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**Speakers:**

Atkinson, Geoffrey, b. 1944 Newcastle upon Tyne; male

Ingledeew, Gerry, b. 1948; male; builder (father b. Durham; mother b. Durham)

Ingledeew, Sean, b. 1968; male; builder

Walton, Jeff, b. 1947 Cassop; male; photographer (father b. Cassop, miner; mother b. Cassop, housewife)

The interviewees are members of Coxhoe Working Men's Club.

ELICITED LEXIS

- see English Dialect Dictionary (1898-1905)
- * see Survey of English Dialects Basic Material (1962-1971)
- † see Dictionary of the Scots Language (online edition)
- # see Dictionary of North East Dialect (2011)
- △ see New Partridge Dictionary of Slang and Unconventional English (2006)
- ◇ see Green's Dictionary of Slang (2010)
- ♥ see Dictionary of Contemporary Slang (2014)
- ◆ see Urban Dictionary (online)
- ◊ no previous source (with this sense) identified

pleased (not discussed)**tired** (not discussed)**unwell** (not discussed)**hot** (not discussed)**cold** (not discussed)**annoyed** (not discussed)**throw** *toss; hoy*[◦]**play truant** (not discussed)**sleep** *sleep; kip***play a game** *play; knock-about* ("anybody want a knock-about?")**hit hard** *punch; smack; belt***clothes** *clobber; gear* ("good set of gear, that"); *clothes*

trousers	<i>kegs^v; strides; trousers</i>
child's shoe	<i>sannies^Δ; trainers</i>
mother	<i>me ma; mam; mother</i>
gmother	<i>granny; nana; gran</i>
m partner	<i>bloke^Δ; the other half</i>
friend	<i>mate; buddy</i>
gfather	<i>grand-da^o; grandad</i>
forgot name	<i>thingabob^o [θɪŋɪbɒb]; thingy; what-d'ye-call-'em</i>
kit of tools	<i>load of gear; tools; box; tool-kit</i>
trendy	<i>charvers; flash young 'un^Δ; dapper (used by older generation of "well-dressed" person)</i>
f partner	<i>me missus; other half; their lass; our lass</i>
baby	<i>little nipper; bairn; baby</i>
rain heavily	<i>piss down; pissing down; pour down</i>
toilet	<i>bog; shithouse; netty</i>
walkway	<i>alley; passage</i>
long seat	<i>couch; settee; chair; sofa (suggested jokingly, not used)</i>
run water	<i>stream; beck</i>
main room	<i>sitting-room; living-room</i>
rain lightly	<i>drizzle</i>
rich	<i>rich; loaded; millionaire</i>
left-handed	<i>cuddy-wifter[*]; cuddy-handed^o</i>
unattractive	<i>ugly get^Δ; face like a broken piss-pot^Δ; minging; ugly</i>
lack money	<i>skint; smashed^Δ</i>
drunk	<i>pissed</i>
pregnant	<i>up the cowie^o; up the stick; preggers</i>
attractive	<i>bonny; nice; she's a picture</i>
insane	<i>proper nutter; nuts; mad</i>
moody	<i>broody; changeable; moody</i>

SPONTANEOUS LEXIS

and all = too, as well (0:06:20 *a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch); 0:35:30 (we had one one woman) taboo (I'm not mentioning no names but she had the record appearances in uh in this committee anyhow the Coxhoe Club Committee for) aye, in my time and all, Geoff, the same one (for coming into the bar) aye)*

aye = yes (0:02:18 *(I've never heard that 'up the cowie') haven't you? (no) aye, 'up the cowie' (why aye, so where's it come from then?) frightens the life out of you when you get to know they up the cowie; 0:05:07 ('charvers') ('flash young one') ('dapper') aye, proper 'flasher', aye; 0:06:20 (a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank") I know, aye (it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought) aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch; 0:21:09 (oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop) oh yes, aye (the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family); 0:35:30 (we had one one woman) taboo (I'm not mentioning no names but she had the*

record appearances in uh in this committee anyhow the Coxhoe Club Committee for) aye, in my time and all, Geoff, the same one (for coming into the bar) aye)

better half = spouse, partner (0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half)*)

bugger = nuisance, so-and-so (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule)*)

but^o = though (0:19:56 *you used to get great crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets away I'm afraid (no, they kept everything to theirselves, yeah) everything was self-taught very cute, but)*)

by = exclamation expressing surprise or disbelief (0:07:31 (*'pour down'*) *by, you're all proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh? (God) oh, we uh (he's only being proper 'cause that microphone's turned on)*)

chocker^A = completely full (0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty)*)

cock-a-hoop = delighted, ecstatic (0:21:09 *oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family)*)

crack = conversation, banter (0:19:56 *you used to get great crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets away I'm afraid (no, they kept everything to theirselves, yeah) everything was self-taught very cute, but)*)

dae[†] = to do (0:00:09 *your mind goes blank you daen't know what to dae, dae you?; 0:36:58 I daen't know how they've got time to be in them most of them's members of the fat clubs now, aren't they, Weight Watchers¹)*)

daft = silly, stupid (0:15:34 *and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nae body ever wanted that bloody standard lamp)*)

eff and blind = to use strong language, swear frequently (0:35:19 *and she could well be looking for her husband or her boyfriend whoever there was mayhem effing and blinding, you know)*)

gan^o = to go (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule; 0:36:08 no, they want to be at that sink there at that cooker getting the ready dinner ready for us ganning off)*)

Geordie = person from Newcastle upon Tyne (0:33:30 *I didn't agree with it all they were blaming the northerners right the the Geordies that's what they were saying and to me they were completely wrong, you know, with what they were saying)*)

gone = last, previous (0:09:10 *(so how far do you go?) shortest race we've just had for the old birds we've just had that Saturday gone Sunday gone sorry uh no Saturday gone uh eighty-four mile we go through to the longest one inland which is Eastbourne um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah)*)

hame^o = home (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule)*)

¹ International company founded 1963 in New York offering products and services to assist with weight loss.

her indoors = wife (0:12:00 *Saturday is taboo uh her indoors daredn't ask for anything on a Saturday it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask*)

hersel^o = herself (0:13:31 *take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas*)

how = exclamation used to attract attention (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule*)

mebbies^o = perhaps (0:20:08 *there are places where it is thriving um, you know, it in the towns and what have you uh there's always mebbies new blood starting up; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports gotta be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:29:31 at a guess '96 the last nine year as secretary previous to that I was chairman from uh '91 '92 mebbies [...] might've been chairman for four year*)

nae body[†] = no body (0:15:34 *and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nae body ever wanted that bloody standard lamp*)

naffed off^Δ = annoyed (0:16:29 *and then you got a voucher for the value of those goods to spend at the store (you got a twenty-five-year-old lamp the bulb had disintegrated) ended up traipsing back with bloody tins of paint and wallpaper naffed off hence to say no hammer drill come so she got her own way*)

our lass = my wife (0:02:59 *and our lass is very changeable you take it from me after thirty-seven years standing I know when she's moody (it gets better when you get over forty, Gerry) it doesn't or I imagine it doesn't; 0:13:31 take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas*)

Paki = Pakistani, South Asian (0:10:44 *first day that was completed I had twenty-seven Pakis knocking on the door wanting wanting to rent that*)

proper = real, utter (0:02:43 ('insane?') *proper 'nutter' ('nuts') ('mad');* 0:05:07 ('charvers') ('flash young one') ('dapper') *aye, proper 'flasher', aye*)

quid = pound sterling (0:27:22 *and that pigeon was bought by Louis Massarella² for if me memory serves us right seven seventy-eight-thousand-six-hundred-and-forty quid*)

such-like = something of that kind, the like (0:28:37 *of course injuries do occur on line in route uh pylons and such-like which is an obstacle to them (sparrow-hawks) (hawks) sparrow-hawks vast vast vast problem vast problem um one which wants addressing in more depth than what it is at this moment in time 'cause it's unbelievable when they start uh when they start breeding*)

summat^Δ = something (0:16:08 *I think this was summat like a dust-buster when they these were, you know, not a lot of people had them they were just on the market*)

tot = small child (0:21:22 *even tots in pushchairs and the whole family came down (see what prize they'd won, aye) to see the prize what they'd won*)

tumbler = domestic pigeon characterised by habit of turning over backwards in flight (0:10:16 *so I had tumblers before that when I was at school [...] (you had what) [...] tumblers rollers [...] performing tumblers feathered legs show show birds tumblers that perform*)

want = to need (0:28:37 *of course injuries do occur on line in route uh pylons and such-like which is an obstacle to them (sparrow-hawks) (hawks) sparrow-hawks vast vast vast problem vast problem um one*)

² Founder of Louella Stud.

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what-d'ye-call-it = thing whose name speaker has forgotten (0:15:02 *I would say at a guess 1968 would've been the first leek show in this club we've had one ev... every year since and in them days the local uh um what-d'ye-call-it furniture supplier [...] uh used to supply the prizes)*

why aye^{*} = yes, confirming or contradicting (0:02:18 *(I've never heard that 'up the cowie') (haven't you?) no (aye, 'up the cowie') why aye, so where's it come from then? (frightens the life out of you when you get to know they up the cowie))*

womenfolk = women (0:17:34 *it's the same when it comes to the pigeon presentation night even the womenfolk who aren't, we'll say, have no interest at all but after saying that, mind, there is a lot of females uh girls friends wives flying partnerships and do (oh yes) but uh even the ones what don't the ones what have no interest at all they certainly have interest when it comes round to presentation evening)*

wor³ = our (0:04:51 *('female partner'?) that's 'me missus' [...] ('their lass') ('our lass') we're this side the water it's not 'wor lass' no, 'wor lass' is over the other side the water)*

PHONOLOGY

KIT

[ɪ]

(0:06:20 *a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting [sɪfʔɪŋ] on a sofa I says, "I didn't [dɪdnt] know people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch);*

0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit [bɪt] him then because he literally [lɪfʔəli] sleeps eats drinks [dʒɪŋks] racing pigeons [jɛ:sən pɪdʒənz] (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half; 0:14:32 show leeks big [bɪg] leeks bigger [bɪgə] the better (someone comes and judges them they don't try and race them) uh it's it's judged by the tight button which is six [sɪks] inches [ɪntʃəz] which is not a bad length, like (if you can show six [sɪks] inches [ɪntʃəz] of white, Geoff) yes (you've got a good one))*

<-est>, missUS, packET, pigEON, womEN (0:04:51 *('female partner'?) that's 'my missus' [mɪsəs] [...] ('their lass') ('our lass') we're this side the water it's not 'our lass' no, 'our lass' is over the other side the water; 0:09:10 (so how far do you go?) shortest [ʃɔ:fʔəst] race we've just had for the old birds we've just had that Saturday gone Sunday gone sorry uh no Saturday gone uh eighty-four mile we go through to the longest [lɒŋgəst] one inland which is Eastbourne um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah; 0:11:31 and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons [jɛ:sən pɪdʒənz] (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half; 0:12:16 my father had racing pigeons [pɪdʒənz] he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons [pɪdʒənz] when I started school so that was, like, five; 0:17:51 they certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because they know there's going to be one hefty packet [pækʔət] handed over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's [pækʔəts] going to contain cash; 0:32:41 women's [wɪmɪnz] vote's been on the agenda every year and every year it's been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer; 0:34:24 [...] I can understand these clubs down south where there can't get any male to run them and there's women [wɪmən] members involved let them be full members but they can only be full members of their clubs within their area)*

³ This utterance is consciously 'performed' in imitation of speakers north from, presumably, Newcastle upon Tyne (i.e. north of the Tyne).

