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War Memorials Trust works to protect and conserve all war memorials within the UK

Objectives of War Memorials Trust

1. To monitor the condition of war memorials and to encourage protection and conservation when appropriate.
2. To provide expert advice to those involved in war memorial projects, to act as the specialist organisation for war memorial conservation issues and to facilitate repair and conservation through grant schemes.
3. To work with relevant organisations to encourage them to accept responsibility for war memorials and recognise the need to undertake repair and conservation work.
4. To build a greater understanding of war memorial heritage and raise awareness of the issues surrounding war memorial conservation.

Membership rates

War Memorials Trust membership rates are:

£20 annual member;
£30 joint annual member and
£100 for a lifetime subscription.

Grant schemes

War Memorials Trust administers three grant schemes for the conservation and repair of war memorials in the UK.



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Between them, these schemes cover the whole of the UK and all types of war memorials. Details on each scheme are available at www.warmemorials.org/grants or by contacting the Conservation Team on 020 7233 7356 or 0300 123 0764 or conservation@warmemorials.org.

For enquiries about eligibility for funding a Grants Pre-Application Form should be completed in the first instance. This form allows the Conservation Team to identify the type of memorial, the nature of the project and the project costs to determine which grant scheme is most appropriate.

They can then provide the relevant application documents. The Grants Pre-Application Form can be downloaded at www.warmemorials.org/grants or obtained from the Conservation Team.

Please note that projects cannot be funded retrospectively.

Message from the Director

Dear supporters,

Happy New Year from all at War Memorials Trust. We hope you have had a good start to 2013. Here in the office we are already busy and facing up to a challenging and exciting year ahead.

We have been delighted to welcome new members of staff recently, we commemorated this with a team photo in January shown right. The eight members of staff are supported by five fantastic Office Volunteers. In November 2012 Fran Jeens started as Administrator. In January 2013 Kevin Redgate joined us to manage the War Memorials Online project. To find out more about Fran and Kevin turn to page 5.



Staff: back row from left: Andrea, Ruth, Kevin, Frances; front row from left: Nancy, Amy, Fran, Emma © WMT, 2013

You may recall War Memorials Online is seeking to generate a greater understanding of the current condition of war memorials in the UK. We have had a good response to date and hope that 2013 will see many more people reporting the condition of their local war memorial. Initial reports suggest that 10% of war memorials may be in poor or very bad condition which could mean as many as 10,000 across the country. We face a big challenge over the next few years if that many war memorials need our help but at least we are starting to get a better, more accurate, understanding of the need for help. The more data we can collect the more realistic a figure we can generate. We therefore really need your help to collect this information so if you have not yet reported on the condition of your local war memorial, good or bad, please do get involved, you will find further details on page 11.

Reflecting back on 2012 it was another year in which the charity made a significant difference to the protection and conservation of war memorials. The charity worked on nearly 4,000 war memorial cases of which over 700 were new. 63 projects shared Small Grants Scheme and Small Grants Scheme in Scotland offers of £76,000. The Learning Programme launched materials and a website encouraging greater engagement with war memorial heritage amongst young people. War Memorials Online, In Memoriam 2014 and our campaign to identify a War Memorials Officer at every local authority are projects which are supporting our efforts to protect and conserve war memorials reaching new audiences and offering support to help custodians maintain the memorials for which they are responsible. During the year we faced challenges with the current economic climate making fundraising difficult but we will continue our efforts to secure the resources needed to support communities across the country. Further information on all our activities will be available in the Annual Report and Accounts scheduled for release in May.

One aspect of our work which we will again be focussing on this year is the listing of war memorials. The front cover of the Bulletin carries a picture of Bracknell war memorial courtesy of Julia Kelsall. This memorial was successfully listed by War Memorials Trust in 2012. Listing is one of the few mechanisms available to protect war memorials. The Trust, and our Regional Volunteers, seek to submit listing applications for memorials and it is something which can be undertaken by anyone. If you have a local memorial you would like to protect consider submitting a listing application. Full details of how can be obtained from our website or by contacting us and once done the memorial has additional protection to support its long-term preservation. Turn to page 9 for further information on the Bracknell memorial and page 13 for details on joining our ever growing band of wonderful Regional Volunteers.

As ever we greatly appreciate all the kind gifts and donations made to the charity. We were intrigued by a gift last November from the trainees at HMS Sultan who raised £200 by eating bacon rolls! And Regional Volunteer Martin Levick raised £80 for the charity by raffling tickets to Gerry Cottle's Circus. It is good to hear that people are having fun whilst raising money! We hope this continues through 2013 and beyond.

With best wishes and sincere thanks for your ongoing support,

Frances

War Memorials Trust news

Member event: A talk by Gavin Stamp

On 14th November, architectural historian and Trustee of War Memorials Trust, Dr Gavin Stamp gave a talk for our members and their guests about the official war memorials of the Great War in the UK and overseas.

This fascinating talk covered the establishment of the Imperial War Graves Commission (now the Commonwealth War Graves Commission) and explored the work of some of the most significant war memorial architects, including Sir Edwin Lutyens, Sir Herbert Baker, Sir Robert Lormier and Sir Reginald Blomfield.



