

Jeanette Payne	Interviewed by Edna Murray 11.3.15
2.15	<p>Lives in Chelwood Drive in Roundhay. Born 1955 in Armley. Gledhow Park Avenue, then 1960 moved to Crossgates. Took no 38 bus to grandparents in Gledhows regularly. Did journey for many years.</p> <p>1978 – got married and bought flat in Woodland Court off Roundhay Road. Lived there for 18 months.</p> <p>Oakwood a big part of my life.</p> <p>1978 – memories of getting off bus at Astoria or outside Blackburn factory. High walls, shrouded in mystery. Historic building on our doorstep.</p> <p>1978 / 9 bad winter. Caught bus from Roundhay Road into Leeds. Remember bus being full of people – had to walk to bus stop higher up to get on bus. No car at the time.</p>
4.15	<p>Friday evening would go to Safeways for weekly shop. Would hover round meat and bakery counters ready for them to announce reductions. Would carry the bags home.</p> <p>Remember going to hairdressers in Oakwood – Margots, on opposite side to Safeways. Owned by David Horsley. He then bought Oakwood Travel. David's wife was daughter of Tom and Jean Brown who I interviewed for this project.</p>
6.30	<p>Dec 1979 – moved. Have memories of Roundhay Park. Walking down for Bonfire Nights. Bonfires were moved to Soldiers' Field.</p> <p>Pop concerts – Rolling Stones. Friends used our drive to park their cars for it.</p> <p>Bruce Springsteen June 1985. Was the day of our son's Christening.</p>
9.30	<p>Went to Robbie Williams 2006 – absolutely brilliant. Following night could hear it again in garden.</p> <p>1982 – March/April – Charles and Diana opened St Gemma's. I brought schoolchildren to Hill 60. It was bitterly cold day. It was worth the wait – they did a lap of the arena. Iconic Princess.</p>
10.45	<p>Went to Roundhay Park as a child. Went for school events. Country dancing, athletics, skipping (1967) – I was the second fastest skipper in Leeds!</p>
12.45	<p>Shops in Oakwood – Jones of Oakwood – preferred to buy there, to support the local shop. Excellent service.</p> <p>Post Office – welcoming service. Did vehicle licencing. Son had a paper round, up Oakwood Lane in late 1990s. Good selection of shops in Oakwood. Daughter had Saturday job with florist, from age 15, in 1997. She said big containers of water were very heavy to carry in at the end of the day. Iceland, then</p>
16.45	<p>Blockbusters, then Morrisons. Safeways changed to Co-op.</p> <p>You can look up and see the architecture.</p> <p>Son went to orthodontist at back of Parade – rickety place, floor not straight, low ceilings, overlooked Roundhay Road.</p>
18.00	<p>Used library briefly, but easier to park at Moor Allerton.</p> <p>Both children went to Roundhay School. Midland Bank encouraged children to open accounts, run through school and daughter helped with it. Daughter now works in finance.</p>
19.45	<p>Clock – seen as part and parcel of Oakwood. Watched it deteriorate over years.</p> <p>Children met friends there. Really delightful to see it being repaired.</p>
	Dad's story:

21.15	Dad born 1935 in Grange Park Rd. Died Feb 2014. He wrote down his life story. A detailed description of his life. Refers to Oakwood area.
	He went to nursery at St John's Almhouses. Went to Coalcoates Boys Primary School.
	1946 passed the scholarship test and went to Roundhay Grammar School. His life changed then. Needed school uniform. 2 mile walk to school. 30 in a class. Was in Kelvin House (others were Scott, Nelson and Gordon).
23.45	Bad winter 1947. Snowiest winter ever. Couldn't walk to school. Took tram to Soldiers' Field. 5ft deep snow. Could walk on top of snow.
	Joined 14 th North Leeds troop of boy scouts. Went on camps. St John's Sunday School – grand Christmas pantomime. He played Aladdin.
	Scouting a huge part of Dad's life. Monday evenings at Parochial Hall. He was one of first Queen's scouts. Was in Mall for Coronation. Went to Greenwich Naval College to be presented with badge.
27.15	1948 – season ticket for Roundhay Park open air baths, ten and sixpence. Would buy mug of Bovril afterwards – 3d.
	1952 –went back to school but moved then to Leeds College of Technology. Did apprenticeship in mechanical engineering. Lack of money so he did a paper round for Perkins Post Office in the mornings.
29.30	Mum and Dad danced at the Astoria. Married 1955 at St John's Church on Wetherby Road. No alcoholic drinks at Astoria in early 1950s.