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DRESS**[ɛ]**

(0:13:11 there were uh times when tempers [tɛmpəʔəz] would but they're now she accepts [akseptz] it and uh gets [gɛts] on with it; 0:17:51 they certainly have an interest [ɪntɪɛst] when it comes round to presentation evening [pɪɛsənteɪʃən ɪvniŋ] because they know there's going to be one hefty [hɛfti] packet handed over from whoever's [hu:ɛvəz] giving the prizes out and that packet's going to contain cash; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery [sɛli:ɪ] you name it every [ɛvɪ] vegetable [vɛdʒtəbʔ] carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty)

<-ever>, ready (0:17:08 'cause see in them days the male did all the work he grew the leeks he bought the leeks you never [nɪvə] got nothing off the missus for to buy the leeks you had to buy them you had to put them in you had to grow them and she got the prize; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never [nɛvə] dare race you would wrap it up in cotton-wool you would to breed off (it's just to just to breed from and, yeah) with no guarantee of actually breeding a good one off it; 0:36:08 no, they want to be at that sink there at that cooker getting the ready [ɹɪdi] dinner ready [ɹɪdi] for us ganning off; 0:37:11 (what's going on downstairs now?) (Jenny) that's the singer next door (concert hall) they're about ready [ɹɛdi] to do the tour now)

ferry, Jerry secretary, very (0:08:22 I'm actually secretary [sɛkʔɹɪtəɹi] of the Kelloe Pigeon Club which is just a mile up the road; 0:08:43 and in turn we're all members so that's members from Coxhoe Club as well as uh our neighbouring federation which is the Ferryhill [fɛɹihɪʔ] area and Coundon Aycliffe we are members of that federation and then you move on to the bigger circle which the big picture is we're all members of the Durham Combine; 0:17:23 now as Gerry [dʒɛɹi] says we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't be saying this bugger, should I? (why, no) she gets what she's given, like; 0:21:09 oh this was a, you know, very [vɛɹi] prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family; 0:31:19 it's very [vɛɹi] difficult for a lot of clubs to get a committee or a good working committee of any any numbers at all be very [vɛɹi] few who would actually have a full board of management; 0:33:15 women were allowed to basically use any room in the in the club and I would say that was one of the major factors of why this club possibly is st... still doing very [vɛɹi] very [vɛɹi] well today)

TRAP-BATH**[a]**

(0:12:00 *Saturday* [saʔəde:] *is taboo uh her indoors daredn't ask* [ask] *for anything on a Saturday* [saʔəde:] *it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask* [ask] *on a Saturday* [saʔəde:]; 0:13:31 *take our lass* [las] *she's she's put a plaque* [plaʔʔ] *up at the back door* [bagdɔ:] *now that big brass* [bras] *plaque* [plag] *have you seen the plaque* [plag] *at the back door* [bagdɔ:] *(aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass* [las] *she bought it for hersel for Christmas*; 0:17:51 *they certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because they know there's going to be one hefty packet* [paʔʔət] *handed* [handəd] *over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's* [paʔʔəts] *going to contain cash* [kaʃ]; 0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers the marrows,* [maɪəz] *you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots* [kaɪəts] *the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty*; 0:21:09 *oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually* [akʃəli] *winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last* [last] *oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family* [famli] *used to come down I mean the whole family* [famli:]

LOT-CLOTH [ɒ]

(0:12:42 *I'd recently been married and I got a* [gɒ ə] *loft* [lɒft] *of my own and started in '71 so thirty-four years (good grief) yeah, and my wife's been a so-called pigeon widow for all that time*; 0:17:08 *'cause see in them days the male did all the work he grew the leeks he bought the leeks you never got* [gɒt] *nothing off* [ɒf] *the missus for to buy the leeks you had to buy them you had to put them in you had to grow them and she got* [gɒt] *the prize*; 0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot* [lɒt] *and they all auctioned on* [ɒn] *the night and the club used to be chocker* [tʃɒʔʔə] *with people paying pound two pound two fifty*; 0:26:35 *the cost* [kɒst] *of good stock* [stɒk] *has um (well yes, aye) um, you know, it's absolutely bounced up over the years)*

<wa-> (0:34:10 *if she goes away on holiday hopefully she's with her husband who's a club member and then he's got to sign her into the club he goes into so I cannot see why women member want* [wɒnt] *women women want* [wɒntʔ] *to be members I just cannot see why*; 0:36:58 *I don't know how they've got time to be in them most of them's members of the fat clubs now, aren't they, Weight Watchers*¹ [we:twatʃəz])

STRUT [ʊ]

(0:14:32 *(show leeks big leeks bigger the better) someone* [sʊmwɒn] *comes* [kʊmz] *and judges* [dʒʊdʒəz] *them they don't try and race them (uh it's it's judged* [dʒʊdʒd] *by the tight button* [taɪt bʊtʔn] *which is six inches which is not a bad length, like) (if you can show six inches of white, Geoff) (yes) (you've got a good one)*; 0:16:08 *I think this was summat* [sʊmət] *like a dust-buster* [dʊstbʊstə] *when they these were, you know, not a lot of people had them they were just on the market*; 0:18:21 *there've been some* [sʊm] *big cucumbers* [kjəukʊmbəz] *the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club* [klʊb] *used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty)*

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FOOT [ʊ]

(0:20:08 there are places where it is thriving um, you know, it in the towns and what have you uh there's always mebbies new blood [blʊd] starting up; 0:21:22 even tots in pushchairs [pʊʃtʃɛɪz] and the whole family came down (see what prize they'd won, aye) to see the prize what they'd won; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would [wʊd] never dare race you would [wʊd] wrap it up in cotton-wool [kɒŋwʊt] you would [wʊd] to breed off (it's just to just to breed from and, yeah) with no guarantee of actually breeding a good [gʊd] one off it; 0:35:19 and she could [kʊd] well be looking [lʊkɪŋ] for her husband or her boyfriend whoever there was mayhem effing and blinding, you know)

BOOK (0:07:44 you didn't say that on Saturday before the pigeon's went you you said it was looking [lʊkɪŋ] like it was going to be pissing down on Sunday so why change your mind now; 0:30:10 uh I drifted away and did other things after that and I bounced back and that's when I took [tʊk] over as chairman or I put in to be elected as chairman and I've been involved ever since; 0:35:19 and she could well be looking [lʊkɪŋ] for her husband or her boyfriend whoever there was mayhem effing and blinding, you know; 0:36:08 no, they want to be at that sink there at that cooker [kəʊkə] getting the dinner ready for us ganning off)

NURSE [əɪ]

(0:08:43 and in turn [tə:n] we're all members so that's members from Coxhoe Club as well as uh our neighbouring federation which is the Ferryhill area and Coundon Aycliffe we are members of that federation and then you move on to the bigger circle [sə:kɪt] which the big picture is we're all members of the Durham Combine; 0:29:00 OK it's survival to them they don't know that this bird [bɜ:d] is a valuable asset to someone uh as far as it's concerned [kɒnsə:nd] it's its breakfast or it's its tea dinner or it's to feed its youngsters; 0:30:22 going back to my early [ə:li] days when I was first [fɜ:st] married in uh 1964 uh when I worked [wɜ:kɪt] in the mines um I lived at Turdale [tɜ:zdɪ] 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for you)

first (0:10:44 first [fɜ:st] day that was completed I had twenty-seven Pakis knocking on the door wanting wanting to rent that; 0:15:02 I would say at a guess 1968 would've been the first [fɜ:st] leek show in this club we've had one ev... every year since and in them days the local uh um what-d'ye-call-it furniture supplier [...] uh used to supply the prizes; 0:15:26 one of the highlights was that uh there was always this uh standard lamp which was in the first [fɜ:st] show in 1968; 0:24:25 other other parts of the country run things slightly different but in the North East generally clubs um the first [fɜ:st] we'll say first [fɜ:st] four or first [fɜ:st] six pigeons in a race which are awarded first [fɜ:st] second third fourth fifth sixth'll get points six five four three two one; 0:30:22 going back to my early days when I was first [fɜ:st] married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Turdale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for you)

FLEECE [ɪ ~ i:]

(0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally [slɪps] eats [ɪts] drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe [bəlɪv] for all he has got another a better half; 0:23:47 the numbers may have dwindled but uh the people [pɪ:pɪʔ] who are still in there are really keen [ki:n] and uh I would say set there's a lot of lofts are set up professionally um to get the best out of their pigeons; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race you would wrap it up in cotton-wool you would to breed [bɪɪd] off (it's just to just to breed [bɪɪd] from and, yeah) with no guarantee [gɑ:ənti:] of actually breeding [bɪɪdɪŋ] a good one off it)*

threepence (0:25:15 *each week we'll uh bet on our pigeons or pool them we'll put them in a pool uh p... starting at penny twopence threepence [θɹi:ɪpɪŋs] up to five and twenty-five fifty pence a pound and you put more on the pigeons which you think's going to win)*

FACE [eɪ > ɪə]

(0:16:29 *and then you got a voucher for the value of those goods to spend at the store (you got a twenty-five-year-old lamp the bulb had disintegrated [dɪsɪntɪŋɡjʌ:ɪʔəd]) ended up traipsing [tɹi:psən] back with bloody tins of paint [pɪənt] and wallpaper [wɔ:tpɛ:pɪʔɛ] naffed off hence to say [se:] no hammer drill come so she got her own way [wɪə]; 0:19:56 you used to get great [gɹe:t] crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets [tɹi:d sɪ:kɹɪəts] away [əwe:] I'm afraid [əfɹe:d] (no, they kept everything to themselves, yeah) everything was self-taught very cute, but; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing [ɹe:sən] for mebbies seventy eighty [e:ʔɪ] pound a week now uh because you're paying [pe:ən] out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, [əwɪə] you know, the transports got to be paid [pe:d] (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race [ɹe:s] you would wrap it up in cotton-wool you would to breed off (it's just to just to breed from and, yeah) with no guarantee of actually breeding a good one off it)*

always (0:13:52 *obviously I'll always [ɔ:twəz] support any sub-club that wants to work from within this club which we've got numerous; 0:15:26 one of the highlights was that uh there was always [ɑ:twəz] this uh standard lamp which was in the first show in 1968; 0:19:37 I always [ɔ:wəz] remember I think this is back in when I first started maybe p... '84 we used to come upstairs for the the presentation and by then, you know, just starting off and learning)*