Attendees enjoying Gavin Stamp's talk in Leicester © WMT, 2012

The event was held at the Newarke Houses Museum in Leicester in order to give our supporters in Leicestershire

and the surrounding counties an opportunity to hear this interesting talk. Attendees were also able to have an 'after-hours' stroll around the museum taking in the 'Leicester at war' exhibition, the Tudor panelled room and the recreation of the 1950s Wharf Street including the Jolly Angler pub, greengrocer and pawnbroker.

The Trust would like to thank Gavin for his time preparing and giving the talk and for a very enjoyable evening. Please look out for details of more member events in future editions of Bulletin.



Lutyens' memorial arch in Victoria Park, Leicester © WMT, 2011

In Memoriam 2014 continues to offer communities the opportunity to mark their war memorials with SmartWater and we are delighted that interest is being sustained. In November 2012 the Trust was pleased to release figures which showed that thefts or attempted thefts reported to the charity associated with war memorials had fallen by 60% on the previous year. There are many factors associated with that decline, which was reflected in other sectors, but we hope that the raised awareness of war memorials stimulated by In Memoriam 2014 and the Trust's work is at least a factor.

**IN
MEMORIAM
2014**

On 9th November War Memorials Trust and In Memoriam 2014 were referred to a number of times in the House of Commons during the reading of the Scrap Metal Dealers Bill. Christopher Chope, MP for Christchurch noted in regard to the project that "If we want a positive message to send out on the eve of Remembrance Sunday, surely it would be: is that not a fantastic example of co-operation between the private sector and the public interest? If we put SmartWater on all the memorials, that should, in principle, deter people from stealing them." It was good to see the project, and the Trust, receive recognition and whilst we know it is not a failsafe In Memoriam 2014 offers communities the opportunity to do something positive to protect their war memorial. And in applying SmartWater we know that the community has recognised the importance of its war memorial and is likely to be increasingly vigilant.

We should also remember that this challenge is not new. The Black Watch Boer War memorial on The Mound in Edinburgh had its first experience of vandalism around 1911. And we read, in November 2012, the story of George Ravenhill a VC winner from the Boer War whose VC was stripped following a conviction for stealing scrap metal when his family fell on hard times on his return. King George V restored all forfeited VCs in the 1920s but it reminds us that the theft of scrap metal is a challenge that has been around for a long time and affects not just war memorials but all types of metal both within the heritage sector and elsewhere.

War Memorials Trust news

Thanking Fran Jeens

Before joining the Trust in November I was living and working in the Channel Islands. Employed as the Curator of the Alderney Museum my role was primarily to care for the collection and archives, lead on research projects and organise the day-to-day running of the museum. My prime focus was the First and Second World Wars, particularly the total evacuation of the island of Alderney in June 1940.

My previous posts have been in the museum sector and working in small charities which I enjoy. I got into this field following an MA in Museum Studies at UCL and a History and Ancient History degree at the University of Nottingham. Having previously heard about the Trust I have enjoyed being part of an organisation that actively works to preserve and promote interest in our military history and care for historic objects that are located outside of museum spaces. Unfortunately my role with the Trust will have finished before this Bulletin reaches you as I am moving onto a position within a museum where I will be able to develop further my interest in this field.



Fran Jeens © WMT, 2013

Introducing Kevin Redgate

Having been an Office Volunteer with the Trust since September 2011, I am delighted to have joined the full-time staff as the War Memorials Online Administrator since 2nd January.

My main effort will be to ensure the War Memorials Online website becomes a user-friendly tool by which all those with an interest in the conservation and protection of war memorials can publish up-to-date information regarding the condition of war memorials; along with photographs, comments and any concerns. To complement this I aim to develop and publish on the website a lay-term guide to condition assessment, and maintain the Frequently Asked Questions to address any issues users may have or experience in the future.

I continue to be an active member of the Territorial Army's Media Operations Group and am nearing completion of my BA degree in Archaeology.



Kevin Redgate © Kevin Redgate, 2012

Staff visit to the Commonwealth War Graves Commission

In December Amy, Andrea and Emma visited the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's (CWGC) headquarters in Maidenhead for a fascinating meeting. Both organisations have a specific remit which does not overlap, with the CWGC only having responsibility for the official CWGC memorials and graves in the UK and across the world, whereas the Trust does not actually have responsibility for any war memorials but acts as advisor to those who do and only covers memorials in the UK. Despite having distinct remits, inevitably both organisations face many similar issues and enquiries. This led to a varied and lively meeting and information sharing.

We were lucky enough to meet some of the key people behind the scenes such as the Commission's architect and view some of his collection of original plans for some of the most famous memorials such as Arras in France. It was also great to learn that the Commission practises much of what the Trust preaches such as the use of lime mortar and sensitive cleaning methods.

The meeting was initiated by the CWGC's new Director of Horticulture, David Richardson, after he received a copy of the Trust's new guidance on the 'Conservation and management of war memorial landscapes' and also in attendance were the Director of Works and Director of Technical Services.

Conservation news

Changes to the Grants for War Memorials scheme

War Memorials Trust administers the Grants for War Memorials scheme which is jointly funded by English Heritage and The Wolfson Foundation. This grant scheme provides funding for freestanding war memorials in England.

