

Quakers in Yorkshire

Slavery then and now:

Migrant workers & Gangmasters

Thomas Clarkson & Slave Trade abolition

20th October

Scarborough Quaker Meeting House

Quaker Close, Woodlands Drive

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- 10.00 Drinks on arrival
- 10.30 Meeting for worship
- 11.00 Testimony
- 11.05 Speaker: **David de Verny**
- 12.15 Plaxton Court extra care development
- 12.40 Notices
- 12.50 Lunch – bring your own - drinks provided.
Visit the nearby show flat in Plaxton Court
- 14.15 Testimony
- 14.20 ‘Nine Parts a Quaker’ - Thomas Clarkson
and the Slave Trade: an entertaining and
informative drama written and performed by
Arthur Pritchard & Mike Casey
- 15.20 Nominations
- 15.30 Quakers in Yorkshire – formally minuting our
response to YM 2005 decisions
- 15.50 Ravensworth Lodge: **Hester Miller** will tell
us about the Lodge in this its 60th year
- 16.00 Tea provided by Scarborough Friends

Our morning speaker:

David de Verny is half French and half German, with a childhood in South Africa. He was ordained an Anglican priest 24 years ago but has also been a Quaker for the last seven years. He is Ecumenical Migrant Workers' Chaplain in Lincolnshire where 10-12% of the population are 'Migrant Workers'. He is trying to build a coalition against abuse and exploitation of foreign workers and their families and is particularly concerned about gangmasters who make illegal deductions from workers' pay and overcharge for filthy houses in multiple occupancy.

Plaxton Court Before lunch we shall see a DVD of the new Joseph Rowntree Foundation extra care development . Anyone wishing to do so may then visit the show flat during the lunch break. It is within easy walking distance of the Meeting House

Our afternoon session:

Arthur Pritchard and Mike Casey were until recently Tutors in Theatre at Bretton Hall. Their dramatised interpretation of Thomas Clarkson both informs and stimulates discussion

Ravensworth Lodge: Yorkshire Friends Housing Society houses 14 older people comfortably here.

Under 19s Programme: There will be a similar, age-adjusted, programme about the issues of slavery. Please contact Heather Woolley with names and ages in advance – 01723 379 381 or heatherwoolley@talktalk.net

Bookstall Chris Love will organise a bookstall

We thank Scarborough Friends for their hospitality and all the arrangements they have made for today

Directions to the meeting house

Rail:

The meeting house is a mile and a half from the train station. Then take bus 10, 13, 14, 15 or 56/93.

Car:

From A64: continue into Scarborough as far as the T-junction with the A170. Turn left onto the A170 then, fairly soon afterwards, turn right onto the A171 Scalby Road towards Whitby. **The Quaker meeting house is off Woodlands Drive, adjacent to Scarborough Hospital.** Car parking on site.

From A170: continue into Scarborough until the A171 to Whitby appears on your left. Take this left turn. Directions then are as shown for the A64.

Next Meeting

Leeds, 19 January 2008.

Quaker Action on Alcohol and Drugs will be leading part of our session. We will also hear reports from our Under 19s groups and in addition we hope to have a report on the Rowntree discussions on modern day 'social evils.'