

Roll: **20231003-20309**

Camera: **Canon EOS 5D Mark III: E53**

Film: **Full frame digital**

Year: **2023** Month: **October**

Subject: Matlock Bath Gilderoy Holiday - Day 4.

Notes:

Rahel wanted to go back to Matlock to go shopping today as she had ambitions to buy Joseph a birthday present. Our experience of the paucity of Matlock's shops on Sunday made me suspect that it would be a rather forlorn exercise but as I knew our exit from Gilderoy would be unlikely to occur before midday I decided I could fit in a lone perambulation around the local roads below the Heights of Abraham.

I started by walking up to Upperwood in the hope of seeing the old couple we had met the day before, as I wanted to photograph them and was kicking myself that I had not had the bottle to suggest it to them at the time. There was no sign of them in the garden and I hadn't the courage to knock on the door so I contented myself with some more attempts to capture the incredible steepness of the road.

I then walked down to Masson Road. About half way up the road there was a small lorry blocking the way and a team of workers in high vis vests. "Hang on a minute" one of them said, "we're putting in a picture window for you." I was puzzled for a moment, then I saw that a section of the wall to the right of the road had been taken down. Through the gap was a good view across the Derwent Valley.

I walked on to the end of Masson Road and took some pictures of a strange collection of stones, gnarled roots, feathers, skulls and skeletons decorating part of the wall. I have seen since, on the inter web, that these might be a part of Hoodoo, animal magic or ancestor worship.

As I returned to Gilderoy I was able to get some goodish shots of Gilderoy East over the roadside wall. The fence was much as it appeared in what I assume are Grandad Fulford's photographs. There was bench under the window in the same place as in those pictures from the 1920s, although not, I think, the same one.

We drove into Matlock and parked at what claimed to be a charity car park and that I had spotted on the previous Sunday. Paying for parking was a marathon task. Panicked by signs saying I had only ten minutes to purchase a ticket showing the registration number of my car before substantial fines would be incurred, I ran around the site trying to find a machine that would accept either cash or card. All such machines were defunct. I found a signboard that had instructions for registering with a car parking application of which I'd previously not heard. The process involved making a small payment from my bank account that then had to be approved on line before the application would allow the registration to be approved. The process was very long winded and rather stuttering as the dial-up internet connection was not great. Nearly half an hour had elapsed before the process was complete. I would have bolted for another car park but given the ten minute limit and the obvious presence of number plate recognition technology, I thought that would be too risky. In the event, only the parking charge was deducted after we left.

Rahel went in search of shops and a present while I took pictures for the next U3A photography project. These were of the bridge which was closed to road traffic for repairs. I was approached by a chap who wanted to chat and for me to take pictures of his friend coming out of a café. We talked for some while covering a number of topics, including the unexpected occurrence of both death and life changing illnesses and accidents. He told a particularly poignant story of a very long term friend of his who had fallen, cracked his head and lost the ability to walk without assistance or fully communicate. I regaled him with tales of dead friends and particularly of Dermot who had unexpectedly dropped dead in August. Oh what camaraderie.

I went to Lloyd's bank to draw some money from the cash machine. While by the cash machine I put away my camera equipment. I then went to the "Original Factory Shop" in Firs Parade, where, after selecting a pair of shoes (£20) and a T shirt, I discovered that I had not taken the money from the hole in the wall machine. I think I may have had some kind of aneurysm and I remain mortified to this day.

