

EALES. Cecil Albert **Three Horseshoes** **ECTON**

Cecil Albert Eales was granted a Hackney Carriage Licence by Northampton County Borough Council for the period 17th November 1919 to 25th March 1920.

Whilst Eales is known to have operated taxis at one stage, it is not clear whether he ever operated a bus from Ecton to Northampton. On the face of it, it seems questionable that Northampton Borough Council would grant a licence for a taxi operator living outside the Borough to ply for hire within. Bus services were different as they plied between specific points crossing the Borough boundary. In addition public house landlords often diversified by running buses to earn additional income to supplement that which they could earn from their primary employment.

We may never know whether Cecil Albert Eales was a bus owner/operator.