

# HONINGHAM

**NORFOLK.**

ROLL OF HONOUR

1914 -1918.



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TO THE GLORY OF GOD  
AND IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE  
MEN OF HONINGHAM WHO  
FOUGHT FOR THEIR COUNTRY IN  
THE GREAT WAR AUG 4<sup>TH</sup> 1914  
TO NOV 11<sup>TH</sup> 1918.

THEIR NAME LIVETH FOR EVERMORE

## FORWORD.

The year 2018 marks the centenary of the end of the Great War, 1914 -1918. The Parish of Honingham was mainly an agricultural community at the time of the Great War. Nevertheless the men of the land volunteered in 1914 and 1915 to join the armed forces in the struggle to prevent the German invasion of Belgium and France, and when conscription came in 1916, they gave their full support to the cause.

Seventy one men went from Honingham to fight for King and Country; eighteen were to lose their lives. The Roll of Honour in St Andrews Church and the Roll of Honour opposite The Buck Inn, Honingham list them all.

When those Rolls of Honour were compiled in the early 1920's, the names listed held a significance to the local population, however, with the advent of time and the frequent movement of the related inhabitants, they have now become, to the many, 'Just a Name'.

My Grandfather, Albert George Howard, is one of those names, a man from a large Honingham family, and a man of the land, a Norfolk man through and through, a soldier in the Norfolk Regiment. It is to his memory that I dedicate this Directory of ALL of those men from Honingham who took up arms in the struggle against the might of the German nation.

The Roll of Honour on the green opposite The Buck Inn, dedicated, **"In Memory of "Curly" and The Heroic Dead"**, gives the names of all the men of Honingham, and indeed those from East Tuddenham, who perished. A Memorial, I believe, bequeathed by Lady Agatha Eleanor Augusta Fellowes, from Honingham Hall, in memory of her son, Captain, Hedworth George Ailwyn Fellowes.

In St Andrew's Church, Honingham, is a comprehensive list of names of those that left the village to fight, with those that failed to return highlighted in a different colour. There is one name on the Roll of Honour opposite the 'The Buck', which is missing from the Church Roll of Honour, William Jessup, (he is buried in St Andrews Churchyard).

In recognition of all those men I have attempted through this Directory to give them an identity. When, and where, they were born, their family details, their Regiment and Army number, and any other relevant information that was discovered.

It has not been an easy task; some men left a larger 'footprint' than others. Nevertheless, a great majority were identified. Unfortunately, there are a few who have escaped the net of recognition, and have not, to date, been found.

These unidentified men do not appear in the census returns as being born or dwelling in Honingham, with the last census being taken in 1911, and with the high degree of mobility of the labour force, there is a likelihood that they moved into the village after that date. Those names that have no details are numerous in other locations. Also presenting a problem was that the name sometimes shown was not strictly correct. Their second Christian name was obviously their popular name of the time, with also the spelling varying.

There is every possibility with the release of the 1921 census; some of the missing names will come to light.

Adding to the endeavour of identification was the absence of available military records; this was due to the blitz of the Second World War destroying thousands of First World War records. Thankfully, a number survived.

Those that died have their names highlighted in **Red Capitals**; all are in alphabetical order to make it easier for reference.

I have without prejudice tried to give the correct information, should any cause to challenge what has been found, I will most willingly amend any fact, supported with the indisputable evidence.

H. A. G. Carlisle.  
Rainow, Cheshire.  
2018.

**JOHN ELISHA ABEL.**

1410449, Gunner, John Elisha Abel, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Born in 1895 at East Tuddenham, son of farmer, Elisha and Mary Ann (nee Howard) Abel, later of Honingham. The 1911 census shows his siblings to be Mildred, Howard, Charles Arthur, Herbert and William George.

John married Hilda Emmerson in the final quarter of 1921, registered at Forehoe, Norfolk. They had a daughter, Joyce.

John is registered at Rackheath, Norfolk as having died, 20 January 1962.

**HOWARD ABEL.**

Born in 1898 at Ringland, son of farmer, Elisha and Mary Ann (nee Howard) Abel, later of Honingham. The 1911 census shows his siblings to be, John Elisha, Mildred, Charles Arthur, Herbert and William George.

Howard married Cecillia St Brighty, in the last quarter of 1922, registered at St Faiths, Norfolk. Their children were, Harold Henry, Eric, Patricia, Sheila, Bryan and John Elisha.

He is registered as having died at Fakenham, Norfolk, in December 1968, aged 70 years.

**FREDERICK WILLIAM ARTHURTON.**

30370, Private, Frederick William Arthurton, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born in 1894 at East Tuddenham, Norfolk, son of Henry Aldous Harry and Ellen (Nellie) Arthurton. Frederick had a brother Harry, his birthday was also recorded in 1894.

