

## WELL KNOWN OBANITES

In volume no. 13 (2008) we published two pages of local nicknames which had been found as a typewritten manuscript by club member Trevor Polly on the premises of the Mossfield Post Office. There was one address, “Waterhouses”, that none of the Committee had heard of, and we invited readers to send in their suggestions for its location. Here we present a summary of the feedback received.

One respondent wrote: “I am appalled that I was personally acquainted with quite a few individuals listed.” Some of my transcription errors were corrected. These corrections have now been made to the master list. In addition, one respondent sent me 23 extra names ! (now added to the master list). However, there were several respondents who felt that the list should not be published for fear of offending/ embarrassing living relatives. I have acquiesced to this, but the complete list may still be obtained by sending a stamped, addressed envelope to the editor \*, requesting a print out. Although the nicknames are quite old, they were compiled as recently as approx. 1987 (obviously using an old typewriter) from memories of one or two ninety-year olds.

It seems that “Waterhouses” was a row of houses which still exists, behind the former Co-op building (now called “The Original Factory Shop”) and fronting on to the Black Lynn burn. Ham Close apparently is (or was) a close in Combie Street, just beside the ladies’ hairdresser. Ed.

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