

# Lancashire Family History & Heraldry Society

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*Hi Everyone*

*Welcome to our Workshop in the library, the last of this year. I hope you can join us and make use of the facilities provided; masses of books, fiches and local newspaper records. If any of you are from another branch of the Family History Society, please feel free to join us if you don't have these items at your own branches.*

## Browsholme Hall

A great time was had by the band of members who went on the visit to Browsholme Hall, despite the weather becoming rather damp as we were venturing to the “Barn” for our lunch. It was very interesting to put the details from Linda Sawley’s talk last June, into the context of the building itself. The wonderful paintings and artefacts brought everything to life. I personally found a vast improvement in the building itself which now looks well loved and cared for. The last time we visited as a group, a good few years ago, Mr Parker had only just started making all the vast improvements needed on the place, and was only planning to move into the “Wedding Venue” arena. This is now a fact and I would imagine it is now a fantastic venue for such an event. If anyone is interested in visiting on their own, you can check out their website as they have several events coming up nearer to Christmas which could make for an interesting visit.

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Please note the switch round of speakers for October and November, just in case you had a favourite meeting to attend.

## Hyndburn Programme of Events 2019

- Jan 17<sup>th</sup>**            **Workshop**
- Feb 14<sup>th</sup>**            **“The Future of Family History”**  
**By Mike Coyle**
- Mar 14<sup>th</sup>**            **AGM – and “Bells, Bell Ringing & Bell**  
**Ringers”**  
**By Stuart Crosby**
- Apr 11<sup>th</sup>**            **“Lancaster Castle”**  
**By Dr Graham Kemp**
- May 9<sup>th</sup>**             **Workshop – Accrington Reference Library**
- Jun 13<sup>th</sup>**            **“Elizabeth Parker of Browsholme Hall”**  
**By Linda Sawley**
- July 11<sup>th</sup>**           **“Bene & Hot – The Tommies’ Tipple”**  
**By Denise North**
- Aug 8<sup>th</sup>**             **“Beyond the Iron Curtain with Guitar”**  
**By Neil Smith**
- Sep 12<sup>th</sup>**           **Workshop – Accrington Reference Library**
- Oct 10<sup>th</sup>**           **“Oliver Cromwell’s Northern Journey”**  
**By Nick Burton**
- Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**           **“A Girl without a Name”**  
**By Tony Foster**
- Dec 12<sup>th</sup>**           **Christmas Social**

Meetings are held at the Accrington & District Blind Society, Bank Street, Accrington  
– 7.15 for 7.30pm start.

Workshops held at Accrington Reference Library, St. James St. Accrington. 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Please contact Muriel Smith – [muesmith@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:muesmith@yahoo.co.uk) – or speak to me at the meetings if you wish to  
have an article included in the newsletter.

## Find my Past Updates

Yorkshire School Logs - Discover your Yorkshire ancestors who attended or were teachers in schools between 1862 and 1959.

Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Baptisms - Over 236,000 additional records covering 146 parishes: Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Marriages - 129,000 Scottish Catholic marriages added: Scotland Roman Catholic Parish Burials - over 16,000 additional burial records.

Lancashire Wills & Probate 1457-1858 - More than 26,000 new records have recently been added to this collection.

Scotland, Court & Criminal Database - more than 160,000 records dating from 1801 to 1917.

Church of Scotland Ministers 1560-1949; Isle of Man Roll Of Honour WW1 Manchester, Peterloo Witnesses and Casualties, 1819

*Clitheroe Castle Museum has two exhibitions on throughout the month of September – “Inspired by Pendle Life - the 2019 Ribble Valley Open Art Exhibition” & “Craft in the Victorian Kitchen”. Could be interesting if you have time on your hands now the grandchildren are back at school? Open 11am to 4pm every day.*

## Lancashire BMD Updates

Births - Bury (1968-1974)

Births amended to include mothers' maiden names - Manchester (1974-1981)

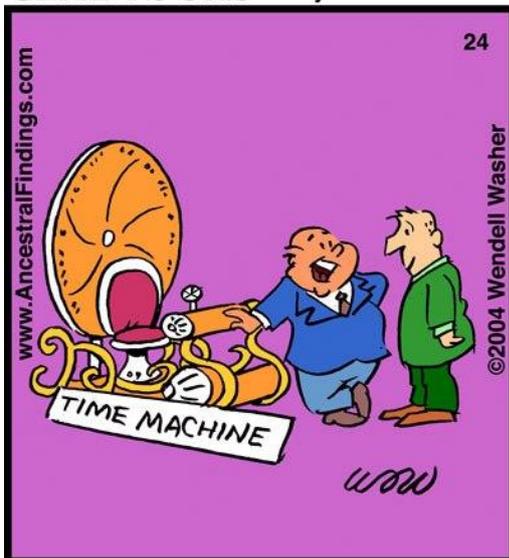
Marriages - Walshaw, Christ Church (1979-1988); Radcliffe, St.Mary (1981-2008)

Radcliffe, St.Thomas & St.John (1980-1998); Ramsbottom, St.Paul (1981-2010)

Stand, All Saints (1978-2007); Tottington, St.Ann (1981-2013); Walshaw, Christ

Church (1988-2010): Additions have also been made to the Yorkshire, Shropshire and Staffordshire and Cheshire BMD sites.

## GENE TOONS by Wendell Washer



This baby'll help you find those hard-to-place ancestors!



## Updates for Durham Records Online

Durham St. Margaret baptisms, burials, marriages 1701-1764; banns 1653-1658, 1754-1812

Durham St. Oswald baptisms 1538-1580

Netherwitton baptisms & burials 1794-1860

Newcastle St. Ann baptisms 1898-1901

Haswell St. Paul baptisms 1867-1934 updated

Seaham Harbour St. Mary Magdalene baptisms 1859-1868 updated

Monk Hesleden St. John baptisms 1882-1930 updated

Information from Ian Hartas, UKBMD.

Several researchers have reported problems using the 'year selection drop-down lists' on the BMD search forms. This has been traced to be a fault in the latest version of Microsoft's Edge browser. Firefox and Chrome work correctly, allowing the mouse to be dragged down the list of years to select multiple years. The alternative to drag-selecting for Edge would be to click on the first year of interest, then scroll down the list to the final year of interest and then hold the shift key prior to clicking on the final year. All the years between the first and final years should then be selected. Alternatively, install Firefox or Chrome and the HTML in the forms will work correctly.

## Who Do You Think You Are?

Have you been watching the new series? If you haven't caught up with it, it is on BBC1 on Monday evenings at 9pm. If you have missed any, then you can do a catch up, or if you visit 'The Genealogist' website, you will find details of the episodes which have been aired.

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Some family records conjure up strange images.

### Cemetery Symbols - 3: Arches

The Biblical prophet Ezekiel, escorted by a heavenly messenger, was shown a vision of a city that contained a temple with magnificent architecture. The temple included many arches. In fact, there are 15 references to the arches in this temple in the book of Ezekiel, chapter 40. Arches on a headstone can signify a triumph over death and entry into heaven.

### Cemetery Symbols - 4: Book

A book on a gravestone can symbolize the good deeds of the departed, as recorded in the book of life. It can also represent the scriptures, as a sign of faith. Books may also indicate that a scholar or teacher is buried at the gravesite. An open book can signify an early death for someone whose life-story was not yet fully written.