FRIENDS OF WAR MEMORIALS



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THE OBJECTIVES OF FRIENDS OF WAR MEMORIALS

- 1. To monitor the condition of war memorials and to take steps to ensure that local authorities and other relevant organisations are alerted to such condition with a view to their undertaking any necessary restoration, essential maintenance, repairs, renovations and cleaning.
- 2. To liaise with ecclesiastical authorities, regiments and other responsible bodies with a view to their accepting responsibility for, and undertaking repairs to and restoration of, war memorials.
- 3. To publicise and to educate and inform the public about the spiritual, archæological, artistic, aesthetic and historical significance of war memorials as part of our national heritage; to encourage support groups and to inspire young people to cherish their local war memorials and the memory of those who sacrificed their lives in the cause of freedom.

REGIONAL VOLUNTEERS

Regional Volunteers are members who act as FoWM's eyes and ears locally and inform us of war memorials and rolls of honour in their area that need attention.

We very much appreciate RV's assistance in a number of tasks.

We may let them know of any problems that need local knowledge, or they could relay details of war memorial problems and local contacts to us.

We also ask RV's to attend re-dedications on our behalf and perhaps to lay a wreath where appropriate. RV's do as much or as little as they are able and, in effect, act as "reservists"

to be called upon when needed, as well as being correspondents when they see fit.



Warwickshire

In March RV Ian Stevens represented FoWM at the Gallipoli Association's annual wreath-laying ceremony at Stretton on Dunsmore which commemorates the departure of the 29th Division to Gallipoli. (Local firm Ready-Mix Concrete have agreed to sponsor up to £14,000 worth of restoration work to the Memorial).

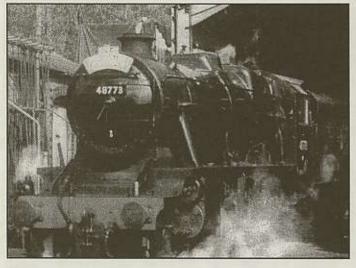
Stretton on Dunsmore war memorial (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

Cheshire

RV Ted Rimington has been instrumental in relocating two memorial plaques from a demolished church at Wincham to the local primary school, where they were unveiled in March alongside a new memorial to local Royal Navy submariner Herbert Dean.



Unveiling of the Wincham plaques by Herbert Dean's widow Margaret Toon and members of Northwich RNA (Photo courtesy of Ted Rimington)



Shropshire

In the course of his many investigations on FoWM's behalf, RV Major Clive Blakeway has discovered a particularly unusual war memorial - a Stanier 8F steam locomotive, number 48773. The engine was built in Glasgow in 1940 for wartime service in France, but was instead dispatched to Iran then Egypt with the Royal Engineers. Dubbed one of the engines "that helped to win the war" it now runs on the Severn Valley Railway and in 1986 was dedicated as a memorial to all British military railwaymen who died in WWII.

Stanier 8F locomotive No 48773 (Photo courtesy of Major C Blakeway)

Kent

RV Ian Turner has helped a local man, Mr Phillips, to compile a Roll of Honour and Book of Remembrance for Luton in Chatham, Kent. Unusually, rather than a statue or memorial building, Luton has a War Memorial Meadow which, despite having been bought by public subscription, is currently the subject of an ownership dispute and threatened with development for housing. With FoWM's support, local people are campaigning to save the meadow and to place a sign at its entrance drawing attention to its significance as a war memorial.

Another vigilant Kent RV, Mr Rowe, reports that he has secured a new site at a local church for the Ramsgate Liberal Club's handsome wooden Roll of Honour, recently rescued from a builder's skip in the town.

We now have nearly 200
Regional Volunteers countrywide and extend a warm welcome to the new RV's who have joined us recently. However, compared with England, we still have relatively few RV's in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, and so would be delighted to hear from anyone interested in helping us there. For a full list of RV's by area and information about becoming a Regional Volunteer, please contact Jane Gaskell at FoWM.