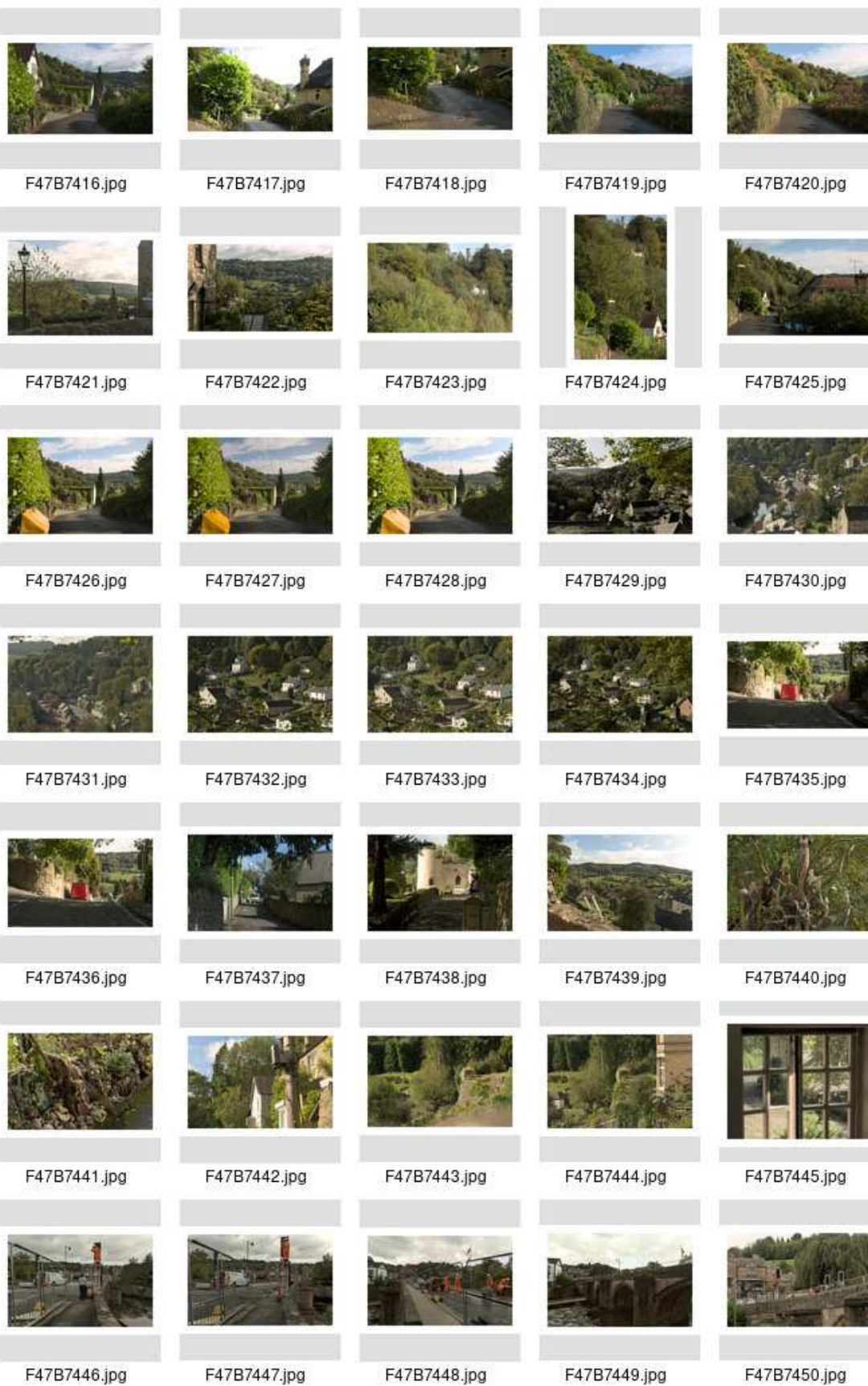
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