

STONE WALLING, WALKING & FOOTWEAR IN THE FELLS

at

Lower Lythe Farm, Lowgill, Tatham Fells

**Sunday 12, Saturday 25 June, Saturday 23 July,
Saturday 13 August & Saturday 20 August 2022**

What does 'Resting Place' mean to you?

Walkers passing through Lower Lythe Farm on
Sun 12, Sat 25 June, Sat 23 July & Sat 13 August

are invited to follow the creation of
a **new stone landmark**: *The Resting Place*

to be enjoyed by generations to come.

Refreshments available 11am-3pm: All Welcome

How did we keep our feet dry on the fells before wellies?

**On Saturday, 20th August: Community Walk
From The Old School, Lowgill to Lower Lythe Farm
& Footwear History talk and shoemaking demonstration**



What does **resting place** means to you?

We are choosing SIX words to be stone carved and placed into the wall.

Master stone-waller, Simon Morphet will be crafting a new landmark stone seat to be enjoyed by those who pass through Lythe. On the following days, you are invited to watch, listen to Simon talk about his craft, learn about walling around the country and have a go yourself.

Each day, refreshments available 11am-3pm & you are welcome to stay as long or as little as you like.

DAY 1 Sunday 12 June: Preparing the Ground. 11am-3pm

Simon prepares the foundations. The seat is a curved designed to offer protection from both the East and West wind. What word means 'Resting Place' mean to you? Please email or let us know on 12 June.

DAY 2. Sat 25 June: Carving the Stone 11am-3pm

Stonemason Chris Duckett demonstrates carving as he makes the name stone: 'Resting Place'. Chris explains the considerations of carving letters into stone. **The SIX word stones will be ready to put into the wall**

Simon sets the first courses of stone and positions the slab seat-stones.

Everyone is welcome to break their walk through Lower Lythe: stay, share in refreshments and chat to Simon and Chris.

DAY 3. Sat 23 July Placing the carved stones in the wall. 11am - 3pm

Simon positions the SIX words now carved into six stones and Chris's finished stone carving of the 'Resting Place' welcome stone.

DAY 4. Sat 13 August Top stones and finish 11am-3pm

Walkers passing through are invited to help place the top-stones on the seat's wall and stay for refreshments to celebrate the completion of the seat.

**FOOTWEAR IN THE FELLS: Community walk, tea and talk
from Lowgill Old School to talk at Lower Lythe Farm**

Saturday 20th August 2022 at 1pm

Before wellies, how did the farmers and children living on the Fells keep their feet dry? Where did they get their shoes from and how did they manage the winters in the mud of the farmyards and fields?

1pm: Park, gather at Old School, Lowgill for a guided community walk to Lower Lythe (3 miles)
2.30pm Arrive Lower Lythe for refreshments & a talk/workshop by Settle Shoe-maker Daniel Nelson
on the history of shoes used in the Fells

Daniel is 7th generation Settle-based shoe-maker and an expert on historical footwear. Daniel will demonstrate his skills using the same tools and techniques that his great-grandfather used and passed down to him.

Daniel will talk about the history of shoes with a focus on what footwear people would have worn, how they would have been cared for and repaired, here in the fells. And how shoes developed over time...

Did you know in the 1850s, Lowgill had several shoe-makers, including the Inn keeper of The Rose & Crown, a farmer at Fleet Green and at Beethams and the grocer and a shoemaker at Lowgill Farm House.

The walk will be led by local historian, John Wilson

If you would like to be involved but due to access issues are unable to visit via the public footpath **please email esthernimmo28@gmail.com** parking space is limited and by arrangement only

If you have ideas for words inspired by 'Resting Place' please email: esthernimmo28@gmail.com

If you have any local or family stories about shoes you would like to share we would love to hear them.

Donations of CAKES for the Community Walk on 20th August welcome

*Thank you to the Old School for the use of the car park.
Donations for tea and cake will be for The Old School fund.*



