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# CALDERDALE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

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Calderdale Family History Society was founded on the 7th March 1985.

## We aim

- To encourage interest in, and assist with, research relevant to the study of family history in Halifax and the Calder valley.

## Our area

- Covers the modern Calderdale Council established in 1975, which broadly covers the same area as the Ancient Parish of Halifax, with the addition to the west of the township of Todmorden and Walsden.

## We do this by

- Holding meetings, usually on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month (except December) in Halifax. (Currently, 2022, Hybrid meetings, in Halifax and by Zoom)
- Publishing *The Scrivener*, a quarterly journal, in paper form for full members and on our website for internet members. Contact the Scrivener Editor.
- Publishing a monthly Newsletter for members who have an email address. Contact the Newsletter Editor.
- Publishing a Facebook page. Contact the Web Administrator.
- Hosting a website [www.cfhsweb.com](http://www.cfhsweb.com), and a members' forum. Contact the Web Administrator.
- Running projects to transcribe records relevant to members' research. Contact the Projects Co-ordinator.
- Publishing transcribed records. Contact the Publications Officer.
- Providing an enquiry and search service from our records. Contact the Enquiry service Co-ordinator.
- Maintaining a list of members' interests by surname and dates of interest, which are available to members on the website. Each quarter new additions are published in *The Scrivener*. Contact the Members' Interests Co-ordinator.

## Membership

- Is open to all family historians who have an interest in the area. Contact the Membership Secretary.
- Annual subscriptions are £12.00 for UK individuals (£14.00 for family membership),
- Internet membership is £6.00/ £8.00 which only provides information such as the journal on the Internet, but not on paper.
- Subscriptions are due on the 1st of the month, on the anniversary of joining the Society (cheques made payable to CFHS.) and should be sent to the Treasurer.
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## Contacting the Society

- All correspondence requiring a reply must be accompanied by a S.A.E. Contact the Secretary or appropriate officer.
- The names, addresses and email contacts of the Society's officers and co-ordinators appear inside the back cover of *The Scrivener* and on the Society's website.

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***Please note that, due my other commitments, the copy date for the Summer issue is MAY 1st. Editor.***

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You may view the information that we hold by applying to the Membership Secretary - [membsec@cfhsweb.com](mailto:membsec@cfhsweb.com). You may also view the Society Data Protection Policy and the GDPR Compliance Document by applying to the Secretary - [secretary@cfhsweb.com](mailto:secretary@cfhsweb.com)

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### ***Insurance Exclusions***

*The insurance which we hold for certain activities undertaken by members is limited to cover for members under 75 years of age. Consequently, any member over 75 who is concerned about taking part in specific Society activities should contact the Secretary for clarification.*

Many Meetings, Events etc. have been cancelled or take place virtually, due to Coronavirus.  
Please check with the organiser if you are unsure.

## Editorial

### HELP!

This issue contains a lot of pleas for help. Please do read them and see if you can do anything!

In particular the following article (Page 6)

#### **Keeping our Society Safe and Sound.**

### Also

**Charlotte is researching her Ellis/Holroyd relations. page 24**

**Richard Akroyd** (page 25) wants to know from gravestone transcribers where or how he might locate the graves of his ancestors at St. Mary's, Cottonstones.

**Fran Rees** has sent a lot of pictures, including sketches by her Great Grandfather. (Cover picture and the article on page 28). I don't have room for them all in this issue, but I will try to publish them later. Does anyone recognise any of them?

**Russel Dufton** is researching his **Sutcliffe** ancestors, and wonders if he's got the right ones. Page 26

If the enquirer does not give an address for reply, please contact me

[editor@cfhsweb.com](mailto:editor@cfhsweb.com)

and I will pass the message on.

### COVER PICTURE

Pencil sketch by Edward Makinson Haigh  
the Great grandfather of Fran Rees - See article on page 28.  
The sketch is probably of somewhere in the Calderdale locality, but exactly where is not known. Does anyone recognise it?

## **Keeping our Society Safe and Sound**

One of the things that is a continuing concern to your Committee, in common with many other voluntary Societies, is "Continuity of Service", which is a management-speak term for "Making sure things don't go wrong".

By this we mean what happens if a volunteer who has an important role in the Society suddenly becomes unavailable, either for a long time, due to sickness or family reasons, or, worse still, if they die. Given that, almost by definition, most of our membership are over retirement age, these possibilities are more likely than in the normal run of events. We also want volunteers to feel that they only have to do tasks that they enjoy and, given they give their time for nothing, should be able to give up with a clear conscience.

Just about all the posts in the Society can now be done remotely, so many can be done by anyone, anywhere in the world. If the job requires attendance at Committee meetings, these are now always done via Zoom.

We have been looking at ways in which we can alleviate these kind of problems, and we believe there are 3 possible answers, depending on the jobs at hand.

Firstly, we always hope that one of our members may like to take on an entire role, under supervision, so that we have cover for the tasks that are required.

The second possible approach is to share out some of the tasks carried out by an existing officer to someone who is prepared to "help out" without taking the total responsibility for the job. In effect, being that officer's "assistant".

Thirdly, for a specific task that requires a particular expertise which may be scarce, the Committee see no reason, in principle, why the officer has to be a member of the Society. The particular role in question is handling Social Media. This is becoming an increasingly important aspect of the Society and it is quite possible that someone with no Family History interest may, nevertheless, enjoy handling a set of Social Media tools, providing that he/she is fed the necessary information to broadcast.

### **Treasurer.**

Talking specifically about the 1<sup>st</sup> point, we are very interested in asking for an existing member to consider taking over the role of Treasurer. Peter Lord, at present, is quite willing to continue, but, as he is now over 80, we consider that it would be opportune, if possible, to pass this responsibility to someone younger, whilst Peter is around to help and advise.

This role occupies no more than 4 or 5 hours per month, mostly in short bursts of time. Our bank accounts are all processed on-line and the only reason to have to visit a bank branch is to bank any cheques received. Even this, in time, may become a thing of the past.

Briefly, the main tasks include :-

- Maintaining the Society's accounts on a pre-designed MSExcel workbook, which is self-balancing.

- Checking on a regular basis, probably once a week, the bank account to ensure all payments and receipts are recorded in our accounts.

- Receiving payments from members by cheque, almost always memberships, and banking them locally. This can be done once every 2 weeks.

- Keeping a record of all Genfair orders, as passed to you by the Publications Officer, and ensuring they balance against Genfair's monthly payment to us.

- Reporting every 2 months to the Committee on the current financial situation. There is a reliable process to do this in a formatted manner.

- At the end of the financial year, to prepare the Society Annual Accounts, get them audited and report to the AGM in April.

- Preparing budgets for the next year and agree them with the Society Chairman.

All these processes are fully documented, which will be made available to any prospective volunteer.

### **"Assistant" Role.**

The particular officer where we would benefit from having an extra pair of hands is that of Membership Secretary who is also over 80 years old. Susan Clarke's job, as well as processing all new membership applications and renewals on an on-going basis also has a number of regular, routine, tasks to perform, each one fairly straightforward and done to a timetable.

All her work centres round the Membership Database, which is held in MSAccess. However, there is no need for either Susan (which she doesn't!) or any "assistant" to understand the inner workings of this, as it is designed to perform a number of tasks "at the press of a button" – quite literally. It is important that there is only one master copy of the database held, which Susan keeps, but working copies can be distributed to allow many of the tasks to be performed on that. So anyone doing this "assistant's" job would work with a copy of the database provided regularly by Susan. The likely tasks, most of which take only a few minutes each, need to be done around the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month or the 15<sup>th</sup>. These are :-

- Sending out reminders to members whose subscriptions are due.

- Sending out 2<sup>nd</sup> reminders to members who have not yet renewed.

- Passing relevant statistics to the Statistics Coordinator (bi-monthly)

- Notifying Internet members that the latest Scrivener is on-line (quarterly)

- Downloading new Members' Interests from the website and preparing them for publication (quarterly)

- Producing a labels file to go to the Scrivener printer (quarterly)

As with the Treasurer's post, there are detailed processes to take you step by step through each process.

### **Social Media.**

The society currently has no-one with the necessary expertise to get the best out of Facebook, YouTube and Twitter, along with any other relevant social media tools. What we urgently need is someone with an interest in these who has the time to spend a few minutes every other day or so, posting material of relevance and having ideas about how best we can use these tools. This person does not have to be a society member – just someone who is enthusiastic in making the most of the media available.

### **What members can do.**

If you have an interest in supporting the Society in any of these roles, particularly the Treasurer or Membership Secretary's "Assistant", please come forward to our Systems Coordinator, Peter Lord, who can be contacted by e-Mail at [sys-tems@cfhsweb.com](mailto:sys-tems@cfhsweb.com) or by 'phone on 01484-718576.

If you want to know more about the detail of these positions before committing yourselves, Peter will provide this and talk to you about any queries that you may have.

If you have an interest in the Social Media aspect, or know someone who may be (perhaps a child or grandchild), please put Peter in touch with them, after talking to them about it.

We do hope that we can fill these positions in the manner described, otherwise, as a Society, we will continue to be vulnerable.

We look forward to hearing from you.

## MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Surname	Location	County	Known from	Known to	Wanted from	Wanted to
SWARBRECK	HALIFAX	WRY			Start	1860
THORNER	SOWERBY BRIDGE	YOR			1600	1921
THORNER	HALIFAX	YOR			1600	1921

You can find out which member is interested in these names, and how to contact them, by going to the Members' Area on the CFHS web site.  
<http://www.cfhsweb.com>  
Or contact the Membership Secretary.

