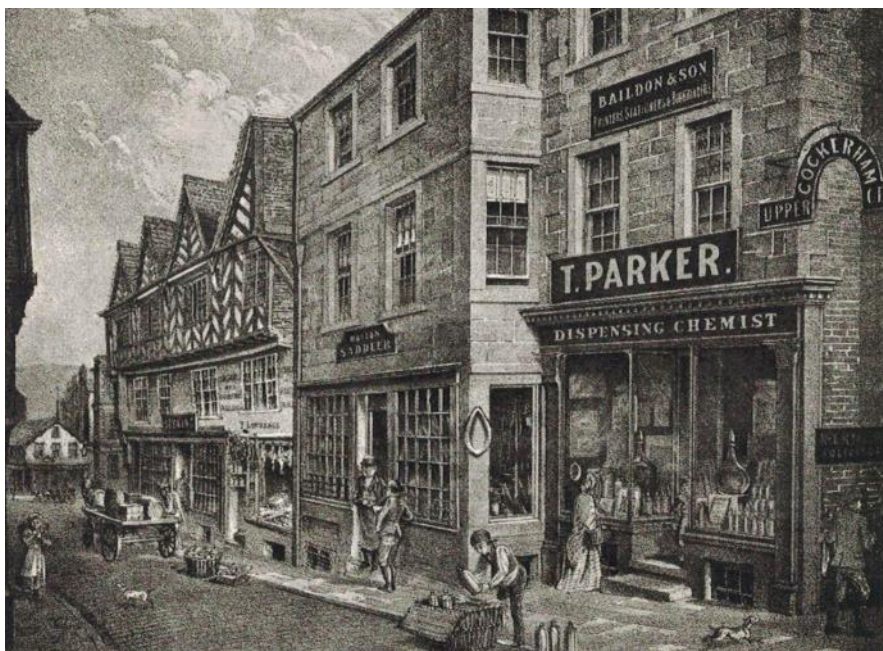


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Calderdale Family History Society was founded on the 7th March 1985.

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 4th Thursday of each month (except December) in Halifax. (Currently - March 2021 - 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, and a Facebook page. Contact the Newsletter Editor.
- Hosting a website www.cfhsweb.com, and a members' forum. Contact the Web Administrator.
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- 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 in the Research Room. Contact the Enquiry service Co-ordinator.
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- Maintaining an index of "Strays" (Calderdale people who appear in records elsewhere). Contact the Strays Co-ordinator.

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- 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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SPRING 2022 (March)

MAY 1st
AUGUST 17th
NOVEMBER 9th
FEBRUARY 14th

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

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COVER PICTURE

South side of Crown Street, Halifax. Circa 1860
From an old post card.

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

Editorial

So - the digital age is upon us. Like it or loath it!

All CFHS meetings are on ZOOM for the present, see page 30 for details.

The AGM will take place in April via ZOOM. The AGM insert in the middle of this issue contains the Agenda, Nomination papers etc.

The AGM Insert also contains an appeal for Committee Members (page AGM 5) - you can be a Committee Member even if you are not local to Halifax. You can ZOOM in to committee meetings!

Also in the AGM insert is an article by Peter Lord about the CFHS On Line Database (page AGM 7. No room for it anywhere else!)

So how do you get to attend these meetings virtually ? 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

Once installed, just E-Mail our Membership Secretary at memb-sec@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.

Happy Zooming!

(Sorry if your piece has not appeared in this issue - Shortage of space! Keep looking!)

ZOOMING IN Jeannie Allergist

Corona Lockdown's not all gloom.
We go to meetings now on Zoom,
And all our data's gone On-Line -
So, Thank You! everything's just fine!

Corona Virus – decluttering – The Great War

An intriguing connection

(Continued from Scrivener December 2020)

Alan Flux Rastrick Local History Society October 2020



Private Henry Richardson Oddy
Service number 30160
10th Battalion
Duke of Wellington's (West Riding Regiment)
Killed in action
20th September 1917



1901 Census.

The address is now 18 Thornhill Bridge Lane with ELLENOR widow aged 43 and daughter Annie 13 years and now working as a silk doffer. No sign of Harry at that address.

1911 Census. For the first time it was the duty of the Head of the Household to complete the form thereby one can see that person's handwriting. Notice how she spelt her Christian name and that she did not sign it correctly using the word *Mrs* rather than her Christian name. Harry, now aged 26 was described as single and a cotton spinner.

CENSUS OF ENGLAND AND WALES, 1911.													
Before writing on this Schedule please read the Instructions and the Instructions given on the other side of the paper, as well as the headings of the Columns. The entries should be written in ink.													
The contents of this Schedule will be treated as confidential. Return care will be taken that no information is divulged which would be injurious to the interests of the community. The return is to be used for proof of age, in connection with the 1911 Act, and for any other purpose than the purposes of the National Census.													
NAME AND SURNAMES	RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF FAMILY	SEX	AGE	DATE OF BIRTH	EDUCATION	PROFESSION OR OCCUPATION	INDUSTRY	INDUSTRY	INDUSTRY	INDUSTRY	INDUSTRY	INDUSTRY	INDUSTRY
Ellenor Oddy	Head	F	43	1868	None	Widow							
Annie Oddy	Daughter	F	13	1898	None	Single							
Harry Oddy	Son	M	26	1885	None	Single							
Annie Oddy	Daughter	F	13	1898	None	Single							
John Oddy	Son	M	10	1901	None	Single							

(To be filled up by the Enumerator)

(To be filled up by the Head of Family or other person in possession, or in charge, of this dwelling)

I declare that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the persons residing in this dwelling on the 2nd day of March 1911, and that the names and surnames of the persons so residing are those of the persons so residing, and that the names and surnames of the persons so residing are those of the persons so residing.

Signature: *Ellenor Oddy*

Printed Name: *Ellenor Oddy*

Address: *18 Thornhill Bridge Lane, Leeds*

I may be doing Mrs **Oddy** a dis-service but I suspect she was possibly not too well educated (although her writing is clear) or she was confused as shown by the large number of crossings out, deletions and additions. Also note she has included John **Oddy** aged 1 year and 11 months who, according to the transcript of the family grave in Rastrick Cemetery, had died in 1884.

Elderly widow Mrs Jane **Richardson** was also there – probably living there or at least there on Sunday 2nd April 1911 which was when the Census was taken.



Carr Street is a form of 'back to back' terrace. The **Oddy** household was number 22 which is at the back of number 20, the house located on the right of the through archway. Access to number 22 is through the archway.

Henry enlisted or attested on 10th December 1915 and trained at North Shields and Whitley Bay. He crossed the Channel from Folkestone to Boulogne on 24th May and was killed in action just under four months later.

SHORT SERVICE.

(For the Duration of the War, with the Colour and in the Army Reserve.)

Card No.

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ATTESTATION OF

No. 30160 Name Henry Richardson bddy Corps WEST RIDING REGT.

Questions to be put to the Recruit before Enlistment.