The parameters of the scheme have recently been reviewed which has resulted in a number of changes to the scheme which are detailed below:

- The yearly amount available for this scheme has increased from £100,000 per annum to £200,000 per annum.
- The maximum grant available will be increased to a maximum of 75% of the costs up to £30,000. Previously the maximum available was 50% of costs up to £20,000.
- Works to 'soft landscaping' that forms an integral part of the war memorial will now be eligible for funding where such elements are in need of conservation or reinstatement. This addition is supported by the recently published helpsheet 'Conservation and management of war memorial landscapes' available on War Memorials Trust's website.
- The number of rounds for the Grants for War Memorials scheme will be increased from two to four each year. These rounds will have closure dates of 31st March, 30th June, 30th September and 31st December.

It is hoped that through these changes the scheme will be in a position to provide further assistance to a greater number of war memorial projects. It is anticipated that an increase in interest in this scheme will be seen with the upcoming centenary.

New 'Advice for applicants' on our website

Many of the applicants to our grant schemes do not have prior experience of organising memorial conservation and repair projects. Therefore, we are pleased to announce that at the end of 2012 we added a new 'Advice for applicants' section to the grants pages on our website. The 'Grants' section already contained detailed information on all the grant schemes administered by the Trust.

This new section has been written with our grant applicants in mind and based on common problems we see and common enquiries we receive. However, we hope that it will also be of use to those undertaking repair and conservation projects even if you are not applying to us for funding.

The advice is comprehensive and covers the key stages of a project and grant application. Sections include: how to apply; timeframes for different stages of grant applications; how to manage a project; how to tender; different types of contractors and their roles; and how to accept and claim a grant.

This new section on the website is part of our review of the advice we provide by updating our current guidance and producing new guidance for those topics not covered, which saw the new landscaping guidance produced last year. We hope that we will be able to report on further additions to our guidance in Bulletins throughout this year.

You can view the new section here: www.warmemorials.org/advice-for-applicants. If you have any comments on the new section or think additional advice is required please contact Amy at amy@warmemorials.org or on 020 7233 7356 or 0300 123 0764.

War Memorials Trust gratefully acknowledges the support of English Heritage and Clore Duffield Foundation for its Conservation Programme.



Grants for War Memorials scheme

Lichfield Remembrance Garden (WM3497)

Lichfield Remembrance Garden is located by the side of Minster Pool and is listed Grade II on the English Heritage Register of Parks and Gardens. The Remembrance Garden forms part of a much wider park landscape which is made up of distinct interconnected spaces in the centre of Lichfield dating from the 17th to 20th centuries. The surrounding garden walls, balustrade, gate and war memorial screen are Grade II listed structures. The list description states that the walls, balustrade and gate predate the memorial screen being from the 18th and 19th centuries.



Lichfield war memorial after © Lichfield District Council, 2011

The war memorial itself is in the form of a large stone screen. It is detailed with classical pilasters and pediment with a central figure of St George constructed from Portland stone. Below are slate plaques with incised names painted gold.

The Remembrance Garden and war memorial were designed by Mr C. E. Bateman of Birmingham. Work began on the Remembrance Garden in 1919 and the memorial was dedicated in 1920 in commemoration of the fallen from World War I with World War II dedication and names being added later. The memorial screen was constructed and carved by Bridgeman and Sons Lichfield.

In 2009 an application was made to the Grants for War Memorials scheme for funding towards a programme of repair to the war memorial and the wider Remembrance Garden. The works included cleaning, re-pointing and repairing the war memorial. Some of the detailing had degraded and been lost over time. In addition St George's metal lance had caused some staining to the stone and was in need of conservation.

Works to the wider Remembrance Garden included stabilisation and rebuilding of gate piers and balustrading. The proposals formed part of a bigger project for the Remembrance Garden and the associated linked open spaces which form the park. This project had successfully received grant funding through the Heritage Lottery Fund. The Grants for War Memorials scheme offered the maximum grant available at the time of £10,000 towards the freestanding memorial elements of the project which totalled just over £60,000. The final grant payment upon completion was £9,287. The overall project was given an award by the British Association of Landscape Industries in 2012.



Lichfield war memorial before © Lichfield District Council, 2009



Lichfield war memorial before © Lichfield District Council, 2012



St George figure before © Lichfield District Council, 2009

Small Grants Scheme

Kingston Library, Fairfield Road, Kingston upon Thames (WM4447)

This war memorial consists of a hammered brass tablet on an oak backing surmounted by a bronze crest of the borough arms with bands containing the motto "Dulce et decorum est pro patria mori" which translates "Sweet and honourable it is to die for one's country"; a quote from Roman poet, Horace. The roll of honour is on a flat sheet of copper, on which the letters have been beaten out, using a technique known as repoussé, which is a form of embossment often difficult to achieve. The memorial is dedicated to the 34 men of the borough who died in the South African War 1899-1902.

It was brought to the Trust's attention by one of our members that the war memorial plaque was in need of restoration. In 2012, a grant of £667 was offered for repairs to the memorial tablet. The works involved carefully removing the tablet from the wall and transporting it to the contractor's workshop. The bronze crest showed signs of active corrosion, so it was removed from the oak board and JOS cleaned, re-patinated then waxed for protection and re-fixed onto the board.

