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*Civilised life in the Marches  
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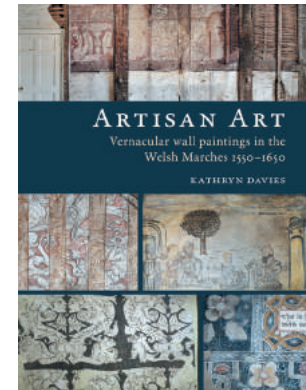
Philip Pankhurst

Logaston Press publishes books on local history, landscape, archaeology, architecture and a range of walk guides – all focused on the ‘Logaston heartlands’ of the southern Marches: Herefordshire, Shropshire, Worcestershire, Gloucestershire, Monmouthshire, Radnorshire, Breconshire and Montgomeryshire.

Since it was set up in 1983, Logaston Press has published around 400 titles, with more than 100 books currently in print. In that time it has gained a dedicated following and a reputation for beautifully produced, ethically printed and reasonably priced books that are a pleasure to own.

Logaston Press is rooted in the people and places of the southern Marches. We are dedicated to publishing books that explore and illuminate this extraordinary part of the world – for those who live here and beyond.

Richard & Su Wheeler, 2024

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Vernacular wall paintings in the Welsh Marches, 1550–1650  
KATHRYN DAVIES

Many ordinary people in the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries had art in their homes – not the high art of easel paintings but a humbler form of art painted directly onto their walls, telling us something important about their social and cultural lives. This wide-ranging and detailed study, the result of many years of research, looks at what this decoration was, how it was done and its significance for those commissioning it. An extensive gazetteer includes photographs of the majority of the paintings.

c.300 colour photographs • 320pp • 260 x 204 mm  
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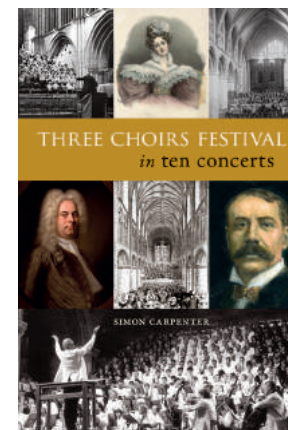
**The Neolithic Chambered Monuments of Wales**

The Architecture of Death NEW EDITION

GEORGE NASH

This book describes over 100 Neolithic burial-ritual sites throughout Wales, in use c.4000–2000BC. It provides an up-to-date account of the Neolithic, and details of the latest research and excavations throughout this part of Western Britain. The book is divided into ten thought-provoking chapters, richly illustrated with plans, drawings and photographs, which describe the various regional architectural styles used to venerate and house the dead.

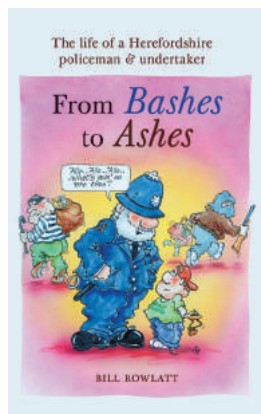
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**Three Choirs Festival in ten concerts**

SIMON CARPENTER

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c.65 colour & b&w illus • 176pp • 234 x 156 mm  
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### From Bashes to Ashes

The life of a Herefordshire policeman & undertaker

BILL ROWLATT

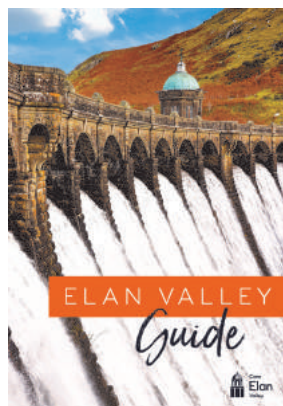
**'A charming, fascinating and funny read. I enjoyed Bill Rowlatt's book immensely. Having spent a lot of time in Herefordshire since my childhood, it was a real pleasure to read about that very different time. ... There is a wealth of stories ranging from the serious to the slapstick and Bill comes across as a thoroughly lovely man.'** – **Jo Brand**

Bill Rowlatt was Eardisley's last village bobby, later becoming the proprietor and funeral director at Oak Tree Funeral Services. One man, two careers and a wealth of stories from the 1960s to the present day.

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Proceeds from this book are donated to St Michael's Hospice, Hereford



### Elan Valley Guide

COMPILED BY BETH REES, PRODUCED BY DŴR CYMRU WELSH WATER

The Elan and Claerwen Valleys in mid Wales have been providing clean water to millions of people in Birmingham for more than a century. This attractive and concise, illustrated guide – in both English and Welsh – offers an overview of the history, landscape and wildlife that make this part of Wales so special and beloved by so many.

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### A Brush with the Borders

An Artist's Year

KATHRYN MOORE

A Brush with the Borders beautifully illustrates the changing seasons during artist Kathryn Moore's residency at Hergest Croft Gardens in north Herefordshire, leading the reader through their evolving palette: the acid greens of spring, saturated reds of summer, rich golds of autumn, to the fading hues of winter.

