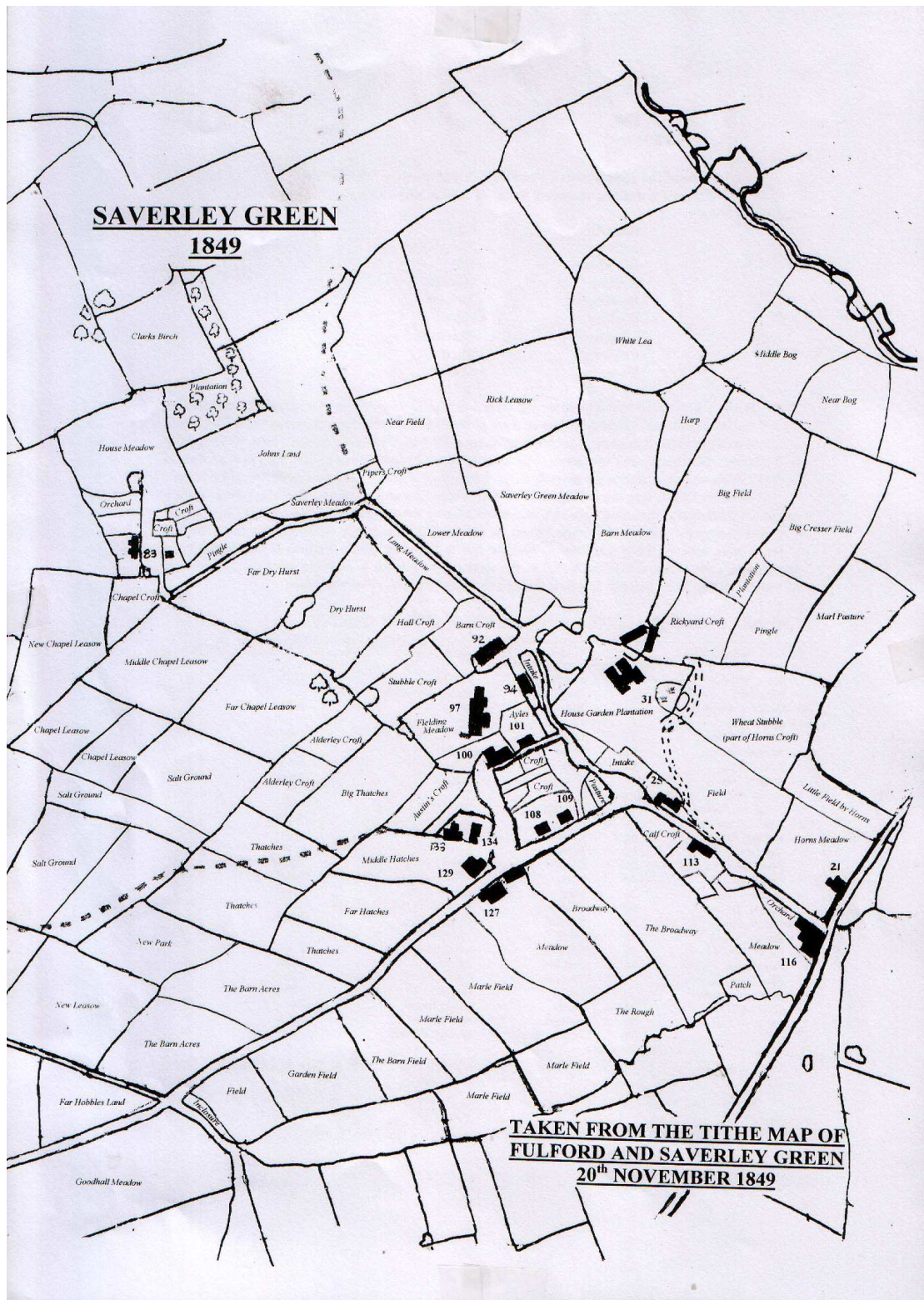


**-:SAVERLEY GREEN:-**

Saverley Green was originally known as Saley Green, which was derived from the nearby Sale Brook. In the centre of the hamlet is a plot of about 1.5 acres of common land known by everyone as 'The Green' which even today is surrounded by only about thirty houses.

On 20<sup>th</sup> November 1849, when the tithe map of Saverley Green was signed, there were just 13 habitable properties in the hamlet, and by the end of the 1800's this number had grown to about 30. The Saverley Green properties shown on the Fulford tithe map are:-

MAP REF.	SAVERLEY GREEN PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	OCCUPIERS NAME	OWNERS NAME
25	House and Garden	In hand	Joseph Stanier
31	House and Garden	In hand	George Young
32	Yard and Outbuildings	In hand	George Young
83	House and Buildings	John Thomas	William Milner
97	House and Garden	George Heath	John Kent
100	House and Garden	Uninhabited	Hannah Bullock
101	House and Garden	Charles Stanier & others	John Kent
108	House and Garden	In hand	George Stanier
109	House and Garden	In hand	Mary Stanier
113	House, Outbuildings and Garden	Richard Jackson	William Blurton
116	House and Garden	In hand	Dorothy Weston
127	House, Outbuildings and Garden	Samuel Jackson	Charles Bromley
129	House and Garden ( <i>Greyhound</i> )	In hand	John Kent
133	House and Garden	William Bagnall	Mary Stanier
134	House, Garden and Croft	In hand	Thomas Stanier



This tithe map of Saverley Green was produced by the author and is based on the original Fulford tithe map dated 20<sup>th</sup> November in Staffordshire Record Office