JOS cleaning is a chemical-free water, air and granular abrasive vortex system which has a variable pressure to allow for different surfaces and levels of dirt in order to provide a gentle but effective clean. That said, it must still be operated by experienced professionals in order to prevent damage to the surface of the metal on which it is to be used. Whilst it can be used on carved detailing, we only recommend that it is put to use on active corrosion where cleaning by hand is unlikely to be effective.

Following inspection of the plaque, it was found that the copper sheet containing the roll of honour was in a good condition, in spite of being slightly warped which is common for this type of copper plate treatment. On inspection, the contractor believed that it was probably cleaned sometime over the last 120 years with a cutting compound as there were still traces of this left in some of the incised letters. The copper had naturally patinated to a lovely finish, and only required a light clean using a toothbrush to remove traces of the residue from between the lettering then an application of microcrystalline wax to its surface. The oak board was re-varnished, then the tablet was returned to the wall of the library.



War memorial plaque before works commence with traces of white residue on incised lettering from a previous clean © Roland Collins, 2012



Kingston Library memorial plaque following conservation works © Roland Collins, 2012

The memorial was originally unveiled on 18th June 1903 (Waterloo Day) by the Mayor of Kingston upon Thames, Mr Thomas Lyne. The memorial was paid for using surplus money of a committee that was set up to organise events in celebration of the crowning of King Edward VII in 1902. It was around this time that a new library was proposed for Kingston, so the committee decided that it would be appropriate to put the memorial into the library rather than in the parish church so that it could be viewed by members of all religions.

The inscription reads:
"Kingston upon Thames
This tablet

Is erected in memory of the undermentioned
Soldiers from this Borough who died in the
Service of their Country in the South African
War 1899 - 1902"

If you wish to discuss the condition of a war memorial and the possibilities of applying for a grant, please contact the Conservation Team at conservation@warmemorials.org or on 020 7233 7356 or 0300 123 0764.

Relocation

Cox and Kings war memorial (WM1193)

In 2003 War Memorials Trust took into its care bronze memorial plaques from the Cox and Kings banking firm. The memorials commemorate the Cox and Kings employees who lost their lives in the two World Wars and were originally located in their headquarters on Pall Mall.

The Cox and Kings firm was merged with Lloyds TSB in the 1920s and in 2003 the original headquarters building was to be closed. Between 2004 and 2009 War Memorials Trust made numerous attempts to identify an appropriate new location for these memorials. Unfortunately these were unsuccessful.

In 2011 the Trust organised for conservation works to be undertaken to the memorial plaques and renewed efforts to identify a new home. A suggestion was received from a member of the public that the Sofitel London St James may be an appropriate place to relocate these memorials as it is housed in the original Cox and Kings headquarters building.

In 2012 a successful approach was made to the hotel who agreed to offer the memorial plaques a new home as a number of historical items relating to the buildings previous use are already on display. The two bronze plaques were delivered to the hotel in November 2012. They are currently awaiting re-erection.



Cox and Kings World War II plaque after repair © Hall Conservation, 2012



Cox and Kings World War I plaque after repair © Hall Conservation, 2012

Bracknell war memorial (WM5147)

Bracknell war memorial is located in Princess Square, Stanley Walk. The memorial consists of a limestone plinth with inset marble plaques and a carved limestone angel figure on top. The angel figure points heavenward and holds a trumpet.

The memorial was originally erected in 1924 on the edge of the Old Town in commemoration of the fallen of World War I with a World War II dedication added at a later date. It was relocated to its current position in 1950 as part of the redevelopment of Bracknell New Town.

In 2011 War Memorials Trust became aware of proposals to regenerate this area of Bracknell. Following investigation by one of the Trust's Regional Volunteers it became apparent that the proposals included the relocation of the memorial and its possible replacement.

Due to concern over the suitability of a further move for the memorial and the risk posed to its fabric, War Memorials Trust took the step to apply for the listing of the memorial in April 2012. The memorial was subsequently successfully listed at Grade II.



Bracknell war memorial, Princess Square © Julia Kelsall, 2012

The listing of war memorials is an important activity undertaken by the Trust. The listing of these important structures informs any proposals affecting them and ensures that any action taken is appropriate for the age and significance of the war memorial. This activity is greatly supported by the efforts of the Trust's Regional Volunteers who submit listing applications themselves and collect information and photographs to support the submission of applications by Trust staff.

Funding

Heritage Lottery Fund by Tony Crosby, Heritage Lottery Fund Policy Advisor Participation & Learning

Established in 1994, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) distributes money raised through the National Lottery to sustain and transform a wide range of heritage for present and future generations to take part in, learn from and enjoy. Since then HLF has supported more than 33,000 projects, allocating over £5billion across the UK, from multi-million-pound investments in well-known sites like the Imperial War Museum to small grants making a big difference to local communities. HLF offer a range of grant programmes, awarding grants upwards of £3,000.

2014 sees the beginning of a series of centenaries marking World War I and HLF has already allocated over £10million to 45 projects which commemorate key events and developments relating to the conflict; research and record the impact of the war on local communities; and focus on learning about and restoring war memorials.