<-day> (0:07:44 *you didn't say that on Saturday [saʔədə] before the pigeon's went you you said it was looking like it was going to be pissing down on Sunday [sʌndɛ] so why change your mind now; 0:09:10 (so how far do you go?) shortest race we've just had for the old birds we've just had that Saturday [saʔədə:] gone Sunday [sʌndɛ:] gone sorry uh no Saturday [satədə:] gone uh eighty-four mile we go through to the longest one inland which is Eastbourne um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah; 0:12:00 Saturday [saʔədə:] is taboo uh her indoors daredn't ask for anything on a Saturday [saʔədə:] it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask on a Saturday [saʔədə:]; 0:28:15 we dropped three on Saturday [satədɪə] unfortunately I dropped four one came back the next day and the other three are still missing but that's part and parcel of the job you've got to live with that; 0:34:10 if she goes away on holiday [hʌlədɪə] hopefully she's with her husband who's a club member and then he's got to sign her into the club he goes into so I cannot see why women member want women women want to be members I just cannot see why; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday [sʌndə] morning for there's only one place they want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?)*

eh?, hame (0:07:31 *('pour down') by, you're all proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh? [ɛ] (God) (oh, we uh) (he's only being proper 'cause that microphone's turned on); 0:35:01 we lifted*

that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" [jɛm] "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule)

make (0:35:58 [...] *what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they want to be and that's making [mɑʔŋ] bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?*)

they (0:17:51 *they [ði] certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because they [ði] know there's going to be one hefty packet handed over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's going to contain cash; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they [ði] all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:21:22 even tots in pushchairs and the whole family came down (to see what prize they'd [ðɪd] won, aye) to see the prize what they'd [ðɪd] won; 0:24:47 and depending on which uh whatever that club has running like meat draws or letter draws or whatever in them the money they [ði] accumulate throughout the season depends on how much you get paid out per point; 0:30:22 going back to my early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they [ðeɪ] paid your rent for you; 0:34:39 they [ðə] can't come up north and walk into our clubs they've [ðəv] got to be signed in by a member and as if they [ðeɪ] realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they [ði] want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?; 0:36:58 I don't know how they've [ðɪd] got time to be in them most of them's members of the fat clubs now, aren't they, [ði] Weight Watchers¹)*

PALM**[ɑɪ > ɑɪ]**

(0:03:57 ('mother'?) *oh, that's my 'ma' [mɑ:] ('mam') ('mam') ('mother');* 0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half [bɛfə ha:f];* 0:12:16 *my father had [fɑ:ðə ad] racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started school so that was, like, five;* 0:13:59 *but I think the three lads has just said that um they've explained where their pigeon-fancying come from it's from their fathers [fɑ:ðəz] and it's j... it's a thing that's handed down you brought up with it and you just stick with it, like (yeah) I was brought up with leeks and I'm still stuck with leeks so it's just just what you're brought up with;* 0:22:26 *uh I would say I've probably been to half a dozen [ɑ:fəduzən] millionaires who have pigeons throughout this country;* 0:34:39 *they can't [kɑ:nt] come up north and walk into our clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow)*

THOUGHT**[ɔɪ > ɑɪ]**

(0:13:31 *take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought [bɔ:ɪ] it for hersel for Christmas;* 0:15:26 *one of the highlights was that uh there was always [ɑ:tʍəz] this uh standard lamp which was in the first show in 1968;* 0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all [ɔɪt] auctioned [ɔɪkʃənd] on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty;* 0:28:37 *of course injuries do occur on line in route uh pylons and such-like which is an obstacle to them (sparrow-hawks [spɑ:əhɔ:ks]) (hawks [hɔ:ks]) sparrow-hawks [spɑ:əhɔ:ks] vast vast vast problem vast*

problem um one which wants addressing in more depth than what it is at this moment in time 'cause it's unbelievable when they start uh when they start breeding)

all, walk (0:07:31 ('pour down') by, you're all all [a:ɪ] proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh? (God) (oh, we uh) (he's only being proper 'cause that microphone's turned on); 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all [ɔ:ɪ] auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk [wɔ:k] into our clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow; 0:35:01 we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking [wa:ɪŋ] in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule)

somersault (0:11:16 (so when you were at school you got involved first?) yes, with with performing tumblers, yeah, that do somersaults [sʊməsɔ:ts] and all all in the air and everything, yeah)

<wa-> (0:04:51 ('female partner'?) that's 'my missus' [...] ('their lass') ('our lass') we're this side the water [wɑ:ɪ] it's not 'our lass' no, 'our lass' is over the other side the water [wɑ:ɪ])

GOAT

[o:ɪ]

(0:05:22 I can remember a lot of old [o:ɪd] relations or older [o:ɪdə] people, you know, when I was a child saying the word 'dapper' particularly for somebody who was on the very well-dressed side of things; 0:10:16 so I had tumblers before that when I was at school [...] (you had what) [...] tumblers rollers [ɔ:ɪlɔ:z] [...] performing tumblers feathered legs show [ʃo:ɪ] show birds [ʃo:ɪ bɔ:dz] tumblers that perform; 0:34:10 if she goes [go:z] away on holiday hopefully [ho:pəli] she's with her husband who's a club member and then he's got to sign her into the club he goes [go:z] into so [so:ɪ] I cannot see why women member want women women want to be members I just cannot see why)

broken (0:01:31 ('unattractive?') ('ugly get') (now then) 'face like a broken [brʊkən] piss-pot' (or 'minging'))

don't (0:00:09 your mind goes blank you don't [dɪn?] know what to do, do you?; 0:36:58 I don't know [dɪn:] how they've got time to be in them most of them's members of the fat clubs now, aren't they, Weight Watchers¹)

going to (0:07:44 you didn't say that on Saturday before the pigeon's went you you said it was looking like it was going to [gʊnə] be pissing down on Sunday so why change your mind now)

know, no (0:00:09 your mind goes blank you don't know [nɑ:] what to do, do you?; 0:02:18 (I've never heard that 'up the cowie') (haven't you?) no [nɑ:] (aye, 'up the cowie') why aye, so where's it come from then? (frightens the life out of you when you get to know [nɑ:] they up the cowie); 0:06:20 a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know [no:] people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, [no:] aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch); 0:17:23 (now as Gerry says we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't be saying this bugger, should I?) why, no [nɑ:] (she gets what she's given, like); 0:36:08 no, [nɑ:] they want to be at that sink there at that cooker getting the ready dinner ready for us ganning off; 0:36:58 I don't know [dɪn:] how they've got time to be in them most of them's members of the fat clubs now, aren't they, Weight Watchers¹)

nobody (0:15:34 and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nobody [ne:bɒdi] ever wanted that bloody standard lamp)

only (0:31:05 *I think I'd only [o:ni] been a member something like two year and I I I went on to the committee so that was unusual, like; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only [ʊni] one place they want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?*)

over (0:02:59 *(and our lass is very changeable you take it from me after thirty-seven years standing I know when she's moody) it gets better when you get over [aʊə] forty, Gerry (it doesn't or I imagine it doesn't); 0:04:51 ('female partner'?) that's 'my missus' [...] ('their lass') ('our lass') we're this side the water it's not 'our lass' no, 'our lass' is over [aʊə] the other side the water; 0:26:35 the cost of good stock has um (well yes, aye) um, you know, it's absolutely bounced up over [o:və] the years; 0:31:34 so a lot of changes were seen over [o:və] not all for the good I might say but um a lot of changes were seen over that period of time)*)

<-ow> (0:12:42 *I'd recently been married and I got a loft of my own and started in '71 so thirty-four years (good grief) yeah, and my wife's been a so-called pigeon widow [wɪdɔ:] for all that time; 0:13:31 (take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door) aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow" [wɪdə] (our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas); 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, [maɪəz] you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:28:37 of course injuries do occur on line in route uh pylons and such-like which is an obstacle to them (sparrow-hawks [spɑɪəhɔ:ks]) (hawks) sparrow-hawks [spɑɪəhɔ:ks] vast vast vast problem vast problem um one which wants addressing in more depth than what it is at this moment in time 'cause it's unbelievable when they start uh when they start breeding; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk into our clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow [tʔəməɹɔ]*)

GOOSE [əu]

(0:15:34 *and it was part of the rules [ɹəʊəɪz] that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose [tʃəʊz] something else of the same value [vəlʒəu] and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nobody ever wanted that bloody standard lamp; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers [kjəukʊmbəz] the marrows, you know, celery you [jəu] name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used [jəʊst] to be chocker with people paying pound two [təu] pound two [təu] fifty)*)

do (0:00:09 *your mind goes blank you don't know what to do, [di:] do [dɪ] you?)*

rule, school (0:12:16 *my father had racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started school [skəʊəɪz] so that was, like, five; 0:15:34 and it was part of the rules [ɹəʊəɪz] that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nobody ever wanted that bloody standard lamp)*)

twopence (0:25:15 *each week we'll uh bet on our pigeons or pool them we'll put them in a pool uh p... starting at penny twopence [tʊpʔɪns] threepence up to five and twenty-five fifty pence a pound and you put more on the pigeons which you think's going to win)*)

PRICE [aɪ > æɪ]