Before attesting into the army, Arthur was employed as a butcher. He married Hilda Miriam Wagg in the second quarter of 1914.

Frederick attested at East Dereham, 15/12/1915. His medical papers show him to be five feet five inches tall weighed 130lbs with a thirty four inch chest measurement, aged 21 years and 22 days. His overseas service was at Bombay, India, being drafted there 18/01/1917. Frederick was demobilised, 01/05/1920. During his period in the armed forces his wife moved back to High Street, Docking, Kings Lynn, before returning to Honingham on his demobilisation.

Frederick William is recorded as having died, December 1966, registered at Norwich, Norfolk.

**HARRY ARTHURTON.**

141994, Sergeant, Harry Arthurton, No 1 Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery, formerly, 9163, 25<sup>th</sup> Training Reserve Battalion, Norfolk Regiment, then 10th Battalion.

Born 19 September 1894, at Honingham, son of Henry Aldous Harry and Ellen (Nellie) Arthurton. Harry had a brother Frederick William, his birthday was also recorded in 1894. Harry was employed as a clerk when he attested at Norwich, 09/08/1914, aged 19 years 289 days. He was five feet seven and half inches tall weighed 125lbs with a chest measurement of thirty five inches, his complexion was fresh, he had brown eyes and light brown hair, religion Church of England. He was appointed Lance Corporal, 11/05/1915 and was eventually promoted to Acting Sergeant, 14/07/1916. Harry was transferred to the Royal Garrison Artillery, 16/12/1916.

On the 22 May 1917, Harry married Marguerite Dorothy Hudson, registered at Norwich; they were then resident at 29, York Street, Unthank Road, Norwich.

On the 15 June 1918, he was posted to No 1 S.A.R.B. Shoreham, Sussex. Six months later he was attached to, 430 Agricultural Company, Labour Corps, at Britannia Barracks, Norwich. He was demobilised, 07/03/1919, his address was then, Rotten Row, East Tuddenham.

**WILLIAM HENRY ATKINS.**

Born in 1892, at Limerick, Ireland, son of Edward William and Emma (nee Grand) Atkins.

The 1911 census shows Emma to be a widow and living with her father, farmer and licenced victualler, William Grand, at The Buck Inn, Honingham.

The photo displayed is shown on Ancestry family trees claiming to be William Henry Atkins. This man is in the uniform of The Royal Field Artillery.

**FREDERICK BAILEY.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

### **CHARLES BARKER.**

Born in 1895, at Honingham, son of agricultural labourer, James Bower and Elizabeth, (nee, Watson), Barker of, No 19, Pump Lane, Honingham. Charles was working as an assistant in a flour mill at the age of 16, in 1911. His siblings were, Robert, Edward, George and Ada. George was killed in August 1915, serving with the Norfolk Regiment at Gallipoli.

### **EDWARD BARKER.**

Born in 1887, at Riddlington, Norfolk, son of agricultural labourer, James Bower and Elizabeth, (nee, Watson), Barker of, No 19, Pump Lane, Honingham. The 1911 census shows Edward to be employed as a farm labourer. His siblings were Robert, George, Ada and Charles.

George was killed in August 1915, serving with the Norfolk Regiment at Gallipoli.

### **GEORGE HERBERT BARKER.**

2308, Private, George Herbert Barker, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion (T.F.), Norfolk Regiment.

Born 1889 in Honingham, son of agricultural labourer, James Bower and Elizabeth, (nee, Watson), Barker, of No 19, Pump Lane, Honingham. He later lived at Watlington and Holme, Downham, where he was working as a farm labourer for farmer, William Gotobed. His siblings were Robert, Edward, Ada and Charles.

George enlisted at East Dereham, and as a serving Territorial was mobilised immediately at the outbreak of war. Training was initially done at Colchester in the August 1914, till the spring of 1915, when in March, they moved to Bury St. Edmunds. The Battalion became part of the 54<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, which constituted the 163<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade and continued with their training, now at Watford. They departed by train for Liverpool on the 29<sup>th</sup> July 1915 and were drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. The Battalion embarked on the S.S. "Aquitania" to the Dardanelles, arriving at Mudros, on the 5<sup>th</sup> August. On the 9<sup>th</sup>, the troops were transported by smaller vessels to Imbros, before proceeding on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the landing place of the 54<sup>th</sup> Division in Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. George survived for just over two weeks, being killed in action on Saturday, 28/08/1915; he was aged 26 years.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Private, George Herbert Barker has no known resting place and he is commemorated on the Helles Memorial, Gallipoli, Turkey. C.W.G.C. Ref: - Panel 42 to 44.





Helles Memorial, Gallipoli, Turkey.

Photo courtesy of C.W.G.C.

