

Cemetery walk with authors

TWO authors will step back in time to host a free guided spring walk around a Lye cemetery.

Jean Weston and Marlene Price will lead tours at the Lye and Wollescote Cemetery, Cemetery Road, on Saturday, May 7 at 11am and 2pm.

Gravestones there include that of Lye doctor Edwin Hardwicke, father of Hollywood actor Sir Cedric Hardwicke, and the unusual memo-

rial to Mercy Taylor. The clay memorial was produced by a coal company in Darlington and they were commonly seen between 1900 and 1920.

But the inscriptions could not be expanded causing their popularity to decline.

Chapels will be open to the public during the day and signed copies of the authors' book, A Victorian Cemetery and its Notable Burials, will also be on sale.