(0:14:32 *show leeks big leeks bigger the better (someone comes and judges them they don't try and race them) uh it's it's judged by the tight button [taɪt bʊɪɹɪŋ] which is six inches which is not a bad length, like (if you can show six inches of white, [waɪt] Geoff) yes (you've got a good one); 0:15:02 I would say at a guess 1968 [naɪnɹɪɪnsɪkstɪ:t] would've been the first leek show in this club we've had one ev... every year since and in them days the local uh um what-d'ye-call-it furniture supplier [fə:nɪfə səplɑɪə] [...] uh*)

used to supply [səplai] the prizes [pɹiæzɪz]; 0:20:08 there are places where it is thriving [θɹiævən] um, you know, it in the towns and what have you uh there's always mebbies new blood starting up; 0:21:22 even tots in pushchairs and the whole family came down (see what prize [pɹiæz] they'd won, aye) to see the prize [pɹiæz] what they'd won; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk into our clubs they've got to be signed [saɪnd] in by [baɪ] a member and as if they realise [ɹiəlɪz] that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow)

my (0:03:57 ('mother'?) oh, that's my [mi] 'ma' ('mam') ('mam') ('mother'); 0:04:51 ('female partner'?) that's 'my [mi] missus' [...] ('their lass') ('our lass') we're this side the water it's not 'our lass' no, 'our lass' is over the other side the water; 0:12:16 my [mi] father had racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started school so that was, like, five; 0:12:42 I'd recently been married and I got a loft of my [mi] own and started in '71 so thirty-four years (good grief) yeah, and my wife's been a so-called pigeon widow for all that time; 0:27:22 and that pigeon was bought by Louis Massarella² for if my [mi] memory serves us right seven seventy-eight-thousand-six-hundred-and-forty quid; 0:30:22 going back to my [mi] early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for you)

empire (0:26:41 uh I'd probably amaze you if I if I said that uh Louis Mala... Massarella² who a lot of people might know from the likes of uh show jumping days of the horse Mister Softee⁴ belonged to him (yeah) and he has a sort of a pigeon empire if [pɪdʒən ɛmpaɪəɪ ɪf] I can put it that way (like a stud) down in uh Leicestershire)

<-ight> (0:06:20 (a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank") I know, aye (it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought) aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights [ni:ts] on the couch; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night [naɪt] and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty)

CHOICE [ɔɪ]

(0:11:51 (so she doesn't mind you playing about with other birds then?) she has no choice [tʃɔɪs] in the matter (why, certainly not on a Saturday) she always knows where to find me anyway that's one thing she always knows where I'm at; 0:24:47 and depending on which uh whatever that club has running like meat draws or letter draws or whatever in them the money they accumulate throughout the season depends on how much you get paid out per point [pɔɪnt]; 0:35:19 and she could well be looking for her husband or her boyfriend [bɔɪfɹɛnd] whoever there was mayhem effing and blinding, you know)

MOUTH [aʊ]

(0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound [paʊnd] two pound [paʊnd] two fifty; 0:20:08 there are places where it is thriving um, you know, it in the towns [taʊnz] and what have you uh there's always mebbies new blood starting up; 0:26:35 the cost of good stock has um (well yes, aye) um, you know, it's absolutely bounced [baʊnst] up over the years; 0:30:22 going back to my early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, [aʊs] you know, they paid your rent for you)

our (0:04:51 ('female partner'?) that's 'my missus' [...] ('their lass') ('our lass' [aʊə las]) we're this side the water it's not 'our lass' [wɔɪ las]³ no, 'our lass' [wɔɪ las]³ is over the other side the

⁴ Acclaimed show jumping horse and winner of several major championships with Welsh show jumper David Broome (b.1940), incl. bronze medal at the 1968 Olympic Games.

water; 0:13:31 *it's like our lass [aʊə las] she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass [aʊə las] she bought it for hersel for Christmas; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk into our [aʊə] clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow)*

couch (0:06:12 ('long soft seat in the main room') *oh, that's a 'couch' [ku:tʃ] (that's the couch, [ku:tʃ] aye) ('settee') ('chair') ('settee') a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, aye) it must be all couches [kaʊtʃəz] down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch [kaʊtʃ])*)

NEAR [iə > ɪ]

(0:03:32 ('clobber') ('clobber') (same) 'clothes' ('clothes') "good set of gear, [ɡiə] that"; 0:18:49 *unfortunately a lot of them's gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly [ni:li] one of the last round this area now, aren't we? (I would think so there's a lot of leek shows folded, yeah); 0:23:47 the numbers may have dwindled but uh the people who are still in there are really [ɪi:li] keen and uh I would say set there's a lot of lofts are set up professionally um to get the best out of their pigeons; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk into our clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise [ɪiələɪz] that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow)*

dearer, experience, nearer (0:12:00 *Saturday is taboo uh her indoors daredn't ask for anything on a Saturday it just will not get done but through years of experience [ɛkspi:ɪəns] she doesn't ask on a Saturday; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer [di:ɪɛ] and to send them away, you know, the transports got to be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:32:41 women's vote's been on the agenda every year and every year it's been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer [ni:ɪə ən ni:ɪə])*

year (0:26:04 *whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years [jə:z] ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports got to be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:26:35 the cost of good stock has um (well yes, aye) um, you know, it's absolutely bounced up over the years [jə:z]; 0:28:29 why these were all yearlings [jə:lɪŋz] i.e. they were just, like, bred last year [jə:] and raced very lightly last last year [jə:] as youngsters; 0:32:41 women's vote's been on the agenda every year [jə:] and every year [jə:] it's been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer)*

SQUARE [ɛɪ]

(0:19:37 *I always remember I think this is back in when I first started maybe p... '84 we used to come upstairs [ʊpstɛ:z] for the the presentation and by then, you know, just starting off and learning; 0:21:22 even tots in pushchairs [pʊʃtʃɛ:z] and the whole family came down (see what prize they'd won, aye) to see the prize what they'd won; 0:30:10 uh I drifted away and did other things after that and I bounced back and that's when I took over as chairman [tʃɛ:mən] or I put in to be elected as chairman [tʃɛ:mən] and I've been involved ever since)*

their (0:36:48 *why, let them start their [ðə] own clubs and call them working women's clubs if they want to s..., you know, simple as that)*

there (0:35:43 *but there [ðɪ:] is some clubs that still apply that rule and I just I can't that's just as old-fashioned as the hills, like)*

START [aɪ]

(0:05:07 'charvers' [tʃa:vəz] ('flash young one') ('dapper') aye, proper 'flasher', aye; 0:12:16 my father had racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started [sta:ʃəd] school so that was, like, five; 0:16:08 I think this was summat like a dust-buster when they these were, you know, not a lot of people had them they were just on the market [ma:ʃət]; 0:28:15 we dropped three on Saturday unfortunately I dropped four one came back the next day and the other three are still missing but that's part [pa:ʃ] and parcel [pa:səʃ] of the job you've got to live with that)

NORTH [ɔ: > a:]

(0:09:02 and the Durham Combine is a different organisation [ɔ:gənæze:ʃən] for all it's in the North East [na:θi:st] to the Up North [ʊp na:θ] Combine that's purely a separate body; 0:09:10 (so how far do you go?) shortest [ʃɔ:ʃəst] race we've just had for the old birds we've just had that Saturday gone Sunday gone sorry uh no Saturday gone uh eighty-four mile we go through to the longest one inland which is Eastbourne um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn [kɔ:n] it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports got to be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning [mɔ:nən] for [fɔ:] there's only one place they want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, [jɔ:kʃə pʊdɪz] isn't it?)

forty (0:02:59 (and our lass is very changeable you take it from me after thirty-seven years standing I know when she's moody) it gets better when you get over forty, [fɔ:ʃi] Gerry (it doesn't or I imagine it doesn't); 0:32:48 the vote against it this year was sixty-one per cent, you know, thirty-nine per cent and they only need a, you know, forty [fɔ:ʃi] per cent majority for to get it through)

or (0:21:09 oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or [ə] last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family)

FORCE [ɔ:]

(0:07:31 'pour [pɔ:] down' (by, you're all proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh?) (God) oh, we uh (he's only being proper 'cause that microphone's turned on); 0:09:10 (so how far do you go?) shortest race we've just had for the old birds we've just had that Saturday gone Sunday gone sorry uh no Saturday gone uh eighty-four [ɛɪʃifɔ:] mile we go through to the longest one inland which is Eastbourne [i:stbɔ:n] um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah; 0:13:31 take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door [bagdɔ:] now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door [bagdɔ:] (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports [tʌnsɔ:ts] got to be paid (transport [tʌnsɔ:t]) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds)

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CURE [ʊə]

(0:37:11 (*what's going on downstairs now?*) (*Jenny*) *that's the singer next door (concert hall) they're about ready to do the tour* [tʊə] *now*)

purely (0:09:02 *and the Durham Combine is a different organisation for all it's in the North East to the Up North Combine that's purely* [pju:li] *a separate body*)

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(0:09:02 *and the Durham Combine is a different organisation for all it's in the North East to the Up North Combine that's purely* [pju:li] *a separate body* [bɒdi]; 0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery* [sɛli:ɪ] *you name it every* [ɛv:ɪ] *vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty* [fɪfti]; 0:21:09 *oh this was a, you know, very* [vɛ:ɪ] *prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually* [ækʃəli] *winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family* [famli] *used to come down I mean the whole family* [famli:])

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(0:02:59 (*and our lass is very changeable you take it from me after* [aftə] *thirty-seven years standing I know when she's moody*) *it gets better* [bɛɪʔə] *when you get over* [əvə] *forty, Gerry (it doesn't or I imagine it doesn't)*; 0:05:07 *'charvers'* [tʃɑ:vəz] (*'flash young one'*) (*'dapper'* [dɑ:pʔɛ]) (*aye, proper 'flasher', aye* [flaʃəɪ aɪ]); 0:06:20 *a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa* [so:fɛ] *I says, "I didn't know people had sofas* [so:fəz] *in South Bank"* (*I know, aye*) *it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch)*; 0:16:29 *and then you got a voucher* [vaʊtʃɛ] *for the value of those goods to spend at the store (you got a twenty-five-year-old lamp the bulb had disintegrated) ended up traipsing back with bloody tins of paint and wallpaper* [wɔ:tpe:pʔɛ] *naffed off hence to say no hammer drill* [hamədɪt] *come so she got her own way*; 0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers* [kjəukumbəz] *the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker* [tʃɒkʔə] *with people paying pound two pound two fifty*; 0:26:04 *whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer* [di:ɪɛ] *and to send them away, you know, the transports got to be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds*; 0:32:41 *women's vote's been on the agenda every* [ədʒɛndə ɛv:ɪ] *year and every year it's been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer* [nɪ:ɪə nɛ nɪ:ɪə])

horses [ə]

(0:14:32 *show leeks big leeks bigger the better (someone comes and judges* [dʒʊdʒəz] *them they don't try and race them) uh it's it's judged by the tight button which is six inches* [ɪntʃəz] *which is not a bad length, like (if you can show six inches* [ɪntʃəz] *of white, Geoff) yes (you've got a good one)*; 0:15:02 *I would say at a guess 1968 would've been the first leek show in this club we've had one ev... every year since and in them days the local uh um what-d'ye-call-it furniture supplier [...]* *uh used to supply the prizes* [pɹɪəzəz]; 0:20:08 *there are places* [ple:səz] *where it is thriving um, you know, it in the towns and what have you uh there's always mebbies new blood starting up*)

started [ə]

