquiries.

Clapham village shop is open 10am to 4pm on Sundays.

YVBSG members and guests only. If you wish to come, please telephone Kevin Illingworth on 01422 844941, clearly leaving your telephone number and stating whether you'd like lunch.

YVBSG 40th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday 1 September 2012

Join us at the Bedern Hall in York to celebrate 40 years of the YVBSG! This is an afternoon event to share some of the memorable moments from the Group's history and its achievements: where we have been, what we have found and what we have learnt. We look forward to seeing you there – booking form enclosed with this Newsheet or available on the website. Cost: £19. There will be an optional informal dinner in York in the evening for those who wish to stay on after the afternoon event.

It is intended that team leaders from the May conference will meet during the morning to discuss the draft reports in preparation for the review day.

Conference Review Day

Sunday 30 September 2012

An opportunity to hear about the buildings recorded during the Great Broughton conference and to review the findings. Details in the next Newsheet.

YVBSG website revamp

The YVBSG website has had a revamp so if you haven't visited it recently, do have a look! Whilst you're there, don't forget to visit the Members' Area – you should have received the login details with your membership card (or send an email to webmaster@yvbsg.org.uk for a reminder). Most of the slideshows presented at this year's day school are now available in this area for perusal.

News of members

Many of you will have met Peggy Secor, who was a regular at YVBSG events and who organised the recording conference in Uppertong in 2005. We were sorry to say goodbye to Peggy earlier this year when she returned to her native USA to live with her family; we wish her all the best for the future.

Membership renewal

Membership fees for 2012 became due on 1 January. If you find a renewal slip enclosed with this Newsheet, it means that you haven't yet renewed – please do so if you wish to receive *Yorkshire Buildings* 2011! You'll find your copy of *Yorkshire Buildings* 2010 enclosed.

Committee news

At the AGM on 26 March 2012 the Group expressed its grateful appreciation to David Cook for his eleven-year term as Chair. He is remaining on the committee and making the arrangements for the 40th Anniversary celebrations on 1 September 2012. We also thanked Malcolm Birdsall for his many years of service on the committee – his move to Staffordshire makes membership less practicable.

The new (or rather re-used) Chair is David Cant, in his second term of office. He is standing down from the *Yorkshire Buildings* Editorial Team to concentrate on this role and that of Archivist. The other committee members all agreed to continue and we would welcome a new member or two to join us in running the Group.

The Group also thanked the other officers, particularly Lorraine Moor for her work on the website and producing and distributing the newsheet, and active members such as Kevin Illingworth, who is preparing further walks and visits for the Group.

If you have any matters you would like the committee to consider – including suggestions for visits or other activities – we are having an electronic meeting over the next month or so, and a physical meeting on 7 October 2012.

David Cant

Other events of possible interest ...

Some of these events are publicised a long time in advance, so it's worth checking that they are still running before you go!

Calderdale Heritage Walks

Extensive programme around the old parish of Halifax over the summer. Most go past several interesting vernacular buildings; some focus on buildings. Visits to the private Kirklees Estate on 30 June and 1 July 2012 need to be booked beforehand by contacting the Visitor and Canal Centre, Hebden Bridge HX7 8AF, telephone 01422 843831. Details of all walks at www.CalderdaleHeritageWalks.org.uk.

Ox Head and Gruel

Until August 2012

A display about almshouses and workhouses in the East Riding, at Skidby Mill, near Beverley, telephone 01482 848405.

Visit a Farm in 2012

Until Sunday 14 October 2012

Over eighty walks looking at farming landscapes in the three historic counties that make up Cumbria. For example on Saturday 14 July 2012 you can visit Park House Farm, Heversham, just south of Kendal and only about ten miles from Yorkshire. A barn with seven fifteenth century upper cruck trusses and an attached horse-gin house can be visited. See the Farming Landscapes website www.farminglandscapes.com.

Corn Milling in North Yorkshire

Tuesday 12 June 2012

Talk by Peter Morgan and John Harrison to Northallerton and District Local History Society, 7pm at Sacred Heart RC Church Hall, Thirsk Road Northallerton. Visitors £2.50. Enquiries: John Sheehan, telephone 01609 771878, jgsheehan@btinternet.com, website www.northyorkshistory.co.uk.

In the Attic

Wednesday 13 June 2012

Talk to Friends of Swaledale Museum by Tony Nicolson. When Tony moved into an old house in East Cleveland he discovered a horde of letters and photographs mouldering away in the attic. It was the start of a fascinating historical journey and stories began to emerge of people who once lived in the house. 7.30pm in Fremington Sunday School, £4. Enquiries: 01748 884118, museum.swaledale@btinternet.com.

