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December Round Up

During December things normally quieten down for PastSearch as far as site work is concerned, allowing time for report writing and getting ready for a Christmas break. Not so in 2016!! With the mild weather, clients/developers were wanting to get as much digging done as possible, therefore visits were made to York, Beverley, Sutton on Derwent and Brough sites. Phew!!

This month's talk at HOSM Social Club, we looked at Lendal, York in the 19th century, finding out who lived there and the types of occupations associated with the street. The main business appeared to be attorney/solicitor, which probably was due to the Judges' Lodgings also being in this street. However there were also boat builders, architects, photographers, dressmakers etc., even a manure merchant. (*This talk is now available as a bookable presentation*).

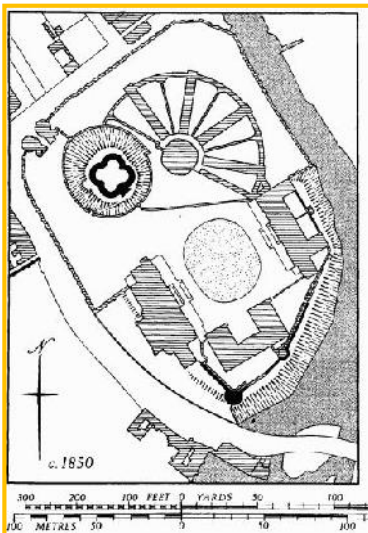
Snippets from Arthur's Guide to York

York Castle Walls. These walls are 1,100 yards in circuit, 35ft. High, built in 1826 at a cost of a quarter of a million. The only ancient portion of the Castle standing is

Clifford's Tower, built by William the Norman on a Roman Foundation. It was wrecked in 1642 by Cromwell after Marston Moor. It is now a county prison, having also assize courts &c.

The porter at the gate will admit you to see the yard and tower, but to see the prisons requires an order from the Prison Commissioner. It is said a walnut tree grows in the interior planted by George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends while a prisoner of his faith.

Arthur's Guide to York c. 1898



The 19th century curtain wall was actually built to contain these new prison buildings as shown on this plan of c. 1850. The court house also in the precinct.

The new walls joined up with the remaining medieval walls to the southeast from the former motte and bailey castle (see right).



The civil prison closed in 1900, becoming a military prison until September 1929. Five years later the prison buildings were sold to the City of York and in 1935 the outer walls, gatehouse and post 1824 buildings demolished.

Also in 1935 an archaeological excavation was undertaken by H.M. Office of Works to locate the lower gate, permission having been granted as this area is a scheduled monument.

The gate is shown on several maps, however, each map gives a slightly different location, and although it would have been levelled during construction of the prison buildings, it was hoped foundations would still be remaining. Therefore trenches were dug in the areas most likely to find traces of this gate.

Work has also been undertaken by English Heritage in recent years to understand the construction of the mound on which Clifford's Tower has been built.

I am currently trying to track down the full reports from both these excavations, and will give an update when I am successful.

References used:

Cooper, T.P., The History of the Castle of York

British History Online

Historic England/English Heritage

An illustrated presentation on the history of Clifford's Tower is now available
For more details contact Karen at pastsearch@hotmail.com

York Herald and County Advertiser

“The *York Herald and County Advertiser* was first published on 2 January 1790 from an office in High Ousegate by Messrs. Wilson, Spence, and Mawman. In October 1795 Joseph Mawman acquired the sole interest in the concern; he was succeeded in October 1799 by Alexander Bartholoman. After Bartholoman's death in 1811, the paper was printed for a short time by his widow, Mary, until on 8 June it appeared under the names of John Spence and Thomas Deighton. The *York Herald's* annual net profits at this time were claimed to be between £1,000 and £1,500. In October 1811 the printing office was moved to Spence's establishment adjacent to the former office, and by November the paper's title had been changed to the *York Herald, County and General Advertiser*. The paper was subsequently controlled by a succession of partnerships, but on 31 July 1813 it was for the first time said to be published by 'Hargrove and Company'; the publishers in February 1820 were William and John Hargrove and Henry Cobb.

William and John Hargrove continued as publishers until July 1848; William was thenceforth sole publisher until in January 1856 William Wallace Hargrove and Alfred Hargrove were admitted as partners with their father. Alfred had been on the paper's staff since 1841 and William Wallace since 1843. William Hargrove died in 1862, and in 1873 Alfred retired leaving W. W. Hargrove, as sole proprietor, to found the York Herald Newspaper Company Ltd. in the following year. The Hargroves' paper was printed in Coney Street at the former office of the *York Courant* which had been bought by William Hargrove in 1815; the sales advertising office remained in Pavement for some years after the removal of the presses to Coney Street.

