

Fawcett 200



REV JOHN FAWCETT DD

Find out more about John Fawcett, 1740 – 1817

- minister of Wainsgate Chapel
- founder and minister of Ebenezer
- Fawcett's legacy, Hope Chapel
- eminent Baptist
- educationalist
- preacher
- hymn writer
- a local resident who built several houses at Machpelah

4th September – 2nd October 'Fawcett, his life and legacy, locally and world-wide'.

Hebden Bridge Local History Society's exhibition can be viewed between 9.00am - 5.00pm at Hebden Bridge Town Hall, St George's St, Hebden Bridge HX7 7BY

Saturday 9th September 'The Revd Dr John Fawcett and England's 18th-Century Evangelical Corridor'.

11.00am Hope Chapel, New Road, Hebden Bridge, HX7 8EW. A talk by Dr. John A. Hargreaves, Halifax Antiquarian Society, Local Historian, General Secretary of the Wesley Historical Society and author of the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography article on John Fawcett and other evangelicals who contributed to the remarkable evangelical vitality of the Calder Valley in the 18th Century.

Saturday 9th September **Heritage Open Day**. 12.00 - 5.00pm Hope Chapel, New Road, Hebden Bridge, HX7 8EW. Find out more about chapel life in the past with historical displays, children's activities, afternoon teas.

Sunday 10th September **Heritage Open Day**. 2.00 - 5.00pm at Hope Chapel, New Road, Hebden Bridge, HX7 8EW. Find out more about chapel life in the past with historical displays, children's activities, afternoon teas.

Sunday 10th September **Service of Thanksgiving**. Hope Baptist Church, New Road, Hebden Bridge HX7 8EW. A special service to celebrate the re-opening of Hope Chapel, led by Rev. Gaynor Hammond.

Sunday 10th September **Heritage Open Day**. 2.00 - 4.00pm Friends of Wainsgate Chapel, Wainsgate Lane, Hebden Bridge HX7 8SU will open the chapel. See the artists' studios, hear the organ, look at Fawcett's listed grave and enjoy Wadsworth Environment Group's fund-raising cake stall. www.wainsgate.co.uk

9th - 24th September **South Pennines Walk and Ride Festival** will include five Fawcett-themed walks around Hebden Bridge, Wainsgate, Brearley, Peel House.

- **Sunday 10th September** **Two Men who left their mark on Hebden Bridge**. Starting at 1.00pm and lasting about 4.5 hours – circular 7 mile walk from Hebden Bridge Station (HX7 6JE) led by Mick

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Chatham. Exploring the legacy of John Fawcett and Dan Taylor, two Baptist ministers and visiting the places associated with them. Walking shoes recommended.

- **Saturday 16th September Fawcetts at Luddenden.** Starting at 1.30pm, a 2 mile walk from Peel House led by Clive Lloyd. Tour of Peel House (Stocks Lane, Luddenden, Halifax, HX2 6SP) and the site and remains of 2 nearby mills, including Peel House Mills with explanation of the Fawcett family's involvement of the development of the mill. The afternoon will be dog/family friendly. If a volunteer with a car is available to take people who may have problems with steep terrain to meet in the bottom of the valley, then the tour of the former mill sites would become a gentle walk. Some parking is available at Peel House. Nearest bus services are 574 Halifax – Midgley circular (0.5 mile uphill walk) or frequent services on A646 at Luddenden Foot (1.5 mile uphill walk) or stop on Mount Tabor Road by Stocks Lane and walk down.
- **Tuesday 19th September Fawcetts at Wainsgate and Brearley.** Starting 10:15 am (to fit in with bus time), a 4 mile walk lasting about 2.5 hours led by Ian Vickridge. After looking at the Wainsgate Chapel and Fawcett graves in Wainsgate Lane, the walk follows some of Calderdale Way before dropping down to Brearley via Midgley using footpaths and farm tracks. After looking at the Fawcett connections in Brearley, walkers could either take one of the frequent buses back to Hebden Bridge and catch the 595 bus in Commercial street (2 minutes past the hour and half hour) or there is an option of a circular walk of a further 6 miles. If wished, bring lunch to eat at Brearley. Walking shoes recommended. In wet weather there may be some muddy sections.
- **Saturday 23rd September Hebden Bridge in Fawcett's Day.** Meet inside Hope Chapel (HX7 8EW) by pulpit at 1.45 pm, leaving at 2.00pm, a 1.1 mile accessible (including wheelchairs), circular, mostly flat walk on tarmac lasting about 2 hours led by Diana Monahan. As this walk forms part of a Fawcett weekend, it may be oversubscribed, in which case, Diana will repeat the walk later in the day. Places may be booked through secretary@hebdenbridgehistory.org.uk
- **Sunday 24th September Hope Chapel to Wainsgate Chapel.** Meet at Hope Chapel (HX7 8EW) 9:50am, leaving at 10, a 2 mile uphill walk lasting about 2.5 hours led by Ian Vickridge. Visit to Wainsgate Chapel, then join in with lunch and other events at the nearby Community Centre and Hare and Hounds Pub. Walking shoes recommended. Return to Hebden Bridge on the 595 bus from Wadsworth Community Centre on the hour every hour.

23rd & 24th September Fawcett 200 Weekend - Talks, walks, displays and opportunities for networking for anyone interested in the story of Rev Fawcett and the surname Fawcett.

- **Sat 23rd September** Hope Chapel, New Road, Hebden Bridge HX7 8EW. Refreshments from 9:30am - 10am when talks by Anne Mealia, Diana Monahan and Amy Binns will start. Fawcett networking with led walk at 2.00pm 'Hebden Bridge in Fawcett's Day and his legacy in the town' (details above).
- **Sunday 24th September** 10.00am Walk from Hope Chapel to Wainsgate led by Ian Vickridge (details above) or take the bus and meet at Wainsgate from 11.00am. View the Art Mile, an exhibition and children's competition - ('What Wainsgate means to me') spread over three locations, Chapel, Community Centre and Hare & Hounds Pub. Final opportunity for more Fawcett networking.

Saturday 23rd September Hope Chapel Open Day. 12.00pm – 4.00pm Children's activities, historical displays and afternoon teas.

Sunday 24th September Hope Chapel, New Road, Hebden Bridge HX7 8EW 10.30 am – 11:30 am **Fawcett 200 service**, led by Rev Dr K Jones, President of the Baptist History Society.

Autumn 2017 A celebration event including songs composed to celebrate Fawcett sung by Old Town Primary School students past and present. Details tbc.

For more information on Fawcett 200 events: <http://fawcett200.org.uk> or <https://www.facebook.com/RevJohnFawcett/>

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