The approaching centenaries have raised interest in the condition of war memorials across the UK, and HLF grants can be used to help communities to learn about and conserve their local war memorials. This may involve researching the histories behind the names on the memorial culminating in an exhibition or publication; adding names previously not recorded; and restoring and improving access to the memorial itself.

For example, in Derry/Londonderry the Diamond War Memorial project revealed the stories of the men named on the memorial who turned out to be in almost equal numbers from Unionist and Nationalist backgrounds. This challenged perceptions about identity and the monument itself, which is now viewed as a shared landmark. In Worcester, the St Paul War Memorial designed in 1921 was deteriorating and its inscription of names was lost. Volunteers researched its history, including the missing names, which were re-instated during the restoration using local craftspeople. Many more examples of HLF-supported war memorial projects can be found on HLF's website, www.hlf.org.uk, together with details of all the grant programmes, application forms, help notes and office contact details.

In October last year HLF announced an additional £6million for small grants to enable young people working in their communities to explore, conserve and share local heritage of World War I, including war memorials. This scheme will run for six years from early 2013. More details will be available on the HLF website later in the spring.



St Paul War Memorial which benefitted from an HLF grant

Memorials Grant Scheme

War Memorials Trust has been contacted by the Department of Culture, Media and Sport to request that we highlight again the Memorials Grant Scheme. The scheme is currently confirmed until 31st March 2015 and has a budget of £516,000 for the financial year 2012/13.

The Memorials Grant Scheme returns as a grant the VAT incurred by charities or faith groups exempted from the need to register as charities in building, repairing or maintaining public memorial structures. Eligible memorials must be recognised as memorials (rather than, say, statues) by means of an appropriate permanent inscription. Applications are assessed quarterly and the maximum grant payable in response to any application will be 20% of project costs.

If you are aware of anyone planning a war memorial project, or are involved in one yourself, then please ensure they know about this scheme in case they can benefit. Any group that is planning a large memorial project is advised to contact the scheme in advance to discuss eligibility. Details on eligibility can be found at www.memorialgrant.org.uk or you can contact the scheme by telephone on 0845 600 6430.

When War Memorials Trust is awarding grants it takes this scheme into account in relation to project cost.

War Memorials Online

Last November we were contacted by the media with many of the common questions regarding war memorials. How many war memorials are there? How many are in a poor condition? Can you give me examples in my area of memorials which need work? We try our best to answer these but it can be difficult. With your help this could become much easier in 2013 and beyond by using www.warmemorialsonline.org.uk.

If you can update the condition for your local memorial(s) on War Memorials Online we will generate a better understanding of the overall condition of memorials in the UK. If the memorial is not on the website then you can help further by adding it. Poole Park war memorial has been added with current and old photographs (the dedication in 1927), a condition update and links to other sources of information.

Initial condition updates submitted to the website suggest 10% of war memorials are in poor or very bad condition. Based on the estimate of 100,000 war memorials in the UK this means that as many as 10,000 war memorials may need help. But we are only working with a small number of figures to date and as we all know statistics are far more likely to be valid if based on a substantial data set.

It would therefore be wonderful if we could gather accurate data about condition both good and bad for all war memorials. So often the interest is in memorials in poor condition but the vast majority are cared for. If we could show that significant percentages are in good or fair condition then we can start to celebrate the many communities cherishing their war memorial heritage alongside dealing with the smaller numbers of war memorials in need of assistance. As War Memorials Trust supporters you are already demonstrating that people care about war memorials, but if we can take this one step further and collect the data to back this up we can approach the centenary proud of the war memorials which are cared for and acting to help those which need our support. If you are not online or do not own a computer then perhaps you have friends or family who can get involved with you or perhaps the local school would like to support this as a centenary project? If your local church, library, club have war memorials you may wish to let them know about the project and ask them to upload details to the website with the condition information.

As this is an evolving project, visitors and users of the site will find it changing over time as we introduce new features or aspects change. We will give you an update in our next Bulletin as all development will have been completed by then. If you have any questions about the project at any point please contact Kevin, the War Memorials Online Administrator, at info@warmemorialsonline.org.uk or on 020 7233 7356 or 0300 123 0765. Please note information on war memorials submitted to War Memorials Online will be made available to other organisations, including, but not exclusive to, Historic Environment Records and other heritage bodies to support the protection and conservation of the nation's war memorial heritage.

WAR MEMORIALS ONLINE
 Help us to record, conserve and remember our war memorials

HOME MEMORIALS GET INVOLVED FAQs ABOUT US

Poole Park

Address: By the lake, Poole Park, Parkstone Road, Poole DOR BH15

Type: Free-standing
 Description: Later cross
 Conflict: First World War (1914-1918), Second World War (1939-1945)
 Reference #: UN2002/REP/2622

REPORT A CONCERN WITH THIS MEMORIAL

Condition Comments Links

Related link name: National Heritage List for England
 Related Link URL: <http://list.english-heritage.org.uk/results/index.aspx?uid=1392447&searchtype=mapsearch>
 Description: Details of Grade II listing of war memorial
 Submitted by WarMemorialsTrust2 on Sunday, November 11, 2012 - 10:24

Condition Level: Fair
 Comments: Some of the lettering is fading
 Submitted by WarMemorialsTrust2 on Monday, November 5, 2012 - 15:07

Learning

Remembrance Day in schools

The Trust always experiences a busy period in the lead up to Remembrance Day and last year the Learning Programme was no exception. The Trust was delighted by the response to our new learning materials for schools and it was wonderful to visit a number of schools to see what they were learning about as 11th November approached and assist with this.