(0:11:31 *and of course when we started* [stɑ:tʃəd] *the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half*; 0:17:51 *they certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because they know there's going to be one hefty packet handed* [handəd] *over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's going to contain cash*; 0:35:01 *we lifted* [lɪftəd] *that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring*

them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, “how Harry, I’m ganning hame” “get out, you bugger” but you had to get them up in front of the committee ‘cause they’d broke the rule)

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(0:06:20 a man once said to me coming [kʊmɪŋ] from South Bank he was sitting [sɪtɪŋ] on a sofa I says, “I didn’t know people had sofas in South Bank” (I know, aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would’ve thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch); 0:11:16 (so when you were at school you got involved first?) yes, with with performing tumblers, [pefɔ:mən tʌmbləz] yeah, that do somersaults and all all in the air and everything, [ɛvɹəθɪŋk] yeah; 0:11:31 and of course when we started the racing [ɹeɪsɪŋ] then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons [ɹeɪsɪŋ pɪdʒənz] (sad, isn’t it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half; 0:19:37 I always remember I think this is back in when I first started maybe p... ’84 we used to come upstairs for the the presentation and by then, you know, just starting [sta:tʃŋ] off and learning; [lɜ:nɪŋ]; 0:20:08 there are places where it is thriving [θɹaɪvɪŋ] um, you know, it in the towns and what have you uh there’s always mebbies new blood starting [sta:tʃŋ] up; 0:28:15 we dropped three on Saturday unfortunately I dropped four one came back the next day and the other three are still missing [mɪsɪŋ] but that’s part and parcel of the job you’ve got to live with that; 0:35:19 and she could well be looking [lʊkɪŋ] for her husband or her boyfriend whoever there was mayhem effing [ɛfɪŋ] and blinding, [blaɪndɪŋ] you know)

ZERO RHOTICITY

PLOSIVES

T

word medial & syllable initial T-glottaling (0:07:44 you didn’t say that on Saturday [saʔədə] before the pigeon’s went you you said it was looking like it was going to be pissing down on Sunday so why change your mind now; 0:09:10 (so how far do you go?) shortest race we’ve just had for the old birds we’ve just had that Saturday [saʔədə:] gone Sunday gone sorry uh no Saturday gone uh eighty-four mile we go through to the longest one inland which is Eastbourne um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah; 0:10:44 first day that was completed [kɒmplɪ:ʔəd] I had twenty-seven Pakis knocking on the door wanting wanting to rent that; 0:12:00 Saturday [saʔədə:] is taboo uh her indoors daredn’t ask for anything on a Saturday [saʔədə:] it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn’t ask on a Saturday [saʔədə:]; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race you would wrap it up in cotton-wool [kɒʔŋwʊt] you would to breed off (it’s just to just to breed from and, yeah) with no guarantee of actually breeding a good one off it; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting [mɪtɪŋ] on a Sunday morning for there’s only one place they want to be and that’s making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn’t it?)

frequent T-tapping (e.g. 0:26:41 uh I’d probably amaze you if I if I said that uh Louis Mala...

Massarella² who a lot of [lɒr ə] people might know from the likes of uh show jumping days of the horse Mister Softee⁴ belonged to him (yeah) and he has a sort of a pigeon empire if I can put it [pʊr ət] that way (like a stud) down in uh Leicestershire; 0:30:40 and I got involved [gɒr ɪŋvɒlvd] with Tursdale Working Men’s Club as a committee member and I was on there till I left Tursdale I was only at Tursdale from ‘64 till ‘67 three year; 0:31:19 it’s very difficult for a lot of clubs to get a [gɛr ə] committee or a good working committee of any any numbers at all be very few who would actually have a full board of management; 0:32:48 the vote against it this year was sixty-one per cent, you know, thirty-nine per cent and they only need a, you know, forty per cent majority for to get it [gɛr ət] through; 0:31:34 so a lot of changes were

seen over not all for the good I might say but um a lot of [lɔr ə] changes were seen over that period of time)

frequent T-voicing (e.g. 0:24:07 *(I think it all depends what you want to put into it, Jeff) that's right you only get [gɛd] out what you put [pʊd] in;* 0:26:04 *whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports got to [gɒdə] be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds;* 0:26:41 *uh I'd probably amaze you if I if I said that uh Louis Mala... Massarella² who a lot of people might know from the likes of uh show jumping days of the horse Mister Softee⁴ belonged to him (yeah) and he has a sort of [sɔ:də] a pigeon empire if I can put it that way (like a stud) down in uh Leicestershire;* 0:30:10 *uh I drifted away and did other things after that and I bounced back and that's when I took over as chairman or I put [pʊd] in to be elected as chairman and I've been involved ever since;* 0:31:19 *it's very difficult for a lot of [lɒdə] clubs to get a committee or a good working committee of any any numbers at all be very few who would actually have a full board of management)*

frequent T to R (e.g. 0:04:17 *it frightens me that question I haven't put an [pʊ ən] answer (the the 'other half');* 0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another [gʊ ənuðə] a better half;* 0:12:42 *I'd recently been married and I got a [gʊ ə] loft of my own and started in '71 so thirty-four years (good grief) yeah, and my wife's been a so-called pigeon widow for all that time;* 0:14:32 *show leeks big leeks bigger the better (someone comes and judges them they don't try and race them) uh it's it's judged by the tight button which is six inches which is not a [nɒ ə] bad length, like (if you can show six inches of white, Geoff) yes (you've got a [gʊ ə] good one);* 0:20:08 *there are places where it is thriving um, you know, it in the towns and what have you [wɒ əv jə] uh there's always mebbies new blood starting up;* 0:21:09 *oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever [wɒ əv ə] it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family;* 0:24:47 *and depending on which uh whatever that club has running like meat draws or letter draws or whatever [wɒ əv ə] in them the money they accumulate throughout the season depends on how much you get paid out per point;* 0:28:37 *of course injuries do occur on line in route uh pylons and such-like which is an obstacle to them (sparrow-hawks) (hawks) sparrow-hawks vast vast vast problem vast problem um one which wants addressing in more depth than what it [wɒ ət] is at this moment in time 'cause it's unbelievable when they start uh when they start breeding;* 0:31:34 *so a lot of changes were seen over not all [nɒ ət] for the good I might say but um a lot of changes were seen over that period of time)*

debuccalisation of T (0:11:31 *(and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally eats drinks racing pigeons) sad, isn't it? [ɪnɪ^h] (that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half))*

P, T, K

affrication of K (0:25:47 *you may go down the line and it's not until the sixth pigeon back [bak^x] which is pooled to the pound and he gets the pounds and what hasn't already gone)*

frequent glottal reinforcement of P, T, K (e.g. 0:01:31 *('unattractive?') ('ugly get') (now then) 'face like a broken [bɪpʔkɪŋ] piss-pot' (or 'minging');* 0:02:43 *('insane?') proper [pɪpʔpʔə] 'nutter' [nʊtʔə] ('nuts') ('mad');* 0:02:59 *(and our lass is very changeable you take [te:ʔkʔ] it from me after thirty-seven [θə:ʔɪsɪvən] years standing I know when she's moody) it gets better [bɛʔə] when you get [gɛʔ] over forty, [fɔʔi] Gerry (it doesn't or I imagine it doesn't);* 0:11:31 *and of course when we started [sta:ʔəd] the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally [lɪʔɪəli] sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad,*

isn't it?) that is [ðɑːf ɪz] the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half [bɛːfə haːf]; 0:13:11 there were uh times when tempers [tɛmpɪz] would but they're now she accepts it and uh gets on with it; 0:16:08 I think this was summat like a dust-buster when they these were, you know, not a lot of people [piːpəl] had them they were just on the market [maːkɪt]; 0:17:51 they certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because they know there's going to be one hefty packet [pækɪt] handed over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's [pækɪts] going to contain cash; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it [ɪf] every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker [tʃɒkɪz] with people [piːpəl] paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:22:26 uh I would say I've probably been to half a dozen millionaires who have pigeons throughout this country [kʌntri]; 0:25:15 each week we'll uh bet on our pigeons or pool them we'll put them in a pool uh p... starting [staːfɪŋ] at penny twopence [tuːpɛns] threepence [θriːpɛns] up [ʌp] to five and twenty-five [twɛntɪfaɪv] fifty pence a pound and you put more on the pigeons which you think's going to win; 0:31:34 so a lot [lɒt] of changes were seen over not all for the good I might say but um a lot of changes were seen over that period of time; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk into our [ɪnθə ʌsə] clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow [tʃəməʊə]; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to [wɒntə] be coming to a [kʌmənθɪŋ ə] meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they want to be and that's making [maːkɪŋ] bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?)

NASALS

NG

frequent NG-fronting (e.g. 0:11:31 and of course when we started the racing [ɹeːsən] then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons [ɹeːsən pɪdʒənz] (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half; 0:20:08 there are places where it is thriving [θɹaɪvɪŋ] um, you know, it in the towns and what have you uh there's always mebbies new blood starting [staːfɪŋ] up; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing [ɹeːsən] for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying [peɪɪŋ] out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports got to be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning [wɪnɪŋ] twenty-something pounds; 0:25:15 each week we'll uh bet on our pigeons or pool them we'll put them in a pool uh p... starting [staːfɪŋ] at penny twopence threepence up to five and twenty-five fifty pence a pound and you put more on the pigeons which you think's going [goːɪŋ] to win; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming [kʌmən] to a meeting [miːtɪŋ] on a Sunday morning [mʌnɪdɪ] for there's only one place they want to be and that's making [maːkɪŋ] bloody Yorkshire puddings, [jɔːkʃə pʊdɪz] isn't it?)

