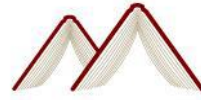


# Newsletter



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Welcome to the latest issue of the CCHT e-newsletter intended to keep you up-to-date with the VCH Cumbria project.

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## Outing to Burneside

Last summer, VCH volunteers enjoyed a walk around the village of Lazonby to look at ways of approaching the landscape and settlement section of a VCH article. Earlier this month, we repeated the exercise, this time choosing to visit Burneside in the south of the county. Ten VCH drafters were joined by members of the Burneside Local History Group on a guided walk around the village, led by Angus Winchester.



*"God gave sunny hours  
to the home of Charles  
and Edith Cropper. May  
his light shine on these  
sixteen homes built in  
memory of them"*

Starting in the church room at St Oswald's, the group were given several maps from different periods to consider how the village had developed. After lunch we headed into the village, armed with the maps - and our waterproofs!

Our route took in the paper mill, which dominates the village, and which has expanded significantly since the mid nineteenth century.



We also looked at Burneside Hall, the Bryce Institute and various housing developments, including the sixteen homes built in memory of Charles and Edith Cropper. Our particular thanks go to John and Sue Sheils for helping to organise the visit. The tea and cakes were very welcome!

# Supporting VCH Volunteers

Over the next few months, the guidelines on Religious History and Local Government will be revised and made available on the CCHT website. These will then be incorporated, along with other amendments we have made to our guidelines over the past year, into a third edition of the VCH Cumbria Volunteers' Handbook. The Handbook has proved very popular with our volunteers, as well as others interested in local history research. In addition to discussing these revisions with our drafters at future meetings, we also hope to run a series of workshops where volunteer drafters will present their own work.

## Jubilee Digests: Reminder

Angus Winchester has already begun editing and revising the online digests entries in preparation for publication of a historical gazetteer for Cumbria. Remember, if you discover any errors or omissions in the Jubilee Digests on the CCHT website, please contact Angus with the details as soon as possible by emailing [a.winchester@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:a.winchester@lancaster.ac.uk)

## RHC Programme for 2015-16 now available

The Regional Heritage Centre has organised a number of local history-themed events over the next twelve-months. Highlights include a study day with Dr Alan Crosby on early industry in the North West and a symposium on record publishing. If you would like a copy of the programme but are not currently on the mailing list, please email [rhc@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:rhc@lancaster.ac.uk)

## Local History Surgeries

Sarah Rose will be in the Kendal or Carlisle Archive Centres on the following dates should you wish to speak to her about your research.

### *Kendal Archives:*

3 Sept; 17 Sept; 1 Oct

### *Carlisle Archives:*

10 Sept; 8 Oct

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