Things to see on a walk around Farringdon

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Can you spot some of these things on your walk today?

Please take care on the road!











WILFRED PINK MARTIN STEPHENS

JOSEPH WELLS



STANLEY RUSTELL FRANCIS WELLS

JACK WOLFENDEN.

Discover some very old trees, and manmade history too.



Have you seen the ancient yew trees in All Saints church yard?

The larger one was studied in 1996, and is thought by some sources to be 3000 years old. Much older than any church. So when this tree was a sapling.....

- It was the Bronze age!
- People held religious ceremonies around stone circles
- People travelled to Britain from Europe in long wooden boats, bringing precious swords, pots and jewellery.
- Large areas of Britain were covered in woodland.

• Warriors rode into battle on chariots pulled by horses. Amazing!



This barn is on **staddle stones**, to protect the grain or hay from rodents. Also being on staddle stones, the barn remained the property of the tenant.

Are there any staddle stones in Farringdon?

Clue ... near the track by the Manor House, behind the church.



Also in the same location is a very old barn. If you look carefully you can see that the carpenter used a code, so that he knew which beam fitted into which notch.

Have you seen marks like these before?

Move to the next page to find out what they are ...

Roman Numerals

ROMAN NUMERALS CHART

1	1	21	XXI	41	XLI	61	LXI	81	LXXXI	
2	11	22	XXII	42	XLII	62	LXII	82	LXXXII	
3	III	23	XXIII	43	XLIII	63	LXIII	83	LXXXIII	
4	IV	24	XXIV	44	XLIV	64	LXIV	84	LXXXIV	
5	٧	25	XXV	45	XLV	65	LXV	85	LXXXV	
6	VI	26	XXVI	46	XLVI	66	LXVI	86	LXXXVI	
7	VII	27	XXVII	47	XLVII	67	LXVII	87	LXXXVII	
8	VIII	28	XXVIII	48	XLVIII	68	LXVIII	88	LXXXVIII	
9	IX	29	XXIX	49	XLIX	69	LXIX	89	LXXXIX	
10	X	30	XXX	50	L	70	LXX	90	XC	
11	XI	31	XXXI	51	U	71	LXXI	91	XCI	
12	XII	32	XXXII	52	LII	72	LXXII	92	XCII	
13	XIII	33	XXXIII	53	LIII	73	LXXIII	93	XCIII	
14	XIV	34	XXXIV	54	LIV	74	LXXIV	94	XCIV	
15	XV	35	XXXV	55	LV	75	LXXV	95	XCV	
16	XVI	36	XXXVI	56	LVI	76	LXXVI	96	XCVI	
17	XVII	37	XXXVII	57	LVII	77	LXXVII	97	XCVII	
18	XVIII	38	XXXVIII	58	LVIII	78	LXXVIII	98	XCVIII	
19	XIX	39	XXXIX	59	LIX	79	LXXIX	99	XCIX	
20	XX	40	XL	60	LX	80	LXXX	100	C	

The carpenter used Roman numerals as their straight lines were easy to mark into the wood.

How do you write your age in Roman numerals?



A reconstruction of a Bronze age smelters workshop.

Farringdon Forge





There has been a blacksmith in Farringdon for hundreds of years.

The current forge was built in the late 1700s.

This picture was taken over 100 years ago.

Can you imagine the horses being brought in for new shoes?

Historic Houses of Farringdon



The Drift, next to The Rose and Crown, is a house with a lot of history! It used to be three farm houses. It's called the Drift because the farmers used to drift the cattle down the road. A carter and tractor driver called Jim used to live there. It was owned by the Knight family of Chawton, and it used to be painted maroon and cream as were all the other properties on the Estate.

Manor farm (now Manor House) was mentioned in the Domesday Book (1086). There was thought to be a secret passage from the house to the church, but it hasn't been found yet!



Cruck Cottage is one of the oldest houses in the village, dating from 1416. It has many types of brick bond and very special, giant cruck beams. To construct the house men went into the forest to find an oak tree with a bent over trunk. They felled it and turned it upside down, so that the root was uppermost, to create crisscross beams.

Originally the house had one floor and no chimney. Smoke from the fire escaped through a hole in the roof! Sleep platforms were then installed, with the animals living below. Amongst three extensions, was a Victorian kitchen, which partly burned down and was rebuilt in the middle of the last century. The house has no foundations, and was built on stones. It has two wells; well, well! (Thank you, Marianne!)



The Thatched Cottage, opposite the church, is said to have a resident Spook!

Visitors have felt the hairs rise on the back of their neck, in a small upstairs room. But the Hortons say that it is a kindly spirit, and they just give it the blame, when anything goes missing!



Have you noticed the Bell Tower, above the Old School House?

For over eighty years, the bell would have rung out, calling the local children to class. This building housed the school, from 1844 until 1925, when the school transferred to The Folly. Children travelled to school from Chawton, Selborne, Hartley Mauditt and Worldham, all without the aid of a school bus!

For more information about historic Farringdon see our village history book; Farringdon and Chawton, The Last Hundred Years.

Can you spot this type of brickwork on your walk today?



the original brickwork of the Georgian Malthouse on the A32(mainly header) and the later extension (stretcher). Thank you for telling us about this, Kathy!