Fully illus • 160pp • 210 x 297 mm

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HB £25.00



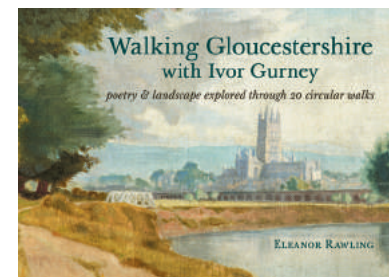
### The Old Words of Herefordshire

EDITED BY RICHARD WHEELER

Archenstraw, Betwattled, Canbottle. For at least 200 years, local dialect words and phrases have been lost from everyday currency, and our language and culture – even our attentiveness to the world around us – has been diminished as a result. This collection of 3,000 Herefordshire words and phrases draws on a number of nineteenth- and twentieth-century glossaries and sources, to illustrate the extraordinary richness of language once heard across the county. The book includes a detailed introduction and illustrations.

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### Walking Gloucestershire with Ivor Gurney

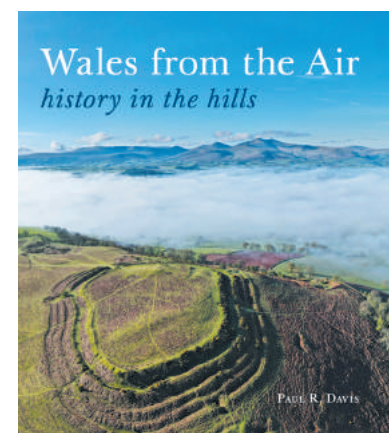
Poetry & landscape explored through 20 circular walks

ELEANOR RAWLING, MAPS AND DRAWINGS BY ROGER ELLIS

Ivor Gurney, poet and composer, is one of Gloucester's famous sons. This book introduces readers and walkers to the Gloucestershire places that inspired and grounded Gurney's poetry. Twenty circular walks follow in his footsteps through the landscape, drawing on his poetry and letters to understand more about the close relationship between the man and the places he knew and loved.

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### Wales from the Air

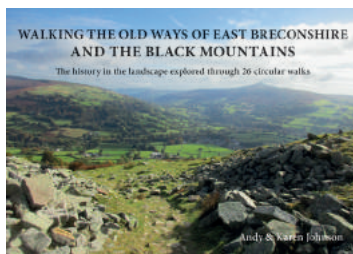
history in the hills

PAUL R. DAVIS

This book offers a literal overview of the early history of Wales, told through stunning aerial photographs of the more striking and unusual constructions visible in the landscape today: monuments and buildings ranging in date from late-Prehistoric times up to the Early Modern period (4000BC–AD 1500), including burial mounds, stone circles, hillforts, boundary dykes, deserted farmsteads, churches, monasteries and castle ruins.

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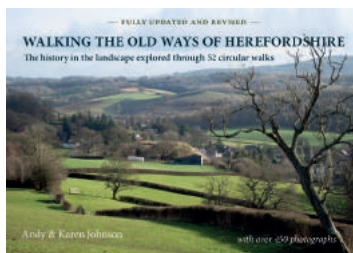


### Walking the Old Ways of East Breconshire and the Black Mountains

The history in the landscape explored through 26 circular walks

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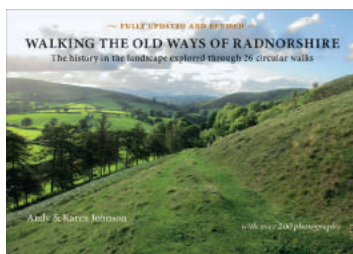


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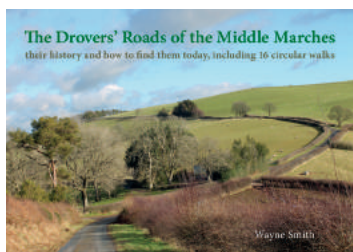


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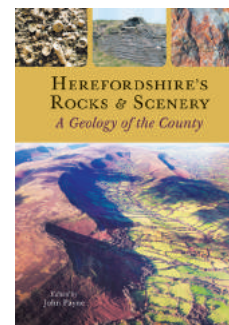


### The Drovers' Roads of the Middle Marches

their history and how to find them today, including 16 circular walks

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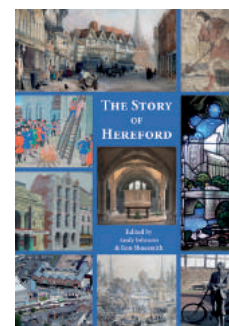
### Herefordshire's Rocks & Scenery

A Geology of the County

EDITED BY JOHN PAYNE

*This book explains how, where and when the various rocks that underlie Herefordshire were formed, and the forces that subsequently worked upon them to result in the highly distinctive scenery we now enjoy. A comprehensive and wide-ranging geology, with contributions by a number of geologists with intimate knowledge of the county.*