Hi,

In 2011, you published a list of Member's interests. We have had continual updates but only for new members, the old ones haven't been deleted.

Is it time that a new "Member's Interests" catalogue was issued?

**Many thanks, Phil Clegg.**

Hello Phil,  
Happy New Year !

Thanks for your E-Mail to Frances, our Scrivener Editor, which has been passed to me to answer.

A number of years ago, once we had a more sophisticated website, we decided to change the system that handles Members' Interests. There were 2 reasons for this :

- The task of administering the system the "old" way was becoming increasingly arduous & we were having difficulty in finding a volunteer to take on the job, particularly as the original member concerned, sadly, died.

- A regular print-run of the Members' Interests booklet was very expensive & we thought a more up-to-date system would not only "streamline" the system but save the Society - & thus the members - money. Additionally, a new system that allowed members to add, change or delete their own entries seemed a more accurate way to do things.

As a result, we developed the following system, which now operates as follows, supervised by the Membership Secretary :-

- On the Society website, once logged on as a member, you can access the "Interests" section under the tab "Members' Area". As well as a set of instructions to describe the detail of the operation, there are 2 aspects available - one to allow you to search for any surname of interest & the other to allow you to add, change or delete the interests that you have submitted.

- Although it is members who add to the Members Interests, each quarter any new entries are published in the Scrivener, to remind all members of any changes that they may be interested in.

- When a member fails to renew their membership, their associated interests are removed from the Members Interests. There may be a few months delay before this happens, as we need to be sure that the particular member does not decide, after all, to renew.

I hope that this gives you a better idea about how the system works & the reasons for doing things the way that we do. If you think that there are aspects of this that could be improved, or which may be failing, please let us know the detail & we will investigate.

**Best wishes, Peter Lord, Systems Coordinator.**

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### **MEMBERS' INTERESTS IN THE WIDER WORLD.**

Some members may not know about an initiative started last year by the Family History Federation to make Members' Interests from their member societies more widely available.

Our society has subscribed to this, so that all the Members' Interests that appear on our Members' Area of our website also appear on the Federation site. However, to preserve our members' privacy, no personal details appear on the FHF site – only the interested member's CFHS membership number.

A number of other societies in the UK have also subscribed to this, so that there are now quite a number of Members' Interests available for enquiry.

The way in which the system works is as follows :-

- Log on to <https://www.familyhistoryfederation.com>
- Click on the menu item "Surname Interests".
- On the screen presented you can enter the surname concerned, plus (optionally) the County, Chapman Code and/or Country.
- Click on the "Search" box.
- A list of entries that have been selected is shown. If you find one of interest, click on the icon "brown box with arrow" on the LHS, just below entry concerned.

- This will take you to the relevant page for the FHS concerned. Each society has its own way of dealing with an enquiry, so the page you have gone to will explain how to place your request for information.

Many Societies will ask you to enter the details requested plus your contact details & they will then, in due course, send you what information they have.

The way our Society works is the enquirer is directed to a particular page on our website. This tells the enquirer to send the information from the FHF site to our Search Coordinator, along with any contact details that we ask for. Once the Search Coordinator gets the request, she passes it on to the CFHS member concerned who can then respond as they see fit.

We hope that highlighting this system to you will open another avenue for you in your research.

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### **St Matthew, Lightcliffe, graveyard – families' details**

The Friends of St Matthews Churchyard in Lightcliffe have been doing detailed research into families who have a member buried there & who has Lightcliffe connections.

They have, very kindly, shared the names of these with us, and those names are listed below. Where there are 2 names on an entry, that entry is repeated elsewhere in the list, but with the 2<sup>nd</sup> name shown first. This has been done so that we can list all the relevant names in alphabetical sequence, so that you can be sure of finding the person you may be searching for.

The research for these has been done mainly by one member of the society – the secretary, Dorothy Barker – to whom we & St Matthew's Friends owe a debt of gratitude for all the effort that this has taken.

If you find a name that is of interest to you, you can go on to the Friends' website at [www.lightcliffchurchyard.org.uk](http://www.lightcliffchurchyard.org.uk) and, on the drop-down menu item "About the Churchyard", select "People of Interest". Here you will find a summary of each family with links to a host of detail.

If you find an item that helps you in your family research, I am sure that The Friends of Lightcliffe Churchyard would welcome any donation that you care to make !! Just click on the button "Make a Donation" in the top RH corner of the screen & you will see how this can be done.

We hope that you find someone of interest on this list.

Appleyards & Kendalls	Naylor, Arthur (Pte)
Armytages of Holme House	Naylor, Joseph Dragoon Guard
Aspinall	Newsomes
Berrys	Parkinsons & Cordingleys
Booth, Fred (TF Firth's in USA)	Pearson, Shibden Valley
Booth, Fred (WW1)	Pickles, Greaves and Greenwood
Bradley, Sharp & Shooter	Pybus
Brook, Joe Lumb	Ripley, Alfred RN
Brown, Percy	Robinsons
Chateris & Watkinson	Roff, Alfred
Cordingleys & Parkinsons	Rushworth William
Dawson, Mark mayor Bradford	Rushworth, Arthur
Ellis, Sidney	Schofield
Flathers	Sharp, Bradley, & Shooter
Foster JJ	Sharp, Samuel
Greaves, Pickles and Greenwood	Sharpe, Edgar
Greenwood, Pickles and Greaves	Shaw, Joe Willie
Guest, Joshua, General	Shooter, Bradley & Sharp
Gurney, Sutcliffe & Wilkinson - curates	Smallwood, James
Hartley, May	Smith John, land agent
Hatton & Swain	Sowden, Samuel
Hinscliff, James	Sucksmiths
Holt, Joe	Sutcliffe, Wilkinson & Gurney - curates
Howorths of Pump	Swain & Hatton
Kendalls & Appleyards	Turner, Abraham
Kershaw, Christopher Sgt	Walker, Ann
Lees	Walker, Roland
Lumb, Joe & Brooke	Washington, Samuel
Manns	Watkinson & Chateris
Middleton Scales	Wilkinson, Sutcliffe & Gurney - curates
Mitchell, Fred	Wood family

**CFHS Talk ~ October 2021**  
**Deadlier Than the Male**  
**by Phil Judkins. University of Leeds.**

Have you ever sat back from reading the paper or listening to the TV and said "Impossible! that just can't be true!" Many women and men who trace their family history come to me in disbelief at the roles undertaken by women in war time saying this can't be right, that woman can't have done that.

This talk is the antidote.

When war was declared the first thought of young men was to rush to the front before it was all over by Christmas. The response of women of all ages and groups was to encourage this. But at the front, for all nations, the reality brought a sharp shock because of casualties not only the Western front, but on the Russian front too. Conditions as the first winter of the war closed in began to show just how dire the war was to be. Many British women volunteered to go to Russia, and to Serbia, then an ally.

A question I was asked. "My Nan knew a nurse with a pretty ordinary name, who nearly got shot on the Western Front in 1914, but became a Countess and the head of 1000 Airwomen in the 2<sup>nd</sup> war. "

Meet Mrs Elsie **Knocker** A divorcee who remarried to become Baroness de **T' Serclaes**, and in 1940 the head of all the Airwomen involved in radar.

18 year old Scot Mairi **Chisholm** had a very open minded father, who'd bought her a motor cycle. When the 1<sup>st</sup> World war broke out she announced that she'd ride to London and join the Women's Emergency Corps as she already knew Elsie. Mairi's mother had refused her consent, but Mairi went anyway and was soon transferred to the Flying Ambulance column. But the query said "nearly wounded on the Western Front" surely nurses must be far back behind the lines. Well not in this case, Elsie and Mairi realised very quickly that the sooner wounds were treated and dressed the less the risk of infection. Accordingly in 1914, they set up their own dressing station a few yards from the front line in a wrecked cottage that was progressively shelled apart during their stay. After that they moved to another cottage, and then another, and so on.

In March 1915 a decree was passed by the Allied Command forbidding the presence of any women in the firing line, but at the personal request of the King of Belgium an exception was made for Elsie and Mairi by name. They had to be officially attached to the 3<sup>rd</sup> division of the Belgian Army, because the Red Cross could not legally cover them. Both survived the war, but alas their story has a sad ending. Elsie had chosen to pretend, first to Mairi, and then to her husband the Baron, that she was a widow. In 1918 when the truth came out Elsie and Mairi became estranged, and Elsie's marriage was declared bigamous. That might have been a lucky escape, because in the 2<sup>nd</sup> war the Baron became a German spy!!

Elsie herself bounced back and moved on to a successful career in the WAAFs in WW2.

Another question,  
"My great aunt won a Serbian War medal. She couldn't have!"

She probably did, maybe a Russian one as well.

The reason is that in WW1 Serbia and Russia were allies, and many British nurses served in both countries, at least until the Russian revolution of 1917. They won high praise, here is a comment from a Serb General, 'We've seen the courage of these women, we know now why their country is great'

This accolade was not lightly given. Women in Eastern Europe already played an active part when the need arose. I smiled to myself when I heard Generals frequently distinguish between front line nurses – Good- from front line women in combat, -Bad - Flora **Sandes**, went to Serbia as a nurse, but then joined the Serbian Army in the campaign in Montenegro and Albania during the winter of 1915. She rose to the rank of Sergeant Major.

Well you might say, they made them tough then, it couldn't happen today!

Able Seaman Kate **Nesbitt** won the Military Cross on the battlefield in Lashkar Gah, when just 19, for saving the life of a Commando who had been shot through the neck. She dashed forward through intense Taliban fire to apply first aid. She is not the youngest nurse to win that medal. That distinction goes to 18 year old private Michelle **Norris**, who in 2006 climbed to the top of an armoured vehicle to give first aid to a comrade, disregarding the concentrated fire from some 200 Taliban.

