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Summary

Rusbo: A comment on Lennart Hagåsen, The Dalarna names Hedemora, Gussarvet and Rusbo, and a 1414 record of the word köpstadher (OUÅ 2015)

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In OUÅ 2015, Lennart Hagåsen presented a study of the name Hedemora, in which he also examined Rusbo. In addition, he mentioned Rusbo farm in Västerby in the parish of Hedemora. From a closer study of Rusbo in provincial documents and the oldest judgment books of Dalarna, begun in 1539, the present author has found that, as early as 1539, Knut Rus was registered for a number of years in ‘Henemora’, and subsequently, until 1552, in ‘Gamble [Old] Henemora’. The name Rusbo first appears in 1550 in a civil case between Knut Rus’s wife and a later farmer relating to the place. The record of the case refers to a deed of exchange concerning land in Rusbo; there is no mention of its year of origin, but it probably pre-dates 1550.

The author’s aim is to show that, prior to 1550, a farm in Gamla Hedemora had been named after Knut Rus.

Rusbo farm in Västerby was named after a son-in-law of the family who owned it, Johan Persson Rusbonius, born in 1672 in Rusbo in the town of Hedemora.