The *York Herald* of 1790 contained four pages, increased to eight in 1843 and twelve in 1855. In 1858 the *Yorkshireman* was incorporated with the *Herald*. In 1869 W. W. and A. E. Hargrove founded the weekly *Yorkshire Telegraph* in order to test the popularity of a 1d. newspaper, and in 1871 the *Yorkshire Advertiser* was incorporated with the *Telegraph*. The success of the experiment with a 1d. weekly led to the *York Herald's* becoming a 1d. daily with four pages on 1 January 1874; by February it had been increased to eight pages. An eight-page weekly paper continued to be published as a supplement to the daily paper, however. The *Yorkshire Telegraph* was incorporated with the *York Herald* on 1 January 1877; and in 1882 W. W. Hargrove founded the *Yorkshire Evening Press*, its first number appearing on 2 October.

In the *Herald's* centenary year, 1890, its title was changed to the *Yorkshire Herald*, and during subsequent years its size was occasionally increased from eight to ten pages for individual numbers. W. W. Hargrove retired in 1899 and died in 1918. The *Yorkshire Weekly Herald* was published as a Saturday supplement to the daily paper until 1 December 1933, when it appeared as a separate twelve-page publication. The daily paper was discontinued on 31 December 1936, and from 2 January 1937 the weekly paper was known as the *Yorkshire Herald*.

The York Herald Newspaper Company founded in 1874 had had Lord Wenlock as its chairman, with W. W. Hargrove as vice-chairman. Sir Wilfrid Home Thomson acquired control of the company in the early 1900's, and he was succeeded at his death in 1939 by his son Sir Ivo. On 31 January 1945 Kemsley Newspapers bought the *Yorkshire Herald* and incorporated it into their group, but retaining Sir Ivo Thomson as managing director of the Yorkshire Herald Newspaper Company. In 1953 Kemsley Newspapers sold the *Herald* (together with the *Yorkshire Evening Press*) to the Westminster Press Provincial Newspaper Company; J. B. Morrell, Esq., was then the appointed chairman of the Yorkshire Herald Newspaper Company. On 25 June 1954 the first number of the combined *Yorkshire Herald* and *Yorkshire Gazette* appeared as the *Yorkshire Gazette and Herald*.

William Hargrove (1788-1862) made perhaps his biggest contribution to civic affairs through the *York Herald*; but his activities were numerous, and he played a leading part *inter alia* in the preservation of the city walls, the construction of the Parliament Street market, and the establishment of the modern cattle market. In 1818 he published his *History of York*. The contribution of William Wallace Hargrove (1826-1918) was similarly crowned by his work for the *York Herald*. Among his other interests, that in art led him to be instrumental in the Burton collection being given to the city; and in 1893 he was appointed a J.P. for the city. Alfred Ely Hargrove (1824-94) played a prominent part in political life and was Lord Mayor of York in 1868.”

British History Online

This Month in History (January)

Below, is at least one event for each day of this month from around the world.

Links for more information about each of these events can be found by visiting the relevant page on the *PastSearch* website.

You can also find out about other events which have happened in history for each day of the year.

Start your search by using this link: <http://pastsearch-archaeo-history.co.uk/on-this-day/>

Date	Year	Country	Event
1	1773	GB	“Amazing Grace” used to accompany sermon by John Newton in Olney.
2	2014	Atlantic Ocean	Asteroid 2014AA impact.
3	1956	France	Fire at Eiffel Tower, Paris.
4	1841	York	Railway Station & offices opened in Toft Green.
5	1975	Australia	Tasman Bridge, Tasmania, collapsed after struck by carrier Lake Illawarra, 12 killed.
6	1838	USA	Alfred Vail demonstrated telegraph system using dots & dashes.
7	1985	Japan	Space probe Sakigake launched.
8	1940	UK	Food rationing introduced (WWII).
9	1816	UK	Sir Humphrey Davy tested the Davy Lamp at Hebburn Colliery.
10	1901	USA	Oil gusher discovered in Spindletop, Beaumont, Texas.
11	1879	South Africa	Anglo-Zulu War began
12	1918	Finland	Mosaic Confessors Law made Jews full citizens.
13	858	England	Æthelwulf died, aged 62 or 63, Aethelbald became king.
14	1960	Australia	Reserve Bank of Australia established.
15	1759	GB	British Museum opened in London.
16	1547	Russian Empire	Ivan IV “The Terrible” became Tzar.
17	1562	France	Hugonquets recognised under Edict of Saint-Germain.
18	1778	Hawaiian Islands	James Cook discovered islands, named them “Sandwich Islands.”
19	1977	Bahamas	Snow fell.
20	1265	England	Simon de Montfort’s Parliament meeting held in the Palace of Westminster (“Houses of Parliament”).
21	1749	Italy	Philharmonic Theatre, Verona destroyed by fire.
22	1999	York	Paintings stolen from Art Gallery.
23	1973	Iceland	Volcanic eruptions devastated Heimaey.
24	1857	India	University of Calcutta founded.
25	1924	York	William Woodhouse set off on roller-skating journey to London.
26	1905	South Africa	Cullinan Diamond found at Premier Mine, Pretoria.
27	1888	USA	National Geographical Society founded in Washington DC.
28	1896	UK	Walter Arnold of East Peckham, Kent, first person convicted of speeding at 8mph, fined 1s plus costs. Speed limit in towns was 2mph.
29	1856	UK	Queen Victoria instituted the Victoria Cross.
30	1820	Antarctica	Discovery claimed by Edward Bransfield.
31	1865	USA	US Congress passed 13th Amendment, abolishing slavery.

