Title: Howard Smith Photographic Collection
Scope: Photographs taken by Howard Smith between 1991 and 1996 of milestones, guide stoops, packhorse bridges, etc., mostly in South Yorkshire and Derbyshire.

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Extent: 1 box
Name of creator: Howard Smith

Administrative / biographical history:
The collection comprises 126 colour photographs taken by Howard Smith between 1991 and 1996 of milestones, guide stoops, packhorse bridges, etc., mostly in South Yorkshire and Derbyshire.

Before his retirement, Howard Smith taught history and English at Richmond College in Sheffield, and has written many books on the history of roads and transport in the local area.

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“Take off” stone at West side of Okehampton-Tavistock road (now A386) at Beardon, Devon (Dartmoor). September 1996

“Take off” stone next to tethering ring stone on Okehampton-Tavistock road at Beardon. September 1996

Guide stoop at junction of Cockshutts Lane/Lumb Lane, near Oughtibridge, Sheffield (map reference 304937). Vandalised. June 1994

Guide stoop at junction of Cockshutts Lane/Lumb Lane, near Oughtibridge, Sheffield (map reference 304937). Restored. July 1995

Guide stoop at junction of lanes to Green Farm/Midhope/Unsliven Bridge, Sheffield (map reference 249988). June 1994

Guide stoop on Bolsterstone-Midhope Road near Green Farm, Sheffield (map reference 252983). June 1994

Guide stoop at junction of Kirk Edge Road/Burnt Hill Lane, Sheffield (map reference 289921). June 1994

Guide stoop at junction of lanes to Green Farm/Midhope/Unsliven Bridge, Sheffield (map reference 249988). June 1994

Wakefield Bridge plaque. July 1991

Wakefield Bridge chapel, 1342-1356. July 1991

Wakefield Bridge chapel on River Calder, 1342-1356. July 1991

Bridge over River Drone at Unstone (originally packhorse 1717, modified for Sheffield-Chesterfield turnpike, 1758) datestone. February 1993

Former packhorse bridge over River Calder, dates from 1730. 3 arches, span 51ft, width 61 inches, parapets 30 inches. July 1991

Rotherham 15th century bridge and 1483 bridge chapel (looking upstream over River Don) (map reference 427930). July 1991

Glen Howe Park packhorse bridge from Broomhead re-erected 1917? Width 56 inches, parapets 15 inches (map reference 293943). April 1992

Former packhorse bridge at Ewden (now Glen Howe Park, off A6102). Built 1743, taken down when Ewden Reservoir constructed and re-erected 1917? Span 22 feet (map reference 293943). August 1992

Rivelin packhorse bridge (looking downstream, near Rails Road, Sheffield). Span 22 feet, width 37 inches, height 23 inches (map reference 292873). April 1993

Rivelin packhorse bridge (looking North). Width 37 inches, parapets 30 inches (map reference 292873). April 1993

Willow Bridge, Oxspring, near Penistone, 1734. Span 30 feet, width 39 inches, parapets 38 inches (map reference 267026). August 1992

Barncliffe Stoop, waymarker, Long Causeway (now Redmires Road, Hallam Head, Sheffield) (map reference 302865). April 1996
Former milestone, Ringinglow Road (South side road, between Ecclesall and High Storrs School, Sheffield) (map reference 321845). April 1996

Milestone on Long Causeway (now Redmires Road, West of Lodge Moor, Sheffield) (map reference 273859). March 1996

Matlock Bridge (River Derwent), 4 arches, 15th century, widened 1904 (map reference 298601). July 1995

Matlock Bridge (River Derwent), 4 arches, 15th century, widened 1904 (map reference 298601). July 1995

Cromford Bridge (River Derwent), from downstream. Originally built as a packhorse bridge – note 15th century pointed arches (map reference 300572). August 1992

Cromford Bridge (River Derwent), from upstream. This side widened when turnpike road built 1777 – note round arches, other side’s are pointed! (map reference 300572). August 1992

Milestone, side of former bank, foot of Old Ecclesall Road (A625), Sheffield (down from Safeway, site of former S & E Co-op Arcade) (map reference 346864). 1994

Milestone, Manchester Road, near Bell Hagg, Sheffield. (Original 1821 milestone) (map reference 305871). April 1993