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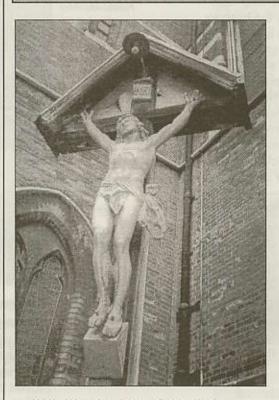
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Royston War Memorial Hertfordshire by B Clemons (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

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WW1 War Memorial at St Mary's Church, Paddington Designed by Martin Travers. FoWM has donated £250 from its own resources to help address the severe structural problems. (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

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THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S MESSAGE SIR DONALD THOMPSON

The Imperial (later Commonwealth) War Graves Commission was established in May 1917 as Fabian Ware, a Commander of The Red Cross (and Special Commissioner of the Rio Tinto Mining Company) was concerned that soldiers' next of kin would be unable to tend war graves on the Western Front. He believed that an official service should be responsible, and everyone who has visited a CWGC cemetery knows what an excellent standard they maintain.

Sadly, there is no equivalent government funding or department to maintain public war memorials (apart from the limited assistance English Heritage can offer in England) and it falls on us as the only charity endeavouring to preserve our memorial heritage to help. As FoWM's existence becomes more widely known, so we receive more requests for conservation advice and grant funding as well as rescuing and "rehoming" memorials - which all costs money. You already help by being a member of FoWM, but your assistance in other ways would also be appreciated. Have you individual and corporate contacts who could be approached for financial support? Please could you organise a fundraising event with contacts in your area? We have an FoWM Christmas pudding this year (see page 11) - could you sell any to friends, neighbours or contacts to help us to raise funds? Please write to your MP asking for their support for government funding to ensure that war memorials, in addition to war graves, are respected and maintained in perpetuity, as they too are for forever, not just for Remembrance Day.

FoWM sincerely appreciates everything its members, volunteers and supporters already do to help, but please do let me have your suggestions for other individual or corporate contacts we can approach, or whom you are prepared to ask (a personal "ask" is always more successful). I thank you and look forward to hearing from you.

NEWS FROM FRIENDS OF WAR MEMORIALS

More New Faces at FoWM

FoWM is sorry to announce the departure of its Membership Secretary, Julia Green, who has been tempted away from London by the fresh air and open space of Herefordshire. It is testament to Julia's energy and enthusiasm (and to FoWM's recent growth) that she is succeed not only by a new Membership Secretary Amy Flint, but also by Charity Manager Niki Pratt. We would like to thank Julia very much for all she has done for FoWM, and to warmly welcome Amy and Niki, who are already deeply immersed in preparations for the FoWM AGM (rescheduled for Monday July 23rd at 5.00pm)



Niki Pratt (left) and Amy Flint (right) - (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

FoWM Out and About

Despite postponements and cancellations resulting from the Foot and Mouth Disease outbreak, it's been a busy six months for Jane Gaskell and all the Regional Volunteers who have been either helping on the FoWM roadshow stand or representing FoWM at local events in their areas (Geoff Allan and Clive Blakeway at Family History Society events in the Isle of Wight and Shropshire, Paul Dyer and Paul Rason at Nunhead Cemetery Open Day, David Hooper at the RAF Waddington Air Show and Albert Page at the RAF Cosford Air Show, among others). Without the support of our RV's it would not be possible to obtain such wide coverage and we are very grateful both for their practical help and suggestions for suitable venues.

The FoWM stand proved popular at the National Countryside Show in February despite a low overall visitor turnout and at the SALVO show in April despite the inclement weather. Thanks to the Kennel Club's continued generosity FoWM had a free stand at Crufts again this year, which drew plenty of interest and donations - with help of Jane's springer spaniel Sally who has perfected the art of sitting on visitors' feet until they put something in the collecting box!

FoWM-Maritime had a equally successful stand at the Dive Show in March, helping get its campaign for the designation and protection of wreck sites as maritime war memorials off to a flying start. We have plenty more events coming up over the summer (see page 12) - so come and see us!



"Deputy Fund-Raising Manager" Sally at Crufts (Photo by Jane Gaskell)

FoWM-Maritime stand at the Dive Show (Photo by David Hooper)



FoWM stand at the National Countryside Show (Photo by David Hooper)



Review

Monuments and Landscape Symposium - by Amy Flint

Held at the Georgian Group's HQ at Fitzroy Square, London on May 17th, the one-day Monuments and Landscape symposium proved a complete success, with its high calibre of lectures, impressive number of attendees and funds raised for FoWM and the Mausolea and Monuments Trust.