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Over 160 colour & 50 b&w illus • 336pp • 242 x 171 mm  
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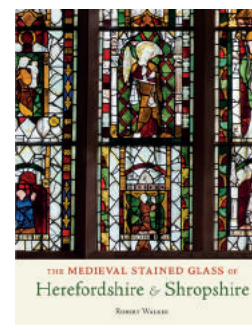
### Mappa Mundi

Hereford's Curious Map

SARAH ARROWSMITH

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Over 100 colour illus • 96pp • 240 x 210 mm  
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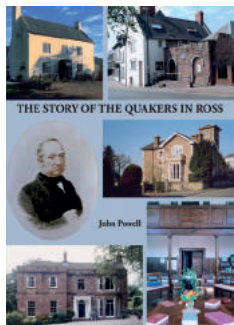


### The Medieval Stained Glass of Herefordshire & Shropshire

ROBERT WALKER

*'This beautifully produced and modestly priced gazetteer and guide ... will be a welcome addition to any library ... to be enjoyed at home and to be well-used while on the road. A refreshing and well-written account of two counties that deserve to be celebrated and visited by everyone with a love of stained glass.'* – **Vidimus**

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**The Story of the Quakers in Ross**

JOHN POWELL

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18 colour & 5 black & white illus • 112pp • 242 x 171 mm  
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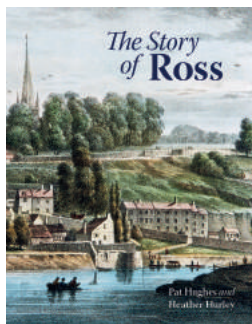
**The Scudamores of Kentchurch and Holme Lacy**

HEATHER HURLEY

**'As a story of two families and their houses, this is a very good read and will probably never be bettered.'** – *TWNFC*

*Highly illustrated local history that sets the people and places of the two great Herefordshire houses within the wider context of emerging events at Kentchurch, Holme Lacy and beyond, from the eleventh century up to the middle of the twentieth century.*

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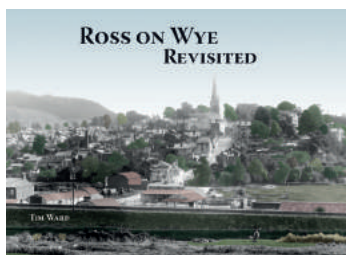


**The Story of Ross**

PAT HUGHES & HEATHER HURLEY

*An illustrated history of a unique market town, from the first hunter-gatherers to the dawn of a new millennium. Ross emerged as a distinct settlement overlooking the River Wye, evolving from the Iron Age hillfort on Chase Hill and the nearby Roman settlement of Ariconium. The story starts to deepen after the Norman Conquest, and a fascinating tale unravels. With much original research, this is a comprehensive overview of the town's development and residents.*

170 b&w illus • 192pp • 260 x 205 mm  
2009 • ISBN 9781906663254 • PB £12.95

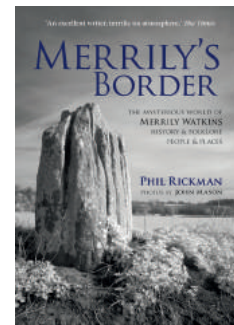


**Ross-on-Wye Revisited**

TIM WARD

*Stunning and atmospheric collection of postcards and photographs of Ross, that offers a seldom-seen and affectionate history of the town over the years.*

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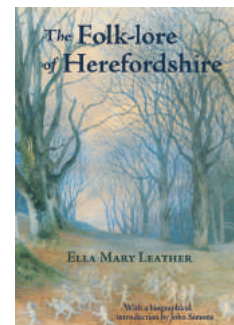
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The Mysterious World of Merrily Watkins – History & Folklore, People & Places

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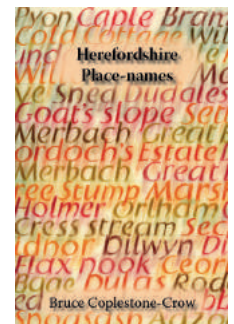
**The Folk-lore of Herefordshire**

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**'Long-awaited reprint of this classic history of Herefordshire folklore, customs and traditions.'** – *The Countryman*

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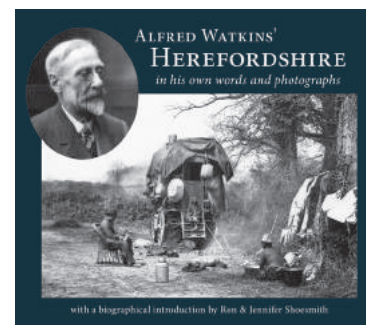


**Herefordshire Place-Names**

BRUCE COPLESTONE-CROW

*This book seeks to explain the origins and etymology of the place-names of Herefordshire, tracing their history and early variants – not just those of the major settlements, but also of districts, hamlets and even old farmsteads.*

7 maps • 268pp • 234 x 156 mm  
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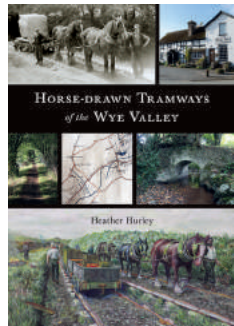