In 1914 Princess Mary funded the gift of a box containing tobacco, chocolate and other items, to all the serving troops. Included in the tin was a card saying 'from Mary and the women of the Empire'.

One suburb of my own City of Wakefield is Outwood, and the cinema was called the Empire, which led to one puzzled Wakefield soldier saying, 'but I don't know anyone called Mary at the Empire.

But where were the women of the Outwood Empire? They were making shells for the guns.

Munitions work was performed under conditions that would have given today's Health and Safety a fit, and given the pressure to produce armaments for the front line, all too often there was the temptation to cut corners, to use steel tools that could strike a spark, to neglect to keep areas scrupulously clean.

Yorkshire's two munitions works were at Barnbow in Leeds and Low Moor in Bradford. In Low Moor on the 21<sup>st</sup> August 1916 the explosions went on for 2 days. Killing 38, demolishing 50 homes and damaging 2000! While just 100

days later the Barnblow blast killed 35. The works records states simply Quote- 'Production stopped only briefly, within hours other girls volunteered to help clean up and work in the area'- . You might consider they were cleaning up the remains of their colleagues.

The first world war also saw the number of women employed on the land increase substantially, as Britain attempted to produce as much food as possible at home.

Were there women combat pilots in the 1<sup>st</sup> world war?

There was certainly one, Marie **Marvingt** .

A French athlete, pilot and journalist, who won numerous prizes for sporting achievements including swimming, cycling, mountain climbing, winter sports, ballooning, flying, riding, gymnastics, athletics, shooting and fencing! A record breaking balloonist she became the first female combat pilot. She was also a qualified surgical nurse, and was the first trained and qualified flight nurse in the world. During the first world war, at age 39, she simply disguised herself as a man and served on the front line in the 42<sup>nd</sup> battalion. Discovered and sent home, she later participated in military operations with the Italian 3<sup>rd</sup> regiment Alpine troops. In 1915 she became the first woman in the world to fly combat missions when she became a volunteer bomber pilot, winning the Croix de Guerre for bombing a German military base in Metz. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> world war she resumed work as a red cross nurse, continued her promotion of the Red Cross ambulance plane and founded a home for wounded aviators. She also fought in the resistance for which she was again decorated.

The RAF and the WAAF were both formed on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 1918. Because of the opportunities offered for motor cycle and car driving, positions were much sought after, as they were seen as particularly adventurous.

Likewise were the roles available to women in the Women's Royal Naval Service, the WRENS. The WRENS were also employed on testing wireless valves, the cutting edge of WW1 technology.

The WRENS had other secret cutting edges. Code breaking. The British had a copy of the German naval codes, salvaged by the Russians from a stranded German cruiser. The German Navy operated many of the Airship raids, the Zeppelins of the 1<sup>st</sup> world war, we could intercept and read their signals. To do this code breakers were required, and here's one comment regarding Helen **Smith**. The entry says:

'The recruitment board didn't care for her, but they had nothing against her. She only looked colourless! And the Dr would probably turn her down because of her teeth. She might do for decoding.'

As a result of her endeavours 2 Zeppelin were tracked and shot down into the sea.

World War 1 dragged to it's end and at Versailles they negotiated the peace treaty which was supposed to put an end to war.

Today we reflect that a more accurate assessment was given by the French General

Bosch, who in 1919 exploded 'This is no peace, it is an armistice for 20 years' In which he was almost exactly right

Perhaps I can illustrate a gentler part of the military lark, in the 1920's and 30's, with a woman, whose fame came very early courtesy of poet John **Betjeman**. Her name Miss Joan **Hunter Dunn**.

Furnished and burnished by Aldershot's sun  
We stayed in the car park till twenty past one,  
and now I'm engaged to Miss Joan **Hunter Dunn**.

as it says in **Betjeman's** poem A Subaltern's Love poem.

I'll move on now to the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War, where we'll see women taking on still more roles, many of which built on what women had been doing in the 1<sup>st</sup> World War. But the women of 1939 knew what to expect and were ready as they put it 'to finish unfinished business'.

What did happen was that many people for the first time experienced how others lived, and the shock was profound. Women did considerably more in the defence of Britain against air raids than simply assist with evacuation.

Some of the conditions of work seem strange to us now, for instance, if Civil Defence workers, male or female, worked out of area their pay was reduced. The argument was The Government was providing their food! Women also undertook fundamentally gory roles, that of mortuary workers for example.

Once again there were odd ways of working. In my old city of Wakefield mortuary workers were not provided with helmets, although they had to go out to collect bodies and body parts during the raids, and even postmen had helmets. Instead the women mortuary attendants asked to be provided with rubber boots, to be used quote 'when washing the bodies in the troughs'. A hardy breed!

"I heard of a secretary killed doing bomb disposal? Not possible surely."

Her name was Eileen **Morden**, and she was employed by the Ministry of Supplies as secretary to Charles **Howard**, the Ministry's chief research officer, and also an expert on explosives. If I give him his proper title, Charles **Howard** Earl of Suffolk.

The Earl clearly thought that his work, developing explosives, was boring and he took up bomb disposal at nights. The longest walk, bomb disposal people always say, is the one towards the bomb you're about to defuse, because everyone else is running away from it. Each time the Earl took the longest walk Eileen went with him to take dictation as he was dismantling the bombs so that instructions could be written on how to deal with them.

No 34 went well, the 35<sup>th</sup> diffusing at Belvedere Marshes on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 1941 did not and both were killed.

It couldn't happen today? Think again! Bomb disposal in Helmand Province was

carried out by women also. 24 year old Sapper Victoria **Swain** of the Territorials, who also works for the BBC. On her last tour of duty the man working next to her lost both his legs. Victoria saved his life by applying a tourniquet.

Someone defused the shells and bombs, so someone must make them, and as in the 1<sup>st</sup> WW the guns needed feeding. The factories opened up to full production with many women on the production lines, much in demand for their ability for precise work

Welding in shipyards wasn't the only major steel working job done by women. You'd expect that the women of Sheffield would be foremost in these areas, as indeed they were in their hundreds. One to mention is Dorothy **Slingsby**. Dorothy was a live-in maid until she went to the steel works and announced that she wanted to drive the 20 ton overhead crane. Challenged just to climb up to it's 30 foot high cab, the crane driver gasped 'Tha went up't ladder like a young monkey. I told thee to climb up, not run up.' As she said 'I watched him at work, and then afore long I were in control and he were on't ground supping tea.'

Another group of steel workers! When in London, ask a cabbie to take you to Ladies Bridge. If they know their stuff, they'll take you to Waterloo Bridge. The reason for that name is the construction firm of Peter Lint hired a great many women construction workers to finish the bridge in 1939, because so many of their men had been called up. The bridge of course was finished perfectly and on time, but sadly the names of the workers are lost as Peter Lint went into administration some years ago.

"My aunt has a photo with her and a felling axe. Surely it's posed."

Meet the women of the Timber Corps, known affectionately as Lumberjills. They took over from the men all the duties of felling, hauling and sawing wood for everything from pit props to packing cases. Their accommodation was of the most basic, and first aid for the many accidents wasn't much better.

"Some women have a war badge with I W what's that?"

Industrial Worker, although it's sometimes rudely called Idle Women, just as the Local Defence Volunteers, the precursors of the Home Guard were called the LDV. Look, Duck and Vanish, and the British Expeditionary forces who had to be evacuated several times at the start of the war were called BEF, Back Every Friday.

An often overlooked group is another IWW, Inland Waterways Workers. These workers operated in pairs to run pairs of canal boats transporting coal, grain and other materials for the war effort. This was hard work, often 20 hours a day in summer. The pay was piece work, but guaranteed at £3 a week.

Bargee Meriel **Trevor** remembered her time on the barges as living on cocoa, national loaf and peanut butter, and that after a non stop 3 week round trip from London to Birmingham with Spitfire parts, and back from Worcestershire with coal you had the option of a week off. Unpaid!

Meriel might very well have passed on the canal bank her female colleagues of the

Canal Conservancy. The banks have to be maintained, hard dirty work, which needed great manual strength.

"I was brought a war record saying the inquirers mum was at Dunkirk. Surely there were no women at Dunkirk."

It was always thought that Dunkirk was a totally masculine business, that's quite wrong and here's why. 1,300 nurses were on the hospital ships that were part of the evacuation fleet, and a number of them died when those ships were bombed. Some women were also at Dunkirk in less expected roles. One of the evacuation ships had as its chief engineer Victoria **Drummond**, in charge of the engine room. Not a good place to be because she would have stood no chance if the bombs around her ship had connected.

"My aunt says she was a gunner, surely she's making it up."

As the war developed the anti aircraft guns of Britain were increasingly operated by women, as indeed were the radars and sound locators which guided the guns. The theory was, the women did everything but actually fire the guns, but in practise they carried out that role also.

For those who argue that this was not in the face of the enemy it's as well to remember 18 yr old Private Norah **Caveny**, who went on firing 505 battery's heavy anti aircraft gun, though mortally wounded, until another woman took her place and kept up the barrage. She was a West Riding woman, daughter of John and Hannah **Caveny** of Worlston near Todmorden.

"My mum says she shot down a Cruise Missile, but there weren't any in the 2<sup>nd</sup> WW."

Mixed anti aircraft crews saw off the threat from the V1 pilotless aircraft. The doodlebug, or buzz bomb. Today we would say Cruise Missile.