William Palin (Assistant Curator at Sir John Soane's Museum), Ann Compton (Curator of the University of Liverpool's Art Collections), architectural and landscape historian Patrick Eyres, Johanna Darke (Chief Executive of the Public Monuments and Sculpture Association) and English Heritage Listing Inspector Roger Bowdler were the speakers. We were also fortunate that Harriet Frazer could be present to answer questions about the role of her charity, Memorials by Artists, in commissioning new memorials of all types.

The symposium aimed to explore the multiple forms and functions of monuments and their complex inter-relationship with landscape. Ann Compton's lecture on the work of sculptor C S Jagger and Patrick Eyres' on the landscape monuments of Wentworth Woodhouse provided case studies focused on a particular individual and place. By contrast, Willam Palin's history of English Mausolea, Johanna Darke's Monuments and the Landscape - monuments as landscape and Roger Bowdler's overview of public cemeteries and burial grounds from the 17th to the 20th Century covered broader topics in equal depth.

The lectures were thought-provoking and stimulated scintillating debates that, if time had allowed, would have continued well into the evening. Overall, the symposium was a lively and interesting event with the lectures ultimately complementing each other in emphasising the importance of conserving the rich and vibrant monumental heritage of this country.

FoWM Fiction

Instead of poetry, this quarter we have a thought-provoking short story from the USA.

Fallen soldiers left us a lot to live up to by Dick Feagler.

"I didn't give my life for my country. I gave my life for a guy named Bill, who was a friend of mine. He got shot and couldn't get back to the lines. He was hollering *Help me*, *help me!* We all kind of froze for a minute and then I was the one who made the lunge.

To be honest with you, I couldn't tell you why I did it. I guess I just figured I could make it if I did it fast. It was only about 50 feet to where he was. I got about 45 feet. Then they opened up and Bill and I died looking at each other. He's here too, someplace.

The President was here this morning, Well, somebody was. Heard somebody gabbing through the loudspeaker. Too far down the hill for me to tell who it was. Laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns. One of them's missing, of course. They say that pretty soon they'll figure out who he is and he'll be a known. Naturally, we already know who he is. Everybody knows everybody here. To us, you are the unknowns. You are the ones we can't figure out. You come once, maybe twice a year and thank us for all we did for the country. You say we died to preserve your freedoms and to save a very special way of life. We don't like to insult you or hurt your feelings, but to be honest about it, you are a puzzle to us. Just like the guys down the hill under the big monument are a puzzle to you.

I already told you I died trying to save a guy named Bill. I'd just as soon you'd leave it that way, because if you're telling me I shed my blood to buy your way of life, then I'm telling you I got cheated. You've got an interesting idea of freedom. To you it means freedom from responsibility. Freedom to get something for nothing. Freedom to stay in the club without paying your dues. You took freedom of speech and made it freedom of spin. You lie to each other all the time. You wrap screwy ideas up in slick paper and sell them to each other. You fall for each other's con games . . .

I'm sorry, I'm forgetting my manners. You're a guest here. Listen . . . Hear that? That's a bird. Isn't that pretty? We hear them here when you're not around making speeches, but we can't see them, obviously. You'd know a little more about freedom if you were stuck down here in this box for a while. If I had the

freedom to get out of this box, do you know what I'd do with it? I'd feed those birds; I'd watch them for a while. I'd drink a glass of cold water: I'd eat some fresh-baked bread, I'd look at the sky - I'd love to see the sky again. I'd listen to music - I mean good music. They only play one song here. Over and over. On a bugle.

I'd meet the girl I never met and have the kid I never had. I'd take care of that kid and teach him about birds and bread and music and love. I wouldn't let his brain get polluted with all the garbage you've made out of that freedom you claim I died for . . . I told you, to us you are the unknowns. Are you beginning to see why? I died on the battlefield with the sound of gunfire in my ears. You have made battlefields out of schoolyards. Your kids are lying in schoolyards saying Help me, help me! And nobody's making a move . . . Do you know what it's like to lie here and not be able to do anything about it while you're up there walking around with all that fancy freedom you've got?