### **CLIFFORD HAROLD BILHAM.**

28086, Private, Clifford Harold Bilham, 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Bedfordshire Regiment.

Born 19 March 1897, Baptised, 1 August 1897 at Marlingford, son of cowman on farm, James and Emma Jane, (nee, Cousins), Bilham, at Marlingford, Norfolk. In 1911, Clifford was living in Colton, and working as a domestic gardener.

Clifford enlisted into the army at Norwich and was drafted to the Western Front. The Bedfordshire's was in the 37<sup>th</sup> Division, 112<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade in April 1917 and the Battalion war diary covers the events on April 10<sup>th</sup>; *Captured LA FOLIE FERME and LA BERGERE in conjunction with attack of 111<sup>th</sup> Brigade on MONCHY-LE-PREUX. Entrenched on line LA BERGERE cross roads.*

Clifford was killed in action, Tuesday, 10/04/1917, aged 20 years.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.



Private, Clifford Harold Bilham has no known resting place and he is commemorated on the Arras Memorial, Pas de Calais, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: Bay 5.

### **R.BILHAM.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

### **FREDERICK BLYTH.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.



## **STEPHEN BRIGHTY.**

1975, R.Q.M.C.M., Stephen Brighty, 2<sup>nd</sup> Life Guards.

Born in 1877, at Honingham, son of Stephen and Elizabeth Brighty. A family of five boys, Charles, Frederick, George, Stephen and James, with two girls, Racheal and Mary.

Stephen joined the Regular army as soon as he was eligible, 8 July 1895. A big man for his age, five feet eleven and half inches tall weighed 148lbs with a thirty seven and half inch chest measurement, his complexion was described as fresh, he had brown eyes with dark brown hair, his religion was Church of England. He first saw overseas service in South Africa, 04/12/1899 – 09/06/1900, for this service he was award the Queen's South Africa Medal, with clasps for Paardeburg and Relief of Kimberley.

Stephen married Charlotte Elizabeth Daldry, 5 April 1905, at Acton Parish Church. They had two children, Stephen Leonard, 25/08/1905, and Ethel Mary, 10/10/1910, a third child, Beatrice born, 25/05/1909, died, 23/12/1914, their residence was at 35, Bourne Avenue, Windsor. He re-engaged for the Corps of Household Cavalry at Windsor, 18/12/1906, for 21 years' service.

In July 1913, he was awarded the Long Service and Good Conduct Medals. With the outbreak of the Great War, Stephen was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France, 06/10/1914; however, he was back in England, 19/11/1914. He had a further brief spell in France, 08/11/1916 to 21/12/1916, this second posting he spent in No 10 General Hospital, Rouen, with Arthritis, being admitted, 16/12/1616.

Stephen was discharged at Windsor, 17/02/1919.

## **WALTER COLEMAN.**

6559, Private, Walter Coleman, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born 15 December 1882, at Tibenham, Norfolk, Baptised, 2 March 1883, son of agricultural worker, Charles and Mary Ann, (nee, Atkins), Coleman. In 1891 the family were living at Winfarthing Lane, Banham, and by 1901, Walter was a boarder and working as a groom on farm at Redlodge, Rushford, Norfolk. His siblings were Alfred, George, Esther and Rosa.

He attested into the army as a Regular soldier, 02/06/1903, at Brandon, Suffolk. Walter married Harriet Mary Harvey in the summer of 1905, they raised three children, Francis, 12/01/1906, Mabel, 07/10/1908, and Albert, 02/09/1911. Walter signed for the Colours for 3 years with 9 years on the Reserve. His occupation before joining the army was a horseman on a farm. Army medical records show him to have been a man of 5 feet 8 inches tall weighed 130lbs with a chest measurement of thirty three inches, brown hair and brown eyes and that his religion was C of E. In 1911, the family were living at Ringland Road, Tavenham. At the declaration of war, Walter was mobilized from the Reserve, 05/08/1914, and he embarked for France, 16<sup>th</sup> August 1914. He received a gunshot wound to his arm and chin, 01/04/1915, and two months later he received a further gunshot wound to his thigh, 22/06/1915, he was taken to No 3 Stationary Hospital, Rouen. A sad memento amongst his army records was a Telegram sent, 30/06/1915, to; Mrs Coleman, Woodend Lane, Honingham, Norfolk. *Regret to inform you that V.C.3 Station Hospital, Rouen reports 6559 W. Coleman, 1st Norfolk's, Dangerously ill. Regret permission to visit him cannot be granted.*

*Attest Warley.* He died the following day, Thursday, 01/07/1915, at 2.30 a.m. of tetanus, due to the gunshot wound in his left thigh, aged 32 years.

Medals: 1914 Star and Clasp, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Mrs Coleman received a pension of 23/- per week to keep her and three children. The telegram was sent to 69, Wood End Lane, Honingham.

