

AMBLESIDE ORAL HISTORY ARCHIVE TRANSCRIPT CATALOGUE

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| Year of Birth of Respondent | Transcript Code | Main Topics |
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| | FI | Dismantling and removal of Short Bros hangar at White Cross Bay |
| | AZ | Grasmere - Sam Read's Bookshop, class structure |
| | EF | Teaching at Charlotte Mason College |
| | N | Bobbin Manufacture & life in Ambleside |
| | AJ | Life as a student at Charlotte Mason College |
| | AX | History of Century Theatre, Keswick |
| | DA | Work in a slate quarry |
| | JU | Kurt Schwitters |
| | JN | Barrow-in-Furness in WW2 |
| 0 | MJ | The development of ' Zeffirellis' at Ambleside from 1978 to 2008 |
| 1877 | A1 | Childhood and farm life for a young girl |
| 1877 | A2 | Life for women on the home farm and in service |
| 1880 | M | Ambleside - teaching and everyday life |
| 1886 | AC | White Craggs - creation of the garden |
| 1890 | D | Grasmere - everyday life, entertainment, prominent people |
| 1891 | BH1 | Woman behind the lines in WW1and afterwards |
| 1891 | BH2 | Beatrix Potter's arrival in Wray and Hawkshead |
| 1891 | FB | Farming life – 1900 onwards |
| 1893 | AR | Ambleside girl's nursing career |
| 1893 | C | Langdale life |
| 1893 | V | Ambleside life, World War One, British Legion |
| 1894 | P | Local and tourist transport in Grasmere |
| 1895 | W | Farming, life & entertainment in Rydal |
| 1896 | AD | Life in Eskdale and hotel-keeping in Great Langdale |
| 1896 | O | Bobbin Manufacture & life in Ambleside |
| 1897 | AL | Confectioner and running bakery in Lake District |
| 1898 | AQ | Shoemaker & taxi driver in Little Langdale |
| 1898 | AA | Langdale life for a woman, farm, education and in service |
| 1898 | B | Poaching and fishing in Coniston |
| 1898 | CH | Impoverished childhood, mainly in Manchester |
| 1898 | L | Life in Ambleside |
| 1899 | CU | Childhood at Langdale Chase & Windermere |
| 1899 | Y | Somervelle family & Everest expedition |
| 1900 | T1/ | Life and education in Westmorland |

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| 1900 | T4 | Life in Ambleside |
| 1900 | T5 | Teaching and education in Westmorland |
| 1900 | T3 | Life & teaching in Ambleside |
| 1900 | BI | Social life and work in and around Ambleside |
| 1900 | Q | Grasmere life |
| 1900 | AO | Shoemaker in Lakeland & army, World War 1 |
| 1900 | EG | Gardening in South Lakeland |
| 1900 | BQ | Early Life in Ambleside & later, a Joiner's wife in Troutbeck. |
| 1901 | AM | Farming life in Dunnerdale |
| 1901 | AP | Nursing, midwifery and death plus varied topics in Langdale |
| 1901 | ED | Langdale life |
| 1901 | EK | Rydal childhood - schooling, taxi business |
| 1901 | DG2 | Life of a well-to-do authoress and poet |
| 1901 | DG1 | Life of a well-to-do authoress and poet |
| 1901 | BL | Cumbrian between the World Wars, evacuees |
| 1902 | S | Langdale life |
| 1902 | R | Langdale life |
| 1902 | EA | Life, work and leisure in South lakeland |
| 1902 | EW3 | Trades Unions |
| 1902 | EW2 | Life and work in Grasmere and Ambleside |
| 1902 | EW1 | Shepherding, walling, WW2 service |
| 1902 | G | Farming and farm life |
| 1902 | BA | Early climbing and running private school in Ambleside |
| 1902 | CV | Boats & Flying Boats on Windermere |
| 1902 | CE | Farming in Hawkshead & Troutbeck |
| 1903 | DR | Heaton Cooper & McIver families in Ambleside |
| 1903 | AF3 | Lakeland landscape artist, William Heaton Cooper, Grasmere |
| 1903 | AF1 | Lakeland landscape artist, William Heaton Cooper, early life |
| 1903 | AF2 | Lakeland landscape artist, William Heaton Cooper, his father Alfred |
| 1903 | AW | Life of an Ambleside doctor's daughter |
| 1903 | I | Langdale life - quarries, gunpowder, sport |
| 1903 | CN | Life and leisure in Windermere from 1903 |
| 1904 | CY | Childhood in Little Langdale |
| 1904 | AG | Life & work as a gardener in Ambleside |
| 1905 | AN | Sculptress in Langdale |
| 1905 | DD | Schooling at Troutbeck Bridge |
| 1905 | AY | Horseman and Carter in Furness Woods |
| 1905 | BV | The Abrahams brothers' story by a daughter |
| 1906 | FY1/ | Pupil at Langdale School |