Open Farm Sunday

Sunday 17 June 2012

Visit a farm and find some interesting farm buildings! Full details of farms open on this day can be found at www.farmsunday.org.

Markenfield Hall Open Days

Sunday 17 to Saturday 30 June 2012

This year's visitors to Markenfield Hall, near Ripon, will be able to see the Hall's utility room for the very first time. This is one of the oldest parts of the Hall, believed to date back to 1280, and originally formed part of a much smaller free-standing medieval house with small vaulted rooms on the ground floor and a much smaller great hall above. Open 2pm to 5pm on the above dates only. Telephone 01765 692303, www.markenfield.com.

Life on a Dales Farm in 17th and 18th Centuries

Tuesday 19 June 2012

Talk by Louisa Gidney to Middleham and Dales Local History Group at Middleham Key Centre, from 2pm to 4pm. Visitors are welcome to attend individual meetings for a fee of £3. For further information, please contact Tony Keates on 01969 640436 or email dotandtonyk@btinternet.com, website www.middlehamonline.com/MDLH%20Group.htm.

Clapham Revealed

Saturday 23 June 2012

A day exploring some of the latest research into Clapham's past. Sessions include *Setting the Scene* (Dr David Johnson); *History and Development* (Ken Pearce); *Tour of Clapham's Historic Buildings and Sites* (James Innerdale); and *Clapham in Maps*. Tickets £12 (£10 concessions) including lunch. Please book in advance by ringing Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust on 015242 51002 or email info@ydmtd.org. All proceeds to St James' Church, Clapham.

A Ramble Round Old Snaith

Wednesday 27 June 2012

East Riding Local History Walk, led by Mr Ron Christian, Snaith Historical and Heritage Societies. Meet at the Main gate of the Parish Church in Snaith, near Goole, 7-9pm, £5. Book in person at the Treasure House in Beverley, telephone 01482 392790, or online at www.eastriding.gov.uk/events.

Vernacular Architecture, Gisburn

Sunday 1 July 2012

North Craven Heritage Trust event led by Kevin Illingworth. Includes a walk down to Gisburne Park, a country house built 1728-36, now a private hospital. Starts 1pm at Gisburn village hall car park (SD 827486), visitors £2. Enquiries: Kevin Illingworth on 01422 844941. Web www.northcravenheritage.org.uk.

Rudston Revealed

Wednesday 4 July 2012

East Riding Local History Walk. An introduction to local geology, archaeology, building stones and the landscape of Rudston, led by Richard Myerscough. Meet at Rudston Parish Church. 7-9pm, £5. Book in person at the Treasure House in Beverley, telephone 01482 392790, or online at www.eastriding.gov.uk/events.

Carleton-in-Craven

Thursday 5 July 2012

Walk with Sue Wrathmell for Upper Wharfedale Heritage Group. For details see www.uwhg.org.uk.

Guided walk of Gayle Village

Sunday 5 August 2012

Join Gaby Rose, Building Conservation Officer for Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, for a guided walk of Gayle. Gaby will pick out key examples of historic architecture and discuss how the buildings have changed over time. Starts at Gayle Mill. 11am to 12.30pm, £3.50. To book, telephone Samantha Belcher on 01969 667320, email samantha.belcher@gaylemill.org.uk.

Gayle Mill also hosts a varied programme of other events, including tours of the Victorian saw mill, during which you will see the original water-powered woodworking machinery of 1879 being demonstrated. Also courses on dry stone walling and blacksmithing. Full details at www.gaylemill.org.uk.

Explore a 12th Century Planned Village

Sunday 5 August 2012

A gentle stroll around Appleton le Moors looking at its development. 10.45am to noon. To book, telephone North York Moors National Park Authority on 01439 772738.

Caring for your Historic Building

Saturday 13 October 2012

An event in the historic village of Dent intended for owners and occupiers of historic buildings but also of more general interest. Programme includes *Bats and Historic Structures* (John Drewett); *The Buildings of Dentdale* (Jonathan Ratter); *Dent Conservation Area Walk* (James Innerdale and Jonathan Ratter); *Outdoors Practical Demonstrations* (Kevin Woods). £15. Enquiries: Building Conservation Officer, Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority, Bainbridge, email herinfo@yorkshiredales.org.uk, telephone 01969 652354, www.yorkshiredales.org.uk.

What else have we been up to?