Private, Walter Coleman is buried at St Sever Cemetery, Rouen, Seine-Maritime, France. C.W.G.C Ref: - A. 7. 38.



**Henry and Alice Curson** had five of their sons engaged in action in the Great War, of which, one failed to return home.

### **BERTIE HENRY CURSON.**

43433, Private, Bertie Henry Curson, Norfolk Regiment, former number, 2844.

Born in 1886, at East Tuddenham, son of teamster on a farm, Henry and Alice, (nee, Bugg), Curson, of, Common Road, East Tuddenham. In 1901, the family had moved to Hall Lane, Honingham.

This was a large family with the eldest, stepson, George Bugg, along with, William, Celia, Harry, John, Mary, James, Samuel, Emma and Charles.

Bertie married Bertha Ellen Robinson in the second quarter of 1911, registered at St Faiths, Norfolk. Their son, also Bertie Henry was born in 1912, they lived at No 3 Honingham.

Bertie was working as a gardener when he attested at East Dereham, 09/12/1915, aged 29 years and 4 months. A man of five feet five inches weighed 154lbs with a chest measurement of thirty six inches. He was living at, The Gardens, Honingham.

Bertie died, 23 September 1959, in the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital, his address was 24, Mill Lane, Honingham. Probate of his Will was with his widow. Effects: £964.3s.8d.

### **HARRY SHARMAN CURSON.**

2313, Private, Harry Sharman Curson, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment, former number 2314, and 429057, 667, Agricultural Company, Labour Corps.

Born 1892, at East Tuddenham, son of Henry and Alice, (nee Bugg) Curson. Family details as before. Harry was working as a gardener at Honingham Hall for Sir Ailwyn Fellowes when he attested at East Dereham, 11/08/1914. He was transferred to Labour Corps, 27/10/1917.

Harry was demobilised, 30/03/1919, to, c/o, Mrs Bugg, High Street, Letchingdon.

He was registered at Mitford, Norfolk, has having died, September 1932.

### **JOHN CURSON**

T/34618, Driver, John Curson, Army Service Corps.

Born in 1895, at East Tuddenham, family details as before.

John was employed as a bricklayer's labourer in 1911.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

### **SAMUEL CURSON.**

Born in 1900, at Honingham, the youngest of the Curson family to serve in the forces. He married Daisy Edith Horner, in the second quarter of 1923, registered at Mitford, Norfolk.

Samuel is registered at Wayland, Norfolk, as having died, December 1979.

### **WILLIAM CURSON.**

240302, Lance Corporal, William Curson, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion (T.F.), Norfolk Regiment, former number, 2313.

Born in 1888 in East Tuddenham, son of teamster on a farm, Henry and Alice, (nee, Bugg), Curson, of, Common Road, East Tuddenham. In 1901, the family had moved to Hall Lane, Honingham.

This was a large family with the eldest, stepson, George Bugg, along with, Bertie, William, Celia, Harry, John, Mary, James, Samuel, Emma and Charles.

William was working as a farm labourer when he attested at East Dereham; as a serving Territorial he was mobilised immediately at the outbreak of war. Training was initially done at Colchester in the August 1914, till the spring of 1915, when in March, they moved to Bury St. Edmunds. The Battalion became part of the 54<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, which constituted the 163<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade and continued with their training, now at Watford. They departed by train for Liverpool on the 29<sup>th</sup> July 1915, and were drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. The Battalion embarked on the S.S. "Aquitania" to the Dardanelles, arriving at Mudros, on the 5<sup>th</sup> August. On the 9<sup>th</sup>, the troops were transported by smaller vessels to Imbros, before proceeding on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the landing place of the 54<sup>th</sup> Division in Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. William was one of the fortunate men from Honingham to survive the horrors of Gallipoli. The 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion were withdrawn from the trenches on the 30<sup>th</sup> November 1915, proceeding to Mudros. On the 4<sup>th</sup> December they embarked aboard S.S. "Victoria" for Alexandria, here they set up camp at Sidi Bishar, where they remained until the beginning of February 1916.

The Battalion then set forth for Palestine. In the April of 1917, the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion were engaged in the battle for Gaza. The 163<sup>rd</sup> Brigade was to attack about Khirbet-el-Bir with the 52<sup>nd</sup> Division on its left. In the front line were the 1/5<sup>th</sup> Norfolk on the right, the 1/4<sup>th</sup> Norfolk and the 8<sup>th</sup> Hants in support, with the 5<sup>th</sup> Suffolk in reserve on the left, William was wounded in this engagement, and he died in the No 33 Casualty Clearing Station, Syria, Friday, 20/04/1917, he was aged 29 years.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

These medals were posted to his father at 3, Honingham, Norwich.