Remember that the women of Britain qualify as the first in the world to be attacked by the Cruise missile, and be the first in the world to shoot down Cruise missiles with anti aircraft guns.

"My mother's war record says she was on the balloons."

Barrage balloons brought down 300 of those cruise missiles. Women had largely taken over from men in the RAF's balloon command, and were responsible for every aspect of the maintenance of the barrage balloons they controlled. That was particularly onerous, the balloons may be manageable when there was no wind, but in most of the UK there are only rare occasions when it's not windy. When the wind blows barrage balloons take a heck of a lot of handling.

The Germans also sent out fighters to shoot down the balloons before the main attack, and to attack the barrage balloons that are on the ground. Also there were natural hazards, there is a photo of a balloon being struck by lightning, and remember the metal cable goes straight down to the crew below.

Here in Britain the WAAF were the operators of wireless stations, they were employed in this way, not as the result of the RAF, but of the Treasury.

The RAF actually wanted civilian operators, but the Treasury pointed out that the WAAF were already there, could do the job just as well, were cheaper and they made better operators than men. One officer, who, when I asked why, said simply, because they watched the screen. In a mixed group of young men and women, what do young men watch? There was concern that the WAAF would not perform as well under fire but this was answered magnificently. During the heavy attacks of the Battle of Britain, there were many cases of them heroically sticking to their post.

Corporal Avis **Parsons** was awarded the Military Medal. Avis was just 4ft 11 in high, and weighed 6 1/2 stone, and had been told by her mother that she'd never amount to anything. She was actually under the minimum height for the WAAF, but stood on her toes during the medical. Fortunately she was on duty on the 18<sup>th</sup> August 1940 when the Radar station at Poling was attacked by 30 Stuka dive bombers, the same ones so feared at Dunkirk. The next station along the coast called them up, 'Poling, that last lot of hostile is on top of you.' To which she replied 'I know the bombs are coming down on top of my head', and she carried on passing plots through to HQ. The WAAF followed the tracks of the attacking bombers, and gave instructions to our pilots.

In March 1941, she went to Buckingham Palace with her mum to receive the medal, and when asked by the King what she'd been doing, replied that she worked on telephones, because she'd been told that Radar was a secret, not to be told, even to the king.

"My mum says she flew a Spitfire,"

Of course, women did fly Spitfires as well as Hurricanes, Lancasters and every other type of plane operated by the RAF, because the Air Transport Auxiliary meant that many women pilots were responsible for delivering aircraft from factories to the Squadrons, usually completely alone. ATA women pilots also flew the large 4 engine Lancasters, Halifaxes, and Stirlings on their own, whereas a crew of 7 men was usually needed.

Now when you see a Battle of Britain flight performing at public displays, remember that the Spitfire ensured that one woman had a flying experience that she would never forget.

On Valentines day 1945, Fight lieutenant Neil **Cox** took off and found he had a very heavy tailed Spitfire. The only sign of anything unusual was a yellow gauntlet spiralling down from the Spitfire. **Cox** had flown round the airfield with her clinging onto the tail of the aircraft. It was normal for ground crew to tail-sit while Spitfires were taxiing across the bumpy grass to the runway. Neil **Cox** had gone straight from taxiing to the runway and had taken off, not giving Margaret time to jump down. She had thrown herself across the tail fin, and clung on, quite literally for dear life. As soon as he took off **Cox** realised that something was very wrong indeed. He radioed the con-

tol tower, the emergency services were called out, and he was talked down to land, when Margaret was able to jump off. After it landed WAAF Margaret **Horton** got a cup of tea from the Sally Ann tea truck, and told her story. Just how daft the machinery of the RAF was could be shown, when Margaret was reprimanded for her own unofficial flight, and charged for the loss of her beret.

Despite her ordeal she survived until her 80's.

You might think that no women were recorded on memorials of RAF bomber squadrons, but there is indeed one. Dorothy **Robson** BSC, was a bomb site specialist, serving with 76 Squadron. She flew with the crew on an air test, and their plane crashed, killing everyone aboard. She's recorded on the 76 Squadron Roll of Honour, and deservedly so.

The air war had become a war of competing high technology, and Dorothy was far from being the only woman involved. Trained in the most advanced technologies of that war, to a level beyond that of many of their male colleagues. Those male colleagues had burst out laughing when the women first joined them, until that is, the women revealed that they had been trained on microwave radars that their male colleagues had not yet even set eyes on, and that one of their number had achieved an unheard of 96% in the passing out examination. It didn't take long to appreciate that these were not just pretty faces.

"We know that no Navy officer afloat in HM ships in active service was a woman."

HMS Fidelity was a merchant ship specially adapted to carry heavy guns, landing craft & spotter aircraft. Camouflaged to be able to carry out her role of landing the troops and agents on hostile shores, while in disguised as a neutral merchant ship, the gunnery officer who controlled this, was a woman. Her name was Madeleine **Bayard**, known in war under the cover name of First officer **Barclay** of the WRENS. She'd escaped the fall of France in this British built ship, fitted out as a special service ship, carrying out covert landings on the Mediterranean coast. But alas Fidelity and first officer **Barclay** perished in December 1942, as part of the escort to Atlantic convoy ONS 154, falling victim to a Uboat attack.

"What did a pin up do in the war?"

Hedwig Maria **Keyston**, otherwise Heddy **Lamarr**. Heddy said 'Any girl can be glamorous, all she has to do is stand still and look stupid. However Heddy as Hedwig **Marky** was the inventrix and joint patentee of a torpedo radio control that could resist enemy jamming. The control involved frequency hopping, the basis for all our mobile phones and GPS systems today. Her patent was submitted in Dec 1940, granted in 1942. It was so advanced that the system was not used in the 2nd WW, but was extensively developed in the years afterwards. Whenever you use your mobile phone or GPS, remember Heddy **Lamarr**, who didn't take a penny for her invention, she just wanted to help the war effort.

Another of the most significant scientific advances of the air war also came from fe-

male scientist Joan **Curran**. Asked to develop a simple cheap and easy to implement method of interfering with German radar, she proposed the use of dropping thin slips of aluminium foil. Cut to special lengths to fool the German radar, when they were incoming with bombs. The strips then called window, we'd call it chaff nowadays, was first used in an attack on Hamburg in 1943. The defence was thrown into utter confusion, with searchlights weaving wildly in the sky defending fighters hopelessly lost. The city was mostly destroyed with over 40,000 of its inhabitants killed. **Speer**, the German armaments chief said that if the British had been able to destroy 6 other cities like that the war would have been over.

But the wars don't end. Yazidi women of today, fight in Syria. I don't need to detail the atrocities committed on Yazidi women for us to understand why. Today taking prisoners is not a likely outcome, whatever the Geneva Convention says.

It is humanity's tragedy that each new generation draws its own new maps of hell.

Tonight I've tried to give you the facts that women did indeed and still do serve in a huge variety of roles, and their death was and is at hand in many of them..

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## POST BAG



### Midgley & Warley Probate Records 1688-1700

The Hebden Bridge Local History Society has just published the last volume in the series of transcriptions of probate documents for the Upper Calder Valley for the years 1688 - 1700. This collection of wills and inventories for the townships of Midgley and Warley is a companion volume to publications of documents for the townships of Sowerby and Soyland; Erringden, Langfield and Stansfield; and Hep-tonstall and Wadsworth.

The documents offer vivid insights into life and death among the people of Midgley and Warley at the end of the seventeenth century. Many were involved in the dual economy of the domestic textile trade and farming. Intriguing insights into family relationships are revealed through bequests, property transfers and the choice of executors. The inventories not only describe household goods and personal possessions, but also trade tools and farming implements. The volume contains a description of the probate process, extensive indexes of persons, places, belongings, and a thorough local glossary of usage for this period.

The book costs £9.99. It is available from:

\* HBLHS website (plus £2 for postage): <http://www.hebdenbridgehistory.org.uk/publications/index.html> <<http://www.hebdenbridgehistory.org.uk/publications/index.html>>

\* The Bookcase in Hebden Bridge

## **BRADFORD FHS 40th Anniversary**

Dear Calderdale

Bradford FHS have their 40th Anniversary this year and as part of the celebrations we are having a weekend of activities on 1st/2nd October 2022.

We would like to invite your members to this event and hope you will include an article in your magazine or newsletter to advertise it.

I have attached an article describing the weekend activities (talks, trips and dinner) and a booking form. Both of which can be found on our website at the link below.

<https://www.bradfordfhs.org.uk/projects>

Thank you

Sue Steel (Chairman BFHS)

I have the article and booking form for these events, which I can't fit into this Scrivener. If you are interested, please get in touch with me and I will send them to you, or contact Sue Steel: [Chairman@BradfordFHS.org.uk](mailto:Chairman@BradfordFHS.org.uk).

**Frances. Editor**

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### **Perth Academy French Trip - Nurse Ethel Fearnley from Brighouse**

In January 2020 Peter Lord was contacted by a retired teacher, Dave Dykes, who was planning a trip to France to visit War Graves. Due to Covid, the trip did not take place, though it is still hoped that it will, sometime in the future.

#### **The story so far -:**

I am a retired teacher at Perth Academy and I am accompanying a group of first year students on a French Trip in late May.

168 former pupils and staff from the school lost their lives in the Great War, and during the trip we will be taking the opportunity to pay our respects to 24 of them at various CWGC cemeteries and memorials in France and Belgium.

Three of our fallen are buried in Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, and during our research we found that Ethel **Fearnley**, the first nurse to die in service in World War One, is also buried there. According to the IWM "Lives of the First World War" she was born in Brighouse in 1885.