In March a team of YVBSG members visited Burns Farm, home to Hornsea Museum, to provide training on recording techniques for museum volunteers as part of a Heritage Lottery Funded project to repair, conserve and interpret the main building of the museum. The building is a mid-eighteenth century two-storey Holderness farmhouse which probably developed from an earlier single-storey cobblestone building. Further details available at www.hornseamuseum.com or see the blog at hornseamuseum.blogspot.co.uk. A follow-up day will take place later in the year.

In May, Tony Tolhurst and Lorraine Moor visited Terrington in the Howardian Hills to give a practical workshop on vernacular buildings to the Terrington History Group. The day involved a walk around the village to identify the older properties and point out features of interest, followed by a training exercise to record a cottage in detail. Further recording in the village may result from this day!

And, of course, our grateful thanks go to David Cook and David Cant for arranging the most enjoyable day school in March, and to Barry Harrison, Jacky Quarmby and the Kirby, Great Broughton and Ingleby Greenhow Local History Group for organising a very successful recording conference in May.

Next Newsheet

Many thanks to everybody who contributed to this newsheet. The next edition will be in August 2012 – please send any items of interest to members to the editor by 31 July 2012.

Festival of British Archaeology

Saturday 14 to Sunday 29 July 2012 sees the annual extravaganza of heritage events coordinated by the Council for British Archaeology, telephone 01904 671417, website <http://festival.britarch.ac.uk>. This year's events include:

Boskins, Booses and Barns – Saturday 14 to Saturday 28 July. A display by Upper Wharfedale Heritage Group of the recording and interpretation of traditional agricultural buildings in Kettlewell with Starbottan Parish in Upper Wharfedale, including isolated field barns, village barns, stables, hennery, piggery, game hanging shed and a mid 1950s grass dryer. 9am to 7.30pm each day, free. Location: Long Ashes Leisure Park, Threshfield, near Grassington. Enquiries: Ruth Spencer, email ruthspencer@btinternet.com.

Gouthwaite Lodge Farm Heritage Walk – Saturday 14 July. Join Gillian Hovell for a fascinating walk through the history of Gouthwaite Lodge Farm. 2pm to 5pm, cost £4. Booking essential on 01423 712950, email aonbevents@harrogate.gov.uk, www.nidderdaleaonb.org.uk.

Hoylandswaine Nail Forge – Sunday 15 July. A small historic workshop where nails used to be made by hand, listed Grade II and conserved as a historic building. 11am to 4pm, free. Location: Barnsley Road, Hoylandswaine, near Penistone. Enquiries: Derek Bayliss, telephone 01142 307693.

The Evolution of a Windmill – Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 July. Holgate Mill in York is a Lincolnshire-style tower mill of 1770 now restored to full working order. 11am to 4pm, cost £3. Enquiries: Jenny Hartland, telephone 01904 624387, web www.holgatewindmill.org.

Research into galleting – an update

Over the winter of 2011-2012 requests were sent out asking for details, locations and photographs of properties with galleted joints as part of research being carried out at Anglia Ruskin University. Thanks to the interest of groups such as the YVBSG, responses have been received from as far north as the Orkneys and as far south as Guernsey. Everyone who has participated should have received a response; please let me know if this is not the case or if you would like to learn more. The information has helped to build an invaluable resource for the study of the geographical spread and development of galleting throughout the UK.

Detailed photographs are particularly useful for comparing different joints and understanding regional variations in these. We were not disappointed with the quantity or quality of the pictures received. However according to the information available about historical buildings in the Yorkshire area and counties to the north of the region there should be many examples of some interest to us but unfortunately we are desperately short of close-up pictures to

support this. Perceptions of galleting vary considerably from one area to another and for this reason it can be difficult to identify but we are very happy to receive any pictures that show smaller pieces of stone, brick, glass, indeed any material that is incorporated into the masonry joints of a wall. Some examples of jointing can be viewed on my website at www.galleting.com.

If you are out and about with your camera and spot a wall that might be of interest please do not hesitate to take a photograph and send it to me at the email address below. As I said last time, any information, no matter how small, is much appreciated as every piece adds to the overall picture. Once again thanks from me and the rest of the team at Anglia Ruskin University to all who have contributed to this valuable work.

The research team can be contacted by writing to C J Arnott, 23 Vine Court Road, Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 3UY, by telephone 01732 457432, or by email at colin.arnott@student.anglia.ac.uk.

Colin Arnott



Two very different forms of masonry joint, one of flint from Sussex and the other from Dunmurry in Ireland

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