Lance Corporal, William Curson is buried at Deir El Belah War Cemetery, Israel/Palestine. C.W.G.C. Ref: - A. 110.



## **WILFRED SIDNEY CURTIS.**

2312, Private, Wilfred Sidney Curtis, 'A' Company, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion (T.F.), Norfolk Regiment.

Born 21 August 1895, Baptised, 6 October 1895, at Colton, son of horseman on a farm, Henry and Agnes Maria, (nee, Patrick), Curtis, he was the eldest of seven children. His siblings were Lily Edith, Cecil, Alice Mary, Ethel Martha, John and Walter.

When Wilfred enlisted at East Dereham, he was working as a domestic gardener and was living on Colton Road, Honingham. As a serving Territorial he was mobilised immediately at the outbreak of war. Training was initially done at Colchester in the August 1914, till the spring of 1915, when in March, they moved to Bury St. Edmunds. The Battalion became part of the 54<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, which constituted the 163<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade and continued with their training, now at Watford. They departed by train for Liverpool on the 29<sup>th</sup> July 1915, and were drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. The Battalion embarked on the S.S. "Aquitania" to the Dardanelles, arriving at Mudros, on the 5<sup>th</sup> August. On the 9<sup>th</sup>, the troops were transported by smaller vessels to Imbros, before proceeding on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the landing place of the 54<sup>th</sup> Division in Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. Wilfred was killed in action on Saturday, 28/08/1915, he was aged 20 years. (The C.W.G.C. records show, Thursday, 12/08/1915).

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

These medals were sent to his parents who were living at 46, Hall Drive, Honingham.

Private, Wilfred Sidney Curtis has no known resting place and he is commemorated on the Helles Memorial, Gallipoli, Turkey. C.W.G.C. Ref: - Panel 42 to 44



Helles Memorial, Gallipoli, Turkey.

Photo courtesy of C.W.G.C.

**LOUIS DACK.**

27327, Private, Louis Dack, Norfolk Regiment.

Born 26 December 1898, at Gressenhall, Norfolk, son of coal carter, Robert and Ann Elizabeth Dack. The Roll of Honour shows his name as Lewis, however all official records show him to be Louis William Dack. His siblings were Sidney Robert, Ethel and Daisy. In 1901 the family were resident at, Greengate, Swanton Morley, Norfolk.

Louis married Ethel Agnes Read on 26 December 1923, at St Andrews Church, Honingham. He is registered at East Dereham as having died, June 1971.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

**WALTER DOBSON.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**ARTHUR DUNNELL.**

43315, Private Arthur V. Dunnell, Northampton Regiment, formerly, 2835, Norfolk Yeomanry.

Born 15 October 1895, at Colton son of horseman on a farm, Arthur and Susannah Dunnell. He had an elder brother,  
Archie Cyril.

Arthur is recorded as having died, June 1976 at Norwich Outer, Norfolk.

**CYRIL DUNNELL.**

21111, Lance Corporal, Archie Cyril Dunnell, 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Royal Warwickshire.

Born 23 February 1893 at Colton, son of horseman on a farm, Arthur and Susannah Dunnell. He had a younger brother, Arthur Victor.

In 1911, Cyril was a boarder with Mr Edward Charles Deakin at Honingham Gardens; he was employed as a domestic gardener. He was working as a gardener at Leamington, Warwickshire in 1916, living at, Off Church, Bury, Leamington, when he enlisted into the army, 23/05/1916. Cyril was five feet six inches tall and had a chest measurement of thirty two and half inches. He was drafted to France, 10/12/1916, embarking from Southampton, destination, Rouen. He received a gunshot wound to the head, 07/10/1917, but was soon back at the front line. Further wounds to his arm, back and chest, 01/09/1918, resulted in his being evacuated back to England, 06/09/1918. Cyril was eventually discharged 26/09/1919, and issued with a Silver War Badge, Number B312793.

Medals British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Archie Cyril Dunnell married Kate Ottaway on 21 October 1915, at St Andrews Church, Honingham, Norfolk.

He is registered at Warwick, as having died, June 1963.



**CAROL ARTHUR FELLOWES.**

Lieutenant, Carol Arthur Fellowes, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.  
Attached to 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born 23 November 1896 son of Baron, Ailwyn Edward and Agatha Eleonora Augusta (nee Jolliffe) Fellowes.

On the death of his brother, Erick, he became the 4<sup>th</sup> Baron of Ailwyn. He married Caroline Alice Cowan on the 16 November 1936. Carol died, 27 September 1988, without issue, at which point the Barony became extinct.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.



**ERICK WILLIAM EDWARD FELLOWES.**

Lieutenant Commander, Erick William Edward Fellows, Royal Navy.

Born 24 November 1887, at, St George, Hanover Square, London, son of Baron, Ailwyn Edward and Agatha Eleonora Augusta (nee Jolliffe) Fellowes.

