

Name	CHRIS POWELL
Relationship to NN	Friend
Interviewer	Charlie Lambert
Date of recording	10/10/24
Location	Zoom
Dur	19 mins 08 secs

Chris is a retired teacher who worked in Barrow and Haverigg, and for a time was warden of the Harriet Trust, a charity set up by the sculptor Josefina de Vasconcellos which provided holidays for children with disabilities on board a converted trawler. In this interview Chris talks about his friendship with Norman Nicholson and how he used to drive Norman from Millom to Little Langdale for meetings with Josefina and her husband, the artist Delmar Banner.

Note: this is not a verbatim transcript, but a guide to what topics were discussed. For quoting purposes, the original audio should be consulted.

Top: How did you first become aware of NN? Through the Harriet Trust, set up by Josefina de Vasconcellos.

03.00 Josefina and the Harriet Trust

04.02 How was Norman involved?

04.55 My main connection with Norman was giving him lifts to Josefina's home, the Bield in Little Langdale.

07.13 he had a big interest in local dialect

07.40 meeting Delmar Banner and visiting the Bield

09.05 NN had brought the poem Nobbut God to read to them....Josefina was a friend of Beatrix Potter

11.52 Nice to hear Norman reading his poems at the Symposium (the NAmbleside 2024)

12.10 NN's strange, rather gruff voice, slight speech impediment

13.10 NN's liking for whisky

14.04 How important is NN still to Millom?

14.55 More about the visits to Josefina

18.15 working with pupils at Haverigg School on NN poems