In October we met staff at Chalfont St Peter Academy in Buckinghamshire. One of our Regional Volunteers, Chris Leach, contacted the Trust because the school was keen to be more involved with the local war memorial in preparation for the 2014 centenary by finding out more about it, fundraising for its repair and looking after it. After meeting with Chris and our Learning Officer, Ruth Cavender, the school are working on a project to achieve these aims. During Remembrance week Chris visited the school to speak to pupils in assembly about the war memorial and the work of the Trust and we look forward to working with staff and pupils in the coming months as their project develops. We greatly appreciate the help we receive from members and Regional Volunteers and many thanks go to Chris for his hard work in putting us in touch with the school and for his help in getting this project started.

In November the Trust was invited to Bream Primary School in Gloucestershire. A teacher there requested help with teaching her pupils about their local war memorial in preparation for their visit to it just before Remembrance Sunday. This provided us with an ideal opportunity to test out some of our latest materials and a visit was arranged so that Ruth could teach the pupils using them.

During the day pupils learned to identify some of the many different features and types of war memorials and discovered more about why they were created by local communities. They also braved the cold and the rain to visit their local war memorial, a cenotaph located in Bream (WM736) overlooking the village and surrounding countryside so that they could see for themselves the names of local men and women who died during the World Wars. The children were interested to find that they recognised many of the surnames on the war memorial because they were shared by current residents of the village. Back at school they heard the poignant story of one of the men named on the memorial, who grew up in Bream and was killed in 1918 at the age of 19. They concluded the day by using the Commonwealth War Graves Commission website to research some of the names listed on the memorial and discovered some interesting, and in some cases surprising, details about them.

Following the visit the children wrote us letters explaining what they had enjoyed about the visit and what they had learnt. Some of their comments were:

"I learnt how to get on to the website and find out about the people on the memorial. I have done my own research on some of them."

"I learnt that cenotaph means an empty grave. I went up to the cenotaph with the school and we had two minutes silence."

"The best part was using the internet to find out about the names. It was really fun!"

"I learnt that Remembrance Day doesn't have to be boring."

"Two days before Remembrance Day we went to Bream cenotaph and it was nice to know who we were remembering. And it was thanks to you!"

It is wonderful to get such positive feedback and know that we are helping young people understand more about war memorial heritage.



Pupils studying Bream war memorial, Gloucestershire (WM736) © War Memorials Trust, 2012



One of the thank you letters from pupils in Gloucestershire

Regional Volunteers

War Memorials Trust's Regional Volunteers (RVs) are members of the charity who wish to take on a more active role to help the Trust achieve its aims and objectives. RVs are registered by county across the UK and have become involved with the charity for a variety of reasons but all have a firm belief in the importance of the protection and preservation of war memorials.

The activities in which RVs can be involved include: monitoring, reporting on condition, listing and researching the history of war memorials; promoting the charity locally or giving talks on behalf of the Trust; representing the charity at rededication ceremonies or similar events; and supporting and assisting with ongoing Trust projects.

We are currently interested in recruiting volunteers in all areas of Northern Ireland and Wales. If you are interested in becoming a RV, please contact Nancy for further information at rv@warmemorials.org, on 020 7834 0200 or 0300 123 0764 or visit www.warmemorials.org/regional-volunteers.

The Trust would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our RVs for the huge contribution they make to the charity and for their support and enthusiasm.

Below is a list of current RVs by the main county they operate in (as of 11th January 2013):

