



Calderdale FHS Newsletter

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Project update

Work progresses on the Workhouse project and a further 2 books have been transcribed. Turnround has slackened slightly, due to the summer holidays, but the team are still working at a great rate. We have got as far as 1907, so only 17 more years to go!!

A future project, which was to have been the transcription of Monumental Inscriptions from St Peter, Walsden, has been investigated further. Unfortunately, the church has suffered structural deterioration with the result that people are prohibited from entering the grounds. Consequently, this project has been put on indefinite hold.

Useful addition to the Society website

We have made a useful change to our Society website www.cfhsweb.com

On the Home page, we now have a section “Up and coming Events of Interest” which is placed at the top of the page. Here you will find details of various events that we know about that are happening in the next few weeks.

These entries will be constantly updated, so are likely to change at various times throughout the month. We will try to keep the entries topical and remove them once they are no longer relevant.

So keep checking the Society website and you may well find some items of interest to you that you didn't realise were happening!!

Diploma in Genealogy/Certificate in History of Family and Genealogical Methods

The Irish Ancestry Research Centre are a leading provider of services designed to help people understand their past and save it for future generations. In addition to offering a personalised genealogical research service, they also run the Certificate in History of Family & Genealogical Methods course (accredited by the University of Limerick) and the Diploma in Genealogy (accredited by University College Cork). Both courses are available online.

Past experience has shown that the Certificate and Diploma are favoured by members of historical societies and in particular those living overseas with an interest in their Irish ancestry. Information on both courses is available on the [Irish Ancestry Research Centre website](http://www.irishancestryresearchcentre.com).



Dates for the Diary

Hybrid meeting—Thursday
22 August 2024 at 7.30 pm
(Repeat 28 August at 9.00 am)

Maurice Jagger Centre, Lister Street, off
Winding Road, Halifax

'Hartshead, its peoples and environs', by Margot Atherton (CFHS member—Live presentation)

The Yorkshire village of Hartshead has pre-Norman origins and is derived from the Viking name Herteshevet or Hill of Heart. For more than 900 years village life has centred on the church of St. Peter's and it's the history of the church and the many links it has with her ancestors that Margot will initially explore.

Margot will then move on to discuss the church's association with the Brontë family, which will be followed by the historical importance of the Anglo-Saxon Walton Cross and Sepulchre quaker burial ground, both of which are located nearby.

In conclusion, Margot will present a historical overview of the village and, in particular, the history surrounding Roe Head and Kirklees Hall, which of course is the final resting place of a famous folk hero!

Please note that complimentary Tea/Coffee and Biscuits is now served from 7.15pm on Thursday evening

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Forthcoming CFHS events

Thursday 26 September 2024 at 7.30 pm
(Repeat Wednesday 2 October at 9.00 am)

'DNA Q&A—I know who I am, thanks to DNA,
by Graham Farmer (Live presentation)

The presentation and discussion, will share information in simple and understandable terms on the use of DNA in family history research. DNA analysis is not a magic bullet, but it can break down walls when combined with traditional research methods.

Graham uses examples from his own research, combining the common autosomal Ancestry DNA and more specific y-DNA testing to identify his paternal Great-Great-Grandfather, which led him to some very interesting geographical surprises!

Forthcoming events

8 August at 7.30 pm—A Lifetime in History—
Dr Peter Liddle

Peter is one of the early pioneers of Oral History, a renowned author and the creator of two nationally significant archives—*The Liddle Collection* at Leeds University and *The Second World War Experience* at Otley.

He will make clear how his commitment to rescue the evidence of the past had its origin and then became a passion to record memories and material evidence of personal experience of both world wars.

He suggests how we should look at the past to avoid pitfalls of misunderstanding and insists that the rewards of history lie within the reach of everyone.

Venue: Calderdale Industrial Museum

Admission: FREE

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