British Monarchs – Egbert (Ecgeberht)



Born: c.769
Parents: Ealhmund of Kent (Father)
House of: Wessex
Became King: 802
Married: Redburh of Francia
Children: Aethelwulf
Died: 839
Buried at: Winchester
Succeeded by: his son Aethelwulf

Egbert (Ecgeberht in Anglo Saxon) was king of Wessex (802-39), and the first Saxon king recognized as sovereign of all England .

In late 8th century, King Offa of Mercia (reigned 757-96) ruled most of England, Egbert lived in exile at the court of Charlemagne.

Egbert regained his kingdom in 802. By 830 he was also acknowledged as sovereign of East Anglia, Sussex, Surrey, and Northumbria and was given the title of Bretwalda ("ruler of the British" – Anglo Saxon Chronicles).

Notable battles included Battle of Ellendun (825), Defeat of Mercia (829) and Battle of Hingston Down (838).

References used:

www.britroyals.com/kings.asp?id=egbert

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Egbert_of_Wessex

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Hingston_Down

HOSM Local History Society



Meetings are held on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Social Club, next door to the Village Hall, High Street.

Start time 7.00pm

Price £2.00

Last Month's Talk – 12 December

Society members Neil, Carole and Sheila gave an excellent presentation on their visit to Hull archives, where they found a number of documents relating to Holme on Spalding Moor's history.

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16 January – The Land Army in WWII – *Sharon Garner*

20 February – Mary Eleanor Blakey's Cookbook – *David Lewis*

20 March – History of Howden – *Susan Butler*

17 April – From Dorm Knocker to Bettys – *Ron Christian*

Picture This



Zouche Chapel, York Minster

This is one of the lovely window panels to be found in the Zouche chapel, depicting a wren chasing trying to catch a spider on its web.

This chapel is reserved for private prayer, an opportunity to find quiet in the bustling areas of York Minster.

Do You Know Where This Is?



Answer in Issue 50

Just For Fun



This is Colin the digging hamster, he is hiding on one of the pages in this newsletter, can you find him?

Spot The Difference



Can you spot the 5 differences between these pictures of the Guildhall in York, from the river?

Answers on page 7

Dates for Your Diary

1-21 Jan	Theatre Royal – Jorvik: Life & Death Exhibition	1-28 Feb	St. Mary's Church, Coppergate – Jorvik: Home & Abroad Exhibition
1-31 Jan	St. Mary's Church, Coppergate – Jorvik: Home & Abroad Exhibition	1 Feb	ERAS Field Studies Meeting.
4 Jan	ERAS Field Studies Meeting.	13 Feb	PastSearch – Karen Adams – Fires of York Minster (Part II), 1.00pm (see advert p.13)
9 Jan	PastSearch – Karen Adams – History & Archaeology of Market Weighton Area, 1.00pm (see advert p.12)	15 Feb	ERAS Lecture – Roy Murphy – James Brindley: The First Canal Engineer, Pocklington, 7.30pm
16 Jan	HOSM Local History Society – Sharon Garner – The Land Army in WWII, 7.00pm	20 Feb	HOSM Local History Society – David Lewis – Mary Eleanor Blakey's Cookbook, 7.00pm
17 Jan	North Duffield Society – Brian & Maxine Birkett – Historical Replicas & Living History, 7.30pm	21 Feb	North Duffield Society – Ron Christian – The Battle of Towton, 7.30pm
18 Jan	ERAS Lecture – Paula Ware - Recent Discoveries: Iron Age Cemetery, Pocklington, 7.30pm	20-26 Feb	Jorvik Viking Festival

