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## Committee Members 2014

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## **Changes to Chairman's Role**

At the recent Committee meeting it was decided that some of the jobs previously undertaken by the Chairman could be done by other people. This would make the role less onerous, as well as more attractive to future volunteers.

The Chairman will continue to provide a focus for the group, liaise with the Secretary, Treasurer and other Officers and keep the Committee informed on LFHHS business.

The Chairman will still make arrangements and chair Committee meetings. Other responsibilities are the Branch AGM, and organising Sub-committees for various other events.

Four members of the present Committee kindly volunteered to take on one job each previously performed by the chairman. These jobs are :-

Booking the meeting room for all events and meetings.

Writing the report for 'Lancashire' magazine..

Sending Welcome packs to new members.

Dealing with Research Enquiries.

Since last year we have developed a team who take it in turns to chair Speaker's Evenings. Each one is responsible for that evening's event. By maintaining a rota of volunteers who enjoy public speaking we have found that this reduces pressure on the Chairman, provides more involvement for other members, and gives a welcome variety to the evenings.

## **Useful website**

If you had any relations from the Craven Area that died in the First World War then have a look at [www.cpgw.org.uk](http://www.cpgw.org.uk) 'Craven's Part in the Great War'. This is a facsimile of the book printed in 1920 and includes details of some 1550 men from Craven who died in the First World War. The website also includes further 1100 names not mentioned in the original book but are mentioned in the 'Craven Herald' and the 'West Yorkshire Pioneer War Record' Also included are details from some of the War Memorials in the area.

The Craven Area at the time this book was written included the Sipton Parliamentary Constituency, so the area covered is from Keighley and Ilkley in the south to Sedbergh and Wray in the north.

## **Visit to Lancashire Fusiliers Museum, Bury Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2014**

The Fusilier Museum houses the collections of the 20<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot and the Lancashire Fusiliers from 1688 to 1968, and from then the Royal Regiment of Fusiliers. It also has a Library and Archive of interest to family historians if you have Fusilier ancestors.

It is opposite Bury Art Gallery on Moss Street, not far from the bus station.

We plan to travel by car and park in the pay and display car park next to the East Lancashire Railway, (£5 for over 3 hours), and meet for lunch at the nearby Wetherspoons' The Robert Peel, on Market Place, at 11:45am.

The guided tour at the museum is booked from 2-3.30pm. It will cost £4.50 per person (pay individually at the desk on the day). At the next meeting we will be taking names of those wishing to go, lifts can be arranged if you have no transport.

Sylvia Marshall

**21<sup>st</sup> June - Visit to Salford Quays and BBC Tour.**

Cost £20 each (includes guided tour). Please let Mary Jackson know as soon as possible if you wish to go. Numbers are strictly limited

**Change of address**

Would you please ensure that the Secretary is informed of any change of address – **including email address**

**ARCHIVES NEWS**

A number of Archives are reporting revised opening times, some to due to refurbishment and others due to the restrictions on finances. If you intend to visit any of these Archives you are advised to check the opening times and availability of the collections before arranging a visit.

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**Open Day 2014**

Colne Library on 1st November  
10.00am to 1.00pm

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**GAZETTE** – Editor – Arnold Slater

Articles are always welcome, I will try and fit them in as soon as possible.

The Gazette is published four times a year, January, April, July and October and is available to read on our website in HTML or .PDF format. Please let me know if you require notifying by email when the Gazette is available online.

Articles for the **July Gazette** by the **end of June** please.