Milestone, side of A57 at Crosspool, Sheffield (Tavern Service Station) (formerly Sheffield – Glossop turnpike road, opened 1821) (map reference 311872). August 1995

Milepost, Rowsley – Chesterfield road (map reference 276659). August 1993

Milestone near Mickley Farm, East side of B6054 (map reference 329796). April 1992

Milepost, East side of road leaving Totley for Owler Bar (map reference 303797). April 1992

Milestone, Holmesfield Common, South side B6054 (map reference 315776). April 1992

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Milestone to West of Chapel-en-le-Frith on road to Whaley Bridge (former A6, now B5470) (map reference 033800). June 1991

Godfrey Hole toll cottage, near Wirksworth on B5035 near Sycamore Farm (map reference 267535). August 1993

Little Rowsley toll cottage, on road from Rowsley to Chesterfield (map reference 264661). August 1993
450/40  Former tollgate posts, Hunters Bar, Ecclesall Road, Sheffield (A625). Toll house built 1817 for new turnpike road, Ecclesall Road to Banner Cross, replacing Sharrow Lane and Psalter Lane route (map reference 332857). [n.d.]

450/41  Former tollgate stoops (from Owler Bar tollgate), Moorwood’s Hall Farm on Moorwood’s Lane, between A621 and B6054 (map reference 301785). March 1995

450/42  Former tollgate stoops, probably from top of Twentywell Lane, Sheffield. Now at entrance to drive of Woodthorpe Hall, Mlckley Lane (map reference 317798). June 1995

450/43  Bar Cottage, Old Woodhead Road (North of Grenoside village) on 1777 to 1826 turnpike road Sheffield – Huddersfield – Halifax (map reference 321958). August 1995

450/44  Guide stoop, Sycamore Farm to West of Wirksworth, T junction on B5035, Middleton – Ashbourne road/Callow road. Gritstone 45 inches high x 13 inches x 12 inches taper (map reference 267535). August 1993

450/45  Guide stoop, Sycamore Farm at Hopton on Wirksworth – Ashbourne road (B5035) (map reference 267535). July 1995

450/46  Guide stoop, Sycamore Farm at Hopton on Wirksworth – Ashbourne road (B5035) (map reference 267535). July 1995


450/49  Guide stoop, Alport Height, 2 m. South East of Wirksworth. Moved from nearby crossroads, once used as gatepost (map reference 305516). July 1995

450/50  Guide stoop, Alport Height, 2 m. South East of Wirksworth. Moved from nearby crossroads, once used as gatepost (map reference 305516). July 1995


450/52  Guide stoop, Northwood Lane, off A6 Rowsley – Matlock Road (map reference 263647). October 1995


450/58 The Birley Stone, just off road Oughtibridge – Grenoside, dates at least from 1181 AD, restored 1936 after being vandalised (map reference 324934). August 1995

450/59 Guide stoop, near bridge at Thick Hollins near Meltham, South of Huddersfield (map reference 104102). August 1995

450/60 Guide stoop at T junction, Netherthong/Ford Inn road from Meltham, near Marsden (map reference 108099). August 1995


450/63 Hartcliff(e) stoop (map reference 224018). May 1991

450/64 Rotherham milestone near Hartcliff(e) Tower (map reference 224018). May 1991

450/65 “Take off” stone, Mortimer Road. Top of Sheephouse Height (road up from Midhopestones to Penistone) (map reference 246006). May 1991

450/66 Guide stoop at Old Wood head Road, Wortley, junction with lane to Howbrook (map reference 311976). March 1992

450/67 Guide stoop at Old Wood head Road, Wortley, junction with lane to Howbrook (map reference 311976). March 1992

450/68 Hexagonal guide stoop at Dyson Cote crossroads on Woodhead – Rotherham Saltway, a former 1740 turnpike road (map reference 254005). May 1993

450/69 Former toll cottage, Hayfield (Glossop – Chapel turnpike road 1792) (map reference 037868). November 1993

450/70 Former tollgate stoops at Moorwood’s Farm, Moorwood’s Lane (from A621 – B6054), probably taken from Owler Bar tollgate (map reference 299785). March 1995