The 1911 census show Erick to be serving with the Royal Navy in China and the East Indies.

On the death of his brother, Ronald, he became the 3<sup>rd</sup> Baron of Ailwyn. On the 5 June 1935, he married, Cecil Lorna Barclay, at

Westminster, Middlesex.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Erick William Edward Fellowes died, 23 March 1976.





**HEDWORTH GEORGE AILWYN FELLOWES. M. C.**

Captain ,Hedworth George Ailwyn Fellowes, of the Indian Army. 11<sup>th</sup> King's Own Lancers, (Probyns' Horse).

Born 10<sup>th</sup> July 1891, birth registered at St George Hanover Square, London, son of Ailwyn Edward and Agatha Eleanor Augusta (nee Jollife) Fellowes. (Ailwyn Edward later became 1<sup>st</sup> Baron Ailwyn). The 1901 census shows Hedworth attended a private school in Wokingham, Berkshire, and the next census 1911, indicates he was serving as 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion Northumberland Fusiliers in India; he later attained the rank of Captain in the Indian Army. In the summer of 1916, Hedworth married Audrey Janet Boyle at Whitechapel, Middlesex.

He fought with the 10<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade, 4<sup>th</sup> Division, British Expeditionary Force, and served as a Brigade Major. Mentioned in Dispatches, London Gazette, 01/01/1916. Hedworth was killed in action, 12/05/1917, aged 25 years.

Medals: Military Cross, 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal. His wife Audrey Fellowes applied for his medals on the 23/10/1919, her address: 6, Mulberry Walk, Chelsea, she re-married and became Mrs Wilfred Denison. Administration to his Will was with his widow. Effects: £5326.13s.0d.



Captain, Hedworth George Ailwyn Fellowes is buried at Hervin Farm British Cemetery, St-Laurent-Blangy, Pas de Calais, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: - C.7.



Hervin Farm British Cemetery, St-Laurent-Blangy, Pas de Calais, France.

Photo courtesy of C.W.G.C.



**RONALD TOWNSHEND FELLOWES. D.S.O. M.C.**

Lieutenant Colonel, Ronald Townshend Fellowes, 2nd Battalion, Rifle Brigade.

Born 7 December 1886, at St George, Hanover Square, London, son of Baron, Ailwyn Edward and Agatha Eleonora Augusta (nee Jolliffe) Fellowes.

Ronald was a Regular Soldier, and was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France, 07/11/1914. The Rifle Brigade were in the 7<sup>th</sup> Division, 22<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Brigade in 1914. He was Mentioned in

Despatches on three occasions, London Gazette, 22/06/1915, page 5977, London Gazette, 25/05/1917, Vol 30093, page, 5167 and London Gazette 21/12/1917, page 133373.

On the 21 August 1916, he married Mildred Emma Mary King, in London. He was the 2<sup>nd</sup> Baron of Ailwyn.

Medals: Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross, 1914 Star and clasp, British War Medal and Victory Medal.



Ronald died, 30 August 1936, as a result of wounds received during the Great War (1914-1918), he was aged 49 years.

He had been living at Honingham Hall, Norfolk.

Probate of his Will was with his widow. Effects: £43569. 13s.1d.



**ARMINE CLARE FISHER.**

536267, Private, Armine Clare Fisher, No VIII. O.S. Ambulance Depot, Canadian Expeditionary Force.

Born 16 September 1892 at East Tuddenham, Norfolk, son of farmer, Joseph and Elizabeth Anna, (nee, Hipperson), Fisher, of Hawthorn Farm, East Tuddenham before moving to at Grange Farm, Honingham. A family of four boys, Ernest Joseph, Edgar Hipperson, Joseph and Armine Clare. In 1911, Armine was employed as a grocers and drapers assistant. Looking to see the world he immigrated to Canada in 1912, and lived at Fredericton, York County, New Brunswick.

He enlisted 8 August 1916 at St John's, aged 24 years and 10 months. He army papers show him to have been five feet eleven inches tall with a chest measurement of thirty seven inches. His complexion was described as dark; he had brown eyes and black hair.

After his war service he returned to Norfolk for a spell of about ten years. In the second quarter of 1917, he married Gertrude M. Sewter, registered at Walsingham. They had a daughter, Margarete, born in 1920. They returned to Canada in 1927. Armine died 12 November 1983, at Nanaimo, Cowichan, Vancouver Island, British Columbia, aged 92 years. He is buried at Sunnyside Lawn Cemetery, Surrey, British Columbia, Canada.



### **EDGAR HIPPERSON FISHER.**

240310, Sergeant, Edgar Hipperson Fisher, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment, former number, 2332.