In the past, as well as leaving poppy wreaths we have also left a small pebble or stone from the garden of the places where these people lived, and we intend to do the same this year. If possible, we would like to do the same for Ethel. This is a very simple gesture, but very symbolic, and very poignant; in effect taking a little bit of home to them.

I wonder if you are able to help us? Would you be able to find out where Ethel and her family lived in Brighouse, and would you be able to ask the current occupants if they would mind if you took a small pebble or stone from their garden, and then send it to us?

There is no rush for this as we don't leave until 25th May.

### **Dave Dykes**

Later in January 2020, Peter Lord found a great deal of information about Nurse **Fearnley**, and the house where she (probably) lived, and sent a pebble from the front yard to Dave Dykes.

### **From Peter's reply to Dave.**

The 1891 census shows the family living in Birds Royd (which runs West/East from Huddersfield Road, just to the south of the River Calder).

On the census, despite no house nos. being given (they probably didn't have any), it shows the enumerator seemingly working west/east along Birds Royd, in that the preceding pages to the one in question are all streets in that direction.

Our house is the last but one before the enumerator goes down Calder St, which makes sense. The last but one house now is 69 Birds Royd. It is a corner back-to-back with likely no back garden or yard whatsoever, & the map from 1905 bears this out. However there is a small yard at the front of the house.

I knocked on the door but there was no-one at home. However, I took the liberty of taking a small pebble from the yard at the front of the house – I don't think that the householder will miss it !!!

Further research shows that Ralph & Eliza Maria (**Foster**) married in the 1st quarter of 1883 (Ref Halifax – 1st Quarter – 9a 639). Also that Ethel was born in the 2nd quarter of 1884 (Ref Halifax – 2nd Quarter – 9a 398)

One final point – some local record that we have of the WW1 dead gives Ethel's name & a reference to Brighouse Echo of 27/11/1914. This morning, my wife went through the entire newspaper at Brighouse Library & was unable to find any reference to her, which is a shame.

I hope that this information helps you decide what action you want to take. In truth, it depends on you view of these things. Your actions are certainly symbolic & I suppose it is not of vital importance that the pebble comes from the precise house. I think that we can be pretty sure that Ethel's home was within a few yards of 69 if not

the actual house. One other aspect intrigues me – the house looks very small, yet there were 6 people living there in 1891. Even if we accept that parents & 3 children all slept in one room, it seems that the servant would have her own room, unless she slept in the kitchen or the cellar (there is no evidence that there IS a cellar!). Given Ralph, the father, was a Gas Manager, & could afford a servant it seems unlikely that he & his wife would share a bedroom with the children. This means that there was likely to be 3 bedrooms in the house & the current No. 69 doesn't appear to be large enough to house those. So another possibility is that the enumerator in 1891 did not record the details in the sequence that it appears & that the house we want is actually no. 71. The 1905 map & the photograph shows that house to be significantly bigger than No. 69 – a thought for you !!

If you decide to proceed with this, can I ask that either you or one of your pupils write an item about the research that you have done on Ethel & on the visit to Belgium. We would very much like to include it in our quarterly magazine "The Scrivener" as it is somewhat different from the usual type of research stories that we get.

I look forward to hearing how you decide to proceed. In the meantime, the pebble from No. 69 is in my safe keeping.

Best Wishes,  
Peter Lord  
Calderdale FHS.

**In late December 2021 I emailed Dave to ask how things were going on.**  
**His reply:-**

Dear Frances,

It does seem such a long time ago that I got in touch with Peter Lord, but thank you for remembering!

As you rightly say, the trip was cancelled in 2020 even though our plans were well advanced, and it was impossible to re-arrange it in 2021 or in 2022 either. We start planning a year in advance, which gives the parents the opportunity to pay for the trip by instalments. So...maybe 2023, but who can tell? The pebbles we collected are all safe and sound and I'm determined that someone from the school will get them to France and Belgium one of these days.

One thing I did manage was to make contact with a Belgian lady called Marilyn **Mingou** via the "Great War Forum". She has an ongoing project to visit all the women who lost their lives in World War One and who are buried in France and Belgium. She very kindly visited the cemetery in Boulogne and I've attached the photos she sent of Ethel's headstone.

I've also attached a few more photos as a kind of pictorial update and a link to a lovely Blog that Philippa Campsie, one of our Academy Pals, did in 2020.

<https://parisianfields.com/2020/03/22/a-pebble-for-clare/>

I hope the information is useful; please do get in touch if there is anything else you'd like to know.

Best wishes and a Happy New Year,  
Dave



Nurse Ethel  
Fearnley



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Hi,

I recently joined CFHS as i am researching my **Ellis** family history in Halifax and Wakefield.

I have attached images of my great, great Grandmother, Sarah Jane **Ellis** outside the grocery shop she ran with her brother, Richard **Padgett**, in Halifax in the 1930s.

The name above the shop says **Holroyd** and i know that the **Ellises** married into the **Holroyd** family, maybe in the 1920s.

I know it's a long shot but have you ever heard of this 'Scarbottom Post Office' at Undercliffe Terrace, Halifax?

My partner and i went to find it in the summer when we were staying with my family in Hebden Bridge, i have attached a photo of how it looks now, it is definitely the same building!

Look forward to any feedback you might have and if this is all a complete mystery to you, sorry! Thought i would ask though, as you are researching the **Holroyd** family and i really would love to know more about this vanished grocery store/post office.

Thanks,  
Kind Regards,  
Charlotte



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Hello Frances,

I am grateful for the work of those members who recorded the Monumental Inscriptions which has, so far, provided me with much useful information about two of my maternal 3x great grandfathers.

They were James **Wood**, buried 10 March 1850 at St. Peter's, Sowerby, and William **Crowther**, buried 20 September 1868 at St. Mary's, Cottonstones, and, as I am in the area 2-3 times a year, I would like to visit their places of burial.

However, I feel that at present, without more detail, it would be a little like 'looking for a needle in a haystack'. Can any of the recording members give any guidance, even if approximate, as to where I may find these ancestors memorials in the relevant churchyards?

Richard **Akroyd**.

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## Finding the Right Sutcliffe's!

For many weeks now I have been researching my mother's side of the family, the **Sutcliffe's**.

If anyone can assist with further information I would be very grateful as it is driving me mad!

Firstly I have started a chart on Ancestry, **Sutcliffe** Family Tree. If you are a member of Ancestry you should be able to see the chart but if not email me at [Duftonjr@talktalk.net](mailto:Duftonjr@talktalk.net) and I will put you on as a guest.

### ***What I know or think I know already!***

My mother Dorothy **Sutcliffe** was born in 1916 died in 2000. She always claimed she had never been allowed a dog but if you look on my tree you will see a photo of her aged about 10 holding a dog.

Her mother was Eliza **Rains** (1878-1952); it was my grandfather's Edgar William **Sutcliffe's** (1875-1940), second marriage, as his first wife Mary Ann **Greenwood** (1876-1913) died, but they did have a daughter Ida Mary (1900-1981). Ida married a **Sharp** and had two sons. Harold, had a daughter Marian who married an **Ormerod**. I have lost touch with Marian so if anyone living in Todmorden knows a Marian **Ormerod** I would be grateful if you could ask her if she is my relation so we could get in touch.

Eliza was 38 when she had Dorothy which seemed to be quite old to have a child, especially a first child, but when the 1901 census was issued we discovered that in 1898 she had had a son Joseph Stone **Rains**. She had to give the child up which must have been terrible and was sent to Todmorden to be a house keeper. My mother said he was a dentist but this does not tie up with my research. Secondly my mother never mentioned Joseph Stone **Rains** so I don't know if she knew about him.

Edgar William **Sutcliffe's** father was Thomas **Sutcliffe** (1848 -1914) and his wife was Sarah Ann **Barnes** (1850-1921). As far as I know Edgar was their only child.

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St Ann's and started a building business.

Have I got the right John born 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1806?

According to John's and Hannah's marriage certificate John's father was Joseph, but I am unsure of his wife's name.

Can anyone please help and point me in the right direction and assist me to get further back?

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## Edward Makinson Haigh (12 Feb 1826-27 Sep 1897) – Art and Photography

My great grandfather, Edward Makinson **Haigh** was born in Halifax on 12 February 1826 and baptised on 15 March 1826 (according to the Non Conformist record indexes). His parents were John **Haigh** junior, a woollen merchant from Halifax and Mary (nee **Makinson** – her father Daniel was a muslin and dimity manufacturer in Bolton-Le-Moors and Liverpool). Edward had an older sister Emily, born in 1822 and an older brother William Henry, born about 1823/4 (but I have been unable to find any definite details of his birth) – we know he existed as we have a silhouette of him and he is also named in his grandfather's will of 1839 (John **Haigh** senior, also a woollen merchant of Halifax, who left a large estate, including property in Halifax and Bradford). We believe that William died when he was about 14-16, some time after his grandfather, but again we have been unable to find any exact evidence. Sadly for the family, John **Haigh** junior died in March 1831, when his son Edward was just 5 years old. Perhaps he fell victim to the cholera that was rife about this time, but again, with no death certificate found, I guess we will never know.