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| 1906 | DB | Life & Farming in Great Langdale |
| 1906 | BN2 | Childbirth |
| 1906 | BN1 | Wife and life of a family doctor in Ambleside. |
| 1907 | CO | School teacher at Kelsick & Lakes School |
| 1907 | HG | Short Bros Sunderland Factory on Windermere WW2 |
| 1907 | E | Life in Little Langdale |
| 1907 | BX | Above & Below stairs at Briery Close; Fells Engineering |
| 1907 | HZ | Austrian refugees in Langdale |
| 1907 | F | Life in Little Langdale - see Transcript E |
| 1907 | FJ | Doctors in Ambleside 1930s 1940s |
| 1907 | EY | Working lives of a married couple in Ambleside |
| 1908 | IP | Working as a maid |
| 1908 | CJ | Local politics in Lakeland |
| 1908 | BM | Walking in Lakeland 1930s and an Ambleside Shop. |
| 1908 | CL | Catholic upbringing in Ambleside, coach painting, postman |
| 1908 | BW | Life in Hawkshead for the better-off |
| 1908 | BC1 | Farming in the 1930s in the Lakes & Northumberland contrasted |
| 1908 | BC3 | Start of the LHS Gardens at Holehird |
| 1908 | HK | Domestic service to Alfred Heaton Cooper family |
| 1908 | HW | Life in Grasmere, some in Maryport |
| 1908 | BR | Farming life, mainly in Langdale |
| 1908 | CT | Farming and Shepherding |
| 1909 | DM | Childhood in Ambleside - McIver family |
| 1909 | FX1 | Farm work & gardening, Kurt Schwitters |
| 1909 | FX3 | Langdale life and class structure |
| 1909 | HP | Grasmere life from 1946 |
| 1909 | CS | Country childhood, marriage to a miller, wartime memories |
| 1909 | DZ | Life in Grasmere - Gingerbread Shop |
| 1910 | AS | Life and quarry work in Langdale |
| 1910 | AT | Life and quarry work in Langdale |
| 1910 | FF | History of Lakeland Horticultural Society |
| 1910 | DX6 | Cockfighting |
| 1910 | DX3 | Coppicing and forestry |
| 1910 | DX5 | Lake District woodlands |
| 1910 | DX1 | Haulage, quarries and building |
| 1910 | DX2 | Poaching and trapping |
| 1910 | DX4 | Quarryman's account of his work. |
| 1910 | Z | Langdale life |
| 1910 | BD | Ambleside, building work, town band & bellringing |
| 1910 | FH | Life in and around Rydal |
| 1910 | DV | Shorts factory - school for workers' children |