<-thing> with NG (0:11:16 (so when you were at school you got involved first?) yes, with with performing tumblers, yeah, that do somersaults and all all in the air and everything, [ɛvɹəθɪŋk] yeah; 0:12:00 Saturday is taboo uh her indoors daredn't ask for anything [fə ɛnθɪŋk] on a Saturday it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask on a Saturday; 0:15:34 and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something [sʌmθɪŋk] else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something [sʌmθɪŋk] like that it was daft, you know, nobody ever wanted that bloody standard lamp; 0:19:56 you used to get great crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets away I'm afraid (no, they kept everything [ɛvɹəθɪŋk] to theirselves, yeah) everything [ɛvɹəθɪŋk] was self-taught very cute, but; 0:27:57 it's the same as a racehorse or anything [ɛnəθɪŋk] like that there's no guarantees)

N

frequent syllabic N with nasal release (e.g. 0:06:20 *a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't [dɪdn̩t] know people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch); 0:12:00 Saturday is taboo uh her indoors daredn't [dɛ:dɪdn̩t] ask for anything on a Saturday it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask on a Saturday; 0:17:23 now as Gerry says we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't [ʃʊdn̩t] be saying this bugger, should I? (why, no) she gets what she's given, like; 0:19:56 you used to get great crack to them how but they didn't [dɪdn̩t] give any trade secrets away I'm afraid (no, they kept everything to themselves, yeah) everything was self-taught very cute, but)*

FRICATIVES**H**

H-dropping (0:02:03 (*'drunk'?*) (*'pissed'*) (*'pissed'*) likewise three (yeah, *'pissed'*) you've got four sitting here [iə] pissed; 0:04:17 (*it frightens me that question I haven't put an answer*) the the *'other half'* [ɑ:f]; 0:22:26 *uh I would say I've probably been to half a dozen [ɑ:fəduzən] millionaires who have pigeons throughout this country; 0:30:22 going back to my early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at TurSDale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, [aus] you know, they paid your rent for you)*

TH-lenition (0:11:16 (*so when you were at school you got involved first?*) yes, with with performing tumblers, yeah, that do somersaults and all all in the air and everything, [ɛvɪəθɪŋk] yeah)

LIQUIDS**R**

approximant R (0:08:22 *I'm actually secretary [sɛkɹətɪəri] of the Kelloe Pigeon Club which is just a mile up the road [ɹo:d]; 0:11:31 and of course when we started the racing [re:sən] then the bug bit him then because he literally [lɪtɹəli] sleeps eats drinks [dʒɹɪŋks] racing pigeons [re:sən pɪdʒənz] (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all [fəɹ ɔ:t] he has got another a better half; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, [mɑrəz] you know, celery [sɛli:] you name it every [ɛvɪ] vegetable carrots [kɑrəts] the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:19:56 you used to get great [grɛ:t] crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets [tɹe:d sɪkɹɪts] away I'm afraid [əfɹe:d] (no, they kept everything [ɛvɪθɪŋk] to themselves, yeah) everything [ɛvɪθɪŋk] was self-taught very cute, but; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race [re:s] you would wrap [ɹap] it up in cotton-wool you would to breed [brɪd] off (it's just to just to breed [brɪd] from [fɹɒm] and, yeah) with no guarantee [gɑrənti:] of actually breeding [brɪdɪŋ] a good one off it)*

R-tapping (0:33:15 *women were allowed [wə əlaʊd] to basically use any room [rʊm] in the in the club and I would say that was one of the major factors of why this club possibly is st... still doing very [vəri] very [vəri] well today)*

L

clear onset L (0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally [lɪtɹəli] sleeps [slɪps] eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life [laɪf] would you believe [bəlɪv] for all he has got another a better half; 0:05:22 I can remember a*

lot [lɒt̪] of old relations [ɹleɪʃənz] or older people, you know, when I was a child saying the word ‘dapper’ particularly [pətɪkjəli:] for somebody who was on the very well-dressed side of things; 0:18:21 there’ve been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery [sɛli:] you name it every vegetable carrots the lot [lɒt] and they all auctioned on the night and the club [klʌb] used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty)

dark coda L (0:05:22 I can remember a lot of old [oɪ+d] relations or older [oɪ+də] people, [pi:pɪʃ] you know, when I was a child [tʃaɪd] saying the word ‘dapper’ particularly for somebody who was on the very well-dressed [wɛtɔːst] side of things; 0:18:21 there’ve been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable [vɛdʒtəbɪ] carrots the lot and they all [ɔːt] auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people [pi:pɪʃ] paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:23:47 the numbers may have dwindled [dwaɪndɪd] but uh the people [pi:pɪʃ] who are still [stɪt] in there are really keen)

syllabic L with lateral release (0:23:47 the numbers may have dwindled [dwaɪndɪd] but uh the people who are still in there are really keen and uh I would say set there’s a lot of lofts are set up professionally um to get the best out of their pigeons)

ELISION

prepositions

frequent of reduction (e.g. 0:02:18 (I’ve never heard that ‘up the cowie’) haven’t you? (no) aye, ‘up the cowie’ (why aye, so where’s it come from then?) frightens the life out of [ə] you when you get to know they up the cowie; 0:03:32 (‘clobber’) (‘clobber’) (same) ‘clothes’ (‘clothes’) “good set of [ə] gear, that”; 0:18:49 unfortunately a lot of [ə] them’s gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly one of the last round this area now, aren’t we? (I would think so there’s a lot of leek shows folded, yeah); 0:26:41 uh I’d probably amaze you if I if I said that uh Louis Mala... Massarella² who a lot of [ə] people might know from the likes of uh show jumping days of the horse Mister Softee⁴ belonged to him (yeah) and he has a sort of [ə] a pigeon empire if I can put it that way (like a stud) down in uh Leicestershire; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of [ə] lot of [ə] money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race you would wrap it up in cotton-wool you would to breed off (it’s just to just to breed from and, yeah) with no guarantee of actually breeding a good one off it; 0:31:19 it’s very difficult for a lot of [ə] clubs to get a committee or a good working committee of any any numbers at all be very few who would actually have a full board of management)

over reduction (0:02:59 (and our lass is very changeable you take it from me after thirty-seven years standing I know when she’s moody) it gets better when you get over [aʊə] forty, Gerry (it doesn’t or I imagine it doesn’t); 0:04:51 (‘female partner’?) that’s ‘my missus’ [...] (‘their lass’) (‘our lass’) we’re this side the water it’s not ‘our lass’ no, ‘our lass’ is over [aʊə] the other side the water)

frequent with reduction (e.g. 0:13:52 obviously I’ll always support any sub-club that wants to work from within [wɪɪn] this club which we’ve got numerous; 0:13:59 but I think the three lads has just said that um they’ve explained where their pigeon-fancying come from it’s from their fathers and it’s j... it’s a thing that’s handed down you brought up with it and you just stick with it, [wɪɪ ət̪] like (yeah) I was brought up with [wə] leeks and I’m still stuck with [wə] leeks so it’s just just what you’re brought up with; 0:16:29 and then you got a voucher for the value of those goods to spend at the store (you got a twenty-five-year-old lamp the bulb had disintegrated) ended up traipsing back with [wɪ] bloody tins of paint and wallpaper naffed off hence to say no hammer drill come so she got her own way)

negation

secondary contraction (0:11:31 (*and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally eats drinks racing pigeons*) *sad, isn't it?* [ɪnɪ^h] (*that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half*); 0:35:58 [...] *what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?* [ɪnɪʔ])

simplification

word final consonant cluster reduction (0:03:32 ('clobber') ('clobber') (same) 'clothes' [klo:z] ('clothes' [klo:z]) "good set of gear, that"; 0:11:31 (*and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally eats drinks racing pigeons*) *sad, isn't it?* [ɪnɪ^h] (*that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half*); 0:35:58 [...] *what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they want to* [wʊnə] *be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?* [ɪnɪʔ])

word medial consonant cluster reduction (0:15:34 *and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something* [sʊmɪŋk] *like that it was daft, you know, nobody ever wanted that bloody standard lamp*; 0:31:05 *I think I'd only been a member something* [sʊmɪŋk] *like two year and I I I went on to the committee so that was unusual, like*)

syllable deletion (0:05:22 *I can remember a lot of old relations or older people, you know, when I was a child saying the word 'dapper' particularly* [pətɪkjəli:] *for somebody who was on the very well-dressed side of things*; 0:18:21 *there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery* [sɛli:] *you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty*; 0:21:09 *oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family* [famli] *used to come down I mean the whole family* [famli:]

definite article reduction (0:06:20 (*a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank"*) *I know, aye (it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought) aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch* [ʊnt kaʊtʃ])

L-deletion (0:19:37 *I always* [ɔ:wəz] *remember I think this is back in when I first started maybe p... '84 we used to come upstairs for the the presentation and by then, you know, just starting off and learning*; 0:31:05 *I think I'd only* [o:ni] *been a member something like two year and I I I went on to the committee so that was unusual, like*; 0:35:58 [...] *what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only* [ʊni] *one place they want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?*)

V-deletion (0:06:20 (*a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank"*) (*I know, aye*) *it must be all couches down there and all I would've* [wʊdə] *thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch)*; 0:29:31 *at a guess '96 the last nine year as secretary previous to that I was chairman from uh '91 '92 mebbies* [...] *might've* [maɪfə] *been chairman for four year*)

LIAISON

frequent linking R (e.g. 0:04:17 (*it frightens me that question I haven't put an answer*) *the the 'other half'* [ʊðə a:f]; 0:05:07 ('charvers') ('flash young one') ('dapper') *aye, proper 'flasher', aye* [flaʃə aɪ]; 0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats*

drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all [fəɪ ɔ:t] he has got another a better half; 0:12:00 Saturday is taboo uh her indoors [həɪ ɪndɔ:z] daredn't ask for anything [fəɪ ɛnɪθɪŋk] on a Saturday it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask on a Saturday; 0:12:16 my father had [fa:ðəɪ ad] racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started school so that was, like, five; 0:21:09 oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of [mɛmbəɪ ɒv] and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family; 0:30:10 uh I drifted away and did other things after that and I bounced back and that's when I took over as [o:vəɪ əz] chairman or I [ɔ:ɪ a] put in to be elected as chairman and I've been involved ever since; 0:33:15 women were allowed [wəɪ əlaʊd] to basically use any room in the in the club and I would say that was one of the major factors of why this club possibly is st... still doing very very well today)

frequent zero linking R (e.g. 0:11:31 *and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a [əʊðə ə] better half; 0:24:25 other other parts of the country run things slightly different but in the North East generally clubs um the first we'll say first four or [fɔ: ɔ:] first six pigeons in a race which are awarded [ə əwɔ:dəd] first second third fourth fifth sixth'll get points six five four three two one; 0:29:00 OK it's survival to them they don't know that this bird is a a valuable asset to someone uh as far as [əz fa: əz] it's concerned it's its breakfast or it's its tea dinner or it's to feed its youngsters; 0:32:41 women's vote's been on the agenda every year and [jə: ən] every year it's [jə: ɪts] been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer [ni:ɪə ən ni:ɪə]; 0:34:24 [...] I can understand these clubs down south where there can't get any male to run them and there's women members involved let them be full members but they can only be full members of their clubs within their area [ðeɪ ɛ:ɪɪə]; 0:35:01 we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring [ba:ən] them out the club just for walking in the bar [ba: ən] and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule; 0:36:48 why, let them start their own [ðə ɔ:n] own clubs and call them working women's clubs if they want to s..., you know, simple as that)*

intrusive R (0:13:52 *obviously I'll always support any sub-club that wants to work from within [wɪɪɪn] this club which we've got numerous; 0:13:59 but I think the three lads has just said that um they've explained where their pigeon-fancying come from it's from their fathers and it's j... it's a thing that's handed down you brought up with it and you just stick with it, [wɪɪ əf?] like (yeah) I was brought up with leeks and I'm still stuck with leeks so it's just just what you're brought up with; 0:24:07 I think it all depends what you want to put into it, [ɪnɪʔəɪ ɪʔə] Jeff (that's right you only get out what you put in); 0:26:41 uh I'd probably amaze you if [jəɪ ɪf] I if I said that uh Louis Mala... Massarella² who a lot of people might know from the likes of uh show jumping days of the horse Mister Softee⁴ belonged to him [təɪ ɪm] (yeah) and he has a sort of a pigeon empire if I can put it that way (like a stud) down in uh Leicestershire; 0:34:39 they can't come up north and walk into our [ɪnɪʔəɪ əvə] clubs they've got to be signed in by a member and as if they realise that and go for that vote it'll go through tomorrow; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a [kʊmənɪʔəɪ ə] meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they want to be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?)*

zero intrusive R (0:32:41 *women's vote's been on the agenda every [ədʒɛndə ɛvɪ] year and every year it's been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer)*