**Alfred Watkins' Herefordshire in his own words and photographs**

ALFRED WATKINS, WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY RON & JENNY SHOESMITH

*Extended to contain more than 200 of Watkins' photographs of Herefordshire, this is a fascinating and atmospheric record of the county in the early twentieth century.*

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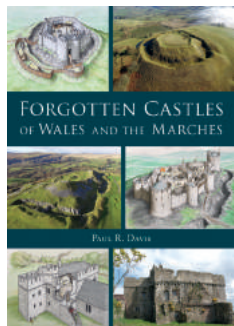


**Horse-drawn Tramways of the Wye Valley**

HEATHER HURLEY

Explores all known tramways in and around the Wye Valley – from Kington in the north, through Brecon and Hay to Abergavenny, Monmouth and Hereford – to provide a fascinating history of this short-lived form of transportation, from the late eighteenth century to the introduction of steam locomotives in the first half of the nineteenth. Offers captivating insights into early nineteenth-century transport history, trade routes and the beginnings of the steam railway on the Welsh border.

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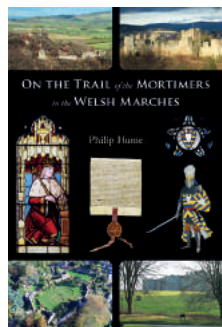
**Forgotten Castles of Wales and the Marches**

PAUL R. DAVIS

**'Aimed squarely at the castle enthusiast and visitor ... the visual content is outstanding: stunning aerial views, crisp plans and photographs and ... sharp reconstruction artwork. ... to celebrate the underrated heritage of these sites and the sense of discovery they still evoke.'** – *Medieval Archaeology*

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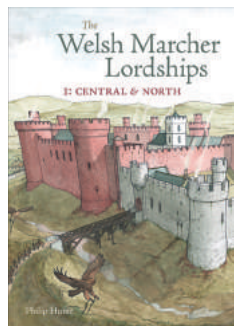


**On the Trail of the Mortimers in the Welsh Marches**

PHILIP HUME

This richly-illustrated history of the powerful medieval Mortimer family of Wigmore reveals the significant impact they had on the Welsh Marches. Includes tours to explore the surviving physical remains that relate to the family, including: remains of castles and mottes; churches and tombs; depictions in stained glass; and buildings and art patronised by the family.

Over 75 colour photographs, maps and family trees  
176pp • 234 x 156 mm  
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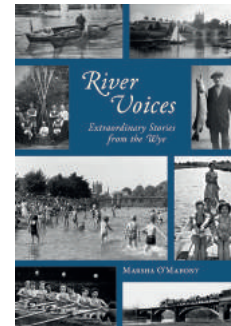
**The Welsh Marcher Lordships, Volume I**

Central & North – Montgomeryshire, Denbighshire, Radnorshire, north Herefordshire, Flintshire and Shropshire

PHILIP HUME

**'A formidable range and volume of information but in a clear, balanced and engaging narrative ... aided by a generous number of well-chosen and varied illustrations ... excellent and reasonably priced.'** – *TSAHs*

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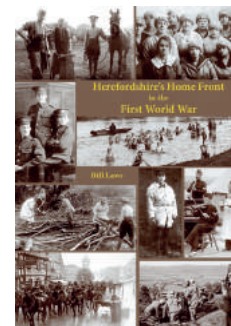
**River Voices**

Extraordinary Stories from the Wye

MARSHA O'MAHONY

Fully illustrated, this stunning collection of memories offers fascinating stories from people who have lived, worked and played in, on and beside the River Wye.

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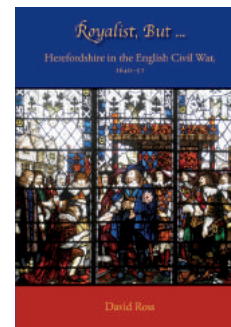


**Herefordshire's Home Front in the First World War**

BILL LAWS

This book tells the story of the dramatic changes that took place to this rural, farming county and its occupants during the Great War, from the Edwardian district of before the war, up to 1919 when the now-transformed shire was mourning the loss of some 4,000 men.

85 b&w illus, mainly photographs • 176pp • 242 x 171 mm  
2016 • ISBN 9781910839065 • PB £10.00



**Royalist, But ...**

Herefordshire in the English Civil War, 1640–51

DAVID ROSS

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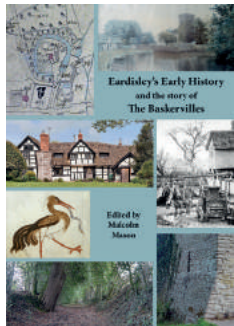


**The History of Rotherwas Munitions Factory, Hereford**

JOHN EDMONDS

Details the history of the Royal Ordnance Factory during the First and Second World Wars.

