

## WORDSEARCH

## **LOCAL HISTORY - FUN FACTS**

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## WORD LIST

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TAVISTOCK	FREIBURG	CHEESE
FALLFAIR	RAILROAD	PARK
FIRE	SCHOOL	BEER
LIBRARY	SAUERKRAUT	FAITH
INKERMAN	EEL	CREST
NEWSPAPER	POLICE	MOTTO
FLOUR	FOUNTAIN	

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**Eckstein** Tavistock's founding father. The first building in our village was Captain Henry Eckstein's house that also served as a tavern. It was located on the five corners.

**Tavistock** The third name for our village, adopted in 1857 with the coming of the Post Office.

Fall Fair The 1943 Prize List included 23 classes for fowl, 28 classes for apples and a knitted

hot-water bottle cover.

Fire The Tavistock Fire Brigade started in 1911 with 20 men and equipment stored in various

locations around the village.

**Library** Tavistock's first library in 1899 was called Mechanics' Institute.

**Inkerman** The second name for our village, adopted in 1855, commemorating a battle in the

Crimean War.

**Newspaper** The Tavistock Gazette began in 1895. Early editions were lost in a Hallowe'en fire.

Flour The Tavistock Milling Company sold coast to coast in Canada and exported to Scotland

**Vogt** Tavistock's first mayor in 1909 was Henry Vogt. There's a street named after him.

**Freiburg** The first name for our village after Henry Eckstein's home in Germany - 1848.

**Railroad** Things started to really come alive with the coming of the railway in 1856.

**School** Tavistock had a Continuation School (High School) from circa 1910 to 1955.

**Sauerkraut** The second Wednesday in November is Sauerkraut Supper Day in Tavistock.

**Eel** The Eel, Tavistock's famous grey pacing stallion, was inducted into the Canadian Horse

Racing Hall of Fame.

**Police** The first jail cell (1909) didn't have a door as it was considered too expensive.

**Fountain** Did you know that the lower part of the fountain serves man's best friend?

**Crokinole** The first Saturday in June is a red-letter day each year when Tavistock hosts the

World Crokinole Championship. Fun, sportsmanship, prizes and bragging rights

abound.

**Cheese** Expert agriculturalist declares the Tavistock Cheese factory the best in Canada - 1888.

**Park** The gates to Queen's Park are known as "The Pillars of Our

Community". Do you know why?

**Beer** We've always liked our beer. Over the years there have

been 10 hotels. Now we have a pub and soon a craft

beer store.

**Faith** Tavistock welcomes all faiths.

**Crest** Our crest depicts our past and speaks to our future.

Motto Tavistock's motto is Gentes Conficimus. Translation - We

families (of varied origin) accomplish things by working

together.