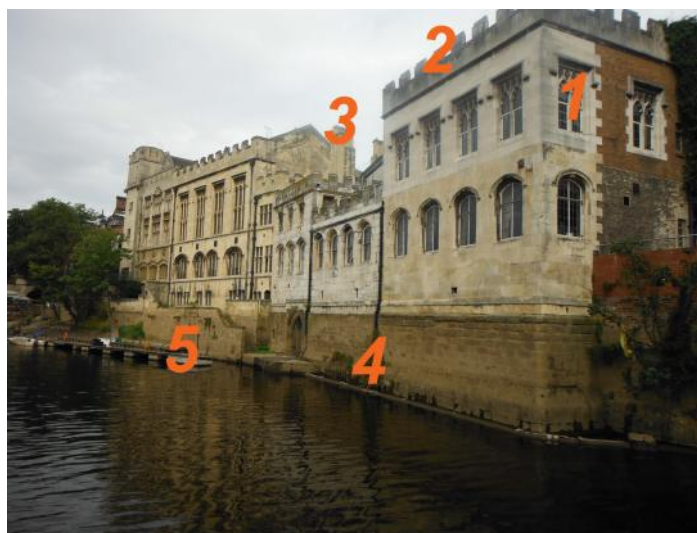
If you have an event you would like to include in Dates For Your Diary, or would like to submit an article regarding the history/archaeology in your area, please send to Karen at

pastsearch@hotmail.com

Just For Fun Answers



Find Colin on page 9



What's Been in the News

These articles were shared on Facebook during the last month. To see similar articles as they come into the news follow PastSearch on Facebook.

For the First Time, All 5,000 Objects Found Inside King Tut's Tomb Will Be Displayed Together



“Blending the old with the new is central to the mission of the Grand Egyptian Museum (GEM), which is currently under construction just 2 kilometers from the Great Pyramids of Giza, where the desert meets the floodplain.”

Read more at:

www.smithsonianmag.com/travel/grand-egyptian-museum-next-big-thing-180961333/?utm_source=facebook.com&utm_medium=socialmedia

Ancient Underwater Potato Garden Uncovered in Canada



“Hundreds of blackened potatoes were pulled out of the ground at a prehistoric garden in British Columbia, Canada.

Dating back to 3,800 years before the present, the garden was once underwater, in an ecologically rich wetland.”

Read more at:

www.livescience.com/57316-ancient-underwater-garden-discovered.html?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=facebook&utm_campaign=socialfb&utm_content=social_ls_514627

Historian claim King Arthur was a Yorkshireman



“Historian claims King Arthur was a Yorkshireman who ruled from Camelot near Hebden Bridge.

Retired professor Peter Field has pinpointed a small Roman fort in West Yorkshire as the site of the legendary kingdom.”

Read more at:

www.express.co.uk/news/uk/744264/camelot-location-revealed-king-arthur-was-a-yorkshireman-claims-historian

London's Earliest Writing



“The largest and most significant collection of Roman waxed writing tablets is providing an intriguing glimpse into life in early Roman London. More than 400 wooden tablets were unearthed by archaeologists from Museum of London Archaeology (MOLA) during excavations at the site of the Bloomberg company's new European headquarters.”

Read more at:

<http://www.archaeology.org/issues/240-1701/features/5110-london-roman-tablets>

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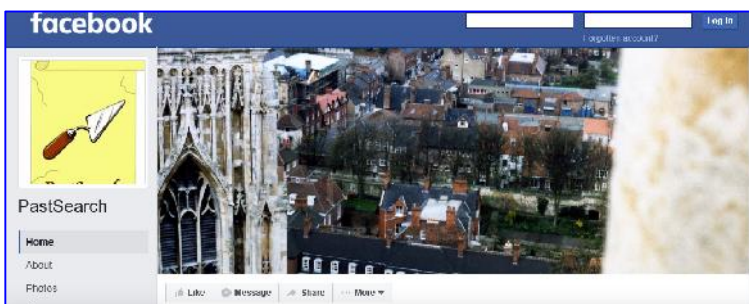
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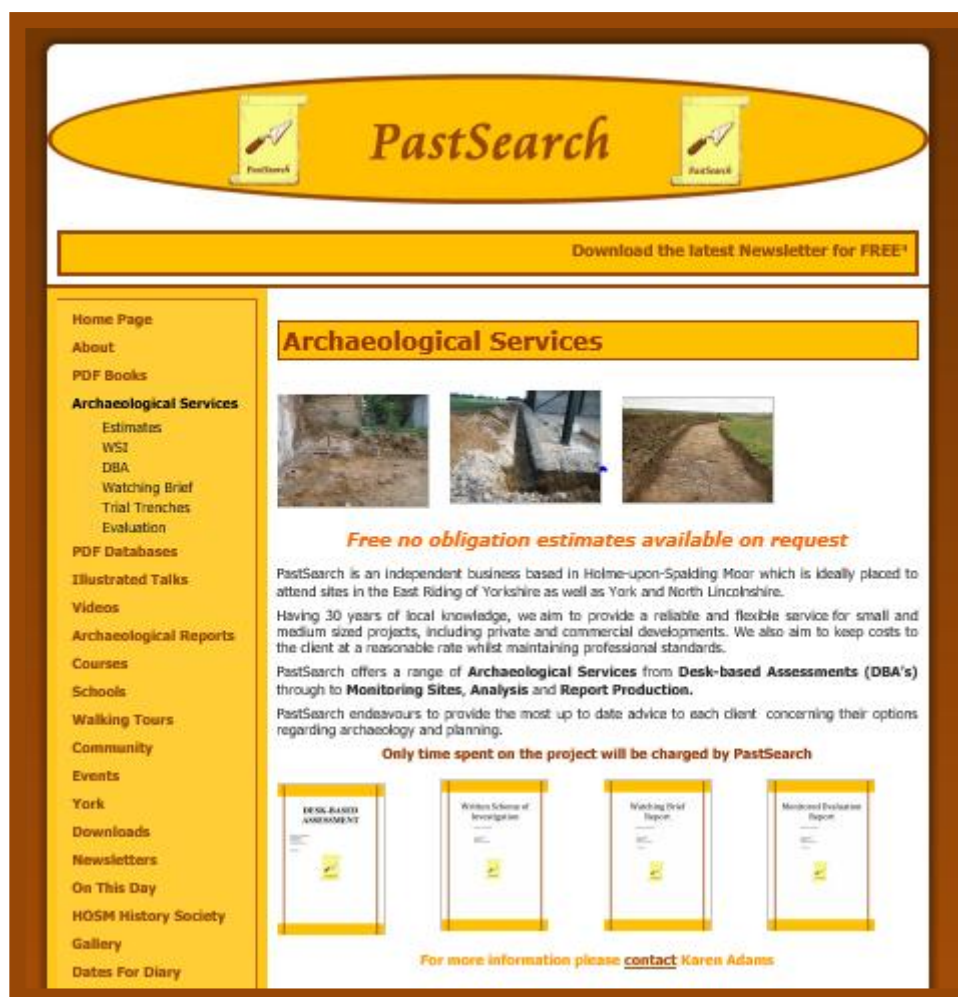


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Presentations, Workshops and Walking Tours

<http://pastsearch-archaeo-history.co.uk/illustrated-talks/>



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Eboracum to York
Lendal Bridge
Life of an Archaeologist
The Iron Age
The Medieval Period
The Normans
The Romans
The Vikings
Walk Around York Walls
York Historians*

*19th C Lendal, York
Castles of East Yorkshire
Clifford's Tower
Iron Age Settlements in E. York
Maps of E. Yorks
Moated Sites of E. Yorks
Petuaria to Brough
Roman York
Stratigraphy &
Archaeological Dating Methods
Toys Found in Archaeology
Welham Bridge
York Railway*

New for 2017

There are currently 27 illustrated talks available which can be booked by groups and societies, and the list keeps growing!!

Workshops are also available and can be adapted to suit your group's needs.

Alternatively if your group would like to explore areas of York on foot, tours can also be individually created.

For more information please email: pastsearch@hotmail.com
or ring **Karen** on 07811 877 469.

Afternoon History/Archaeology Talks

at

***The Social Club,
next to Village Hall, High Street,
Holme-on-Spalding Moor***



***Join Karen Adams for these talks
with a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits***

Market Weighton Area



9 January 2017

1.00pm

£2.00



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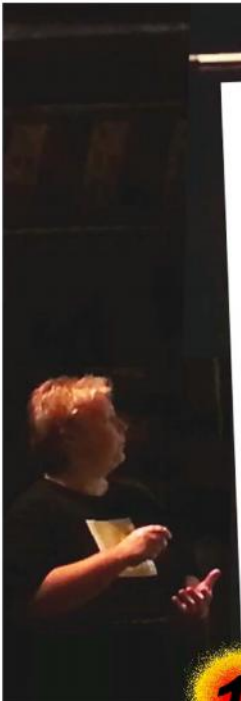


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9 Jan – Market Weighton

13 Feb – Fires of York Minster (Part II)

13 Mar – Pocklington

10 Apr – Viking York

1.00pm

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