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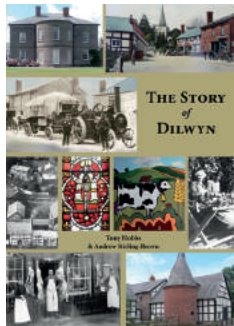


**Eardisley's Early History**  
and the story of The Baskervilles

EDITED BY MALCOLM MASON

*Details the results of a series of revealing research projects commissioned by Eardisley History Group, including the excavation of the castle, surveys into the village's timber-framed buildings and new research into the Baskerville family.*

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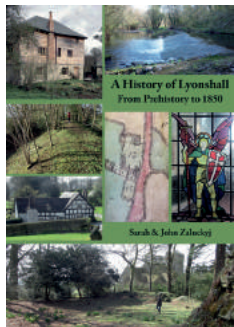


**The Story of Dilwyn** LOW STOCK

TONY HOBBS & ANDREW STIRLING-BROWN

*Varied local history – from an outline of post-Domesday landowners to the recent social history of the village, including an account of what is known about the castle site and development of the churches at both Dilwyn and Stretford.*

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**A History of Lyonshall** SALE

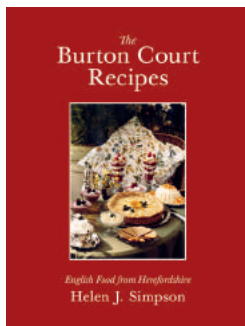
From Prehistory to 1850

SARAH & JOHN ZALUCKY

*'A fascinating history ... The numerous maps and photographs provide excellent information and add to the book's appeal. ... attractive and well-researched ... offers a model for other village histories.'* – **TWNFC**

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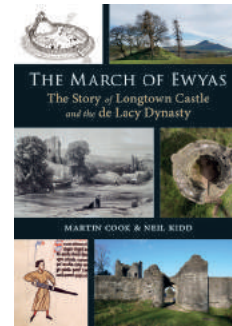
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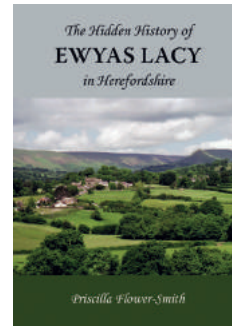
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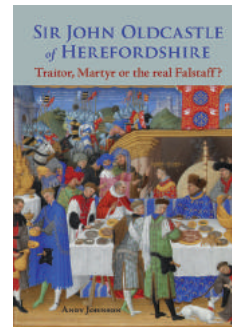


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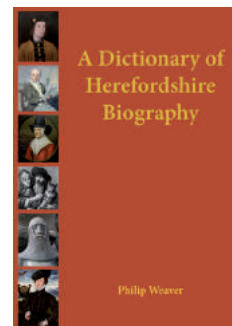
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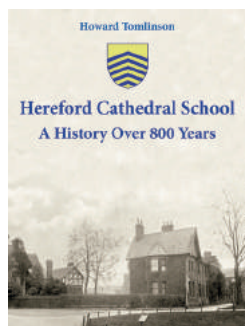


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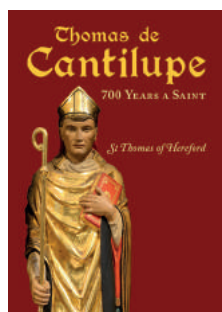
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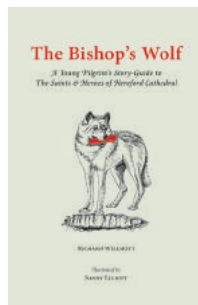
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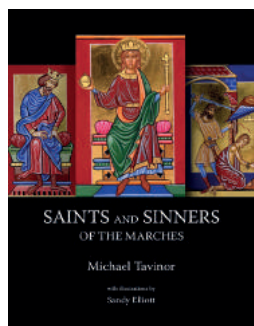
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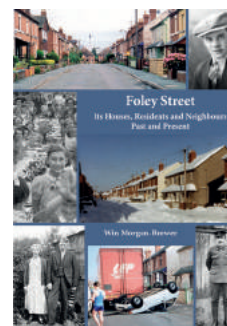


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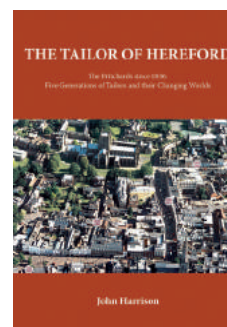
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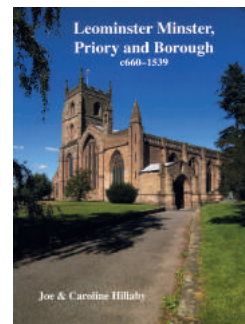
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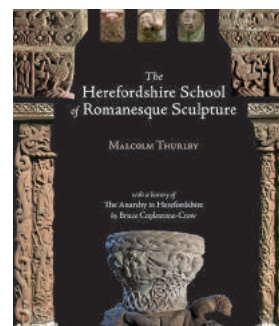