In the 1841 census, Mary **Haigh** is shown living with her daughter Emily, but of the boys there appears to be no trace. Perhaps they were both at school in the area. I can only guess that they had some sort of tutor that was teaching them art amongst other subjects. The family has a set of 12 pencil sketches/drawings that were done by Edward, probably when he was between the ages of 10-15 and one by his brother William. I also assume that they would have depicted scenes in the local area of Halifax or Bradford – but if they were sent away to school, it could have been further afield. Unfortunately, none of the sketches have any annotation to say where the scenes were. If any reader recognises any of the landmarks, I would really like to hear your ideas as to where they might be – please email me at [fran.rees@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:fran.rees@hotmail.co.uk)



Drawing by William Henry Haigh 1844



Pastel of Edward Makinson, sister Emily and mother Mary

By 1851, according to the census, Edward appears to have gone into the woolen industry, following in his father and grandfather's footsteps, but he had become very interested in the new medium of photography and trained with the war photographer Roger **Fenton**. By 1859, he was taking photographs in Yorkshire. His paper, 'On Photography', read before the Halifax Literary and Philosophical Society, was published in *Humphrey's Journal of Photography, and the Allied Arts and Sciences* on 15 March and his photograph of the interior of Saltaire Church was the basis of an engraving published in the *Illustrated London News* on 24 December 1859. By August 1860 he had met and married Emma Mary **Rogers** (1836-1907). The **Rogers** family came from Cheltenham, Gloucestershire and were all well educated and artistic – all her seven siblings became teachers and/or musicians and her parents spoke Welsh and French as well as English and had also been teachers. Her mother is rumoured to have been born at Kensington Palace where her father was part of the court of the Duke of Kent (Queen Victoria's father). It is likely that Emma encouraged Edward's artistic side as well as being a miniature painter herself. For their honeymoon, Edward chartered a yacht and the pair sailed to Australia, where they stayed for the next 18 months, travelling around. Edward took many photos of his travels and held an exhibition in Melbourne in January 1861 and began working professionally from Murphy Street, South Yarra. A first-class certificate awarded at the 1861 Victorian Exhibition for his collection of photographic and stereoscopic views taken in England, France and Victoria was followed by a medal for 'stereoscopic and other views in the colony' when his Victorian photographs were sent on to the 1862 London International Exhibition. Edward apparently returned home with his exhibits. Soon afterwards he established the firm of **Moira & Haigh** which continued until 1872. Between 1859-1867 Edward's younger cousin Daniel Makinson **Fox** was making a name for himself, designing and building a railway in Sao Paulo, Brazil, which was a great feat of engineering (For full details, see [www.wondersofworldengineering.com/scalingraparts.html](http://www.wondersofworldengineering.com/scalingraparts.html) and [www.railwaywondersoftheworld.com/sao-paulo-railway.html](http://www.railwaywondersoftheworld.com/sao-paulo-railway.html))

**Moira and Haigh** were responsible for the photographic record of that major undertaking (pencil note on the back of one of the photographs) – some may well have been taken by Edward personally!

Edward had several notable photographic partnerships during his career:

**Moira & Haigh** - from 1862 - 1872

**Watkins & Haigh** - with George Herbert **Watkins** from 1872 - 1874

**Haigh & Hemery** - with Thomas George **Hemery** from 1876 - 1878

**Haigh & Harty** - Edward James **Harty** from 1879 - 1880.

(E J **Harty** maybe related to either Loiusa M **Harty** or Emma Jane **Harty**, both of whom married into the **Haigh** family.)

A business card for **Moira & Haigh** had a Catholic bishop on one side and the words "Photographers & Miniature Painters to the Principal Sovereigns of Europe" on the other side.

By 1875 Edward was listed as the photographer of a set of portraits of English freemasons published in the *Illustrated London News*. Edward was also a freemason himself. By the 1881 census he lists his occupation as "Keeper Society Painter in Watercolours". By 1891 he had retired with his family to Weston in Somerset, where he remained until his death on 27<sup>th</sup> September 1897. Emma outlived him and died in 1907. They had five children – one daughter and four sons.

**Fran Rees**

11 Jan 2022 Membership No. 3993

**I don't have room for all the sketches,  
but I will include them in future editions of Scrivener  
(Editor)**



**Calderdale FHS Annual General Meeting**  
**Thursday 28th. April 2022**  
**7.30 pm at Maurice Jagger Centre, Lister St, Winding Road,**  
**Halifax, HX1 1UZ and by Zoom link**

**Agenda & Notes**

1. Chairman's Report
2. Secretary's Report
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Computer Security Report
5. Vote re changes to the Constitution
6. Election of Officers & Committee
7. Election of Auditors
8. Announcement, voting and presentation of the Sutcliffe Awards.
9. Announcement and presentation of the Margaret Walker Award.

CFHS AGM  
Notes

## Calderdale FHS - Hybrid Monthly Meetings

In accordance with government instructions, CFHS suspended meetings at the Maurice Jagger Centre (MJC) in March 2020 but, in common with many other organisations following the easing of restrictions during the summer, the Society was able to introduce virtual Zoom meetings the following July. These proved to be very successful, particularly amongst “away-members” in the UK and from as far afield as North America, Australia & New Zealand.

Building on this success and following the removal of all government restrictions in July 2021, the Society has now taken the decision to introduce Hybrid Meetings at the MJC from September of this year. These will allow local members to physically return to monthly meetings whilst away members will continue to enjoy the meetings streamed live on Zoom, very much as at present.

In addition to re-establishing the important social element of the monthly meeting format (unfortunately tea, coffee and biscuits are not available over the internet) this approach also takes advantage of the newly installed facilities available at the Centre. These include a drop-down 2m x 3m wide screen which, when coupled with the high-end ceiling mounted digital projector, transform the viewing experience.

To facilitate the introduction of hybrid meetings, the Society has invested in a webcam (camera & microphone), room speakers and other equipment, all of which are required to “professionally” stream live meetings over Zoom. This clearly presents a challenge but we are firmly of the belief that this more inclusive approach will be to the benefit of all our members.

The Society recognises that Covid still represents a potential but now hopefully diminishing threat to those members attending physical meetings from September. In this respect, your welfare is our key priority and, working in association with MJC, members may be requested to wear face masks, sanitise and observe social distancing in the short term.

The last 18 months has been the most challenging and often tragic period in most of our lives. The Society hopes that the introduction of Hybrid Meeting will at least play a small part in returning our lives back to some degree of normality.

[If you are not already registered for virtual meetings, you need to install Zoom on to your computer, I-Pad or other device. This can easily be downloaded from <https://zoom.us/download> – hopefully anyone who needs help with this has a relative (usually a grandchild !!) who can do the business. If all else fails, get in touch with us at

[systems@cfhsweb.com](mailto:systems@cfhsweb.com) <<mailto:systems@cfhsweb.com>>

Once installed, just E-Mail our Membership Secretary at [membsec@cfhsweb.com](mailto:membsec@cfhsweb.com) <<mailto:membsec@cfhsweb.com>> & ask to be registered for the on-line meeting. Once this has been done, she will send you details (known as “Participants’ Protocol”) to help you get the best from every meeting.]

**Please Note:** Non-Members are more than welcome to join the Zoom meetings free of charge and should request an invitation from the Membership Secretary at [membsec@cfhsweb.com](mailto:membsec@cfhsweb.com)

## Spring Hybrid Meetings

For more information, visit [Calderdale Family History Society](#)

**28th April 2022 at 7.30 pm**

**Annual General Meeting followed by a video '1921 Census Explained'  
by Myko Clelland**

The Maurice Jagger Centre  
Lister Street  
Winding Road  
Halifax  
HX1 1UZ

**Admission: £1.00 (Members Free)**

Once the formalities of the AGM have been completed, Myko will present a detailed insight into the recently released 1921 Census of England & Wales. As a qualified genealogist, spokesperson and Regional Licensing Manager for FindMyPast, Myko is eminently well qualified to speak on the subject and the wealth of additional information it provides for family historians.

Recorded in January in collaboration with Wakefield FHS, this is an unmissable exploration of the biggest new arrival in family history. After years spent digitising and transcribing this unique snapshot of our history, discover the stories and secrets it contains.

Along with the historical context, tips for effective searching and using it to trace elusive relatives, you will also learn how the 1921 Census will help you better understand your ancestors' lives.

**26th May 2022 at 7.30 pm**

**'A night at the museum',  
by Tim Kirker**

**Please note that this meeting will be at  
The Calderdale Industrial Museum,  
Halifax, or by ZOOM**

**Admission: Members £2.00 Non-Members £3.00**

In a departure from the normal format, May's Hybrid Meeting, which was originally scheduled to take place in January, will be held at the Calderdale Industrial Museum situated at the heart of Halifax's growing "Cultural Quarter" adjacent to the Piece Hall.

In a celebration of Halifax's rich industrial heritage, a Director of the CIMA, Tim Kirker, will initially outline the purpose and structure of the museum and the dedicated support of its volunteers in ensuring Calderdale's pivotable contribution to the Industrial Revolution is not lost.

This will be followed by an exclusive tour of the museum (virtual for those members participating on Zoom) and its collection of steam engines, looms, machine tools and other associated equipment representing the wide variety of industries developed in Calderdale over the last 250 years. In particular, the working exhibits don't fail to evoke the spirit of the Industrial Revolution.

**23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm**  
**'Halifax General Cemetery'**  
**By Stuart Wilkinson**

The Maurice Jagger Centre  
Lister Street  
Winding Road  
Halifax  
HX1 1UZ

**Admission: £1.00 (Members Free)**

The Halifax General Cemetery, Lister Lane, was opened in 1841 as a non-denominational commercial enterprise in answer to the much-needed demand for burial space outside the overcrowded churchyards of the town. Its memorials provide an index of many people who shaped the development of Halifax during its period of spectacular growth in the 19th century, a period which defined the way the town still looks today.

As a trustee of The Friends of Lister Lane Cemetery and CFHS Committee Member, Stuart will explain how the cemetery was initially financed and structured, where and how it was subsequently built and how, in common with many Victorian cemeteries, it was later abandoned and gradually returned to the wild.