1. What is your Name? Henry Richardson bddy
2. What is your full Address? 22 Carr Street
3. Are you a British Subject? Yes
4. What is your Age? 20 Years 20 Months 20 Days
5. What is your Trade or Calling? Electrician
6. Are you Married? No
7. Have you ever served in any branch of His Majesty's Forces, naval or military, if so, which? No
8. Are you willing to be vaccinated or re-vaccinated? Yes
9. Are you willing to be enlisted for General Service? Yes
10. Did you receive a Notice, and do you understand its meaning, and who gave it to you? Yes (Name R. Laytham) (Corps 28)
11. Are you willing to serve upon the following conditions provided His Majesty should so long require your services?
 For the Duration of the War, at the end of which you will be discharged with all convenient speed. You will be required to serve for one day with the Colours and the remainder of the period in the Army Reserve, in accordance with the provisions of the Royal Warrant of 20th Oct. 1915, until such time as you may be called up by order of the Army Council. If employed with Hospitals, Depots of Mounted Units, or as a Clerk, etc., you may be retained after the termination of hostilities until your services can be spared, but such retention shall in no case exceed six months.

I, Henry Richardson bddy, do solemnly declare that the above answers made by me to the above questions are true, and that I am willing to fulfil the engagements made.

Henry Richardson bddy

SIGNATURE OF RECRUIT.

J. M. Hepworth

Signature of Witness.

OATH TO BE TAKEN BY RECRUIT ON ATTESTATION.

I, Henry Richardson bddy, swear by Almighty God, that I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty King George the Fifth, His Heirs, and Successors, and that I will, as in duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs, and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity against all enemies, and will observe and obey all orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me God.

CERTIFICATE OF MAGISTRATE OR ATTESTING OFFICER.

The Recruit above named was cautioned by me that if he made any false answer to any of the above questions he would be liable to be punished as provided in the Army Act.

The above questions were then read to the Recruit in my presence.

I have taken care that he understands each question, and that his answer to each question has been duly entered as replied to, and the said Recruit has made and signed the declaration and taken the oath before me at Tringhouse on this 10 day of December 1915.

Signature of the Justice J. Fairburn J.P.

† Certificate of Approving Officer.

I certify that this Attestation of the above-named Recruit is correct, and properly filled up, and that the required forms appear to have been complied with. I accordingly approve, and appoint him to the WEST RIDING REGT.

If enlisted by special authority, Army Form B. 203 (or other authority for the enlistment) will be attached to the original attestation.

Date 28 FEB 1917

Place HALF X

Approving Officer. for O.C. 20th DEPARTMENT AREA

† The signature of the Approving Officer is to be affixed in the presence of the Recruit.

‡ Here insert the "Corps" for which the Recruit has been enlisted.

* If an, the Recruit is to be asked the particulars of his former service, and to produce, if possible, his Certificate of Discharge and Certificate of Character, which should be returned to him conspicuously endorsed in red ink, as follows, viz. (Name) on the (Date).

From



To Mrs E. Waddy

22 Barn Street

Bradford Road

Brighouse

In order that I may be enabled to dispose of the
aque and scroll in commemoration of the soldier named
erleaf in accordance with the wishes of His Majesty the
ing, I have to request that the requisite information
garding the soldier's relatives now living may be fur-
hed on the form overleaf in strict accordance with the
tructions printed thereon.

The declaration thereon should be signed in your own
adwriting and the form should be returned to me when
ified by a Minister or Magistrate.

W. A. Anderson
D. 1/6 No. 2 Infantry Brigade, 1912

Officer in Charge of Records.



O.H.M.S.

(3)

To The Officer in Charge of Records

4102 2nd Infantry

INSTRUCTIONS.

(2)

To return, fold so that flap marked (3)
is on top, and then place flap marked (1)
inside it.



O.H.M.S.

(1)

To Mrs E. Waddy

22 Barn Street

Bradford Road

Brighouse

Any further letter on this subject should be addressed to:
Officer i/c
INFANTRY Records,
and the following No. quoted
N/33/JPO.

Station **Y O R**
Date **8th May,**
From **Officer i/c**
Infantry Records,
Y O R K.

To **Mrs. Eleanor ODDY,**
22 Carr Street,
Bradford Road
BRIGHOUSE.

~~XXXX~~ MADAM,

I am directed to forward the undermentioned articles of private property of the late No. 30160 Rank **PRIVATE**
Name **Henry Richardson O D D Y,**
Regiment **The Duke of Wellington's (West Rid.)**
and would ask that you will kindly acknowledge receipt of the same on the form overleaf:—

One Identity D I S C. (Damaged)

These are the only articles at present forthcoming, but should any further articles be received at any time they will be duly forwarded.

Yours faithfully,
[Signature]
Lieut.
for a / Officer in charge of Records.

W182-M3018 250,000 10/17 HWV(cP130) Forms B/104-126/1

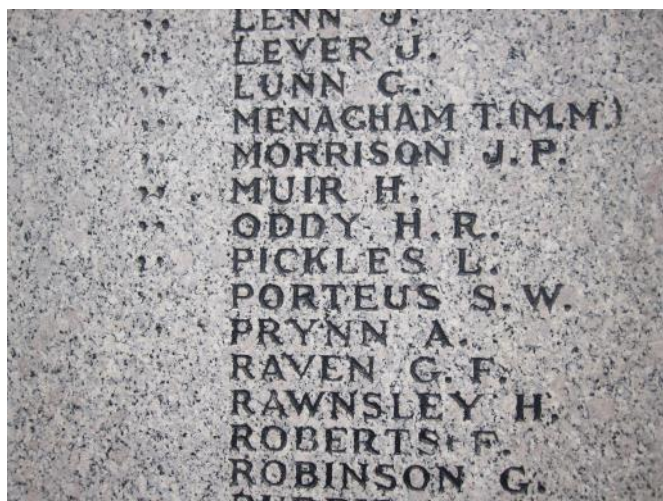
Under the heading of a Soldier's Effects, details can be seen of the monies paid out to his mother

571474	<i>Spills</i>	<i>Oddy</i>	<i>10% Bn 20.9.17</i>	<i>Mark</i>	<i>12 8 - 2 8 -</i>	<i>MO. 1.18</i>	<i>2.1.18/ No Eleanor</i>	<i>2 8 -</i>	<i>for Eleanor</i>
		<i>Henry</i>	<i>N/Riding Belgium</i>	<i>10/17</i>			<i>U.N. 1920/ No Eleanor</i>	<i>3 -</i>	
		<i>Richardson</i>	<i>Do</i>		<i>3 - -</i>				
			<i>30160</i>						

WAR GRATUITY
12 20
Pensionary pay 5 9 4
Regt. Fund 1 5 0
Hospital Ins. 2 0 0
Total 19 14 4

Private **Oddy** is commemorated both in Rastrick and Brighouse whilst he is buried at Tyne Cot Cemetery at West-Vlaanderen, Belgium.

Brighouse War
Memorial located
in the grounds of
Brighouse Library





The **Oddy** family plot in
Rastrick's cemetery

It reads....

affectionate remembrance / of /
John / son of / Christopher &
Eleanor **Oddy** / who died Feb.
26th 1884 / aged 1 year & 11
months / Jesus called a little
one unto Him / also of the above
named / Christopher **Oddy** /
who died March 14th 1890 /
aged 39 years / thy will be
done / also of John **Richard-**
son / who died June 12th 1906 /
aged 71 years / thy will be
done / also of Jane, wife of the /
above John **Richardson** / who

died Oct 26th 1925 / aged 88 years / at rest / also of / **Pte. Henry Richard-**
son Oddy / 10th Batt. West Riding Regt. killed in action / in France. Sept
20th 1917, aged 32 years / until the day dawns / also the above Eleanor
Oddy / who died Sept. 26th 1936, aged 78 years





C.W.G.C. information includes....**'Tyne Cot'** or **'Tyne Cottage'** was the name given by the Northumberland Fusiliers to a barn which stood near the level crossing on the Passchendaele-Broodseinde road. The barn, which had become the centre of five or six German blockhouses, or pill-boxes, was captured by the 3rd Australian Division on 4 October 1917, in the advance on Passchendaele.