Please send articles to Editor at [lfhhs-pendleandburnley.org.uk](http://lfhhs-pendleandburnley.org.uk) or by post to the Editor,  
c/o 6 Sussex Street, Barnoldswick, Lancashire BB18 5DS

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## **2014 PROGRAMME**

- 30th Apr      **Practical Workshop**
- 21st May      **Out Visit to the Royal Lancashire Fusiliers  
Museum at Bury**
- 18th June     **'The Life of L.S. Lowry, artist'**    Pat Osborne
- July ??       **Practical Evening? / Open Evening**
- 20th Aug      **'Beatrix Potter' (part one)**    Margaret Curry
- 17th Sept     **'When Cotton came to Lancashire'**    Paul Cross
- 15th Oct      **'The Artefacts of Superstition'  
(Lancs and W. Yorks)**    Peter Watson
- 29th Oct      **Practical Evening**
- 19th Nov      **'For King and Country'**    Steve Williams
- 3rd Dec       **Christmas Festivities (By ticket only)  
Short talks by members showing, and talking  
about, their family heirlooms.**

**Printed copies of the programme are available.**

**Please note that the date of the Practical Workshop has  
been changed from 28th May to 30th April.**

**The December meeting is on the 3rd December, not the 4th  
and will be at the library.**

## QUERY CORNER

**Replies unless otherwise stated to:**

**Jean Ingham at [enquiry@lfhhs-pendleandburnley.org.uk](mailto:enquiry@lfhhs-pendleandburnley.org.uk)**

### **NUTTER FAMILY**

Cliff writes from Australia.

"My great grandfather was Samuel NUTTER, born in Nelson Lancashire in 1892 and emigrated to Australia in 1910. His branch of the Nutter ancestry included Harry (Henry) NUTTER who set up Nutter's Mineral Water Works in Moseley Street, Nelson. Henry married Sarah Anne DUCKWORTH and had nine children including Job NUTTER.

Job Nutter married Mary Elizabeth SMITH in 1898 and had five children; Henry, Albert, Charley, Ivy and Christina. However Mary appears to have brought seven children to the marriage; Samuel, Rosina, Sarah, Joseph, Violet, Olive and Ruby. All of these seven children are listed as Smiths. Rosina married Walter COCKETT Snr and they had a fruiterer's shop at 71 Pendle Street Nelson for many years. Rosina emigrated to Australia with her son and family in 1948. Are you descended from this family?.

Similarly we would be pleased to have contact with anyone from the SMITH, NUTTER, BRASSINGTON, EDELSTONE, HARDMAN, NUTTALL, HILL, GREEN, etc families, who have knowledge of our family history"

### **Replies to Query Corner**

We have recently received replies to the KNOWLES photograph in St. Anne's Church, Fence and also the RUTH's Ices query.

**Watch this space – somebody may be researching the same family as you are.!**

## **The Haunting of Currer– by Rod Moorhouse**

In a previous article for this Journal I explained how Currer Moorhouse raised his family in Airton in Malhamdale but then moved to Earby. However, some of his brothers and sisters and many of his oldest friends always lived in Skipton and as he grew older he enjoyed a visit there to find convivial company. In his notes on our family my Grandfather, John William, remembered his Uncle Currer and recounted the following story:-

*"My uncle Currer, lived at Earby when I was a boy, he was in the cotton trade and he had 8 children who were older than our family. In his old age he liked a glass of beer and occasionally would come to Skipton. One night when Currer had taken a glass too many he set off to walk home to Earby 5 to 6 miles away. It was 10 or 11 p.m. when he came near to Aireville Hall where Lady Alcock, a lady of renown who had been dead many years and whose Ghost was said to walk the road dressed all in white about the midnight hour. Suddenly he saw in the road, in front of him, a white object moving slowly along which finally disappeared at the entrance gate of the Lodge entrance to the Hall. Shaking with fright my uncle returned to Skipton and stayed the night with some of his friends. Next day he returned home sober and in daylight but up to his death he told the story of having seen the Lady in White at the midnight hour. Whether it is a coincidence or not a white cow was found in the early morning straying on the same road, was this the ghost my uncle saw, I wonder?"*

I am also left wondering; why was he anywhere near Aireville Hall whose gates I understand were on the Gargrave Road to the north west of Skipton. If he was going home to Earby should he not have been aiming to go south along the Broughton Road? Of course he may have had more than 'a glass too many' and might have lost his way or perhaps this is just one of those good stories which are passed down the generations to add colour to a fondly remembered past relative?