Awww, forget it. I always did have a big mouth. When I had a mouth . . . It's getting dark, isn't it? The birds are telling me - they sing differently when it starts to get dark. Pretty soon, they'll stop and that will be the end of another Memorial Day. When we can't hear the birds we know it's dark where you are too. But you've got the moon. We've got nothing. Pitch black. So how come it seems that you are more in the dark than we are?

In a minute the bugler will be playing that song again. Listen to it. Listen hard. He's playing it for you. I had mine.

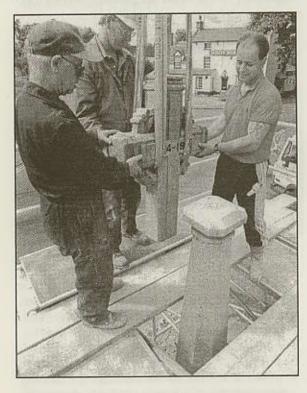
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1943 - 45 Memorial to those lost in US coastal waters, Battery Park, New York (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

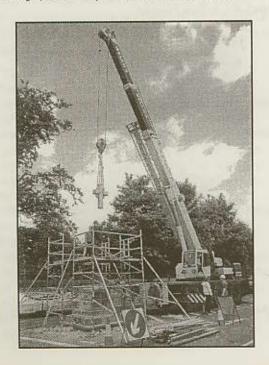
Friends of War Memorials Grants

Friends of War Memorials gives small grants (courtesy of the Halifax plc) contributing to war memorial projects nation-wide and overseas. There are no geographical restrictions or listing requirements and the grants have assisted a diverse cross-section of both existing and new war memorials. Recently completed projects include:



Moving the war memorial at Exning, Suffolk, from a dangerous road junction to a newly created monumental garden nearby as part of £30,000 road safety scheme . . .

(Photographs courtesy of The Newmarket Journal)





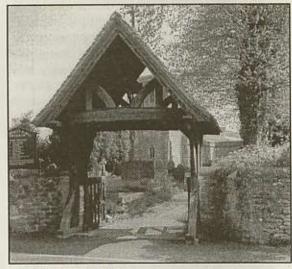
... and relocation of the war memorial at Niton, Isle of Wight from a steep roadside bank to St John the Baptist churchyard where gathering for memorial services will be easier and safer.

(Photo by John Hill)

Emergency repairs and rebuilding to make safe the cross on top of the listed war memorial at St Mary's churchyard, Speldhurst, Kent after storm damage.

The addition of a new plinth section to the war memorial at Hales, Norfolk, to carry the names of those who fell in WWII.

Repair of the Christ figure, cross and base of the war memorial at Meriden, Coventry. The Christ figure was damaged by thieves in 1997 and new arms had to be sculpted and attached before the figure could be returned to the memorial.



Chesterton lychgate (Photo courtesy of Mrs S. Strivens)

Repair of the WWI war memorial lychgate at St. Mary's Church, Chesterton, Oxfordshire and refurbishment of the Spon Green war memorial at Bistre Methodist Church, Buckley, Flint.



Soldiers Still Missing A free service to assist relatives in tracing soldiers from WWI & WWII. Contact James Gooding, 27 Towse Close, Clacton on Sea, Essex, CO16 8US.

FUNDING UPDATE

English Heritage and FoWM War Memorial Grant Scheme: Latest Grants

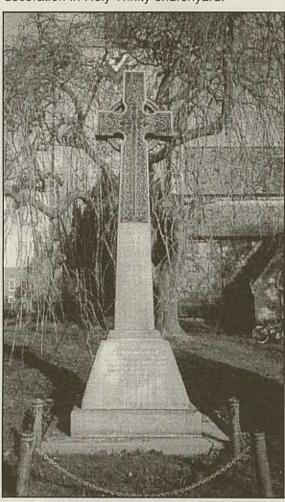
English Heritage's £200,000 grant scheme for the repair and conservation of war memorials started last year. Grants are awarded quarterly on the advice of a Grants Advisory Panel and the latest successful projects are:

Rolvenden, Kent

£5,000 for phase 2 stone consolidation and repair to this important war memorial cross by Sir Edwin Lutyens.