One of these pill-boxes was unusually large and was used as an advanced dressing station after its capture. From 6 October to the end of March 1918, 343 graves were made, on two sides of it, by the 50th (Northumbrian) and 33rd Divisions, and by two Canadian units. The cemetery was in German hands again from 13 April to 28 September, when it was finally recaptured, with Passchendaele, by the Belgian Army.

It is now the largest Commonwealth war cemetery in the world in terms of burials. At the suggestion of King George V, who visited the cemetery in 1922, the Cross of Sacrifice was placed on the original large pill-box. There are three other pill-boxes in the cemetery.

There are now 11,961 Commonwealth servicemen of the First World War buried or commemorated in Tyne Cot Cemetery. 8,373 of the burials are unidentified but there are special memorials to more than 80 casualties known or believed to be buried among them. Other special memorials commemorate 20 casualties whose graves were destroyed by shell fire. There are also

4 German burials, 3 being unidentified.

When researching the *Lost Sons of Rastrick* I visited Tyne Cot many times as there are several Rastrick soldiers buried or commemorated there. At some time in the future, I will visit again to find Henry's grave and complete the story. In the mean time I wonder what became of Henry's medals and are there any relatives living in the Rastrick or Brighthouse areas?

Alan Flux Rastrick Local History Society October 2020



MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Surname	Location	County	Known from	Known to	Wanted from	Wanted to
BLAGBROUGH	HALIFAX/OVENDEN	WYK	1806	1955	Start	1955
BOOTHROYD	BRIGHOUSE AND CLIF- TON	YOR	1871	Now	Start	Now
RAMSDEN	ELLAND & RASTRICK	W R	1800	1870	Start	1870
SHEARD	ELLAND & RASTRICK	W R	1790	1870	Start	1870
BEARD	ELLAND CALDERDALE	W R	1790	1840	Start	1870
FIELDEN / FIELD- ING	ELLAND CALDERDALE	W R	1760	1780	Start	1870
GLEDHILL	ELLAND	W R	1750	1770	Start	1870
MARNS	EAST LONDON	LND	1832	Now	Start	Now
STANSFIELD	STANSFIELD					1815
RAYNER	RASTRICK	WYK	1822	1913	1750	Now
WOOD	CLIFTON, BRIGHOUSE	WYK	1842	1970	Start	1970
SUTHERS	YORKSHIRE		1762	1850	Start	Now
WILKINSON	ERRINGDEN		1810	1895	Start	Now
GREENWOOD	ERRINGDEN		1812	1881	Start	Now
GREENWOOD	HEBDEN BRIDGE		1841	1906	Start	Now
HORSFALL	WADSWORTH	YOR	1797	1854	Start	
CHARNLEY	HEPTONSTALL	YOR	1798	1868	Start	
GREENWOOD	WADSWORTH		1787	1867	Start	Now
MOORE	HALIFAX/IRELAND	WRY	1881	1939	Start	Now

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.

The Cawthra One Name Study - Synopsis (Re-scheduled to June 2021)

These are of course unusual times – even for someone as old as I am – but I have not found it easy to provide an interesting synopsis in advance of giving a talk without spoiling the talk itself!

Some background information about me would perhaps be helpful. I was born in Halifax in 1943, the son of Jack **Cawthra** and Dorothy **Wilkinson** – I was an only and a late child – they were married in 1936. We lived at Quarry Farm in Wheatley and my father was a Foreman at the Dapper Mill as his day job and my mother had worked at Crossleys and mainly at Grove Mills. Their other job was farming – pigs and hens.

My life can easily be divided into four segments – the first 20 years being educated; the next 30 years working as an engineer, manager and executive for four of the country's major Construction Companies; the next 10 years working on my own as a Consultant working to help government, organisations and companies to overcome major challenges and the last 15 years working in my retirement years on the **Cawthra One Name Study**. Until that final segment, outside my own family I only ever met or even read about one other **Cawthra** – that was on my first day at Lee Mount School in 1948 when I was seated next to Rodney **Cawthra**. I went home and told my parents, and my Dad said – “He'll be one of the Boothtown **Cawthras** and we are of the Queensbury **Cawthras**”. I now know that he, as always, was right. What he probably didn't know is that the two factions are related.

It was only in the early years of the current millennium that I took any interest in my Family History and this was stimulated by being introduced by my sister-in-law to the 1881 online census and this coincided with a run down of my business activities. Initially I was interested in the **Cawthras**, **Perkins**, **Wilkinsons** and **Moores** – the surnames of my grandparents. Much of my guidance came from that excellent book “Ancestral Trails” by Mark Herber. I wasn't to find it easy, or even possible to work out which of the huge number of **Wilkinson's** and **Moore's** were my ancestors – with the **Cawthras** it was easier and with the **Perkins** challenging. When thumbing through the Index to “Ancestral Trails” I came across “One Name Studies” and that led me to “The Guild of One Name Studies”. It struck an immediate chord with me – it offered me a finite project that had not been attempted by anyone else – the name had not been registered with the Guild – and for me to make a meaningful contribution to genealogical study. In particular it opened up the opportunity to “meet” online many **Cawthras** from around the world. In a Google search of “**Cawthra**” the third item is “**Cawthra** - Guild of One Name Studies”. All people have to do to contact me is open the link on the Guild website and insert the name **Cawthra** and there is a synopsis of my Study. The opportunity is there for them to contact me via the Guild and many have

done so to their and equally valuably my benefit. My page has had 3,186 page views. I can now see that my page could beneficially be updated – which I will attend to soon. The Guild is an excellent organisation which is low cost and is run by a group of members, whose dedication, expertise and sheer effort is amazing.

Once I had joined the Guild my entire Family History focus was and has since been on “The **Cawthra** Study”. I was able to register the prime name “**Cawthra**” and five other variant names – **Cauthery**; **Cawtheray**; **Cawthraw**; **Cawthray** and **Cawthrow**. Other names I would like to have been able to include were **Cawthera** and **Cothery**. I was already a member of Genes Reunited and whilst no longer a member I see that it still has the excellent facility of listing every other member that has a **Cawthra** or other variant in their Tree. This provided a major input of information for me and imprinted in my mind that I must as soon as possible create my own list of contacts with whom to share and harvest information. I do recall that I made the bold statement through Genes Reunited that **Cawthra** was a relatively new name – I had adopted a mathematical approach and worked out that if there were say 100 **Cawthras** in the 1881 census and 75 in the 1861 census that that must mean that the first **Cawthra** arrived around 1780. I was swiftly corrected by another member who told me that there were **Cawthras** in the Wharfe Valley in Medieval times – I had much to learn as she was of course correct.

