



Woodland for 60 pigs six acres of meadow five mills.



Mayor Duncan Baker, Revd. Jenny Pathmarajah, Teucer Wilson & Steve Benson.

Thanks to the generosity of Holt people, the £4,500 needed to purchase the Domesday slate, with accompanying interpretation board, was raised in just two months following an appeal organised by the Holt Society and headed by its Chairman, Steve Benson.

Holt was a quite special place - a royal manor with its own market.

Steve Benson

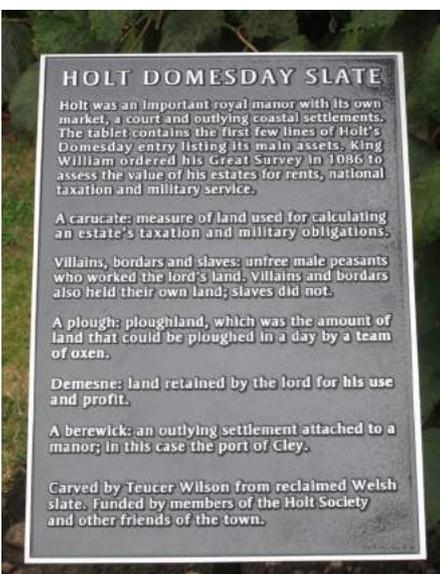
To create this decorative slate, Teucer Wilson, one of the country's leading letter-cutters and stone carvers, has selected words from the Holt entry

in the Domesday Book. This inventory was based on the 'Great Survey' of 1086, commissioned by King William the Conqueror to record the land and livestock in his kingdom. The 'berewick' referred to was land separate from the main manor but under the lord of the manor's control - in this case a port at Cley.

The Holt slate originated as one of three which were exhibited in Cley churchyard in 2014. The Cley stone was purchased by a private individual for their property, the Snitterley stone (former name for Blakeney) has just been purchased for the village of Blakeney following a successful private donation campaign.

The slate will form part of a planned Holt Trail to take visitors on a tour of 24 'out of the way' locations in the town centre. Funding is currently being sought for this, a joint venture between The Holt Chamber of Trade and Commerce, Holt Town Council, North Norfolk District Council and the Holt Society.

The unveiling in Holt's Memorial gardens, opposite the town car park in Albert Street, on September 28th, was followed by a short reception for the donors.



DATES FOR 2017

Talk - Wednesday February 15
Dr Francesca Vanke, Keeper of Art, Norfolk Museums Service.

The Paston Treasure - the story of an enigmatic 17th century Dutch painting.
7.30 pm Gresham's School.
Members £3; non-members £4

Talk - Thursday March 16.
David Sharp. **Parson Woodforde and his World.**
7.30 pm St Andrew's Church Hall.
Members £3; non-members £4
AGM followed by talk

Friday April 28.
Richard Peaver. **Schoolboy Soldiers:** the Changing Rôle of Gresham's School CCF.
6.30 pm Community Centre

Please come to your party

At which *Glimpses of Holt* will be officially launched

Following the success of the *Glimpses of Holt* exhibition at Picturecraft during the 50th year anniversary celebrations in May 2015, the displays have been reprinted in a 64pp. A5 book.

If you have not already bought your copy, do so at the concessionary price of £4 at the party (and if you have bought one, buy another for a friend for Christmas).

£3 each; pay at the door.

Finger buffet provided; entry secures one drink.

6.30 - 8.30 pm St. Andrew's Church Hall
Saturday, November 19th

Supporting Holt Lights

The Holt Society has made a donation of £200 to the Holt Christmas Lights appeal specifying that it be used for lights on the Methodist Church.

Hoveton Hall

The Society's visit to the Hoveton Hall gardens in June 2016 happened to coincide with one of those glorious summer days which occur all too rarely. The 15 acre gardens, not previously known by our members, are quite exceptional. Furnished with what proved to be the very necessary maps members took their individual ways around the extremely varied gardens, all of which were exceptional.

The variety was remarkable. A beautifully wrought iron spider gate, created by Eric Stevenson, a well-known Wroxham blacksmith in 1936 led into the walled garden where Mary Richardson's sculpted pieces predominated. Following the gently curving pathways through the arboretum, and bypassing the lake where the swans gently cruised, revealed the most interesting oak circle. The mown pathways around the garden tempted us into ever more colourful areas dominated by the most varied and mature rhododendrons. Further sculpted pieces took the eye as we wandered through the arboretum following a visit to the glasshouse, one of the few disappointments.

Eventually the Holt members converged upon the tea-rooms to enjoy a delicious variety of cakes including ginger and chocolate before dispersing.

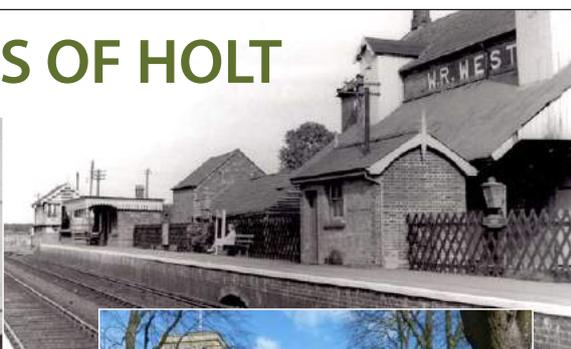
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GLIMPSES OF HOLT



A miscellany of people, places and events presented by The Holt Society



REFURBISHMENT

The Millennium board that lists the Holts from around the world has been on the wall in Appleyard for sixteen years and is showing its age. It was designed by the late Michael Barrett and hand-lettered by a local signwriter. We are looking into the possibility of replacing it and are hoping to replicate the design on a more durable plastic base. **If anyone knows of other Holts please let a member of the committee know as soon as possible.**

The seat in the Methodist Memorial Gardens is also being cleaned and oiled.



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