The talk will also touch upon some of the prominent people interred in the cemetery, their memorials and other interesting stories associated with the Grade II listed cemetery.

On a more positive note, Stuart will outline how since 2000 the "Friends Group" has been caring for the cemetery and recovering at least some of its former splendour.

## USEFUL CONTACTS AND SOURCES FOR RESEARCHING WEST YORKSHIRE ANCESTORS

**West Yorkshire Archive Service ~ [www.archives.wyjs.org.uk](http://www.archives.wyjs.org.uk)** (*This can be a good place to start to access the West Yorkshire Archive Catalogue*)

**Calderdale District Archives, (Registers, BTs, Census, etc. etc.)**

Calderdale Central Library, Square Road, Halifax HX1 1QG

Tel: +44 (0) 1135 350 151 e-mail [calderdale@wyjs.org.uk](mailto:calderdale@wyjs.org.uk)

**Calderdale Central Reference Library** (address as above) Tel: +44 (0) 1422 392 630  
e-mail [reference.library@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:reference.library@calderdale.gov.uk) (*local studies collection, newspapers, maps, trade directories, IGI, GRO indexes, census and parish register fiche, on-line Familysearch and Ancestry; research service offered*).

**WYAS Wakefield Office, WY History Centre, 127 Kirkgate, Wakefield, WF1 1JG**

(*Registers, WRiding Registry of Deeds, Manorial Records etc.*)

Tel. 0113 535 0142. email : [wakefield@wyjs.org.uk](mailto:wakefield@wyjs.org.uk)

Details of where to find us and our opening times are available on our website:

<https://www.wyjs.org.uk/archive-service/contact-us-and-opening-times/west-yorkshire-history-centre-wakefield-archive-service-opening-times-and-information/>

**The Borthwick Institute ~ [www.york.ac.uk/inst/bihrl/](http://www.york.ac.uk/inst/bihrl/)** (*Peculiar + PCY wills, BT's etc.*)

University of York, Heslington, YORK YO10 5DD

Tel: +44 (0) 1904 321 166 email ~ link on website

**Weaver to Web ~ [www.calderdale.gov.uk/wtw/](http://www.calderdale.gov.uk/wtw/)** The council maintains a website with a miscellany of information from the archives (*a wide range of photos, maps, census returns, parish registers, poll books, wills, etc., have been digitised to view online*).

**Malcolm Bull's Calderdale Companion ~ <http://www.calderdalecompanion.co.uk>**

(*Large collection of trivia, miscellaneous facts of people and places and other bits of local history about Halifax and Calderdale*).

All the Parish records transcribed by the Society are available to search (for a fee) on **FindMyPast.co.uk** (*In addition there are many other records available to search*)

West Yorkshire Parish Registers have been put online (for a fee) by the West Yorkshire Archives Service which can be accessed on **Ancestry.co.uk**. (*Again, many other useful records, for a fee*)

**[www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)**

(*Thousands of records for free including the IGI and some census data*). LDS Family History Centres are invaluable for 'distance research'. Check local telephone directories.

**The National Archives ~ [www.nationalarchives.gov.uk](http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk)** (*a wealth of data arising from public records, including BMD's, census and much much more*).

Kew, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 4DU Tel: +44 (0) 208 876

**[www.direct.gov.uk/gro](http://www.direct.gov.uk/gro)** is the website of the general register office for everything concerning civil registration and to order certificates.

Consider subscribing to a periodical such as Family Tree Magazine or BBC's Who Do You Think You Are? Magazine. Online sites such as **GenesReunited** and **LostCousins** may help you find relatives researching the same family.

**LOCAL FAMILY HISTORY FAIRS etc  
Forthcoming Events of Interest**

**The London Group of Yorkshire Family History Societies**

**Our forthcoming meetings:**

18 June 2022                      Quarterly meeting - To be announced

17 September 2022              Quarterly meeting - To be announced

19 November 2022              Quarterly meeting - To be announced

At the moment, all meetings held by Zoom, starting at 10.30, with the room open from 10. In addition, there are also free monthly social meetings.

Contact Ian at [lgyfhs@virginmedia.com](mailto:lgyfhs@virginmedia.com) for more information.

**Who Built Hebden Bridge?**

**An exhibition by Hebden Bridge Local History Society**

1st March to 25th March at Hebden Bridge Town Hall foyer and café area during their opening hours.

The society has been researching the growth of Hebden Bridge and some of the problems created by its development after it officially became a town in 1866. Who built the walls, the homes, mills and chapels ? Who built the water supplies, the drains and the sewers? Who were the workers? Who were the architects? Who provided the finance?

If you live in Hebden Bridge and know the answers to any of the above questions for your property, or have ancestors who built Hebden Bridge, please bring the information to add to the research, or contact the Society via their website ([www.hebdenbridgehistory.org.uk](http://www.hebdenbridgehistory.org.uk)) or facebook page.

**Family History Federation**

(was Federation of Family History Societies)

<https://www.familyhistoryfederation.com/>

**The Really Useful Family History Show**

**Friday 11th and Saturday 12th November 2022**

**Early-bird tickets coming soon!**

**Please view [www.fhf-reallyuseful.com](http://www.fhf-reallyuseful.com) for details**

**Huddersfield & District Family History Society**

If you have ancestors in the Kirklees area, which covers the towns of Huddersfield, Dewsbury, Batley, Holmfirth and surrounding villages, then why not contact our Society for help and advice.

We have a research room at **the Root Cellar, 33A Greens End Road, Meltham, Holmfirth, HD9 5NW**

**Our telephone number is 01484 859229** and details of all our activities and how to join can be found at **[www.hdfhs.org.uk](http://www.hdfhs.org.uk)**. You can also find us on Twitter and Facebook by searching for **'Huddersfield Family History Society'**.

*Calderdale Family History Society*  
*Incorporating Halifax and District*

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**The Society's Home Web Page on the Internet is**

<http://www.cfhsweb.com>

As the **Library** is no longer, neither is the **Librarian!**  
The **Strays Co-ordinator** has gone too.

We'd like to thank both these Officers for all their hard work over the years

**Facebook** is now the responsibility of the **Web Administrator**.

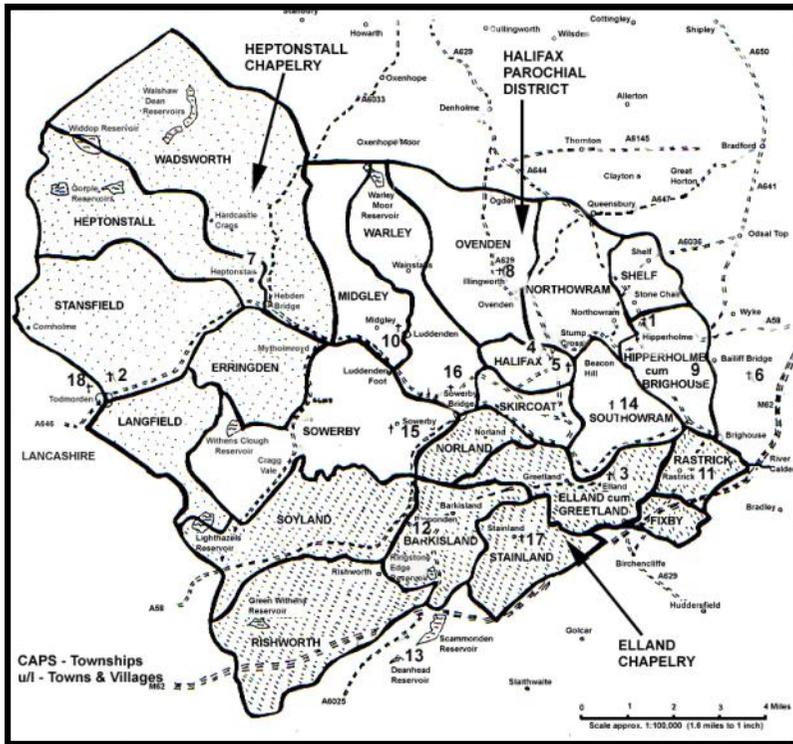
And we include the **Publicity and Meetings Organiser, John Barraclough**, who has been doing an invaluable job for some time. Thank you John!



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# CHAPELRIES AND TOWNSHIPS OF THE ANCIENT PARISH OF HALIFAX



CHURCH/CHAPEL	Registers begin	BAP.	MAR.**	BUR.
1. COLEY	St. John	1735	1745	1734
2. CROSS STONE	St. Paul	1678	1837	1678
3. ELLAND	St. Mary**	1559	1559	1559
4. HALIFAX	St. James (inc St Mary Rhodes St 1953)	1832	1837	nk
5. HALIFAX	St. John**	1538	1538	1538
6. HARTSHEAD	St. Peter	1612	1612	1612
7. HEPTONSTALL	St. Thomas**	1599	1593	1599
8. ILLINGWORTH	St. Mary	1695	1697	1695
9. LIGHTCLIFFE	St. Matthew	1703	1704	1704
10. LUDDENDEN	St. Mary	1653	1661	1653
11. RASTRICK	St. Matthew	1719	1839	1798
12. RIPPONDEN	St. Bartholomew	1684	1686	1684
13. SCAMMONDEN WITH MILLHEAD	St. Bartholomew	1746	1886	1746
14. SOUTHOWRAM	St. Anne	1813	1838	1818
15. SOWERBY	St. Peter	1668	1711	1643
16. SOWERBY BRIDGE	Christ Church	1709	1730	1821
17. STAINLAND	St. Andrew	1782	1844	1783
18. TODMORDEN	St. Mary/Christ Church	1678	1669	1666

\*\*Following Hardwicke's Marriages Act of 1754, Banns and Marriages will only be found in the registers of these churches. After 1837 they lost their monopoly of marriages.