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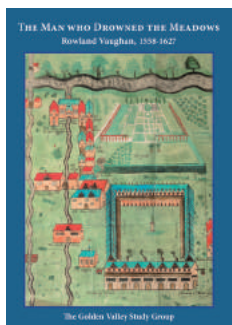
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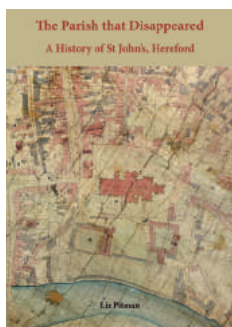
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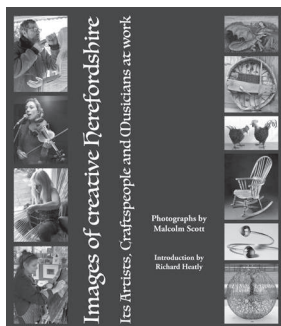
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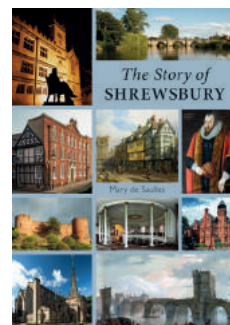
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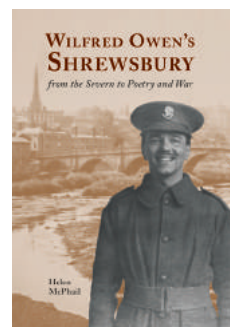


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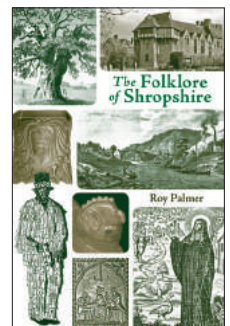
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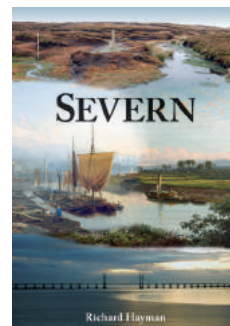


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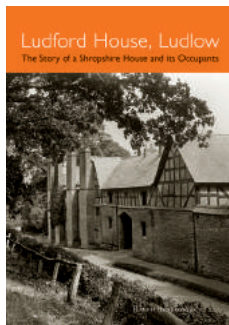


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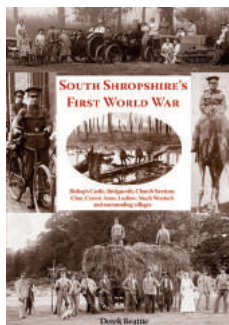
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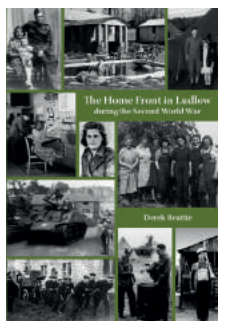
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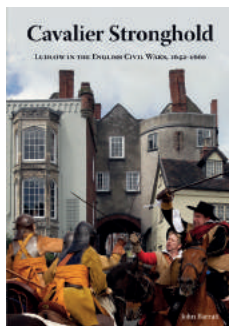


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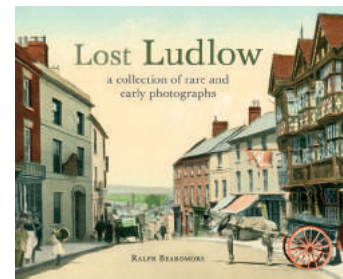
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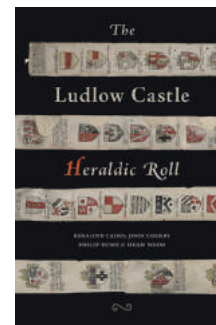
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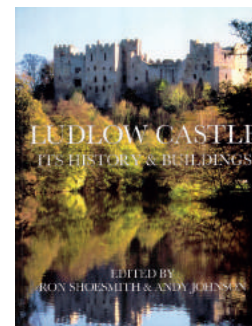


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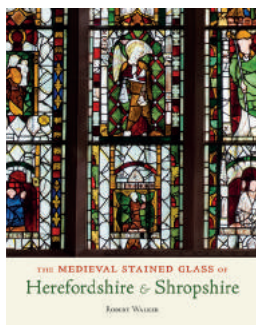
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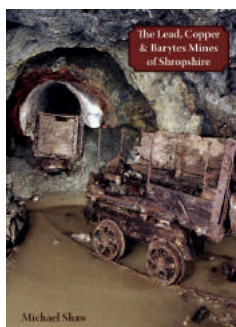


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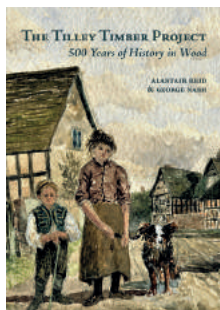