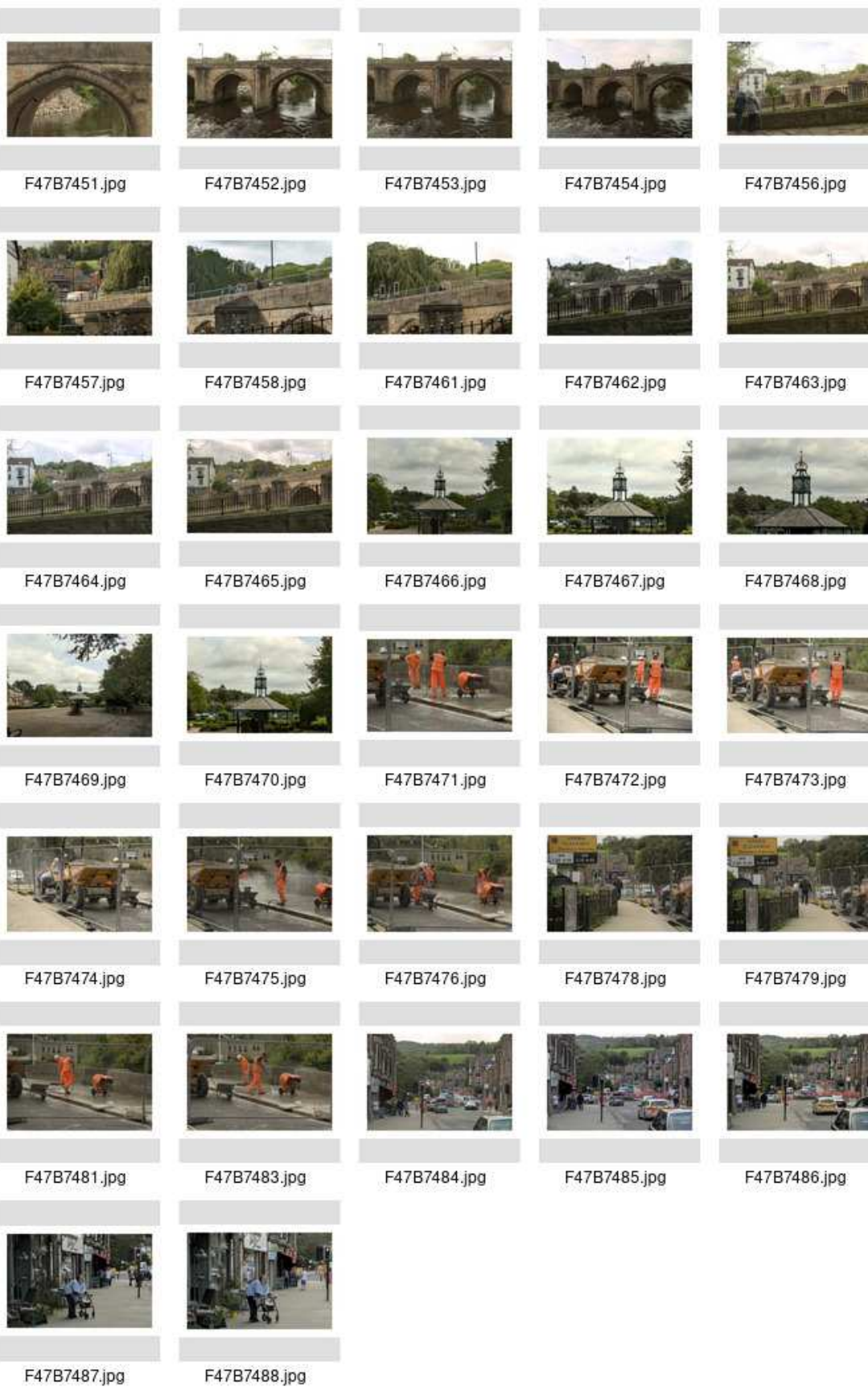
Dates and times are verified from original exif data.