From the outset I adopted what I will describe as an “Engineering” approach in abstracting information that I had gleaned from my studies – initially from other Genes Reunited members – then from other online sources, primarily IGI and from visiting libraries and record offices. All this source information has been recorded in spreadsheet schedules – so I had schedules for each of the UK BDM Registrations, each of the Censuses and for each of the Parish Records and all other forms of information. It was my initial expectation that the form of spelling of the name would be the key to identifying family connections so each entry in each of the schedules was given a reference that included the last few letters of the surname. As soon as I had identified a family, I created a Tree for it and referenced the Tree – with a unique number and the name – for example **Cawtheray**001. As soon as I identified another **Cawtheray** family the Tree would be **Cawtheray**002 and so on.

My expectation was that eventually I would be able to merge many of the **Cawtheray** Trees as and when I was able to validate connections. How wrong I was – but it was too late to change. I found that a family might be recorded as **Cawtheray** in once census, **Cawthera** in another and the birth, marriage and death records may have other variants. Eventually it all came to work as I had expected but only when everybody could read or write and by and large the **Cawthra** families were at the back end of that milestone. I often have to give the spelling of my name but our illiterate ancestors could

not similarly help the person writing the records. There are distinctly different local variations even within the West Riding – for example a **Cawthorn** (not in the scope of my study) who moves from Birstall to Bradford has been recorded in the records henceforth as **Cawthra**.

I should mention here that there are a large number of **Cawthras** in USA, quite a number in Canada and Australia and a few in New Zealand and South Africa. All of them have their roots in Yorkshire and with the exception of some of those in Australia they were all descended from migrants seeking and usually finding a better life. However, the availability of comprehensive records online in these countries does not match those in the UK but this has to be balanced by a high level of interest there in the history of families and by the very good information from Censuses in USA and Canada albeit census information elsewhere is very limited.

I have been meticulous in keeping my information schedules updated as I discover new information and in updating the relevant Family Tree. However, as the years roll by it is important that I should plan for the survival of the information produced by the study beyond my own. This is a real race against time – balancing the time in adding new information versus having an incomplete pack of information. A valuable facility of the Guild of One Name Studies is for records to be passed to them periodically so that they have a record so that the information can continue to be made available to enquirers when a member is no longer able to respond. I have not yet initiated this transfer, seeking completeness before I do, but I must do so soon. In addition, I have an understanding with the Society of Genealogists that a copy of my work will be accepted by them.

In the early years of the Study I gleaned a lot of information from online sources where individuals had posted questions or information on the subjects of their genealogical studies and many of these were in Canada and USA and some of the most energetic supporters and contributors of my study have been the people I met through those exchanges. Beyond the exchanges I had through Genes Reunited I had very little contact with the **Cawthras** in this country so in October 2006 I sent out to every UK **Cawthra** address that I could find my first **Cawthra** Name Newsletter. In it I set out what I had found so far and attached a list of UK **Cawthras** who I could not link to any of my Trees and I sought their help. I later repeated this in USA and Australia. The response was excellent and it was the start of 28 Issues of the **Cawthra** Name Newsletter, the last being in 2019. In addition I produced a special series in 2008 on “**Cawthras** in the Great War” which identified every **Cawthra** who had fought in the war and with special sections on those who had tragically given their lives in the pursuit of Freedom. The general Newsletters were time consuming but very helpful to me in that it made me regularly take stock and express in words what were otherwise fleeting thoughts in my mind and it has greatly encouraged recipients to keep me updated and

they have given me the encouragement to “keep going”.

Establishing a large number of **Cawthra** contacts, as the process outlined above delivered, was essential to one of the fundamental successes of the overall study which was the DNA Study conducted in 2009. By the time four years of the Study had elapsed I had been able to define 21 separate **Cawthra** Trees but I could not further consolidate them. With enormous help from the Guild of One Name Studies expert on DNA testing, Susan **Meates** in USA, I conducted a DNA testing programme which involved 15 male volunteers from 15, at the time, unconnected Trees. These tests when completed identified that there were only three different **Cawthra** DNA Groups in 11 Trees (Groups of 6, 3 and 2 Trees). Soon afterwards in two of other trees genealogical connections were established with the Group of 6. In each case the different DNA was explained by a critical birth being to an identified unmarried mother. The remaining two Trees each have a very small number of members. This means that either there are three different origins or there have been further unidentified “non-paternal” events.

I should mention here that I have used the 2005 version of Family Tree Maker, throughout - it does everything I need and has an excellent series of features that it has taken me time to discover. Initially all my spreadsheets were written with Lotus 123 software but I have migrated all that data to Excel 2003. Even then I am mindful that these formats may not survive so I am and will be creating all my final records in a searchable PDF format.

The final task I have given myself is to put all of the information I have gleaned into words in the form of “The **Cawthra** Story”. This work commenced in 2018 and Volume 1, which covered the period from the 14th century up to 1850, was finalised at the end of that year and Volume 2, which covered the period up to 1899 was finalised at the end of 2019. I am presently working on Volume 3 which will be the last Volume and will cover the period from 1900 to 1950. In the three volumes I have reached 500 pages with much to add. In addition to presenting all the available genealogical information from the various Trees, including interesting stories and events, there are a number of special Chapters which cover amongst others; “Coal Mining and The **Cawthras**” and “The West Riding Wool and Cloth Industries” both of which were significant for the **Cawthras** and also “Crime and the **Cawthras**” which whilst not particularly extensive is quite interesting.

David **Cawthra**.

Using the CFHS Newspaper BMDs Index with other Resources

Vanessa Barron

I would highly recommend using the Halifax Newspaper BMDs index (1832-1921) in the CFHS Online Records database. It has helped me to find missing marriage and death records for my Halifax **Aked** family.

I still have gaps in the exact dates for births, marriages and deaths in my Halifax **Aked** family. I have previously searched the British Newspaper Archives to try to locate marriage and death notices but have been unsuccessful. I didn't want to purchase certificates from the General Register Office and was waiting for other records to go online which would give me the information I needed.

The British Newspaper Archive (BNA) is a really good resource for family stories, birth, marriage and death reports and notices. The downside is that the transcriptions of the newspaper text are not always accurate and are often gobbledygook, making it difficult to find the forenames and surnames you are looking for.

I have found that searching for the surname "**Aked**" on the BNA often returns results which include a misspelt "asked" or "aged" transcribed as "aked".

This was the transcription of the death notice for Mary **Aked** (my 3 x Great Grandmother) on page 8 of the Halifax Guardian, published on 11 December 1852:

"On Sainfday Nat, la ber year, Mr Om& TV►aU card alaiet tbs taxa"

No mention of the surname **Aked**, or the forename Mary.
It should have read:

"On Saturday last, in her 79th year, MARY, relict of Mr CHRIS-TOPHER **AKED**, card maker of this town".

I would not have been able to locate this death notice without the help of the Newspaper BMDs in the CFHS Online Records database. I have now corrected this text on the BNA, so that others searching will be able to find it.

Searching on the surname **Aked** in the Newspaper BMDs provided me with a list of 335 records. I also looked for other surnames. Each of the records gives the name of the newspaper (Halifax Guardian or Halifax Courier), the page number and date of publication of the article. It also records the type of event (ie. birth, marriage, death, etc) and the relationship of who is mentioned in the article (eg. deceased, father, mother, etc).