England: *Bedfordshire:* Joan Howe, Ann Kelly, Ian Mould; *Berkshire:* David Haylock, Julia Kelsall; *Bristol:* Sara Burnard, Andrew Honeywill; *Buckinghamshire:* Chris Leach, Andrew Macvine, Taz Sculz; *Cambridgeshire:* Charles Clark, Charmain Hawkins, Brian Krill, Ray Leach, David Neilson; *Cheshire:* Peter Clarke, David French, Alastair Jones, Ian Mackay, John Peters, John Western; *Cornwall:* Paul Holmes, Tina Robinson; *County Durham:* Danny Cassidy, Steve Erskine, Dave Flynn, James Pasby, John Proudfoot and Donna Boyd-Proudfoot; *Derbyshire:* Kevin Miller, Paul Sephton; *Devon:* Steven Batty, Alan Graveley, David Jackson, Pat Pengelly, John Vanderwolfe, Nigel Williams; *Dorset:* Michael Arnold, Tim Craven, Chris Moreton, Katherine Seymour; *East Yorkshire:* Stephen Clarke, Eddy Howard, Paul Ryan, Marigold Vodden; *Essex:* Katie Allwood, Tim Fox-Godden, Robert Newsam, Peter Taylor; *Gloucestershire:* Mike Bennett, Nikita Hooper, Louisa Pick; *Greater London:* James Benn, Anthony Bradbury, Jack Clarke, Paul Courtney, Paul Dyer, Terry Giles, Shani Marshall, Kell Webb, Derek West; *Greater Manchester:* David Brown, Geoff and Chris Hulme, Harry Mills; *Hampshire:* Deirdre Cockcroft, Michael Lambert, Charles MacKenzie, Peter Miller, Neil Smith, Vicki Villers; *Herefordshire:* Martin Levick, Bea Morris, David Williams; *Hertfordshire:* David Armstrong, Andy Wakeford, Brian Wingate; *Isle of Wight:* Geoff Allan, David Gammage; *Kent:* Roy Chadwick, James Day, Gerald Greenwood, Martin Hydes, Daryl Lucas, Paul Monaghan, Christopher Morley, Michael Rushton, John Stone; *Lancashire:* Alan Bunyan, Stuart Clewlow, Paul Conlon, Michael Coyle, Les Hirst, Carol Littler, Jane and Nick Paul, Carol Stephens, Jayne Waring; *Leicestershire:* Roy Birch, Trevor Hearn, Denis Kenyon, Alan Morris, Chris Stephens; *Lincolnshire:* Tony Stubbs; *Merseyside:* Graham Cox, Ian Chapman, Peter Jackson-Lee, Stephen Nulty, Ian Robertson; *Norfolk:* Roland Buggery, Jim and June Marriage, Joe Nash, John Whiteside, Stephen Williams; *North Yorkshire:* Morris Charlton, Richard Thackrah; *Northamptonshire:* Tom Keyes; *Northumberland:* Janet Brown; *Nottinghamshire:* Arthur Clarke, Rachel Farrand; *Oxfordshire:* Alec Powell, Bill Poynton, Maggie Stearn; *Shropshire:* Mike Fallon, Leslie White; *Somerset:* *Mat Applegate,* John Cope, Cyril Davies, Derek Francis, William Hanna, Ash Jones, Ruth Manktelow; *South Yorkshire:* Anne Diver; *Staffordshire:* David Allan, Ray Cope, Neil Johnson, Peter Kent-Baguley, Philip Plimbley; *Suffolk:* Gerry Ford, Adam Gurdon, Bryn Lewis; *Surrey:* Lara Balkwill, Stephen Beels, Tony Davie, Clive Gilbert; *Sussex (East):* Bill Highway, Sean Wallis, David Ware, Graham Whelan; *Sussex (West):* Dave Donaldson, Anne Paton, Richard Pledger, Keith Robson, Ann Sharp, Nigel Taggart; *Tyne and Wear:* Jeremy Fegetter, Tony Ludden; *Warwickshire:* Steve Crump, David Eason, John Hale, Malcolm Thomas; *West Yorkshire:* Peter Bennett, Anne Brook, Paul Clarke, Colin Coates, Steve Taylor; *Wiltshire:* Ian Homersham, Simon Loaring, John Nelson, Anthony Pittman, Angela van der Horst; *Worcestershire:* Carys Aldous-Hughes, Ronald Bubb.

Northern Ireland: *County Antrim:* Archie Davidson.

Scotland: *Dumfries:* Paul Goodwin; *Dunbartonshire:* Robert Dallas; *Fife:* Reg Briers, David and Mary Richards; *Glasgow:* Ian Davidson; *Inverness:* Iain Slinn; *Lanarkshire:* Adrian Hunt; *Perth and Kinross:* Aimee Macdonald; *Roxburgh, Ettrick and Lauderdale:* Alex McCue; *West Lothian:* Bill Keddie, Mark Smith.

Wales: *Clwyd:* Richard Aldrich; *Gwent:* Colin Robins, Jon Williams; *Mid Glamorgan:* Derek Luker; *South Glamorgan:* Ceri Jones.

Get involved

Christmas cards



'Carols in the snow' design

For those of you already planning for next Christmas, the Trust has a limited number of our 2012 Christmas cards available for the **reduced cost** of £2.50 plus 75p p&p per pack of 10 cards (£3.25 total).

Both the 'Cavalry in the snow' and 'Carols in the snow' designs are currently available, but please note that we only have approximately 70 packs of each design left so place your order as soon as possible.

When ordering please indicate whether you would like us to

substitute your order for the other design if your chosen design has sold out.

The cards measure 16 x 11.5cm (6¼ x 4½ inches) and come in packs of 10. Inside both card designs there are details of the charity alongside the message 'Season's Greetings'. Please use the order form on page 15 or visit the Trust website to obtain your packs.



'Cavalry in the snow' design

Gift Aid

Gift Aid is a valuable source of income for War Memorials Trust. Since the introduction of the scheme in April 2000 the charity has claimed additional funds that have assisted its work to protect and conserve war memorial heritage. In 2012, just over £16,000 was collected through the scheme, a significant sum given by supporters at no cost to themselves.

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Completing the Gift Aid declaration when you donate to, or join War Memorials Trust will enable the charity to receive an additional 25p for every pound you give. Gift Aid can be claimed on subscriptions and donations, but not when you purchase merchandise or a gift membership or donation.