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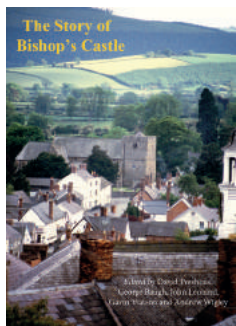
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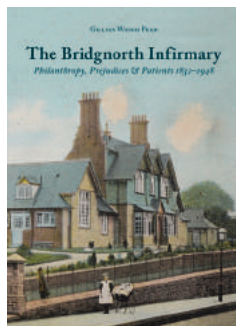
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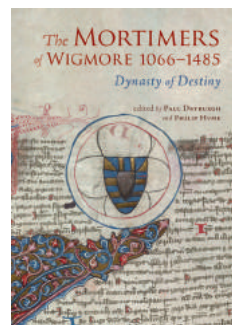
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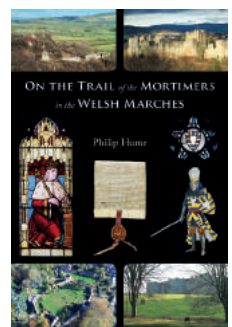
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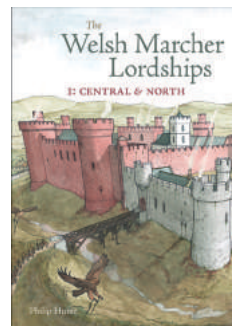
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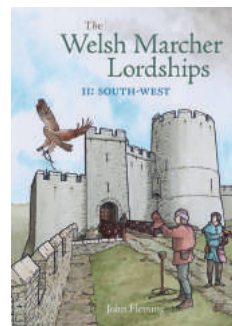
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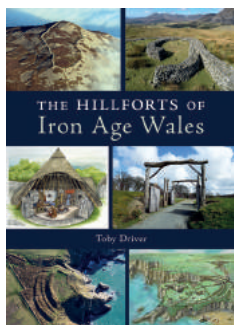
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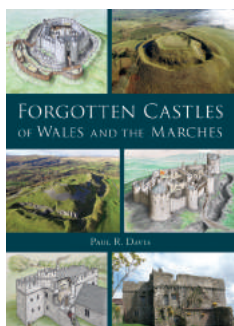


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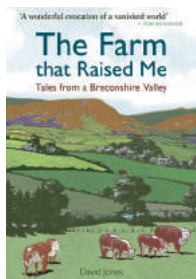
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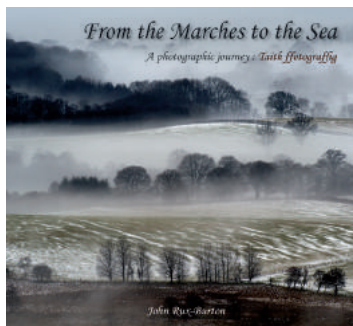
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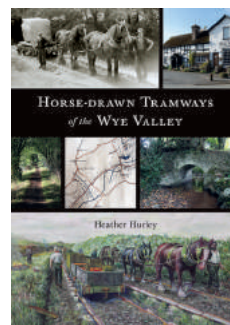
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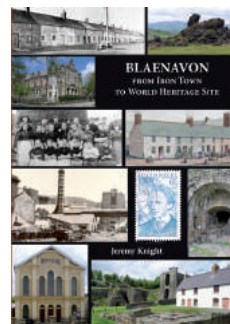
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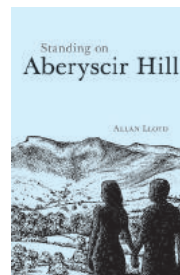
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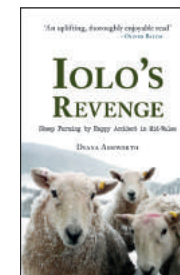
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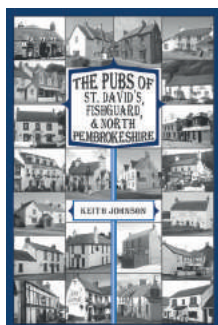
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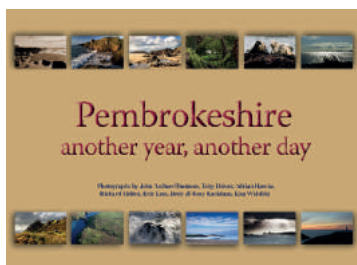


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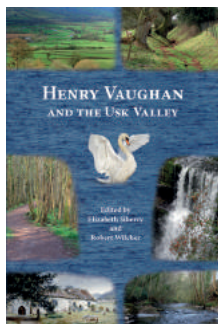
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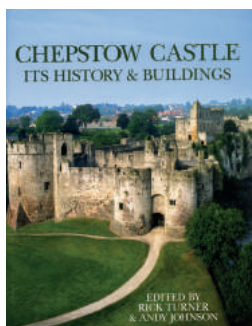