This meant that I could search on the BNA, restricting my search to the Newspaper Title and the date of publication. This has saved me a lot of time and effort. I found the exact death dates in the death notices on the BNA for Sharp **Lister** in 1854 (my 4 x Great Uncle), Hannah **Widdop** (nee **Lister**, my 1st cousin x 4 removed) and her husband James **Widdop**, both in 1877. None of the forenames and surnames were found in my search on the BNA. I only found them because I knew the exact page, date and newspaper title. When I located the death notices on the BNA, the BNA transcriptions for these were illegible and missing most of the text for the death notices. Even the column title "Deaths" was incorrectly spelt.

Not all editions and years of the Halifax Courier and Halifax Guardian are available yet on the British Newspaper Archives. However, I still used the information from the Newspaper BMDs to identify the marriage for another of my ancestors, Ruth **Kershaw**. The notice of her marriage was published in the Halifax Guardian on 10/02/1883 on page 8. The marriage had taken place in February 1883. This edition of the Halifax Guardian was not available on the BNA. However, I used this information to find the marriage record on Findmypast for Ruth **Kershaw** and Charles **Whilden** registered in Q1, 1883, Halifax. I could then complete Ruth's timeline and add her descendants to my family tree.

As more editions of the Halifax Courier and Halifax Guardian newspapers are put online on the BNA, I know that I will be able to find other BMD notices quite easily using the index from the CFHS Online database. Thank you, Calderdale FHS for publishing this really useful resource.

Vanessa Barron

Editor's Note: Thanks to the Volunteers from the Local History Section of Halifax Central Library who transcribed the Newspaper BMDs Index. Both Guardian & Courier newspapers are available from the Halifax Central Library and any entry can be obtained from them by quoting the newspaper name, date, page no. & name.

Email: reference.library@calderdale.gov.uk or phone: 01422 392633

The phone number for the library is on their website. The email address is for Local or Family History enquiries.

Thanks to Peter Lord and his Transcribers Team for the CFHS Databases. It's well known that Family History Societies do a better job of transcriptions than many others who have no personal interest, or local knowledge. My husband found one of his ancestors' location in Horwich (Lancashire) transcribed as "Norwich"!



THE WAR GRAVES PHOTOGRAPHIC PROJECT

There will be very few readers who are not familiar with the work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC). It is not so well known that working in a similar vein to their 'Remember all in Perpetuity' is The War Graves Photographic Project (TWGPP). This is a voluntary group whose aim is to extend the work of the CWGC by photographing every war grave and memorial worldwide. The 'Project' was informally started in 2005 but went 'live' as a website in 2007.

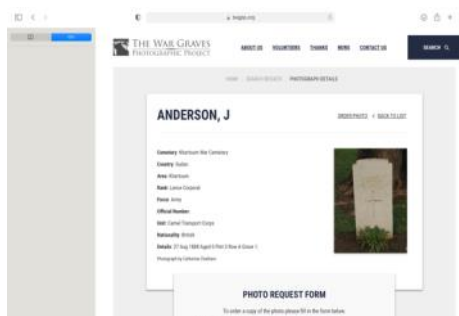
The ethos of TWGPP is very simple: to enable families and researchers to obtain, via its website, a photograph of a grave or memorial, which many cannot personally visit.

Initially the project's brief was confined to Commonwealth war graves or memorials for WWI and WWII but the scope has now widened to include all nationalities and all conflicts providing the casualty died in service or as a result of conflict.

Currently the website contains well over a 1.9 million images from 23,000 cemeteries or memorials in over 150 countries. Photographing the beautifully maintained CWGC cemeteries is one thing. Tramping through the undergrowth of often neglected churchyards or vast corporation cemeteries looking for a single - or scattered headstones - is another story altogether as volunteers can testify with many a frustrating or amusing story.

The project has over 1000 volunteers worldwide from all walks of life. All that was required was motivation, a digital camera and, often, the location data supplied by the project's coordinator. It is probably a fair assessment to say that this is a project which owes its ultimate true worth to modern technology: the facility to download from camera to computer to website with comparative ease and speed.

I became involved in this project in 2008 when working in Khartoum, Sudan, and photographed the Commonwealth war graves cemetery there. One piece of well-maintained green space in a dusty and chaotic city.



Khartoum Commonwealth War Graves Cemetery and TWGPP records for J Anderson who died 27 August 1888 and served with the Camel Transport Corps

Since then I have photographed war graves wherever I have been fortunate to work or to travel: from Maiduguri in North East Nigeria (the area currently suffering from the terrors of Boko Haram) to Djibouti and from Pune in India to Prague.... and many, many, places in between.

Whilst we are all used to seeing the well-maintained cemeteries of France and Belgium we do need to remember the very many casualties of war who died across the globe. Many of the cemeteries I have visited have been amazingly well maintained, but many have not.

What is also interesting are the number of graves that can be found which predate the founding of the CWGC and can be photographed and put on the database. A number of additional burials are also found along with a number of inconsistencies and errors in spelling of names, and dates of death etc.



Commonwealth War Graves in Bomana, Papua New Guinea, and at the Military Cantonment in Delhi, India



Graves in Lokoja, Nigeria. Commonwealth War Graves Commission headstones and grave marker from April 1898



Maiduguri, NE Nigeria. Visited on Remembrance Day 2017

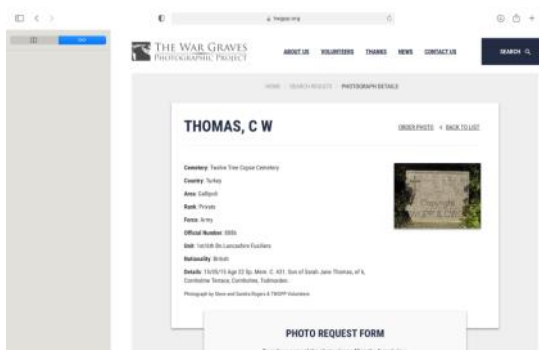
When I am back in the UK, and have access to a vehicle, I have been trying to photograph family memorials in cemeteries and graveyards in Calderdale and further afield. The best time to do this is a bright day in the winter or spring when one can access the cemeteries and one does not have to compete with the brambles, Rosebay Willow Herb or waist-high vegetation.



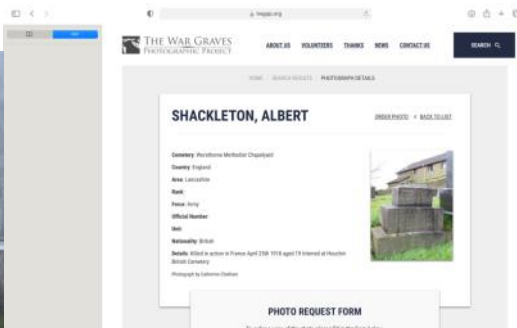
Cross Stone graveyard, Todmorden (looking towards Stoodley Pike) and Undercliffe Cemetery, Bradford

In many cemeteries the only way to search for family memorials is to walk along all of the rows of the cemetery and read all of the inscriptions, a task easier said than done. Once identified as a possible casualty of conflict photographs are taken so that these can be checked against Commonwealth war graves records and photographs put on the TWGPP database.

Thus on the TWGPP website there may be two images for some casualties of conflict: the “official” Commonwealth War Grave Commission headstone and then the family grave headstone with the death of their relative commemorated upon it.



Family grave noting the death of Charles William Thomas, Todmorden (Christ Church) cemetery and details in TWGPP database showing the grave in Twelve Tree Copse Cemetery.