Born in 1888 at East Tuddenham, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Anna, (nee, Hipperson), Fisher, of, Hawthorn Farm, East Tuddenham. By 1911 the family were living at Grange Farm, Honingham, and Edgar was working for the family business on the land.

He like his brother Joseph attested at East Dereham, 11/08/1914. His army medical records show him to have been a man of six feet one inches tall with a chest measurement of thirty nine inches. He was also on the same draft with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force to the Dardanelles with his brother, embarking from Liverpool on the S.S. "Aquitania" 29/07/1915, arriving at Mudros, on the 5<sup>th</sup> August. On the 9<sup>th</sup>, the troops were transported by smaller vessels to Imbros, before proceeding on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the landing place of the 54<sup>th</sup> Division in Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. On the 12/08/1915, Edgar suffered a gunshot wound to his left side and left arm and he was taken to a Field Ambulance Station at Mudros, from here he was transferred to a hospital in Malta, 17/08/1915. Edgar re-joined his unit, 27/12/1915, at Sidi Bishar to take part in the Palestine campaign. The Battalion then set forth for Palestine. In the April of 1917, the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion were engaged in the battle for Gaza. The 163<sup>rd</sup> Brigade was to attack about Khirbet-el-Bir with the 52<sup>nd</sup> Division on its left. In the front line were the 1/5<sup>th</sup> Norfolk on the right, the 1/4<sup>th</sup> Norfolk and the 8<sup>th</sup> Hants in support, with the 5<sup>th</sup> Suffolk in reserve on the left. Edgar was killed in this engagement, Thursday, 19/04/1917, he was aged 28 years.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

His father signed for his medals the same day as he signed for Joseph's medals.

Here we have a tragic set of circumstance, where we have two brothers, Joseph and Edgar Fisher, both born in East Tuddenham, living at Grange Farm, Honingham, enlisted together, travelled to foreign lands together, during their army career both became Sergeants. As fates would have it, both were killed on the same day, not to be separated they are both buried at Gaza War Cemetery, Egypt. C.W.G.C. Ref: - XXIII. A. 10.



Gaza War Cemetery, Israel/Palestine.

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## **JOSEPH FISHER.**

240304, Sergeant, Joseph Fisher, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment, former number, 2320.

Born 1890 in East Tuddenham, son of farmer, Joseph and Elizabeth Anna, (nee Hipperson), Fisher, of Hawthorn Farm, East Tuddenham before moving to at Grange Farm, Honingham. A family of four boys, Ernest Joseph, Edgar Hipperson, Joseph and Armine Clare.

Joseph attested at East Dereham, 11/08/1914, aged 24 years, his occupation was farm labourer. His army medical records show he was a man of six feet two and three quarter inches tall with a thirty eight inch chest measurement. On the 29/07/1915 he embarked with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force from Liverpool aboard S.S. "Aquitania" for the Dardanelles, arriving at Mudros, on the 5<sup>th</sup> August, on the 9<sup>th</sup>, the troops were transported by smaller vessels to Imbros, before proceeding on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the landing place of the 54<sup>th</sup> Division in Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. Joseph received a gunshot wound, 02/09/1915, and was taken to a Hospital in Malta; here he also suffered with enteritis, 10/10/1915. He was eventually evacuated back to England from Malta, 20/11/1915. Back in England illness still continued with an attack of dysentery on 27/11/1915, he remained out of action until 30/12/1915. Joseph resumed active duty, and embarked from Devonport, 12/01/1917, with the British Mediterranean Force, disembarking at Alexandria, 27/01/1917. Joseph re-joined his unit in time to proceed to Palestine. In the April of 1917, the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion were engaged in the battle for Gaza. The 163<sup>rd</sup> Brigade was to attack about Khirbet-el-Bir with the 52<sup>nd</sup> Division on its left. In the front line were the 1/5<sup>th</sup> Norfolk on the right, the 1/4<sup>th</sup> Norfolk and the 8<sup>th</sup> Hants in support, with the 5<sup>th</sup> Suffolk in reserve on the left. Joseph was killed in this engagement, Thursday, 19/04/1917, he was aged 26 years.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

His father signed for the 1914/15 Star in October 1920, and the other two medals arrived November 1921.

Sergeant, Joseph Fisher is buried at Gaza War Cemetery, Egypt.

C.W.G.C. Ref: - XXIII. D. 16.



Gaza War Cemetery, Israel/Palestine.

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**GEORGE FRENCH.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**FRANK GAY.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

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**PHILIP GAY.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**SEE ADDENDUM – Following on from information kindly provided by a member of the public additional information is now available.**

**SIDNEY GOLDSMITH.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**SEE ADDENDUM – Additional information is now available.**

**FREDERICK WILLIAM GRAND.**

270886, Private, Frederick William Grand. 42<sup>nd</sup> Wing, Royal Air Force.