Barrow on Humber, North Lincolnshire

£150 for essential cleaning and relettering of the polished granite wheel cross with celtic decoration in Holy Trinity churchyard.



Barrow on Humber War Memorial (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

Bridgnorth, Shropshire

£675 for a replacement bayonet and associated repair of the figurative war memorial by Captain Adrian Jones.

North Rauceby, Lincolnshire

£722 for investigative cleaning and relettering of the inscription on the memorial cross in St Peter's churchyard, made by Mr Bland, mason to the Rauceby Hall Estate, c1920.

North Rauceby War Memorial (Photo by Maggie Goodall)



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to give your name.

You may receive a reward. Stockbridge, Hampshire £2,240 for stone repairs to the cracked and damaged base of this idiosyncratic 1921 Lutyens memorial cross, after investigative work has established the extent of the work needed.

Slockbridge War Memorial (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

Isleworth, Middlesex £5,000 for the renewal of 2 badly weathered name panels and consolidation of others on this prominent war memorial clocktower.

Isleworth War Memorial Clock Tower

(Photo by Maggie Goodall)



Funds are still available and the grant scheme will continue through 2001/2002. To be eligible a war memorial must be independently listed at Grade II and situated in a Conservation Area in England. FoWM is administering the grant scheme and information, application packs and advice are available from Maggie Goodall at FoWM.

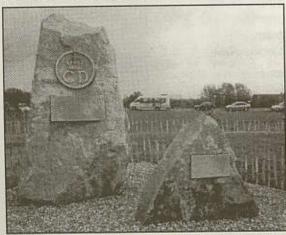
WAR MEMORIAL NEWS

The National Memorial Arboretum -Official Opening

The National Memorial Arboretum (NMA), in the National Forest at Alrewas in Staffordshire. was officially opened by its Patron HRH the Duchess of Kent on May 16th. The 82 acre site (formerly a gravel works) given by Redland Aggregates, has been transformed into a landscaped memorial park with a poppy field, chapel and visitor centre alongside a variety of individual ex-service and civilian memorials. FoWM has assisted in the creation of a number of these including The Palestine Pals Association Memorial, The National Civil Defence Memorials to human and animal casualties (unveiled by FoWM's Director General Sir Donald Thompson on June 16th) and the Shot at Dawn Memorial, whose sculptor Andy de Comyn also worked with woodcarver Peter Benson on the British Berlin Airlift Association Memorial, and who will be guest speaker at FoWM's AGM in July.

Inspired by the late Group Captain Lord Leonard Cheshire, the NMA is intended to commemorate the past and, with its specimen trees and Avenue of native species from each country of the United Nations, to provide a living memorial for the future. Those who are missing or who lie in unmarked graves or on the seabed are also remembered with a World Memorial Cairn onto which visitors are invited to place a stone, collected as they walk around the site. The official opening was a moving and successful day despite the cold, with many finding the sombre weather and mud left by recent rain and construction work symbolic and strangely apt.

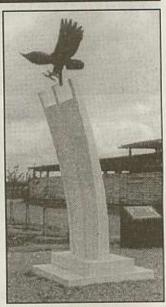
The National Memorial Arboretum is situated on the A513 between Alrewas and Tamworth in Staffordshire and is open every day. Call 01283 792333 for information.



Civil Defence Memorials - (Photo by Jane Gaskell) Unveiled on 16th June 2001 by Sir Donald Thompson

British Berlin Airlift Association Memorial

The memorial along with a grove of 39 trees (one for each of the British and Commonwealth personnel who died) were dedicated on May 12th 2001, the anniversary of the end of the Berlin Blockade in 1949.

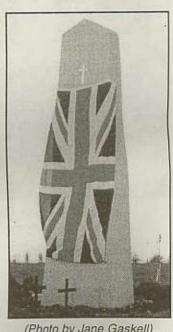


(Photo courtesy of Geoffrey Smith)



FoWM RV Mr Albert Page and guests at the 49th Infantry Division Memorial (Photo by Jane Gaskell)

Memorial to be unveiled by HRH The Duchess of Kent to mark the opening of the National Memorial Arboretum.



