

Flood of 1979 - Mr G-S of Scarborough

Mr G-S lives in Scarborough. His surname dates back to the time of William the Conqueror.

He wanted to share with us the experiences of the storm of 1979 when his father was on a journey in his Morris Minor from Whitby to Scarborough. A rainstorm had raged for hours and as his father encountered rapidly rising waters as he drove into the town. As he drove he started to lose an understanding of the depth of the water into which he was driving until it became very clear to him that he was in a very hazardous position. He, therefore, stopped the car; it may have cut out because of the conditions.

When he did stop, he found himself unable to open the car door because of the pressure of water. He did eventually managed to get out of the car and waded into a safe position.