Family memorial in Worsthorne Methodist Chapleyard, the TWGPP entry and the entry for the same casualty at Houchin British Cemetery. NB: issues exist round the consistency of names (initials vs given name)

The project is always looking for new volunteers to help photograph cemeteries and graveyards in the UK and overseas. Please contact the project if you are interesting in assisting. Please note its not always possible to say which churchyards and cemeteries have not been done. For example, I recently returned to Walsden, St Peters, to try to ensure that all Commonwealth War Grave commission graves and family headstones were photographed/rephotographed. With a return visit to the graveyard I picked up a number of previously not photographed headstones and these are now on site. Thus for this particular churchyard there are 32 records on the TWGPP database but on the CWGC site it notes 12 commonwealth war graves in the churchyard. I have not yet cross referenced the number of headstones with casualties of conflict with any database of monumental inscriptions. That may show I have still more to find!

As well as recording graves the project will also add into the database memorials to individuals which are found. The database does not contain memorials to groups of casualties or village/town war memorials.



Individual memorials in Khartoum (now in the Republican Palace Museum (previously the Cathedral) and in Ripon Cathedral

I have felt that as I have been lucky to travel to some amazing countries round the globe I should try to take photographs of the war graves that are there and pay my respects to those that have died. This has been done with mixed emotions: sadness that many family members have never been able to travel to the places of their loved one's graves, sometimes sadness at the

state of the places in which graves have been found, at other times wonder at the amazing work done to maintain the cemeteries especially in areas of the world where there has been later conflicts or changes in the status of countries, sadness (in some countries) that those who fought together and died together are not always recognized by their full names nor buried together, a recognition of our history, a wonder at how fast time moves on, the bravery and the resilience of people, and awe at an institution whose aim it is to remember in perpetuity.

Requests for photographs are dealt with on a daily basis by the Project Request Co-ordinator; the success rate is high given the numbers in the archive and the numerous letters of thanks received are both poignant, heartwarming and in many instances heartbreaking.

During the 100th Anniversary of WWI which formally ended in 1919 many local societies and schools utilised the facility to prepare exhibitions and local publications to remember the men and women that were commemorated on local memorials. It is hoped that many families will discover this vast archive and find relatives who may have faded into obscurity.

Adding images to the website is an ongoing task and revisits to many cemeteries are being conducted by volunteers to update the archive. Ultimately the archive will form a lasting record of all those who paid the ultimate sacrifice. Although records from many countries are complete there are some countries where it has proved difficult to get volunteers to assist. We still need to complete the records for eg Iraq, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda, Pakistan, etc

Further information about the project, can be viewed at www.twgpp.org or on our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/twgpp/>
Point of contact - steve@twgpp.org



Chittagong, Bangladesh

POST BAG



Hi Frances

I've got a new genetic genealogy book out (the start of what I hope will become a new series!), *The Chester Creek Murders*

getbook.at/ChesterCreek-ebook

The Chester Creek Murders

When Detective Clayton Tyler is tasked with reviewing the formidable archives of unsolved homicides in his police department's vaults, he settles on one particular cold case from the 1980s: The Chester Creek Murders. Three young women were brutally murdered—their bodies dumped in Chester Creek, Delaware County—by a serial killer who has confounded a slew of detectives and evaded capture for over thirty-eight years. With no new leads or information at his disposal, the detective contacts Venator for help, a company that uses cutting-edge investigative genetic genealogy to profile perpetrators solely from DNA evidence. Taking on the case, Madison Scott-Barnhart and her small team at Venator must use their forensic genealogical expertise to attempt finally to bring the serial killer to justice. Madison, meanwhile, has to weigh professional and personal issues carefully, including the looming five-year anniversary of her husband's disappearance.

Nathan Dylan Goodwin

DNA

The following is part of a much longer email, which I have not room for in this issue. If anyone is interested in DNA in family research, I can forward a copy. (editor)

I use DNA extensively in my family research.

I belong to a local DNA Working Group, <https://www.obcgs.com/> which meets by Zoom usually on the 1st Saturday of each month, at 1:00PM US Eastern Time. I have given some talks jointly with my daughter Lara (she lives in Seattle). She is a biological scientist & research coordinator. Her Zoom talk in March on autosomal DNA implications for health & traits might include some research findings on genes (e.g. genes on Chromosome 3 affecting the ACE2 receptor; & blood group, Chromosome 9) bearing upon one's probable reaction to exposure to the Covid19 virus. Lara regularly communicates with cutting-edge labs in the Seattle vicinity.

Anyone interested in attending our DNA Zooms (non-members welcome) can contact me & I will see that one of the group coordinators sends a Zoom link invitation. Or use this link: <https://www.obcgs.com/event/dna-group-discussion/>

Our DNA Zoom group usually includes a Ph.D. geneticist,

Best regards,
Gary Muffley
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Asheville, North Carolina

Monthly Meetings - Second Quarter 2021

Whilst it is still the Society's policy to return to the traditional meeting format at the earliest opportunity, the Committee has taken the decision, irrespective of any ongoing changes in government restrictions, to continue streaming meetings over Zoom. This will ultimately lead to the introduction of "hybrid" meetings where the event is essentially "filmed" and live streamed to all interested members around the UK and overseas.

It had been hoped that normal service would resume in May but this is now looking increasingly unlikely in the present circumstances. The likelihood is that the meetings scheduled during the second quarter, including the AGM in April, will continue to be held virtually over Zoom – any changes will of course be notified in the monthly Newsletter.

[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

Once installed, just E-Mail our Membership Secretary at 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.]

22 April 2021

Annual General Meeting

The AGM will be followed by a demonstration of the new CFHS Database. This excellent research facility is now available to all members on the Society's website and comprises in excess of 2 million fully searchable local records. These include BMDs, Burials, Monumental Inscriptions, Newspapers, School Logs & Admissions.

27 May 2021

Fine Houses for Men, Small Flats for Women & Almshouses – David Glover

A fascinating and informed look at some houses situated to the south of Halifax town centre, some of which have now sadly gone forever. David tells the stories

of Holly Hall, Hope Hall, Clare Hall, The Shay and Well Head. Included are some alternative stories of the Clare Road Flats for Women, opened in 1936, and the Nathaniel Waterhouse Homes, almshouses originally founded in 1635, but moved in the 1850s.

24 Jun 2021

The Cawthra One Name Study – David Cawthra

David Cawthra, a native of Halifax and away-member of Calderdale FHS, has been researching the Cawthra families of Yorkshire for the past 15 years. He is a member of the Guild of One Name Studies and will initially explain its benefits for non-members.

David will go on to set out how he approached the study, which has engaged the interest of Cawthra's throughout the world and also outline the vital role DNA played in the investigation.

He will conclude by recounting some of the interesting and often fascinating stories he unearthed along the journey.

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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** and we are open at the following times on these days:

	Morning	Afternoon
Monday:		2 pm to 4.30 pm
Tuesday:		2 pm to 4.30 pm
Wednesday:	10 am to 12.30 pm	2 pm to 4.30 pm
Thursday:		2 pm to 4.30 pm
Friday:	10.30 am to 1.00 pm	
Saturday:		2 pm to 4.30 pm

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

USEFUL CONTACTS AND SOURCES FOR RESEARCHING WEST YORKSHIRE ANCESTORS

West Yorkshire Archive Service ~ 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

Calderdale Central Reference Library (address as above) Tel: +44 (0) 1422 392 630
e-mail 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

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/bihr/ (*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/ 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

(*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 (*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 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 FHS.

