

Hattersley Family

The name Hattersley starts appearing in the Parish Registers in the 1770s. Initially there were four men, ? brothers George, William, John and Robert who each started a family

George 1752-1827 married **Barbara Johnson** in 1776. His son William 1777-1855 was described in the census returns as a maltster and farmer. In 1848 the Tithe Award it is recorded that he lived at **Yeldwood Farm**, farming the 75 acres between the Sheffield Road and the Barbrook. He also owned in 1848 the **Malt House** at Nether End (sublet at the time),. He married four times, the last to Harriet Oddy, the last remaining member of a Bubnell dynasty which had occupied first Bubnell House and later Bubnell Hall Farmhouse.

One son George b1833 took over the Yeldwood farm in 1855 but left the village for some reason in the 1880s.

Another son William 1823 1897 was granted the tenancy of Bubnell House which had a large farm attached. His step mother may have helped him get the farm. In 1885, he became the tenant of the new **Bubnell Farm**. He a bachelor and lived with his spinster sisters. Local tradition says that he was a cripple, used a wheelchair, and never went upstairs

Barbara Johnson's mother Anna was the sister of William Kitchen sen, an enterprising and prosperous farmer in Bubnell. The Johnson's had owned, freehold, land on each side of the Barbrook at Nether End. However by 1776 they were in debt to William Kitchen. In that year

- Barbara married George Hattersley
- The debt was settled by transferring a portion of the Johnson estate to Kitchen.

Barbara's husband died in 1773 or 1777.

The Malt House was built by William Kitchen sen on his land newly acquired from the Johnsons, a fact recorded in the Kitchin family records. This was probably in 1782, the date inscribed on a plaque on the house. Some years later his son and successor William Kitchin jun had money problems and at an unknown later date he sold the Malt House. There is no record of subsequent owners and tenants until 1848 when it was owned by Barbara's son William Hattersley

It is suggested that George Hattersley was, like his son a maltster. Also when he married Barbara Johnson and land was changing hands, there was a family arrangement in which Kitchin built the Malthouse for his niece and nephew, perhaps initially for rent. At a date, soon or later, George bought the property which was then inherited by his son William Hattersley. In 1796 George was a freeholder, suggesting that he owned the Malt House by this date

It is not known how long it was used for malting. Perhaps until Yeldwood Farm was created some time after 1803.

Yeldwood Farm. All of the land east of the Barbrook had been farmed by the Gardom family of generations. In 1803 an Act was passed for the first significant road up the valley, the Baslow Owlter Bar turnpike. It was completed 10 years later. It divided the Gardom farmland. The Gardoms continued farming the land between the new road and the Edges from newly built premises at Yeld Farm. Hattersley was granted tenancy of the portion between the road and the river based on Yeldwood Farmhouse (perhaps the Gardoms old house)

Bubnell Farm. The Duke of Devonshire acquired all of Bubnell in 1870. His first action was to build model farm and farm house in the village next door to Bubnell House. It opened in 1885. There were many changes to farms and farmers in the village. William Hattersley was given the new farm. All he had to do was move house to next door keeping his earlier farmland. Bubnell House became a simple dwelling house