450/71 Former tollgate stoop set in wall to West of Moorwood’s Farm (on link road A621 – B6054) (map reference 298785). March 1995

450/72 Former Stony Ridge tollgate stoops at New Whitelow Farm, Whitelow Lane, Dore (East of A625 Castleton Road) (map reference 291815. August 1993

450/73 Part of wall on unmetalled lane on top of Royd Moor, which descends High Bank into Thurlstone, near Penistone (map reference 217040). Probably once sited at crossroads (map reference 216042). July 1995

450/74 Part of wall on unmetalled lane on top of Royd Moor, which descends High Bank into Thurlstone, near Penistone (map reference 217040). Probably once sited at crossroads (map reference 216042). July 1995

450/75 Milestone former Tinsley – Doncaster turnpike road, now A6178 (metal plate mounted on former milestone), South end of Deadman’s Hole Lane (map reference 404914). February 1995
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Strines Inn, Mortimer Road, Sheffield (map reference 222906). August 1992


Saltergate Lane, Bamford (ancient way to Stanedge) (map reference 208826). November 1992

Norfolk Arms public house, Ringinglow, Sheffield (map reference 291837). August 1991

Milestone, side of former bank, foot of Old Ecclesall Road (A625), Sheffield (down from Safeway, site of former S & E Co-op Arcade) (map reference 346864). May 1993

Milestone, bottom of Ecclesall Road, set into bank wall, East of Safeway (map reference 346864). May 1993

Thieves Bridge, Houndkirk Road (abandoned stretch of Sheffield to Buxton turnpike road) (map reference 283825). March 1995

Waymarker/snow stone, Houndkirk Road (looking North North East towards Ringinglow), side of abandoned Sheffield to Buxton turnpike road (map reference 287827). March 1995

Milestone on former A57 Worksop Road, in front of Halfway Grange (map reference 476853). May 1994 (Photo courtesy of T.A. Heaton)

Guide stoop at Hallam Head, Redmires Road, Sandygate, Sheffield (map reference 301865). [n.d.]

Parish boundary stone, Monsal Head (at the side of the public house) on B6465 (map reference 185715). July 1991

Retaining wall for A61 Chesterfield Road, Smithy wood (map reference 346838). April 1992

Milestone on former Gleadless – Hathersage turnpike road, now B6055 (map reference 268793). April 1996

Remains of milestone, Houndkirk Road, Sheffield – Buxton turnpike road 1758 (map reference 274811). April 1996

Milestone, Houndkirk Road, Sheffield – Buxton turnpike road 1758 (map reference 284825). April 1996

Milestone, Houndkirk Road, Sheffield – Buxton turnpike road 1758 (map reference 284825). April 1996


Milestone on Long Causeway, now Redmires Road, West of Lodge Moor (map reference 273859). March 1996

450/96 Milepost, Cross Hill (East side), near junction with High Street, Ecclesfield (former Sheffield – Wakefield turnpike of 1758, now A6135) (map reference 361934). January 1996


450/98 Milestone, Cross Hill (East side), near junction with High Street, Ecclesfield (former Sheffield – Wakefield turnpike of 1758, now A6135) (map reference 361934). January 1996

450/99 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

450/100 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

450/101 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

450/102 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

450/103 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

450/104 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

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450/115 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996

450/116 Milestone on present A621 (Ramsley Moor) (former Greenhill Moor – Hathersage Turnpike Trust, branch road from Owler Bar – Baslow) (map reference 284759). March 1996
Guide stoop at Revolution House, Old Whittington, Chesterfield (map reference 384749) (possibly original site at Boythorpe crossroads 3770). August 1995


Aiming post (1), Big Moor (map reference 268752). September 1995

Aiming post (2), Big Moor (map reference 273756). September 1995

Aiming post (3), Big Moor (map reference 270752). September 1995

Stone Edge chimney, just off A632 Chesterfield – Matlock Road, built c.1770 (map reference 334668). August 1996

Coalpit Bridge, near Raper Lodge, over River Lathkill, packhorse traffic (map reference 214651). August 1996

Abandoned turnpike road bridge at Fillyford, South of Haddon, now by-passed by road-widening and new bridge on A6 (map reference 241658). August 1996