(Photo by Jane Gaskell)

WAR MEMORIAL NEWS

War Memorials Plaques Rescued

A plaque commemorating the WWI fallen of Lidgate, Suffolk, and missing for years, turned up recently at a car boot sale, and has been returned to the village by Mr Valente who bought it for £1.

FoWM has returned a plaque recording the endowment of a war memorial bed by the **Hull Hospital** Supplies Committee to the Hospital where it will be displayed in the administration block alongside other hospital memorials.

New Memorials Unveiled

The creation of new war memorials continues apace. Local man and FoWM RV Mr William McSkimming has been the driving force behind the creation of 4 new granite panels recording the names of West Kilbride's war dead to stand alongside the town's original memorial which is one of the many designed without a roll of names. Pte Francis Wheatley VC served with distinction in the Crimea but was buried in an unmarked common grave in Brompton Cemetery, London when he died in 1865. This year Allerford Road Ex-Service Group provided a new headstone and held a commemoration service there, attended by Pte Wheatley's descendants. A memorial cairn and plaque has been erected on the site of Rosneath Naval Base in Scotland to commemorate those who served and trained at and built Rosneath, the first US naval base of WWII in mainland Britain.

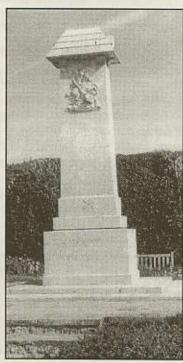
A new memorial was unveiled in May at Albuhera in Spain to commemorate those of the 3rd Foot (Buffs), 31st Foot (East Surrevs) and 57th Foot (Middlesex) and others who fell in battle there in the Peninsula War, 1811. The 4 metre tall granite obelisk was designed by Major Tony Martin of the Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment.



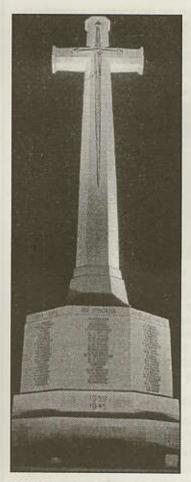
Battle of Albuhera Memorial (Photo courtesy of POWRR)

War Memorials Refurbished

The war memorial at Cranbrook, Kent, designed by Major James Burgess Scott and carved by Messrs Jenkins of Torquay, 1921 has been refurbished and was rededicated in April.



Cranbrook war memorial after refurbishment (Photo courtesy of Gordon Newton, Burlite Ltd.)



Chislehurst war memorial floodlit (Photo courtesy of Barry Holroyd, LB Bromley)

The London Borough of Bromley continues to pay careful attention to its war memorials. and has now installed floodlighting at Beckenham, Mottingley and Chislehurst with West Wickham, Bromley and Keston soon to follow

SELECTED APPEALS

Friends of War Memorials is often approached to help in publicising projects to rescue or restore existing memorials, to create new ones, to assist with research about memorials and those they commemorate, and to make war memorials more accessible to the public. Here we are able to feature a small selection of the appeals that we receive.

Mystery Plaque

FoWM supporter Peter Clarke of Stockport has in his possession a brass plaque, rescued from a scrap converter's furnace, which records the endowment of a hospital bed by members of the 57th Division, a now disbanded territorial division from West Lancashire. The plaque dates from WWI and measures 20" x 6" with a decorative crest. Mr Clarke would like to learn of the plaque's origins, with a view to returning it to an appropriate location.



Mystery plaque - (Photo courtesy of Peter Clarke)

Missing War Memorial

FoWM would be interested in further information about a Roll of Honour dedicated to members of Stanton Working Men's Club, which a FoWM supporter spotted in a flea market 2 years ago but was unable to purchase for re-homing. Do any readers know where this memorial might have come from or its present whereabouts?