# CALDERDALE FHS

## Publications & Services

Current at March 2022

Note that CFHS members can now access much of our data on-line through the Members' Area on the Society website

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**Prices quoted are for standard purchase—they may vary under certain conditions. (see "Methods of Ordering")**

### PARISH REGISTERS.

All CDs for the Main Calderdale Churches contain Baptisms, Marriages & Burials & are indexed & searchable. Other church CDs may not contain all types.

All sets also available at reduced cost as downloadable files & no P&P

#### Main Calderdale Churches—CDs & Downloadable Files

<b>St. John's, Halifax BMDs Pre 1812</b>	1754-1812 (Mar), 1767-1812 (Bap/Burs)	£10.00
	Download Price	£8.50
<b>St. John's, Halifax BMDs Post 1812</b>	1813-1837 (Mar) to 1861 (Bur)-1838 (Bap)	£10.00
	Download Price	£8.50
<b>St. Mary's, Elland BMDs</b>	1558-1838 (Marrs) to 1843 (Burs) to 1850 (Bap)	Price £12.00
	Download Price	£10.50
<b>St. Thomas, Heptonstall BMDs Pre 1812</b>	1594-1812 Baps, Marrs & Burs	£15.00
	Download Price	£13.00
<b>St. Thomas, Heptonstall BMDs Post 1812</b>	To 1850 (Baps/Burs), to 1837 (Mars)	£8.00
	Download Price	£7.00

## Other Calderdale Churches—CDs & Downloadable Files

All sets also available at reduced cost (£5.00) as downloadable files.& no P&P

<b>Coley St. John</b>	1734-1902 (Bap), 1749-1753 (Mar) & 1734 -1902 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Hebden Bridge, St. James</b>	1833-1869 (Bap) & 1834 -2007 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Ilkworth St. Mary</b>	1650-1915 (Bap), 1697-1934 (Marr) & 1650-1942 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Lightcliffe St. Matthew</b>	1704-1900 (Bap), 1704-1746 (Marr), 1704-1931 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Luddenden St. Mary</b>	1653-1958 (Bap), 1661-1942 (Marr) & 1653-1933 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Ripponden St. Bartholomew</b>	1684-1985 (Bap), 1687-1935 (Marr), 1684-1982(Bur)	£5.50
<b>Sowerby St Peter</b>	1668-1982 (Bap), 1711-1935 (Marr) & 1643-1954 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Sowerby Bridge Christ Ch.</b>	1709-1905 (Bap), 1709-1753 (Marr) & 1821-1980 (Bur)	£5.50
<b>Other Calderdale Parishes (1)</b>	includes the following churches	£5.50
	- Cragg Vale St John Bapts 1813 to 1912 Burs 1815 to 1867	
	- Halifax Holy Trinity Bapts 1832 to 1894 Burs 1798 to 1857	
	- Halifax St James Bapts 1832 to 1878 No Burials	
	- Stainland St Andrew Bapts 1782 to 1840 Burs 1785 to 1840	
<b>East Calderdale Parishes</b>	includes the following churches	£5.50
	- Brighouse St Martin—Bapts 1831 to 1858 Burs 1831 to 1865	
	- Rastrick St Matthew—Bapts 1813 to 1865 Burs 1813 to 1869	
	- Southowram St Anne Bapts 1813 to 1851 Burs 1818 to 1854	
<b>Non-Conformists Registers (1)</b>	includes the following chapels	£5.50
	Cornholme Meths - Midgley Providence - Mixenden URC - Rishworth Roadside Shelf Primitive Meths. - Shelf Witchfield - Todmorden Shore Baptists	
<b>Northowram Heywood URC</b>	Baps 1744-1952, Mars 1863-88, Burs 1822-2016, Grave Book 1797-2016	£5.50

## Municipal Cemeteries—CD & Downloadable Files

<b>Clifton Municipal Cemetery &amp; St John's MIs</b>	Price £5.50 (Download £5.00)
<b>King Cross Methodist MIs</b>	Price £5.50 (Download £5.00)
(Individual photographs available £1.00 each)	
<b>Rastrick Cemetery MIs</b>	Price £5.50 (Download £5.00)
<b>Stoney Royd Burial Register 1861 to 1960</b>	Price £12.00 (Download £10.50)

### MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS

<b>CD- Set 1</b>	- for MIs from 38 Halifax Graveyards (indexed & searchable)	
	See list below for Graveyards included on this CD	Price £10.00
<b>CD- Set 2</b>	- for MIs from 19 Halifax Graveyards (indexed & searchable)	
	See list below for Graveyards included on this CD	Price £10.00
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	See list below for Graveyards included on this CD	Price £5.50
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## Graveyards available showing which CD they appear on.

Graveyard	CD Set	Graveyard	CD Set
Barkisland Krumlin Meths	4	Blackley Baptist Church	1
Booth U.R. Church	1	Boothtown, All Souls Church,	1
Bradshaw, St John's Church	1	Charlestown, Mount Olivet Baptist	2
Claremount, St. Thomas' Church	1	Copley, St. Stephen's Church	1
Cragg Vale Methodist Chapel	1	Eastwood Congregational Chapel	2
Elland Huddersfield Rd Wesleyans	4	Elland Providence Congs	4
Greetland Lindwell Primitive Meths	4	Greetland Methodists	3
Halifax All Saints, Salterhebble	2	Halifax Ebenezer Primitive Meths	4
Halifax Pellon Lane Baptists	4	Halifax Salem Meths New Connection	4
Halifax Society of Friends (Quakers)	1	Halifax South Parade Wesleyans	4
Halifax Square Chapel	3	Halifax Square Church	3
Hebden Bridge, Cross Lanes Meth.	1	Hebden Bridge, Ebenezer Chapel	2
Hebden Bridge, St. James'	1	Hipperholme Meths	4
Holywell Green U.R. Church	1	Illingworth Moor Meths.	2
Lightcliffe Mount Zion Congs	4	Luddenden Dean Methodists	2
Luddenden Ebenezer	3	Luddenden Foot, Denholme U.M.	1
Luddenden Foot, St Mary's	1	Lumbutts United Free Methodist	2
Mankinholes Wesleyan	2	Midgley, Providence Methodist	1
Moor End Road U.R. Church	1	Mount Tabor Methodist Church	1
Mytholmroyd, St. Michael's Church	1	Mytholmroyd, Wesleyan Chapel	1
Norland, Mount Pleasant Chapel	2	Norland Prim. Meth. Chapel	1
Northowram Heywood Ind	4	Ogden Mount Zion Methodist	1
Ovenden, Nursery Lane Meth.	1	Peckett Well, Crimsworth Meth.	1
Pellon, Christ Church	1	Queensbury Ambler Thorn Meths	4
Queensbury Baptist	4	Queensbury Holy Trinity	4
Queensbury Roundhill Meths	4	Queensbury Union Croft	4
Rishworth Parrack Nook Ind	4	Rishworth Roadside Baptist	1
Scammonden St Bartholomew	4	Shelf Primitive Methodists	3
Shelf Witchfield Methodist	2	Southowram Methodist	2
Southowram St. Anne	3	Sowerby, Boulderclough, Meths.	1
Sowerby Mill Bank Wesleyans	4	Sowerby, Sowerby Green Congs.	1
Sowerby, Rooley Lane Wes. Chapel	1	Sowerby, St. George's Church	1
Sowerby, St. Mary's Cotton Stones	1	S/Bridge, Bolton Brow Wes. Meths	1
Sowerby Bridge, Christ Church	2	S/Bridge New Longley Prim Meths	2
Sowerby, St. Peter's Church	1	Sowerby, Steeps Lane Bap Chap	1
Soyland, Ebenezer Methodist Church	1	Soyland, Stones Methodist Church	1
Stainland, Providence Chapel	1	Stainland Wesleyan	4
Todmorden, Christ Church	2	Todmorden, Cross Stones St Pauls	2
Todmorden Lineholme Baptist	2	Todmorden Patmos New Connexion	2
Todmorden Unitarian	2	Todmorden Unitarian Sunday Sch.	2
Wainstalls, Mount Pleasant Meths	1	Warley, Butts Green Bap. Chapel	1
Warley Congregational Church	4	Widdop, Blake Dean Bap Chapel	1

## CENSUSES

### Pre 1841 Census—(Heads of Household & head counts only)

**CD Pre-1841 Censuses** (all surviving townships) - (Indexed & searchable) £10.00

### 1851 Census - (Now Reduced Price)

**CD 1851 Census** 19 Halifax Townships (Indexed & Searchable) £5.00

**CALDERDALE SCHOOL LOG BOOKS & SCHOOL ADMISSIONS**  
Also available at reduced cost (£5.00) as downloadable files & no P&P

**School Log books**

<b>CD1</b> - Calderdale East & South Schools—fully indexed & searchable	£5.50
<b>CD2</b> - Calderdale Central & North Schools—fully indexed & searchable	£5.50
<b>CD3</b> —Calderdale West Schools—fully indexed & searchable	£5.50

**School Admissions**

<b>CD1</b> - Calderdale East & South School Admissions—fully indexed & searchable	£5.50
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**I nominate ..... to be considered for the award of the 2022 Members' Sutcliffe Award, for the following reasons:**

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**Signed: .....Date : .....**

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I nominate ..... for election to the CFHS Committee for the year 2022/2023.

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Member's

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