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| 1910 | DJ | Life and work in Ambleside area |
| 1910 | DW | Farming life |
| 1910 | IZ1 | Co-operative Movement in Ambleside |
| 1910 | IZ2 | Co-operative Movement in Ambleside |
| 1910 | CW | Shorts aircraft factory |
| 1910 | CF | Domestic Service in Ambleside |
| 1910 | K1 | St John's Ambulance in Ambleside |
| 1910 | K2 | St John's Ambulance in Ambleside |
| 1910 | K5 | Life as a shoe maker |
| 1910 | K4 | Childhood & life in Ambleside |
| 1910 | K3 | St John's Ambulance & Mountain Rescue in Ambleside |
| 1910 | DL3 | Lakeland country life |
| 1910 | DL2 | Lakeland country life |
| 1910 | DL1 | Lakeland country life |
| 1910 | DO | Life in Windermere & Ambleside |
| 1910 | AK | Teacher Training at Charlotte Mason College |
| 1911 | CR2 | Teacher training at Charlotte Mason College |
| 1911 | CR1 | Teacher training at Charlotte Mason College |
| 1911 | DT4 | Childhood in Ambleside from 1911 |
| 1911 | DT2 | Leisure pursuits in Ambleside |
| 1911 | DT1 | Domestic service and shop work in Ambleside |
| 1911 | DE | Life in Langdale |
| 1911 | DF | Ambleside Art Society |
| 1911 | FO | Life in Ambleside & Outgate |
| 1911 | DU | School teacher in Ambleside |
| 1911 | EZ | Working lives of a married couple in Ambleside |
| 1912 | BP | Farming family in High Wray |
| 1912 | ET | Woman climber and hotelier |
| 1912 | AU | Anecdotes of life in Ambleside |
| 1912 | GG | Charlotte Mason College |
| 1912 | CA | Lakeland miller |
| 1912 | FU | Friends of the Lake District |
| 1912 | BK | Life in Patterdale & Lead Mining |
| 1912 | IE | Freshwater Biological Association at Wray Castle and Ferry House |
| 1912 | DK | Public Health in the Lake District |
| 1912 | BE | Quarry work in Coniston, memories of Copper Mines |
| 1913 | GV | Lengthsman from Grasmere |
| 1913 | AV2 | Lakeland Climber and Hotelier |
| 1913 | AV4 | Langdale Gala |
| 1913 | AV1 | Rock climbing & Mountain rescue |
| 1913 | AV3 | Climbing & Mountain Rescue |
| 1913 | KJ | Life in Wythburn before the dam was built |

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| 1913 | IW | Meals on Wheels and voluntary work – Ambleside |
| 1913 | GK | Lakeland public transport |
| 1913 | GM | Scouting in Ambleside 1930's |
| 1913 | FP | Rydal Women's Institute |
| 1913 | DN | Childhood in Ambleside - McIver family |
| 1913 | IL1 | Ambleside Sports |
| 1913 | IL2 | An Ambleside Carrier: post-WW2 |
| 1913 | FS | Shepherd and coal merchant |
| 1913 | HF | Childhood in Ambleside, Langdale & Skelwith |
| 1913 | GC | Domestic life in Grasmere |
| 1914 | AE | Life of a huntsman with Coniston Foxhounds |
| 1914 | GN | Grasmere village life from 1914 |
| 1914 | FM1 | Ambleside - gas works, gas fitting and plumbing business |
| 1914 | FM2 | Ambleside soldier's Second World War experiences |
| 1914 | CC | Life in Borrowdale, joinery |
| 1914 | AB | Domestic Service, marriage and life in Ambleside |
| 1914 | BU | Childhood in Coniston - the 'Gondola' |
| 1914 | CZ | Grizedale Prisoner of War Camp |
| 1914 | BO | Schooling in Ambleside under legendary Miss Routledge. |
| 1914 | FQ | Royal Observer Corps |
| 1914 | CB | Life in High Wray and as a gardener |
| 1915 | BB | Woodland industry in and around Outgate |
| 1915 | GI | Life in Coniston |
| 1916 | BZ | A builder and undertaker in Elterwater, local worthies |
| 1916 | GP | Brownies and Guides in Ambleside |
| 1916 | JB | Bakery, confectionery & cafes in Ambleside |
| 1916 | EB | Ambleside life |
| 1916 | DC | Cumbrian life, farming, traffic control, garage work and local politics |
| 1917 | BT | Life and farming in Troutbeck |
| 1917 | DY | Life as a solicitor's clerk in Ambleside |
| 1917 | FE | Sanderson & Dixon's post card business |
| 1917 | CP | Life at 'The Croft' Ambleside |
| 1917 | MK | Life and Work of a Hawkshead Forester |
| 1917 | FK | Lakeland Horticultural Society |
| 1917 | IS1 | Farming, Forestry and walling |
| 1917 | IS2 | Farming, Forestry and walling |
| 1917 | BJ2 | Early Mountain Rescue and St John's Ambulance |
| 1917 | BJ1 | Old roads and routes through Ambleside |
| 1917 | FZ | Creation of the Lakes School |
| 1918 | FW | Ambleside - council work, Conservative Club |
| 1918 | EX | Second family home in Esthwaite, 1920s |