Stanton WMC Roll of Honour (Photo by David Rogerson)

If readers can help with either appeal, please contact Maggie Goodall at Friends of War Memorials, 4 Lower Belgrave Street, London, SW1W 0LA. Telephone: 020 7259 0403 Fax: 020 7259 0296 email: fowm@eidosnet.co.uk

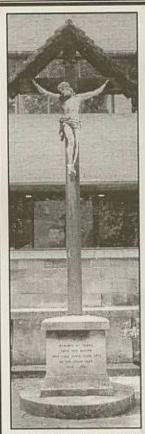
Animals in War Memorial

In February the Animals in War Memorial Fund officially launched its appeal for funds to build a new memorial in London in memory of all animals that have served and died in war, from glow worms whose light assisted trench map-reading, to cavalry horses and camels, pack mules and elephants, ships' cats,

regimental mascots, carrier pigeons, mine detector- messenger- and rescue dogs and the "para-pups" who accompanied their handlers on parachute missions, many of whom were awarded the PDSA's Dickin Medal for bravery. The memorial, designed by sculptor David Backhouse, has the support of Falklands veteran Simon Weston and author Jilly Cooper whose 1983 book Animals in War, with its tales of animal exploits and moving statistics of animal casualties, has been republished to raise funds. FoWM itself has a number of "animal assistants" (including canine RV's -Murphy in Germany and Sally on the roadshow - and office moggy Uncle Puss) and, appreciating the sentiments behind the animal memorial, has lent its support.

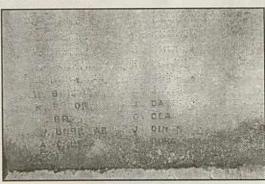
For further information on the memorial contact: Animals in War Memorial Fund, 72 Wilton Road, London, SW1V 1DE Fax: 020 7834 7588 (Registered Charity No 1068748)

AT RISK



Above: St Olave and St John war memorial, Fair Street, Southwark. (Photo by Maggie Goodall)

Right: Leaded lettering missing from the Roll of Honour. (Photo by Maggie Goodall) FoWM is often contacted by its RV's and supporters, and members of the public, concerned about the condition of their local memorials. Usually FoWM's subsequent approaches to the relevant bodies about repair or restoration are sympathetically received but, whilst intractable authorities seem to be in the minority, unfortunately there are a number still out there. Consequently some memorials continue to suffer, among them the war memorial calvary in Fair Street Park (formerly St Olave and St John churchyard), Southwark. FoWM first reported the alarming and deteriorating condition of this war memorial to the local authority in 1998. Despite promises to "look into it" little action has yet been taken and the memorial's condition is now a disgrace, with so many leaded letters missing from the Roll of Honour that it is illegible and the memorial garden overgrown with weeds. We will be featuring other examples on our website and will continue to prick the consciences of the authorities responsible. Watch this space!



HOW YOU CAN HELP FRIENDS OF WAR MEMORIALS

To achieve its objectives FoWM needs your practical and/or financial support, for example, by joining as a friend, sending a donation, commercial sponsorship, becoming a Regional Volunteer, joining as a youth group and school fund raising.

OR SALE

Ties - FoWM colour logo printed on royal blue background £5.50 to clear

> Blazer badges - FoWM colour embroidered logo £6.00 last few remaining



Car Stickers - FoWM colour logo - £2.50

T-shirts - White cotton

with FoWM colour embroidered logo on front LHS £12.50 limited number available - one size (large)

Christmas Puddings

Mail order Christmas puddings from the Ultimate Plum Pudding Company £5.99 for 1lb pudding (serves 4) and £10.31 for 2lb pudding (serves 8-10) branded with FoWM colour logo label and posted to you or as a gift to family/friends.

A donation is made to FoWM for every pudding sold.

All prices are inclusive of post and packing.

Order by 'phone, fax , post or e-mail from Friends of War Memorials 4 Lower Belgrave Street, London, SW1W 0LA Tel: 020 7259 0403 Fax: 020 7259 0296 e-mail: fowm@eidosnet.co.uk

We are considering producing other items featuring the FoWM logo such as: mouse mats, keyrings, polo shirts and enamel badges, if there is sufficient demand.

Expressions of interest please to Jane Gaskell at FoWM, as above.

