UPPER WHARFEDALE HERITAGE GROUP	
PROGRAMME 2024	
Meetings for talks are held at Skipton Town Hall at 7.30pm.	
Prices: members £3; guests £5.	
Meeting point and time for walks together with other information will be published	
nearer the dates. Members £1; guests £2.	
DATE	ТОРІС
FEBRUARY	David Turner: The Barden Moor Reservoirs and the People who built them.
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	The Barden Moor Reservoirs were built between 1856 and 1882. This is the story
Talk	of how the reservoirs were constructed and the lives of the people who built
	them.
MARCH	Dr Keith Emerick of Historic England: Thornborough Henges. Dr Emerick will
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	explain the history and significance of this striking neolithic monument near
Talk	Ripon and describe Historic England's role in protecting it.
APRIL	Kenneth Jackson: Firth & Ellerbank Mills, Skipton: An Introduction to Cotton
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Manufacturing. Historically, the term 'cotton manufacturing' invariably referred
Talk	to weaving, but not to spinning. In this lecture Dr Jackson will explore aspects
	of cotton manufacturing using Firth & Ellerbank Mills as a case study.
MAY	Visit to Craven Museum. Jenny Hill, curator at the refurbished Craven Museum
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	will describe the work and collections of the museum before we have the
Walk/visit	opportunity to browse the collection. We will also be able to visit the store to
	see some of the collection not currently on display. We will meet at 2.00pm.
JUNE	David Johnson: Landscape History of Prior Rakes and Malham Lings
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	A walk exploring ground evidence of a multi-period landscape between Malham
Walk	Tarn and Malham Cove.
JULY	Sue Wrathmell: Traces of prehistoric occupation in the Aire Valley, Skipton and
Wednesday	Carleton Please note the change of date of this event.
24 <sup>th</sup> Walk	A walk in the Aire Valley looking at prehistoric finds and likely remains.
AUGUST	Kenneth Jackson: A walk through a post-industrial landscape
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Following on from Dr Jackson's lecture in April, and the UWHG walk last year, we
Walk	will walk around central Skipton, looking at the buildings that remain from the
	important textile industry and learning about their history and significance.
SEPTEMBER	Embsay – from Moor to Village
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	A stroll down Pasture Road from Embsay Reservoir, on the moorland edge, into
Walk	Elm Tree Square, in the village centre. One road rich in local history.
OCTOBER	Guided walk presented by the Embsay-with-Eastby Historical Research Group. Roger Martlew Revealing the Late Prehistoric Landscape in Upper
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wharfedale
Talk	This talk will present the latest results from projects in which members of the
Idik	UWHG played a pivotal role, and will look at the regional significance of their
	work.
NOVEMBER	David Johnson: Heritage Aunt Sallys
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	This talk reassesses the results of various excavations undertaken in North
Talk	Craven since the 1940s and explodes some myths that over time have become
	'truths'.
DECEMBER	Mike Copper: Revisiting the Islets: New Finds from the Hebridean Neolithic
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	This talk will describe the ongoing work on Neolithic on the islands of the
Talk	Hebrides-and will discuss the latest ideas about the islet phenomenon in the
	light of work undertaken in the summer of 2023
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