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| 1918 | KD | Quaker movement. Glenthorne, Grasmere |
| 1918 | HI | Domestic life in Ambleside |
| 1918 | IU2 | A Physiotherapy practice in Ambleside |
| 1918 | IU1 | Lakeland Housing Trust |
| 1918 | CQ2 | War Memorial on Great Gable |
| 1918 | CQ3 | Lakeland Horticultural Society at Holehird |
| 1918 | CQ1 | Great Gable War Memorial and Lakeland ski-ing |
| 1919 | CI1 | Freshwater Biological Association during WW2 |
| 1919 | CI2 | Life around Wray and Sawrey |
| 1919 | BF1 | History of "The Theatre in the Forest" at Grizedale, 1960-1984 |
| 1919 | BF2 | History of "The Theatre in the Forest" at Grizedale, 1960-1984 |
| 1919 | IV | Girl Guides in Ambleside, 1940s - 1970s |
| 1919 | CG | Life in Ambleside from 1919 |
| 1919 | HY | Ambleside, village and church |
| 1920 | GF | Rydal - Le Fleming estate |
| 1920 | HO2 | Golf, fell walking and other sporting activities |
| 1920 | HO1 | Work in shops, offices and Local Government |
| 1920 | KG | Visiting Ambleside during WW2 as an 'enemy alien' |
| 1920 | MI | Early life as a Jew in Nazi Germany, career as scientist |
| 1920 | CD1 | Memories of Beatrix Potter |
| 1920 | CD2 | Arthur Ransome |
| 1920 | CM | Work in Ambleside, WW2 at Shorts aircraft factory |
| 1920 | EO1 | Sheep farming - Langdale |
| 1920 | EO2 | Farming in Langdale |
| 1920 | IN | Grasmere life from 1930 |
| 1920 | IJ3 | End of WW2 and return to work and church in Ambleside |
| 1920 | IJ2 | With the Border Regiment in Egypt, India and Burma |
| 1920 | IJ1 | Apprentice electrician and service in WW2 |
| 1921 | FG | Ambleside Choral Society |
| 1921 | DQ | Ambleside life in 1920s & 1930s |
| 1921 | JL | Parish Priest and Langdale Mountain Rescuer |
| 1921 | H | Lakeland Building |
| 1921 | HD | Teaching in Ambleside, Kurt Schwitters |
| 1921 | BS | House keeper at Ferry House Offcomer" |
| 1922 | EE | Bennetts Carriers of Ambleside |
| 1922 | JA | Church Warden of Ambleside & Brathay |
| 1922 | HN | Life and work in Grasmere |
| 1922 | GY | Lakeland Woodworking Business and Craftsmen |
| 1922 | BY | German Prisoner of War in Ambleside |