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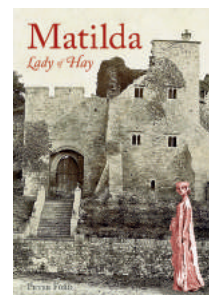
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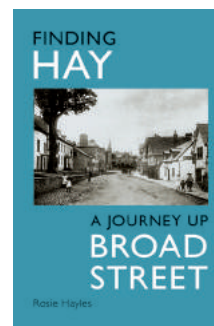
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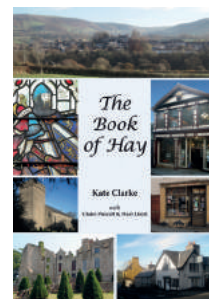
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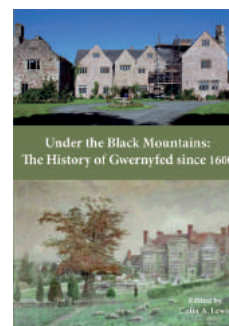


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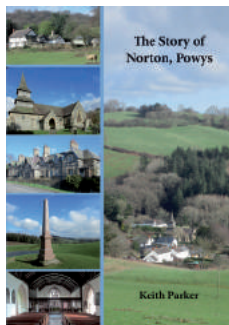
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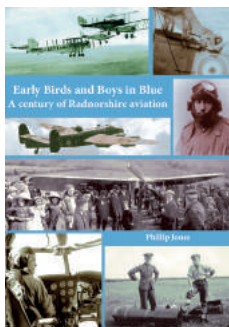


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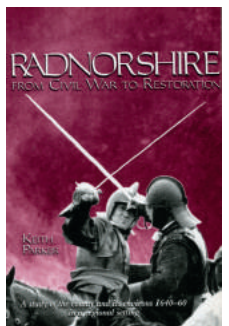
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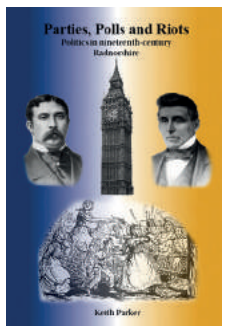
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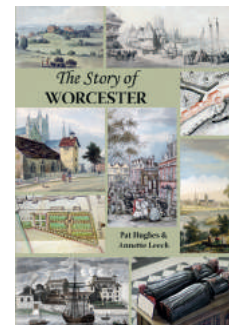
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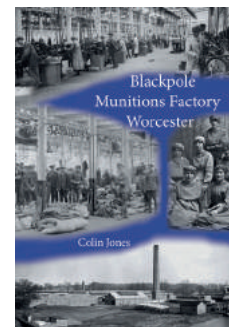


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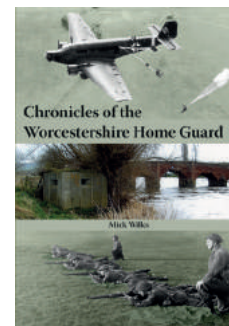


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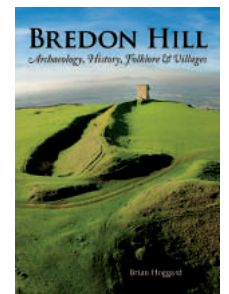


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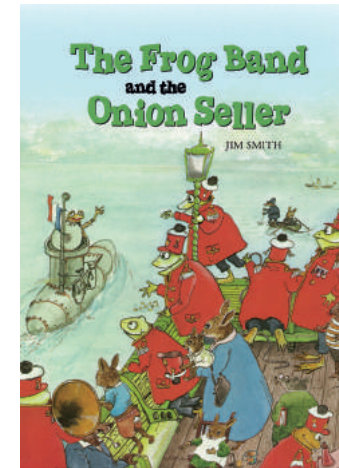
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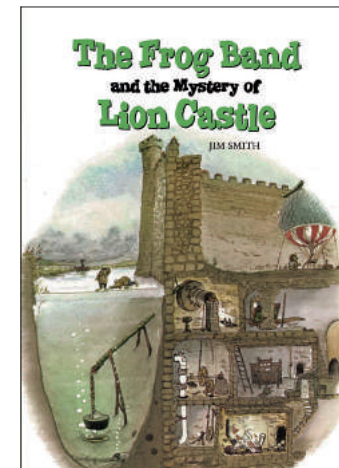
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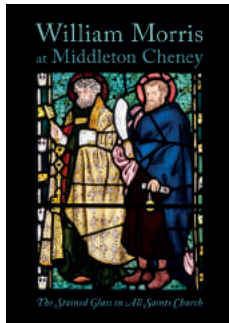
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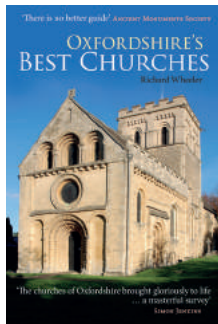


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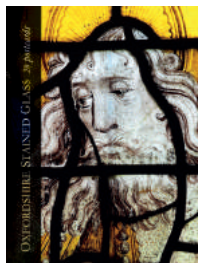
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