War Memorials Trust would like to thank everyone who enables us to claim Gift Aid for their contribution. If you are unsure if you can make the Gift Aid declaration then please contact the office to discuss at info@warmemorials.org or on 020 7834 0200 or 0300 123 0764.

Membership recruitment

As you know War Memorials Trust relies on its members and supporters to enable it to achieve its objectives to protect and conserve war memorials. As demand for our help grows we need to spread the word about the charity both to help as many war memorials as possible but also to find new supporters who can join our ranks. Their subscriptions will help us provide our advice, information, grants schemes and run the charity.

Do you know anyone who might be interested in joining? We are always delighted to send out copies of the Bulletin to anyone who thinks they could put them to good use. One for a neighbour, a dozen for your Legion branch or one for your local library, doctor's surgery or dentist. Contact the office at info@warmemorials.org or on 020 7834 0200 or 0300 123 0764 to order some copies.

Have you considered our gift membership scheme? Would any friends or relatives support our work? Do they have a birthday, anniversary or occasion coming up for which membership would be an appropriate gift? Please contact the office for further information.

Merchandise

Pens and pencils

Discreetly branded with War Memorials Trust's name and website is a stylish ball point pen, green in colour with white lettering. Plain white pencils with a rubber tip carry War Memorials Trust's name in green. Both are ideal for use at home and in the office. These pens and pencils help promote the charity and raise funds for our work.



Lapel badges

War Memorials Trust lapel badges feature the logo and charity name. The 1 inch wide badges are enamel with a butterfly pin on the back. The badge costs £3.50 (including p&p).



'Pound for Life' key ring

This key ring comes with an attachment the same size and shape as a pound coin and is designed to be removed from the key ring to use when needed, e.g. for a shopping trolley or gym locker. The attachment is emblazoned with the Trust logo; the telephone number and website are on the reverse. The key ring is available for only £1.50 (including p&p).



Order form

Please complete this order form and your details overleaf then send to the address details at the bottom of page 16.

No.	Item	Total
	Pack(s) of 'Cavalry in the snow' Christmas cards at £3.25 per pack of 10 cards (inc. p&p)	
	Pack(s) of 'Carols in the snow' Christmas cards at £3.25 per pack of 10 cards (inc. p&p)	
<p>If ordering Christmas cards please indicate if you are happy to accept the alternative card if your card has sold out: I do / do not want the other card</p>		
	Set of 3 Trust pens at £4 (inc. p&p)	
	Set of 5 Trust pencils at £2 (inc. p&p)	
	Trust lapel badge at £3.50 (inc. p&p) each	
	'Pound for Life' key ring at £1.50 (inc. p&p) each	
	Copy(ies) of 'A Century of Remembrance' by Derek Boorman at £12 (inc. p&p) per copy	
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	Donation	
	Grand total	

Get involved

Please complete and return this form
Bulletin 56

Your details

Title First name

Surname

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I would like to join/donate to War Memorials Trust

- Individual annual membership £20
- Joint annual membership £30
(two people at the same address)
- Life membership £100
- Single donation of £.....

Please tick if you DO wish to receive a receipt for your payment.

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For every £1 you give to us, we get an extra 25p from HMRC.
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I want all the donations I have made to War Memorials Trust for the four years prior to the date of this declaration and all future donations that I make from the date of this declaration to be Gift Aid until I notify War Memorials Trust otherwise. I confirm that I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year that is at least equal to the amount of Gift Aid that all charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify.

Gift Aid is not appropriate for my donation

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- Cash
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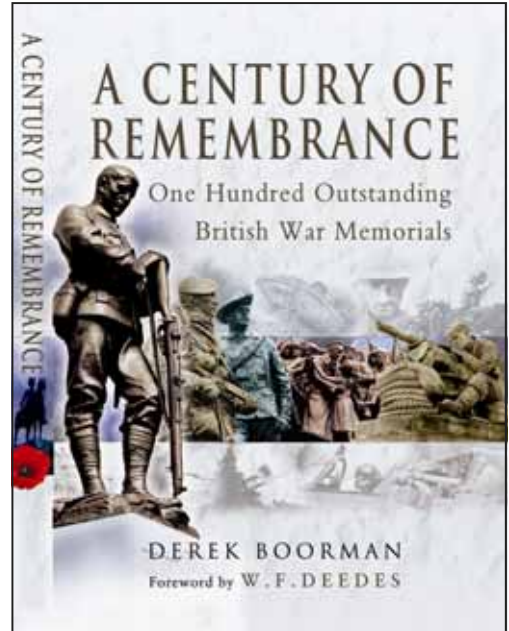
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Merchandise

A Century of Remembrance by Derek Boorman



'A Century of Remembrance' is a study of 100 outstanding UK war memorials. Published in 2005, it covers memorials which commemorate 20th century conflicts from the Boer War to the Falklands and Gulf Wars.

With a short description of the featured memorial's background and significance accompanied by photographs of the whole and detail, each entry is highly informative.

The book would make an excellent present for anyone interested in the UK's war memorial heritage and only costs £12 (including p&p).

Please complete both sides of the order form, detach and send to:

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