There were two public houses in Saverley Green, the 'Hare and Hounds' now known as the 'Greyhound', and the 'New Inn' now known as 'The Hunter', both of which had been in existence since at least the early 1800's, and both had the same customs of a 'round of beef' and 'fig pie' as the 'Shoulder of Mutton' in Fulford, though fig pies disappeared during the Second World War due to the shortage of figs. In the 'Greyhound', even up to the 1950's, it was still the custom for a barrel of beer to be ordered and consumed when a well-known villager was getting married, and anyone could call in and drink the health of the bride and groom free of charge. By 1998 it had become a tradition for a



spectacular bonfire based on a theme for the November 5<sup>th</sup> celebrations in the grounds of the 'Greyhound'. Amongst the landlords and landladies of the Greyhound and the Hunter were:-

The New Inn (now 'The Hunter'):-

John Weston	1834
Dorothy Weston	1851 to 1863
Ann Bagnall	1872 to 1876
Thomas Bagnall	1884 to 1904
John James	1921
Seymour V. Finn	1936 to 1940
Mark and Irene ?	?



'The Hunter' public house in 2002

The Hare and Hounds (now 'The Greyhound'):-  
*(The Hare & Hounds was not recorded in 1860)*

Edmund Kent	1876 to 1884
Mrs. Kent	1887 to 1890
Thomas Jackson	1896
Albert E. Hart	1904 to 1928
Brian S. Holt	? to the present



'The Greyhound' in 2006

At the time of the 1881 census 24 habitable buildings were recorded housing 98 residents and there were 20 different surnames recorded, three of which were also recorded in Fulford, Bagnall, Bradley and Shaw:-

Bagnall	Ellis
Bailey	Fernyhough
Blackhurst	Hill
Bradley	Hitchen
Brassington	Jackson
Buckley	Kent
Cheatham	Robinson
Colclough	Shaw
Docksey	Stanier

Being a very small hamlet one would expect to find similar 'country' occupations represented amongst the inhabitants of Saverley Green as were to be found in Fulford, and indeed the 1881 census did record some of those occupations such as agricultural labourer, general labourer, farm servant, farm bailiff, farmer, shoemaker, and innkeeper. However it was a bit surprising to also find occupations in Saverley Green such as earthenware manufacturer, nail maker, rope maker, railway porter, plate layer.

Saverley Green was once famous for its cock fighting and in about 1850 the police made a raid but the participants managed to escape to a neighbouring house and so evaded capture. Both mains water and electricity reached Saverley Green in the 1930's, about ten years before they reached Fulford. Today, mystics Terry and Patricia Shotton live in Saverley Green. Patricia is convinced that a remote pond some miles across the fields to the west of the hamlet is of some mystical importance. Meanwhile, in the 'Old Orchard' is a well that is known as '*the well of sacred blood*'.

#### SUMMARY OF THE 1881 CENSUS RETURNS FOR SAVERLEY GREEN:-

HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD	AGE	BORN	HEAD'S OCCUPATION	WIFE	IN HOUSE
<i>Coming into Saverley Green from Stallington and Lea Croft Hall</i>					
1 – William Shaw	65	Rownall	farm bailiff	-	6
2 – John Ellis	24	Barlaston	china painter/potter	-	2
3 – William Docksey	40	Stoke	farmer	Esther	6
4 – uninhabited					
5 – William Robinson	50	Longton	earthenware manufacturer	Charlotte	6
6 – George Stannier	64	Stone	general labourer	Ann	5
7 – Thomas Hill	49	Leek	general labourer	Emma	3
8 – James Buckley	55	Worcester	farmer	Mary	8
9 – uninhabited					
10 – Samuel Cheatham	45	Cheshire	farm bailiff	Mary	5
11 – Samuel Jackson Jnr.	30	Stone	general labourer	Sarah	3
12 – Samuel Jackson	66	Cheadle	farmer	-	5
13 – John Kent	82	Stone	gardener	-	2
14 – Thomas Brassington	62	Cheadle	agricultural labourer	Harriet	2
15 – Edward Kent	40	Stone	innkeeper ( <i>Hare &amp; Hounds</i> )	Margaret	9
16 – Thomas Bradley	26	Leek	railway porter	Lilian	4
17 – Thomas Stanier	60	Stone	plate layer ( <i>shop run by wife</i> )	Catherine	6
18 – Philip Stanier	54	Stone	shoemaker	Martha	2
19 – Joseph Stanier	55	Stone	nail maker	-	3
20 – James Bailey	30	Seighford	coachman	Lucy	5
21 – Charles Fernyhough	26	Longton	gardener	Ellen	2
22 – Thomas Blackhurst	30	Tunstall	earthenware manuf/farmer	Mary	8
23 – Thomas Bagnall	50	Leek	innkeeper ( <i>New Inn</i> )	Hannah	7
24 – John Colclough	44	Stone	retired farmer	Mary	9
25 – William Jones	46	Burslem	rope maker	Anne	6
26 – John Hitchen	39	Eccleshall	general labourer	Ann	4

*.....and then going to part of Fulford and then Rush Lade*

*(Note- Property number 24 is still the home of the Colclough's, with a Mr. & Mrs. H.J.Colclough living there now).*

One of the better known buildings in Saverley Green is Saverley House Farm which is just to the north of Saverley Green, down a small lane which leads off from the sharp bend in the centre of the village. It is still a working farm. Among the past owners of Saverley House Farm were:-

William Shelley	1884 to 1890
William Robinson	1881 to 1904
John Harvey	1896
William Colclough	1928

On the road into Saverley Green from Fulford is a field in which a small area which appears to be cut into terraces surrounded by a circle of trees. This area was known locally as 'The Bear Holes' and it is said that bears were once baited here and that dog fights were also held.

From Saverley Green we continue north-east along Sandon Road for about a mile and then head north-west along the Uttoxeter Road to Blythe Bridge.