We are planning to have our usual 4 meetings this year. The March meeting will certainly be via Zoom and probably at least one more. The usual charges will apply. All meetings 10:30am.

Current timetable:

20 March 2021 John Hanson Using Family Search, with an emphasis on Yorkshire

19 June 2021 Simon Fowler Publicans and Brewers
All meetings are open to all

Please contact Ian at lgyfhs@virginmedia.com for more information.

Family History Federation

(was Federation of Family History Societies)
<https://www.familyhistoryfederation.com/>

This site has a wealth of links to events & information of interest to family historians.

FHF REALLY USEFUL Family History Show
Saturday 10th April 2021

BUY YOUR TICKET at
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**Many Meetings, Events etc. have been cancelled
due to Coronavirus.
Please check with the organiser if you are unsure.**

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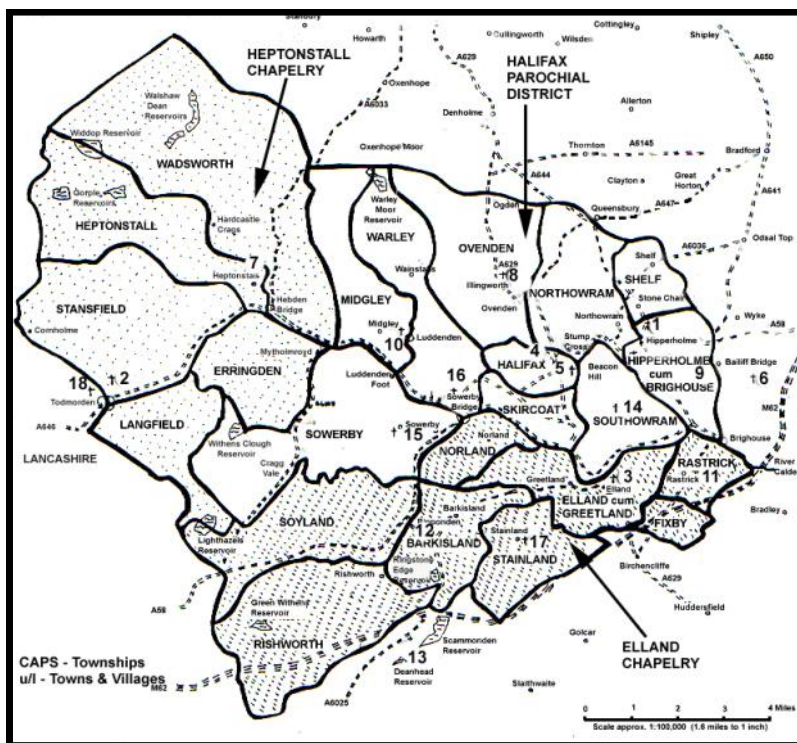
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CHAPELRIES AND TOWNSHIPS OF THE ANCIENT PARISH OF HALIFAX



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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 2021

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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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

St. John's, Halifax BMDs Pre 1812	1754-1812 (Mar), 1767-1812 (Bap/Burs)	£10.00
	Download Price	£8.50
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	Download Price	£10.50
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St. Thomas Heptonstall. baptisms 1599 to 1812 (1837 for Cross Stone) each £12.50
Baptisms A to F Baptisms G to J Baptisms K to Stanc Baptisms Stand to Y

St. Thomas Heptonstall. marriages 1599 to 1837 each £12.50
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St. Thomas Heptonstall. burials 1599 to 1812 (1837 for Cross Stone) each £12.50
Burials A to F Burials G to J Burials K to Sq Burials St to Y

Other Calderdale Churches—CDs & Downloadable Files

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Other Calderdale Parishes (1) includes the following churches £5.50

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- 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

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- 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

Non-Conformists Registers (1) includes the following chapels £5.50

Cornholme Meths - Midgley Providence - Mixenden URC - Rishworth Roadside
Shelf Primitive Meths. - Shelf Witchfield - Todmorden Shore Baptists

Northowram Heywood URC Baps 1744-1952, Marrs 1863-88, Burs 1822-2016,
Grave Book 1797-2016 £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)

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CD3 —Calderdale West Schools—fully indexed & searchable	£5.50

School Admissions

CD1 - Calderdale East & South School Admissions—fully indexed & searchable	£5.50
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OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Ancestral File Book —Blank pro-forma booklet to record history (available in UK only)	£4.00
Piece Hall 1778 Subscribers —list of all subscribers at the opening (download only)	£2.00
Greetland Undertakers —details of deceased customers of Ely Furness 1896-1927	£3.00
Duchy of Lancaster Rolls—Hipperholme —full transcript for period 1537-1607	£3.00

SEARCHES

Data available is from any item that appears on our publications list - **£1.00 per name.**
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METHODS OF ORDERING.

There are a number of ways in which Publications and Services can be ordered. Relevant addresses are given at the foot of this page. Where paying by cheque, they should be made payable to "Calderdale FHS" and **not** to any individual.

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- Ancestral Files (UK Only) - £1.25 per 1 or 2 booklets

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Incorporating Halifax and District

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You may, at any time, withdraw your consent by contacting CFHS GDPR Controller by E-mailing systems@cfhsweb.com or in writing to the Society Secretary. This may exclude you from the ability to use some of the Society's facilities.

You may view the information that we hold by applying to the Membership Secretary - 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

Bank Details to pay on-line

Account Name : Calderdale FHS

Sort Code : 30-93-76

Account No. : 01670491

Reference : **NNNN**Surname - where **NNNN** is your Membership No.
eg 1234Smith

Every year, the Society makes a presentation of 2 annual awards to Members who have made an outstanding contribution to the Society over the previous 12 months. These are entitled **The Sutcliffe Awards**, in recognition of the work carried out by John & Joyce Sutcliffe over many years.

The Committee Sutcliffe Award is awarded by the Committee to the Away Member who they feel has made such a contribution during the year.

The Members' Sutcliffe Award is awarded to a Society Member, nominated by another member.

This nomination paper should be completed, signed by the submitting member & returned by 7.30pm. Saturday 10th April 2021. Please note that only one nomination may be made by any one member.

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I nominate to be considered for the award of the 2021 Members' Sutcliffe Award, for the following reasons:

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Signed: **Date :**

(Please print your name here).....

Please return this nomination form to Margaret Smith, 4, Rawson Avenue, Halifax. HX3 0JP

or

secretary@cfhsweb.com

to arrive before **Saturday 10th April 2021**

Form for nominations for Committee Member(s) is on next page.

CFHS - 2021/2022 Committee Nominations

Please print the name of the nominee in the space provided and return this nomination paper to Margaret Smith, 4, Rawson Avenue, Halifax. HX30JP, before **Saturday 10th April 2021**

or to secretary@cfhsweb.com

I nominate for election to the CFHS
Committee for the year 2021/2022.

Signed

Member's Name

Date

Before nominating a person, please ensure they are willing to stand.

If you would like to nominate yourself to be considered for the committee then please enter your own name in the nomination line.

Your name could then be put forward for election by members at the AGM on 22nd April 2021

Appeal for Committee Members

This is the time of year, as the AGM in April approaches, that we consider the make-up of the Committee for the next 12 months. The Committee carries out all the basic business for the Society, so it is important that we have as wide a range of views & experiences as possible.