EPENTHESIS

J-onglide (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" [jɛm] "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule*)

schwa epenthesis (0:10:16 *so I had tumblers [tʊmbləz] before that when I was at school [...] (you had what) [...] tumblers [tʊmbələz] rollers [...] performing tumblers [tʊmbələz] feathered legs show show birds tumblers [tʊmbələz] that perform*)

+/- VOICE

assimilation (0:13:31 *take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door [bagdɔ:] now that big brass plaque [plag] have you seen the plaque [plag] at the back door [bagdɔ:] (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas; 0:22:03 Duncan Ferguson⁵ for an instance the footballer [fʊdbɔ:lə] he's pigeon mad*)

Christmas (0:13:31 *take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas [kɪsmɛz]*)

with (0:11:16 *(so when you were at school you got involved first?) yes, with [wɪθ] with [wɪθ] performing tumblers, yeah, that do somersaults and all all in the air and everything, yeah; 0:13:11 there were uh times when tempers would but they're now she accepts it and uh gets on with [wɪθ] it; 0:13:59 but I think the three lads has just said that um they've explained where their pigeon-fancying come from it's from their fathers and it's j... it's a thing that's handed down you brought up with [wɪθ] it and you just stick with it, like (yeah) I was brought up with leeks and I'm still stuck with leeks so it's just just what you're brought up with [wɪθ]; 0:27:39 you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race you would wrap it up in cotton-wool you would to breed off (it's just to just to breed from and, yeah) with [wɪθ] no guarantee of actually breeding a good one off it; 0:29:54 I've been here for about thirteen year involved with [wɪθ] the club; 0:33:30 I didn't agree with it all they were blaming the northerners right the the Geordies that's what they were saying and to me they were completely wrong, you know, with [wɪθ] what they were saying; 0:34:10 if she goes away on holiday hopefully she's with [wɪð] her husband who's a club member and then he's got to sign her into the club he goes into so I cannot see why women member want women women want to be members I just cannot see why; 0:34:24 [...] I can understand these clubs down south where there can't get any male to run them and there's women members involved let them be full members but they can only be full members of their clubs within [wɪθɪn] their area*)

WEAK-STRONG CONTRAST

weak definite article + vowel (0:32:41 *women's vote's been on the agenda [ðə ədʒɛndə] every year and every year it's been defeated but it's getting nearer and nearer; 0:37:08 don't know who wrote the article [ðə a:ɪŋɪŋɪ] but it was badly explained*)

vowel reduction – other (0:30:22 *going back to my early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale [tɜ:zdɪ] 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for [fə] you [jə]; 0:30:40 and I got involved with Tursdale [tɜ:zdɪ] Working Men's Club as a committee member and I was on there till I left Tursdale [tɜ:zdɪ] I was only at*

⁵ Former Scottish professional footballer (b.1971).

Tursdale [tə:zɔdʒ] from '64 till '67 [sɪksɪfɔ:ɹɪʒ sɪkstɪsɪvən] three year; 0:34:10 if she goes away on holiday hopefully she's with her husband who's a club member and then he's got to sign her into the club he goes into so I cannot [kanət] see why women member want women women want to be members I just cannot [kanət] see why)

word initial vowel strengthening (0:10:44 first day that was completed [kɒmplɪ:ʔəd] I had twenty-seven Pakis knocking on the door wanting wanting to rent that; 0:17:51 they certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because they know there's going to be one hefty packet handed over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's going to contain [kɒntɪən] cash; 0:29:00 OK it's survival to them they don't know that this bird is a a valuable asset to someone uh as far as it's concerned [kɒnsə:nd] it's its breakfast or it's its tea dinner or it's to feed its youngsters; 0:33:30 I didn't agree with it all they were blaming the northerners right the the Geordies that's what they were saying and to me they were completely [kɒmplɪtli] wrong, you know, with what they were saying)

INDIVIDUAL LEXICAL VARIATION

against (0:32:48 the vote against [əge:nst] it this year was sixty-one per cent, you know, thirty-nine per cent and they only need a, you know, forty per cent majority for to get it through)
(be)cause (0:07:31 ('pour down') (by, you're all proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh?) (God) (oh, we uh) he's only being proper 'cause [kɒs] that microphone's turned on; 0:11:31 and of course when we started the racing then the bug bit him then because [bɪkɒs] he literally sleeps eats drinks racing pigeons (sad, isn't it?) that is the his be-all and end-all in life would you believe for all he has got another a better half; 0:17:51 they certainly have an interest when it comes round to presentation evening because [bɪkɒs] they know there's going to be one hefty packet handed over from whoever's giving the prizes out and that packet's going to contain cash; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because [bɪkɒs] you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports got to be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:30:22 going back to my early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale 'cause [kɒs] in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for you)
says (0:06:20 a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, [sɛz] "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on the couch); 0:17:23 now as Gerry says [se:z] we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't be saying this bugger, should I? (why, no) she gets what she's given, like)

GRAMMAR

DETERMINERS

definite article reduction (0:06:20 (a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank") I know, aye (it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought) aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on t' couch)

demonstrative them (0:15:02 I would say at a guess 1968 would've been the first leek show in this club we've had one ev... every year since and in them days the local uh um what-d'ye-call-it furniture supplier

[...] uh used to supply the prizes; 0:17:08 'cause see in them days the male did all the work he grew the leeks he bought the leeks you never got nothing off the missus for to buy the leeks you had to buy them you had to put them in you had to grow them and she got the prize; 0:30:22 going back to me early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for you)

NOUNS

frequent zero plural (e.g. 0:09:10 (so how far do you go?) shortest race we've just had for the old birds we've just had that Saturday gone Sunday gone sorry uh no Saturday gone uh eighty-four mile we go through to the longest one inland which is Eastbourne um two-hundred-and (two-hundred-and-eighty-five) yeah; 0:15:34 and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nae body ever wanted that bloody standard lamp; 0:18:21 there've been some big cucumbers the marrows, you know, celery you name it every vegetable carrots the lot and they all auctioned on the night and the club used to be chocker with people paying pound two pound two fifty; 0:26:04 whereas mebbies ten or fifteen years ago we would be racing for mebbies seventy eighty pound a week now uh because you're paying out for corn it's so much dearer and to send them away, you know, the transports gotta be paid (transport) um you're f... probably winning twenty-something pounds; 0:29:31 at a guess '96 the last nine year as secretary previous to that I was chairman from uh '91 '92 mebbies [...] might've been chairman for four year; 0:29:54 I've been here for about thirteen year involved with the club; 0:30:40 and I got involved with Tursdale Working Men's Club as a committee member and I was on there till I left Tursdale I was only at Tursdale from '64 till '67 three year; 0:31:05 I think I'd only been a member something like two year and I I I went on to the committee so that was unusual, like)

PRONOUNS

singular object us (0:27:22 and that pigeon was bought by Louis Massarella² for if me memory serves us right seven seventy-eight-thousand-six-hundred-and-forty quid)

frequent possessive me (e.g. 0:03:57 ('mother'?) oh, that's me 'ma' ('mam') ('mam') ('mother'); 0:12:16 me father had racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started school so that was, like, five; 0:12:42 I'd recently been married and I got a loft of me own and started in '71 so thirty-four years (good grief) yeah, and my wife's been a so-called pigeon widow for all that time; 0:27:22 and that pigeon was bought by Louis Massarella² for if me memory serves us right seven seventy-eight-thousand-six-hundred-and-forty quid; 0:30:22 going back to me early days when I was first married in uh 1964 uh when I worked in the mines um I lived at Tursdale 'cause in them days you lived in a colliery house, you know, they paid your rent for you)

regularised reflexive (0:19:56 (you used to get great crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets away I'm afraid) no, they kept everything to theirselves, yeah (everything was self-taught very cute, but))

alternative reflexive with <-sel> (0:13:31 take our lass she's she's put a plaque up at the back door now that big brass plaque have you seen the plaque at the back door (aye, "welcome to the home of the pigeon widow") our lass she bought it for hersel for Christmas)

relative what (0:16:56 (they literally furnished their furnished their home) furnished their houses out of the prizes what they won out the leek shows (out of the prizes won); 0:17:34 it's the same when it comes to the pigeon presentation night even the womenfolk who aren't, we'll say, have no interest at all but after saying that, mind, there is a lot of females uh girls friends wives flying partnerships and do (oh yes) but uh

even the ones what don't the ones what have no interest at all they certainly have interest when it comes round to presentation evening; 0:19:24 I mean I've obviously had involvement with all sorts of things as Geoff has now and it's unbelievable the things what run in here unbelievable; 0:21:22 even tots in pushchairs and the whole family came down (see what prize they'd won, aye) to see the prize what they'd won)

zero relative (0:18:49 *(unfortunately a lot of them's gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly one of the last round this area now, aren't we?) I would think so there's a lot of leek shows _ folded, yeah; 0:23:47 the numbers may have dwindled but uh the people who are still in there are really keen and uh I would say set there's a lot of lofts _ are set up professionally um to get the best out of their pigeons)*)