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| 1922 | FC | Family Life and Work in Ambleside |
| 1922 | HA | Ambleside Guest Houses |
| 1922 | IX | Life in Ambleside from 1923 |
| 1922 | MB | Local life in Ambleside 1920-1950 - Part 1 |
| 1922 | MC | Local life in Ambleside 1920-1950 - Part 2 |
| 1922 | X | Langdale life |
| 1922 | MH | Early life as a girl in Ambleside |
| 1922 | EV | Ambleside Life. Mother's work in Ambleside: laundry work. |
| 1922 | CK | Teaching in Ambleside |
| 1923 | HQ | Grasmere life from 1949 |
| 1923 | EL | Guides Races and Easedale Hut |
| 1923 | EP1 | Farming in Lakeland |
| 1923 | EP2 | Farming and horses |
| 1923 | IF | MacIver family, life at Wanlass How |
| 1923 | HT | Various topics on Grasmere village life |
| 1923 | MF | A hotelier's memories of Lake Windermere and water skiing |
| 1923 | EM | Sawrey, Beatrix Potter, Tower Bank |
| 1923 | MM | Memories of an AA patrolman in the Ambleside area |
| 1923 | ER | Life in Hawkshead during the 1930s, grocery trade |
| 1924 | KA | Ambleside 'Old Folks' Do' |
| 1924 | DP | German refugee at Charlotte Mason College |
| 1924 | IR | The Langdale Tapestry |
| 1924 | CX | Home Guard & Shorts Aircraft factory |
| 1924 | IH | Ambleside Manual Telephone Exchange |
| 1925 | MG | Early life as a boy in Ambleside |
| 1925 | JM | Village life in Ambleside |
| 1925 | HM | Life in Grasmere; and farming; and much more. |
| 1925 | HH | Quarry work - Ambleside |
| 1925 | KC | Life of a farm hand. Hunting. Hound trailing |
| 1925 | II | Ambleside Manual Telephone Exchange |
| 1925 | HS1 | Small Garden Centre in Ambleside |
| 1925 | HS2 | Fishing in Windermere & Rydal |
| 1925 | HR | The life and job of a YHA Warden |
| 1925 | HV | Grasmere. Life on a sheep farm from the 1930s to the present day. |
| 1925 | GH1 | Ambleside Sports, Skelwith Community Centre |
| 1925 | GH3 | Village Grocer in Ambleside |
| 1925 | GH2 | Creating a Lakeland Garden |
| 1925 | HL | Work as the first Lake District National Park warden |
| 1926 | EC | Ambleside Flower Show and British Legion |
| 1926 | EQ | Lake Windermere - fishing |
| 1926 | ES | Radio and TV Business in Ambleside |

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| 1926 | KU | Life in Rydal from 1920s |
| 1926 | IO | Grasmere life from 1930 |
| 1926 | KF | Jewish victim of Nazis, survivor of Auschwitz, refugee in Lake District |
| 1926 | JX | Life in and around Hawkshead, 1945 – 2001 |
| 1926 | GJ1 | Childhood at Skelwith Fold |
| 1926 | GJ2 | Wildlife, then and now |
| 1926 | EU | Home life on a farm: 1930s & WW2 |
| 1926 | EJ | Life in Hawkshead |
| 1926 | EH | Evacuee from Newcastle - WW2 |
| 1928 | KN | Views of a local politician and National Park Authority member |
| 1928 | J | Sunderland Flying Boats - White Cross Bay |
| 1928 | GU | Formation of Ambleside Civic Society in 1974 |
| 1928 | JG | Rydal Sheepdog Trials & Ambleside Assembly Rooms |
| 1928 | DI | Farming in Lakeland |
| 1928 | GL | National Park voluntary warden |
| 1928 | IK | Ambleside - life, gasworks, bobbin making, Shorts factory |
| 1928 | KX | Life as an actress |
| 1928 | JY | Kurt Schwitters |
| 1929 | GO | Teaching in Schools and Industrial Archaeology |
| 1929 | KY | Life as National Trust building surveyor |
| 1929 | KE | Life at Ladywood, childhood holidays in Grasmere |
| 1929 | IG | Retail shoe trade |
| 1929 | GQ | Ambleside Bond for the Prosecution of Felons. |
| 1929 | IC | Walking stick making, showing and judging |
| 1930 | EI | Hound trailing |
| 1930 | KI | Childhood in Ambleside, return in later life |
| 1930 | HC | History and administration of the Kelsick Trust |
| 1930 | FN | Ambleside Orphanage |
| 1930 | GZ | Ambleside - building of Public Library |
| 1931 | JW | Grasmere Boats |
| 1931 | DS | PNEU pupil at Fairfield School |
| 1931 | KB | Life of a clockmaker |
| 1931 | JH | Selling books in Ambleside |
| 1931 | HJ | Knitting Factory in Ambleside |
| 1931 | JE | Wrestling and farming in Cumbria |
| 1931 | GW | Lake District Forestry |
| 1932 | FD | Browns Coaches, Ambleside |
| 1932 | KK | Ambleside Cooperative Housing Association 1960s |
| 1933 | JC | Lake District Farming |
| 1933 | JD | Family stories with Ambleside background |
| 1933 | KO | Biographer of Harriet Martineau and her life in Ambleside |