Since the outbreak of Covid-19, all activities have been carried out remotely & these have been successful. Consequently, the Committee has decided that there will now be a Zoom presence at all future Committee meetings, even after the Covid-19 crisis is over. As a result, we will now be able to open up Committee membership to Away Members rather than just those in the Halifax area.

Your Committee see this as a step forward to being able to widen the representation of members in the decision-making process for the Society, and will welcome members from anywhere in the world who would like to put themselves forward for Committee membership.

We meet 6 times per year, on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, on even numbered months at 7:30pm UK time, and the meetings generally last for no more than 2 hours, – quite often considerably less. The Committee is elected at the AGM every year, with the 2021 AGM taking place on Thursday 22nd April at 7:30pm UK time.

If you would like to put yourself forward for election, please complete the nomination form opposite (Page AGM 4) & return it to the Secretary. Alternatively, E-Mail your offer direct to the secretary at

secretary@cfhsweb.com .

All applications will be considered at the AGM.

We hope that this change will encourage those members not local to Halifax to take the opportunity to help in the Society's management.

Calderdale FHS Annual General Meeting (Zoom)

7.30pm (Calderdale Time)

Thursday 22nd. April 2021

Agenda & Notes

Chairman's Introduction

Reports circulated by email prior to the meeting:

Secretary's Report

Treasurer's Report

Computer Security Report

Election of Committee

Election of Auditors

Announcement of the Sutcliffe Awards.

Announcement of Margaret Walker Award.

Any Other Business.

The official meeting will be followed by a training video on the use of the on-line database now available on our web-site

New Online Database

By now, most of you will be familiar with the fact that we have launched our latest initiative to help our members – the online database to allow you to get the full detail for all the 2 ¼ million transcribed items of data that we hold.

We promised that we would give you as much detail as possible by doing short items on the monthly Newsletter, plus more extensive information in the quarterly Scrivener.

So this article is to consolidate what has already been said in the Newsletters & to give you an update on how we are making sure as many people as possible know about it.

Firstly, by the time you read this, we hope to have made a video which goes through the detail of all the tables in the database & how best to use it. This will be posted on YouTube, so that it is available to both members & non-members alike. The reason that we want non-members to be able to view it is because we feel that it might be a useful “recruitment” tool for new members. There will, inevitably, be crucial omissions on this concerning exactly how you get on to the database, so that we reduce the possibility of non-members gaining access. That detail will only be given in our articles that you can read in the member-limited publications.

General Approach.

When designing this, we wanted to make sure that it worked as closely as possible with the existing Transcription Index. The beauty of that Index is that you can key in a name & it will show you all the entries available across all types of databases for that name. On the Online database (OLDB), the data is structured by record type (eg one set of data for Baptisms, another for Marriages etc.) which means that just to go directly into the OLDB to find a particular person would mean you searching in each of the 11 databases.

How to get started.

A late development which should have been implemented by the time you read this, is to have an extra “button” available for you to use once you have found a person on the Transcription Index. You will be familiar with the “Send Mail” button to send an E-mail request to our Search Coordinator, so that she can send you full details of the entry concerned. Of course, you can still use that facility if you wish. However, we now have an extra button in that window “Find Data in Database” which, when selected, will automatically open the OLDB & present the data for that entry for you. Once in the system, you can explore all the other elements at your leisure, or, alternatively, go back to the Transcription Index to select another person.

However, if you just want to browse around the OLDB, you can do so by entering it via the link “Members Area/CFHS Online Records” from the main menu. This allows you to see detail about what the OLDB offers before going in, on an “explanation page”. You can then access the OLDB by following the links & signing in.

One of the things that you need to do, initially, is to remember the username & password for the OLDB which is shown on the “explanation page”. Once you have clicked on the link to enter the system, you will see this screen :-



All you need to do is to enter the username & password that you have just noted & this will take you into the OLDB.

The first thing you will see is the whole set of databases available on this screen :-

Birth, Marriage & Death Records

Baptisms

Baptisms for Calderdale Churches & Chapels

Marriages

Marriages for Calderdale Churches & Chapels

Burials

Burials for Calderdale Churches & Chapels

Graves

Graves for Calderdale Churches & Chapels

Newspapers

Newspaper BMD Notices from Halifax Guardian & Courier - 1832 to 1921

Municipal Cemeteries

Calderdale Municipal Cemeteries - Burial Books

Monumental Inscriptions

Monumental Inscriptions for Calderdale Graveyards

School Records

School Admissions

Admission Records for Calderdale Schools 1869 to 1919

School Logs

Head Teacher Logs for Calderdale Schools 1875 to 1919

Other Records

Pre 1841 Census

Calderdale Census Records 1764, 1801, 1811, 1821 & 1831

Miscellaneous

A Miscellany of records from other sources - 1353 to 2002

You can then decide which database you want to look at & "click" on the coloured bar for the one you want. This will take you directly into that database, all of which have a similar look. The one illustrated is for Baptisms :-

Surname

Forenames

Father Forenames

Mother Forenames

Date/Year

Parish

Please select

Search

Help

Displaying 1 - 20 of 347956 20

Sort by: Default

Baptisms

Surname	Forenames	Date/Year	Parish	Registry No.	Father Forenames	Mother Forenames
			Halifax Holy Trinity	544		
			Halifax Holy Trinity	223		
			Halifax Holy Trinity	224		
			Halifax Holy Trinity	560		
			Halifax Holy Trinity	564		
			Halifax Holy Trinity	790		
			Halifax Holy Trinity	937		
			Lightcliffe St Matthew	905		
			Lightcliffe St Matthew	925		
			Almondbury All Hallows		Thomas	Sarah
			Almondbury All Hallows			Hannah
			Almondbury All Hallows		Joseph	Betty
			Almondbury All Hallows			Sarah Ann
		25/10/1689	Ripponden St Bartholomew		James	
		1/1/1715	Sowerby St Peter		Joseph	
		3/6/1724	Luddenden St Mary			
		06/10/1728	Almondbury All Hallows			
		29/01/1734	Almondbury All Hallows		James	
		03/07/1738	Almondbury All Hallows			
		7/9/1740	Sowerby St Peter			

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You can then start to explore for the people that you think might be there, by entering information into the "select" section, on the LH side of the screen. You can enter some or all of the fields, depending on how much you already know. The more you enter, the more precise the search will be, so it's generally a good idea to start with a fairly wide search, such as just Surname & Forename.

One of the particularly useful aspects is to be found at the bottom of the "selection" section (in the baptism screen above, this is for "Parish") where you can get a drop-down list of every parish on the database, thereby limiting yourself to selections from that Parish.

All the databases have a set of common tools. These have been explained in the January & February 2021 Newsletters, so we will not repeat these here. You will see that March's Newsletter began to give detail for each database, one by one. This theme will continue over the next few Newsletters from April onwards.

Please take time to look at the YouTube video, precise details of which will be in the April Newsletter, as we don't have those at this time of writing.

We are happy to help any member who is unsure of how to proceed & have already managed to get some of you started. To do this, just E-mail systems@cfnswb.com with a request & your telephone no. & we will set up a session to help you through the basics.

We hope that this introduction has been useful to you & has given you an appetite to find out more information on your ancestors.

Happy Hunting !!

Peter Lord – Systems Coordinator.