VERBS

present

regularisation of 3rd person singular <-s> (0:35:58 [...] *what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they wanna be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?*)

be – is generalisation (0:25:15 *each week we'll uh bet on our pigeons or pool them we'll put them in a pool uh p... starting at penny twopence threepence up to five and twenty-five fifty pence a pound and you put more on the pigeons which you think's going to win; 0:36:58 I daen't know how they've got time to be in them most of them's members of the fat clubs now, aren't they, Weight Watchers¹)*

have – has generalisation (0:13:59 *but I think the three lads has just said that um they've explained where their pigeon-fancying come from it's from their fathers and it's j... it's a thing that's handed down you brought up with it and you just stick with it, like (yeah) I was brought up with leeks and I'm still stuck with leeks so it's just just what you're brought up with; 0:18:49 unfortunately a lot of them's gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly one of the last round this area now, aren't we? (I would think so there's a lot of leek shows folded, yeah)0*

past

zero past (0:13:59 *but I think the three lads has just said that um they've explained where their pigeon-fancying come from it's from their fathers and it's j... it's a thing that's handed down you brought up with it and you just stick with it, like (yeah) I was brought up with leeks and I'm still stuck with leeks so it's just just what you're brought up with; 0:16:29 and then you got a voucher for the value of those goods to spend at the store (you got a twenty-five-year-old lamp the bulb had disintegrated) ended up traipsing back with bloody tins of paint and wallpaper naffed off hence to say no hammer drill come so she got her own way)*

generalisation of simple past (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule)*

compounds

progressive with stative (0:17:23 *now as Gerry says we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't be saying this bugger, should I? (why, no) she gets what she's given, like; 0:35:58 [...] what do... what does women want to be coming to a meeting on a Sunday morning for there's only one place they wanna be and that's making bloody Yorkshire puddings, isn't it?*)

zero auxiliary be (0:02:18 *(I've never heard that 'up the cowie') haven't you? (no) aye, 'up the cowie' (why aye, so where's it come from then?) frightens the life out of you when you get to know they _ up the cowie; 0:03:13 (uh 'rich'?) (same 'rich') where _ we at there? (I don't really know) ('where _ we at?) 'loaded')*

zero auxiliary have (0:18:49 (*unfortunately a lot of them's gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly one of the last round this area now, aren't we?*) I would think so there's a lot of leek shows _folded, yeah)

invariant there is (0:17:34 *it's the same when it comes to the pigeon presentation night even the womenfolk who aren't, we'll say, have no interest at all but after saying that, mind, there is a lot of females uh girls friends wives flying partnerships and do (oh yes) but uh even the ones what don't the ones what have no interest at all they certainly have interest when it comes round to presentation evening;* 0:18:49 (*unfortunately a lot of them's gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly one of the last round this area now, aren't we?*) I would think so there's a lot of leek shows folded, yeah; 0:23:47 *the numbers may have dwindled but uh the people who are still in there are really keen and uh I would say set there's a lot of lofts are set up professionally um to get the best out of their pigeons;* 0:27:57 *it's the same as a racehorse or anything like that there's no guarantees;* 0:34:24 [...] *I can understand these clubs down south where there can't get any male to run them and there's women members involved let them be full members but they can only be full members of their clubs within their area;* 0:35:43 *but there is some clubs that still apply that rule and I just I can't that's just as old-fashioned as the hills, like)*

historic present (0:06:20 *a man once said to me coming from South Bank he was sitting on a sofa I says, "I didn't know people had sofas in South Bank" (I know, aye) it must be all couches down there and all I would've thought (aye, when I was younger when I was younger I had some good nights on t' couch)*)

for to infinitive (0:17:08 *'cause see in them days the male did all the work he grew the leeks he bought the leeks you never got nothing off the missus for to buy the leeks you had to buy them you had to put them in you had to grow them and she got the prize;* 0:32:48 *the vote against it this year was sixty-one per cent, you know, thirty-nine per cent and they only need a, you know, forty per cent majority for to get it through)*

full verb have (0:11:51 (*so she doesn't mind you playing about with other birds then?*) *she has no choice in the matter (why, certainly not on a Saturday) she always knows where to find me anyway that's one thing she always knows where I'm at;* 0:22:41 *yes, the Queen herself has her Sandringham lofts (yes) who is run by a she has an own (full-time) her own manager full-time loft manager and staff;* 0:27:15 *I mean he has a pigeon there now which'll be the record at the moment Invincible Spirit call... that's the name of the bird)*

NEGATION

multiple negation (0:17:08 *'cause see in them days the male did all the work he grew the leeks he bought the leeks you never got nothing off the missus for to buy the leeks you had to buy them you had to put them in you had to grow them and she got the prize;* 0:35:30 *we had one one woman (taboo) I'm not mentioning no names but she had the record appearances in uh in this committee anyhow the Coxhoe Club Committee for (aye, in my time and all, Geoff, the same one) for coming into the bar (aye))*

alternative negator (0:15:34 *and it was part of the rules that whatever prize you won you could take it back and choose something else of the same value and I think that standard lamp was in the show for about twenty-four year I think something like that it was daft, you know, nae body ever wanted that bloody standard lamp)*

auxiliary contraction (0:25:47 *you may go down the line and it's not until the sixth pigeon back which is pooled to the pound and he gets the pounds and what hasn't already gone;* 0:32:59 *and uh it'll happen one day when it will [...] but it is uh we'll not be long, Nige)*

never as sentential negator (0:18:06 *but the big highlight of the leek shows uh as well is uh the finale l... night, like, when they've auctioned the leeks off you never got them 'cause if people wanted them they had to pay for them, like)*

can negation (0:34:10 *if she goes away on holiday hopefully she's with her husband who's a club member and then he's got to sign her into the club he goes into so I cannot see why women member want women women want to be members I just cannot see why*)

dare negation (0:12:00 *Saturday is taboo uh her indoors daredn't ask for anything on a Saturday it just will not get done but through years of experience she doesn't ask on a Saturday*)

PREPOSITIONS

deletion

zero of (0:04:51 (*'female partner'?*) *that's 'me missus' [...]* (*'their lass'*) (*'our lass'*) *we're this side _ the water it's not 'wor lass' no, 'wor lass' is over the other side _ the water*)

preposition deletion – other (0:16:56 (*they literally furnished their furnished their home*) *furnished their houses out of the prizes what they won out _ the leek shows (out of the prizes won)*; 0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out _ the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule*)

insertion

locative at (0:03:13 (*uh 'rich'?*) (*same 'rich'*) *where we at there? (I don't really know) ('where we at?) 'loaded'*; 0:11:51 (*so she doesn't mind you playing about with other birds then?*) *she has no choice in the matter (why, certainly not on a Saturday) she always knows where to find me anyway that's one thing she always knows where I'm at*)

substitution

off [= from] (0:17:08 *'cause see in them days the male did all the work he grew the leeks he bought the leeks you never got nothing off the missus for to buy the leeks you had to buy them you had to put them in you had to grow them and she got the prize*; 0:27:39 *you know you were talking a lot of lot of money to buy one youngster alone which you would never dare race you would wrap it up in cotton-wool you would to breed off (it's just to just to breed from and, yeah) with no guarantee of actually breeding a good one off it*)

ADVERBS

unmarked manner adverb (0:24:25 *other other parts of the country run things slightly different but in the North East generally clubs um the first we'll say first four or first six pigeons in a race which are awarded first second third fourth fifth sixth'll get points six five four three two one*)

unmarked degree modifier adverb (0:15:53 *the prize was uh a hammer drill state-of-the-art one at the time I forget the year now but it uh state-of-the-art hammer drill a pair of real top quality aluminium step ladders*; 0:27:01 *and he buys pigeons from all o... not only this country, like, real well-bred ones uh all over the world*)

DISCOURSE

utterance initial by (0:07:31 (*'pour down'*) *by, you're all proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh? (God) oh, we uh (he's only being proper 'cause that microphone's turned on)*)

utterance initial how (0:35:01 *we lifted that rule years ago (yeah) where women 'cause I was sick of bringing them up in front of the meeting and barring them out the club just for walking in the bar and saying, "how Harry, I'm ganning hame" "get out, you bugger" but you had to get them up in front of the committee 'cause they'd broke the rule*)

utterance initial why (0:11:51 *(so she doesn't mind you playing about with other birds then?) (she has no choice in the matter) why, certainly not on a Saturday (she always knows where to find me anyway that's one thing she always knows where I'm at); 0:17:23 (now as Gerry says we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't be saying this bugger, should I?) why, no (she gets what she's given, like); 0:18:49 unfortunately a lot of them's gone by the wayside uh leek shows we one of the, why, nearly one of the last round this area now, aren't we? (I would think so there's a lot of leek shows folded, yeah); 0:36:48 why, let them start their own own clubs and call them working women's clubs if they want to s..., you know, simple as that)*)

utterance final but[#] (0:19:56 *you used to get great crack to them how but they didn't give any trade secrets away I'm afraid (no, they kept everything to theirselves, yeah) everything was self-taught very cute, but)*)

frequent utterance final like (e.g. 0:14:32 *show leeks big leeks bigger the better (someone comes and judges them they don't try and race them) uh it's it's judged by the tight button which is six inches which is not a bad length, like (if you can show six inches of white, Geoff) yes (you've got a good one); 0:17:23 now as Gerry says we've changed to cash so she gets what she I shouldn't be saying this bugger, should I? (why, no) she gets what she's given, like; 0:18:06 but the big highlight of the leek shows uh as well is uh the finale l... night, like, when they've auctioned the leeks off you never got them 'cause if people wanted them they had to pay for them, like; 0:21:09 oh this was a, you know, very prestigious thing, like, to be a member of and actually winning that prize whatever it may be whether you were first or last oh they were cock-a-hoop (oh yes, aye) the whole family used to come down I mean the whole family; 0:31:05 I think I'd only been a member something like two year and I I I went on to the committee so that was unusual, like; 0:35:43 but there is some clubs that still apply that rule and I just I can't that's just as old-fashioned as the hills, like)*)

utterance final mind (0:17:34 *it's the same when it comes to the pigeon presentation night even the womenfolk who aren't, we'll say, have no interest at all but after saying that, mind, there is a lot of females uh girls friends wives flying partnerships and do (oh yes) but uh even the ones what don't the ones what have no interest at all they certainly have interest when it comes round to presentation evening)*)

utterance internal like (0:12:16 *me father had racing pigeons he he got I'm uh I'm fifty-seven he got pigeons when I started school so that was, like, five; 0:27:01 and he buys pigeons from all o... not only this country, like, real well-bred ones uh all over the world; 0:28:29 why these were all yearlings i.e. they were just, like, bred last year and raced very lightly last last year as youngsters)*)

emphatic tag (0:02:35 *('attractive?') ('bonny') ('nice') "she's a" "she's a picture, her" (yeah, likewise 'a picture');* 0:03:32 *('clobber') ('clobber') (same) 'clothes' ('clothes') "good set of gear, that")*)

form of address man (0:07:31 *('pour down') by, you're all proper from Cassop, man, aren't you, eh? (God) oh, we uh (he's only being proper 'cause that microphone's turned on)*)

otiose what (0:28:37 *of course injuries do occur on line in route uh pylons and such-like which is an obstacle to them (sparrow-hawks) (hawks) sparrow-hawks vast vast vast problem vast problem um one which wants addressing in more depth than what it is at this moment in time 'cause it's unbelievable when they start uh when they start breeding)*)

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