FoWM 2001 Christmas Cards will be featured in the Autumn Newsletter

lf	you would	like to	help	in another	way

perhaps by corporate giving	
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FRIENDS OF WAR MEMORIAL FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 15th July 2001

WAAF, WRAF, ATS and WRAC Muster Day 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Norfolk and Suffolk Aviation Museum, Flixton, Nr Bungay, Suffolk.

Site includes 25 historic aircraft, permanent exhibition, woodland nature trail and, as featured in FoWM's Spring 2001 Newsletter, the new sculpture *Scramble* (which has been taken over by local birds as a nesting box this summer!).

Saturday 21st July 2001

Kensal Green Cemetery Open Day 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. Kensal Green, London (nearest tube Kensal Green on the Bakerloo Line).

Monday 23rd July 2001

Friends of War Memorials
Annual General Meeting.
The House of Lords, Westminster,
London at 5.00 pm.
Guest speakers
Michael Aidin and sculptor Andy de Comyn.
Please note the AGM is open to paid-up
members only.

Saturday 25th - Sunday 26th August 2001 Imperial War Museum History Weekend HMS Belfast, London.

Saturday 8th - Sunday 9th September 2001
The Duxford 2001 Air Show
Imperial War Museum, Duxford, Cambs.

Sunday 24th September 2001

ROC at Home Norfolk and Suffolk Aviation Museum, Flixton, Suffolk, (see July 15th for details).

Tuesday 2nd October 2001

Horse of the Year Show -Spectacular Inter-services Tournament. An inspiring display celebrating the traditional links between equestrianism and the military, which will appeal to all those who enjoyed the excitement and ceremony of the Royal Tournament.

Sunday 14th October 2001

The Autumn Air Show Imperial War Museum, Duxford, Cambs.

Saturday 20th October 2001

East Sussex and the Great War Venue TBC, East Sussex.

Tuesday 20th November 2001

The Historic Houses, Parks & Gardens Event Queen Elizabeth Conference Centre, London.

For further information about FoWM's forthcoming events, or if you would like to help out on the roadshow, please contact:

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and see our website: www.war-memorials.com Thursday 29th November 2001

Illustrated lecture on FoWM and its work by Maggie Goodali.

Aldershot Militaria Society, Aldershot Library, Hampshire at 8.00 pm.

Tuesday 27th November - Sunday 2nd December 2001

The Caravan and Outdoor Leisure Show, Earls Court, London.

FoWM reserves the right to alter or cancel events if necessary

Also of Interest

Tuesday 31st July - Saturday 4th August 2001

Mars in Ascendant:

The Great War and the Twentieth Century An international conference at University College, Northampton.

Details from Patrick Villa, 50 Ham Green, Pill, Bristol, BS20 0HB

Website:

www.northampton.ac.uk/ass/cul/marscall.htm

Sunday 19th August 2001

Annual Drum Head Service at St Peter's Church, Leighton-cum-Minshull Vernon, Crewe, Cheshire at 2.45 pm. FoWM members welcome. Details from Mr J Davies: Tel 01270 257092

Monday 22nd and 29th October 2001 Monday 5th and 12th November 2001

The Ancient Monuments Society Autumn
Lecture Series: Architecture Animated Building and Sculpture over the Centuries.
AMS and PMSA members: free, others £2.00
All 4 lectures at The Courtauld Institute of Art,
Somerset House, The Strand, London, WC2.
Details from AMS: Tel 020 7236 3934
website: www.ancientmonumentssociety.org.uk

Saturday 17th - Sunday 18th November 2001

The Army Arts Society Annual Exhibition The Mediaeval Hall, Cathedral Close, Salisbury, Wilts. 10.00 am to 4.00 pm. Details from Hon Secretary Marshall Kearney: Tel 01980 670140

e-mail: marshall.kearney@ukf.net

On the Bookshelf

The Victor Heroes by Robert Pike

The lives and deaths of the 159 men commemorated on the WWI war memorials of Saffron Walden, Essex.

Ancre Publishers, 2000.

169 pages, illustrated. ISBN 0-9539507-0-0 £12.99 plus P&P

(33% discount for FoWM members) from Ancre Publishers (01799 502680) or e-mail: robert.pike@ntlworld.com