Frames:

F47B7416	0310	09:30	The steepness of Upperwood Road.	24	100	f8	1/
F47B7417	0310	09:31	Upperwood Road.	24	100	f6.3	1/
F47B7418	0310	09:31	Upperwood Road decline.	24	100	f5.6	1/
F47B7419	0310	09:32	Vertigo on Upperwood Road.	24	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7420	0310	09:32	The steepness of Upperwood Road.	24	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7421	0310	09:33	Derwent Valley from Upperwood Road.	40	100	f8	1/
F47B7422	0310	09:34	Derwent Valley from a garden.	50	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7423	0310	09:41	Victoria Prospect Tower from a distance.	93	100	f5	1/
F47B7424	0310	09:42	Victoria Prospect Tower from a distance.	84	100	f5.6	1/
F47B7425	0310	09:43	The steepness of Upperwood Road.	35	100	f8	1/
F47B7426	0310	09:46	Upperwood Road.	24	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7427	0310	09:46	Upperwood Road.	24	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7428	0310	09:46	Upperwood Road.	24	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7429	0310	09:53	Matlock Bath and the Derwent Valley from Upperwood Road.	32	100	f9	1/
F47B7430	0310	09:53	Matlock Bath.	73	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7431	0310	09:53	Matlock Bath from above.	82	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7432	0310	09:54	Matlock Bath.	82	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7433	0310	09:54	Matlock Bath.	82	100	f6.3	1/
F47B7434	0310	09:54	Matlock Bath.	50	100	f8	1/
F47B7435	0310	09:55	Holme Road pummets downhill.	45	100	f6.3	1/
F47B7436	0310	09:55	Holme Road plummets downward.	45	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7437	0310	09:56	Masson Road.	105	100	f6.3	1/
F47B7438	0310	09:56	Lower Towers.	84	100	f5.6	1/
F47B7439	0310	09:58	Picture window.	24	100	f8	1/
F47B7440	0310	10:01	Witch Craft.	45	100	f5	1/
F47B7441	0310	10:02	Witch Craft.	47	100	f5	1/
F47B7442	0310	10:04	Communications.	58	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7443	0310	10:13	Gilderoy East walled embankment.	93	100	f5.6	1/
F47B7444	0310	10:13	Gilderoy East.	93	100	f5.6	1/
F47B7445	0310	10:16	View through a window.	67	100	f4	1/
F47B7446	0310	12:34	Bridge repairs.	24	100	f8	1/
F47B7447	0310	12:34	Bridge repairs.	28	100	f8	1/
F47B7448	0310	12:35	Derwent Bridge.	24	100	f8	1/
F47B7449	0310	12:36	Derwent Bridge.	24	100	f10	1/
F47B7450	0310	12:36	Derwent Bridge.	105	100	f4	1/
F47B7451	0310	12:37	Derwent Bridge.	65	100	f4.5	1/
F47B7452	0310	12:38	Derwent Bridge.	28	100	f6.3	1/
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F47B7456	0310	12:42	Derwent Bridge.	28	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7457	0310	12:45	Work on Derwent Bridge.	105	100	f5.6	1/
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F47B7462	0310	12:49	Work on Derwent Bridge.	35	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7463	0310	12:50	Derwent Bridge.	35	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7464	0310	12:50	Derwent Bridge.	35	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7465	0310	12:50	Derwent Bridge.	35	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7466	0310	12:56	Park clock tower.	58	100	f9	1/
F47B7467	0310	12:56	Park clock tower.	75	100	f8	1/
F47B7468	0310	12:56	Park clock tower.	105	100	f7.1	1/
F47B7469	0310	12:56	Park clock tower.	24	100	f10	1/
F47B7470	0310	12:56	Park clock tower.	65	100	f9	1/
F47B7471	0310	12:59	Bridge repairs	105	100	f5	1/
F47B7472	0310	13:00	Bridge repairs	92	100	f5	1/
F47B7473	0310	13:00	Bridge repairs.	92	100	f5	1/
F47B7474	0310	13:00	Bridge repairs.	92	100	f5	1/

F47B7475	0310	13:00	Derwent Bridge power wash.	92	100	<i>f6.3</i>	1/
F47B7476	0310	13:00	Bridge repairs.	92	100	<i>f5.6</i>	1/
F47B7478	0310	13:00	Derwent Bridge repairs.	92	100	<i>f5</i>	1/
F47B7479	0310	13:00	Derwent Bridge.	92	100	<i>f5</i>	1/
F47B7481	0310	13:01	Bridge repairs	92	100	<i>f5.6</i>	1/
F47B7483	0310	13:01	Pressure wash.	92	100	<i>f5.6</i>	1/
F47B7484	0310	13:22	Traffic island at Bank Road.	97	100	<i>f5</i>	1/
F47B7485	0310	13:22	Bank Road.	97	100	<i>f5</i>	1/
F47B7486	0310	13:22	Diversion.	97	100	<i>f5</i>	1/
F47B7487	0310	13:25	Bank Road.	105	100	<i>f4.5</i>	1/
F47B7488	0310	13:25	Bank Road.	105	100	<i>f4.5</i>	1/







F47B7416 - Upperwood Road.



F47B7420 - Upperwood Road.



F47B7421 - Derwent Valley.



F47B7424 - Victoria Prospect Tower.



F47B7425 - Upperwood Road.



F47B7428 - Upperwood Road.



F47B7431 - Matlock Bath.



F47B7435 - Holme Road.



F47B7437 - Masson Road.



F47B7438 - Lower Towers.



F47B7439 - Picture window.



F47B7441 - Witch Craft.



F47B7442 - Communications.



F47B7443 - Gilderoy East.



F47B7444 - Gilderoy East.



F47B7445 - Gilderoy East.



F47B7447 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7450 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7451 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7452 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7456 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7457 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7465 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7468 - Hall Leys Park Clock.



F47B7471 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7473 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7475 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7476 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7483 - Derwent Bridge.



F47B7486 - Bank Road.