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| 1933 | HX | Life in Ambleside from 1933 |
| 1934 | ME | Long term visitor's memories of holidays in the Lakes, from 1940's |
| 1934 | HB | Local Authority Housing |
| 1934 | HE | Family life in Ambleside |
| 1934 | GD | Friends of the Lake District |
| 1934 | GE | Ruskin Lace |
| 1934 | HU | Life in Grasmere from 1934 |
| 1934 | JF | Ambleside life and factory work |
| 1934 | ID | Hedge laying and stone walling |
| 1935 | KW1 | Restoration of Rothay Hotel, Grasmere. |
| 1935 | KW2 | Respondent's life in local politics |
| 1935 | GX | Mountain Rescue - early days. |
| 1935 | IT | Building |
| 1936 | KP | St Anne's C of E Children's Home, Ambleside |
| 1936 | MA | St Anne's C of E Children's Home, Ambleside |
| 1936 | GR | Funeral Undertaking in Hawkshead |
| 1936 | IM | Grasmere life from 1936 |
| 1937 | GT | Family Doctor in Ambleside |
| 1937 | MD | Local Dialect Society |
| 1937 | KL | Life of an estate agent and later a magistrate in Ambleside |
| 1938 | IB | An Ambleside Knitting Factory |
| 1938 | IA | Langdale childhood |
| 1938 | IY | Blue Badge Guide |
| 1938 | JV | Kurt Schwitters |
| 1939 | EN | Search and Rescue Dogs and training. |
| 1940 | KZ | Views of a local Parish Councillor |
| 1940 | JJ | Weaving family in Grasmere |
| 1941 | ML | Work of a Lake District Photographer and TV Cameraman |
| 1942 | JR | District nurse in Ambleside |
| 1943 | GS | History of 'Fell & Rock Climbing Club' |
| 1943 | JQ | Ambleside Blacksmith |
| 1943 | FA | Farming in Troutbeck |
| 1943 | JP | Modern farming in Grasmere: Foot & Mouth |
| 1946 | IQ | Ambleside life, apprenticeship, retailing |
| 1946 | FL | Fells Engineering of Troutbeck Bridge |
| 1947 | JT/* | Fell Running in Cumbria |
| 1947 | KH | Ambleside Bus Station development battle |
| 1949 | JI | Career in Education in Ambleside |
| 1949 | KV | Vietnamese 'Boat People' Refugees in Ambleside |
| 1952 | JZ | Rock Climbing |
| 1952 | KQ | Changes in local ecology |

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| 1952 | KR | Invasive plants |
| 1967 | JO | Fox-Hunting & Lakeland countryside affairs |
| 1968 | KT | Polish migrants |
| 1969 | KS | Polish migrants |
| 1979 | KM | Impressions of a Polish immigrant worker of life in Ambleside |