

Newsletter



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Happy Yorkshire Day!

Despite our very unusual year, August seems to have come around very quickly! Great that things continue to ease and it seems we are able to do a little more each week, of course, as long as we stick with our social distancing, face coverings etc.

Escrick Heritage Group

We aren't yet able to hold our face to face meetings, but we are though going to hold a 'virtual' Escrick Heritage Group meeting via 'Zoom' on our usual night, Wednesday 5th August at 7.30pm. Sharing Memories - 'Share a special object'

We know it isn't the same as meeting in person, but it will be great to see those who are comfortable to join in, wherever you are in the world.

After our very successful evening in Church earlier in the year when we met to share unusual and special objects, we thought it would be an ideal thing to do by 'Zoom'. We hope you can join in. Just make a coffee and click on the link below to see and share memories of special objects. If you haven't used Zoom before, no problem, it is straight forward. If you would like a practice before the day, just email:

escrickchurch@gmail.com

and we can set up a test session. We can talk you through it on the telephone while you press the buttons on the computer. If the session goes on for longer than 40 minutes, then all we need to do is, come out of the meeting and then click back in on the original link and the meeting will resume.

To join the meeting just click on this underlined link a couple of minute before 7.30pm:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74992268501

The meeting ID is **749 9226 8501** and you do not need a password. It will work on all computers etc, but if you would like us to see you, you will need to use a laptop, tablet, phone or computer with a camera.



Left: A special object shared at our earlier session..... A message in a Bottle

Below: Another interesting item shared at our March meeting 'A table crumb sweeper'



Memories

Please do keep sharing your memories of the community in years gone by so we can share and keep on our website for future generations.

Thank you to Terry Storr for sharing his. To read Terry's memories please visit our website at: https://www.escrickheritage.org/heritage/memories/

Community Pandemic History

The last few months have been unprecedented and we are sure it will go down in the history books! It is 'history in the making' and we would love to record peoples experiences and memories, good or bad, as a permanent record on our website. It will be good to record how the community dealt with the various issues we faced and record people's memories

Liz Casling has very kindly offered to collate our memories, so if you are happy to share your experiences, please do drop Liz an email at liz.casling123@btinternet.com Your memories can be as long or short as you like, and could include any photo's you may be happy to share. Someone who has already recorded his thoughts online is Ben Taylor and you can listen to what he recorded at the end of March by clicking on the underlined link. It is in Yorkshire dialect verse, quite appropriate for Yorkshire day!

https://twitter.com/yorkshireprose/status/1244231729122066432?lang=en

Poppy Display







Thank you to everyone knitting and crocheting. The 3 main swathes are coming along really well thanks to our team of sewers. As you will see amongst the many red poppies, there are occasional white, black and purple poppies interspersed, to ensure we represent the whole community. Purple poppies remind us of the role animals played in conflicts, including horses, dogs and even pigeons. Black poppies commemorate and remind us of the significant contribution played by commonwealth forces and civilians.

White poppies commemorate all victims of war, including civilians and a focus on striving to achieve peace. Thank you to Sadie for completing the banner for the inside of Church. It looks great.

Over the next few weeks we will start to work on the displays for the gates, inside the porch and the rest of the inside Church interior. All ideas welcome. Please do keep knitting poppies as we still require lots more. Thank you all very much. The overall display will look fantastic!

Ongoing research. East View, Escrick

Did you know that the houses built by the council in 1949/50 on Skipwith Road, Escrick were originally called 'East View'. It is great that we still have connections with almost all the families who have lived in the houses since they were built, so we are working together to record their history. So far some great photographs have been unearthed and we look forward to sharing in due course along with the written history. If you have any information or photographs of 'East View', please do get in touch at:

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We would love to see them. Thank you.

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Right: 'The back of No 7 and No 8 East View in the 1960's. Thank you to the Bradley family for sharing

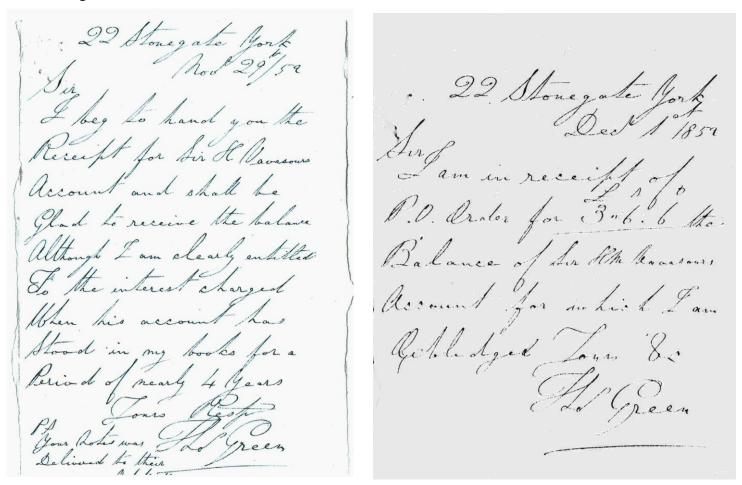
Thomas Green – Update.

Thank you to our members who are investigating Thomas and his family, including their very successful Wireworks business in York and Leeds. So far our volunteers have discovered an original invoice issued by the company, a family tree of the Green family, possible link to living members of the Green family and general information and a book on the wireworks business.

Thomas' father, also Thomas Green, started life as a wire worker and went on to found a factory in Leeds (Smithfields Iron Works). This foundry went on to make a significant contribution to the development of the railways by making boilers. They lived in a big house. Asket Hall in Roundhay. Son Thomas last appeared in the 1861 census at the age of 21. He was listed as having no occupation on that census. There is an entry on Wikipedia about Thomas Green & Son:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas Green %26 Son

The investigations continue!



Copies of original letters sent by Thomas Green senior in 1859, kindly shared by Geoffrey

Please do keep in touch and we will restart our Heritage activities in person as soon as we are able.