Born 21 April 1883 at Honingham, son of postman, William Golden and Emma,(nee, Aldis), Grand, of, 11, Honingham, Norwich. His siblings were Ernest, Ellen, May and Lily Caroline.

Frederick set sail from Liverpool aboard S.S. 'Etruria' arriving at New York 24<sup>th</sup> June 1906. There is another entry of his emigrating from Southampton, arriving at New York, on 14 February 1912, which indicates he returned home for a period. He was working as a gardener in the district of Nassau, New York, before going to Canada to enlist.

He gave his address as, Oyster Bay, Nassau, New York State. His service registration form, dated, 12 September 1918, shows he was slender built, medium height with brown hair and brown eyes, aged 35 years.

During his brief spell with the Royal Air Force in Canada, Frederick was taken ill with pneumonia, and was in the R.A.F. hospital in Hastings, Deseronto, Ontario, where he died, Thursday, 03/10/1918, aged 35 years.

Private, Frederick William Grand is buried at Deseronto Cemetery, Ontario, Canada. C.W.G.C .Ref: - R.A.F.2.



### **ERNEST EDWARD GRIEF.**

29074, Private, Ernest Edward Grief, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, Bedfordshire Regiment.

Born in 1886 at Hindolveston, Norfolk, son of farm bailiff, Robert and Mary Ann, (nee, Green), Grief. A family of eight children, six lads, John, Harry, William, George, Ernest and Joseph Bertram, with two girls, Rachel and Beatrice

By 1901, the family were living at Mouse Wood Farm, Honingham. Ernest married Elizabeth Ann Neve in the last quarter of 1915, registered at St Faiths, Norfolk. Prior to his enlistment he was working as a farm labourer.

Ernest enlisted at Norwich. On completion of his initial training he was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France. The Bedfordshire Regiment in 1918 were in the 5<sup>th</sup> Division, 15<sup>th</sup> Brigade. The Battalion war diary for May reports; *Battalion in support in NIEPPE FOREST, Headquarters at L'EPPINETTE. Enemy machine guns very active. May 12<sup>th</sup>, 6 other ranks wounded, May 13<sup>th</sup> 3 other ranks killed.*

Ernest was killed in action fighting at Lille, France, Sunday, 12/05/1918.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

These medals were sent to his widow, 21/02/1921; she was living at Pitt Farm, Ringland, Norwich. Administration of Probate to his Will went to his widow. Effects: £533.9s.9d.

Private, Ernest Edward Grief is buried at Tannay British Cemetery, Thiennes, Nord, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: - Plot 2. Row C. Grave 7.



### **HARRY GEORGE HAMMOND.**

Born in 1897 at Honingham, son of agricultural labourer, Alfred and Maud Hammond.

Harry was the eldest of seven children, his siblings were, Laura Maud, William Alfred, Albert Arthur, Bertie John, Edward and Frank. In 1911, Harry was employed as a farm labourer.



### **ARTHUR HENRY HAZELL.**

18062, Private, Arthur Henry Hazell, 10<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born in 1895 at Honingham, son of horseman on a farm, Henry and Emma, (nee Garrod), Hazell, of, Church Farm, Honingham, his occupation, like the vast majority of the men on the Roll of Honour, he was a farm labourer, all men of the soil, not of arms. His siblings were Ellen, Daisy Emma, and Charles William.

Arthur attested into the army on, 14/01/1915, and having completed his required training was drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force to the Balkans, embarking from Devonport, 30/09/1915, arriving on 15/10/1915. Whilst in the Balkans he suffered from frostbite and gangrene, this was on the, 01/12/1915, in Salonika, which saw him, evacuated back to England on the 26/12/1915. Once fit again, Arthur Hazell embarked from Folkestone, 22/12/1916, arriving at Boulogne the following day. In France he suffered gunshot wounds to the left shoulder and arm on 24/09/1917, with further wounds to his face in October 1917. Finally, wounded again in May 1918, he was placed aboard the hospital ship, "Princess Elizabeth" on the 22/05/1918. Arthur was discharged from the army, 25/07/1918, para K.R. 392 (xvi) as: Being no longer physically fit for war service.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

He was issued with the S.W.B. (Silver War Badge) number, 380576; this was given to soldiers discharged from the army, to be worn on their right breast pocket to show that they had served King and Country.

Private, Arthur Henry Hazell died at home, Tuesday, 06/05/1919, aged 24 years, he his buried at St Andrew Churchyard, Honingham, Norfolk.

C.W.G.C. Ref: - North of Church.



### **CHARLES WILLIAM HAZEL.**

Charles William Hazel, born 11 June 1898 at Honingham, son of horseman on a farm, Henry and Emma, (nee, Garrod), Hazell, of, Church Farm, Honingham. His siblings were Ellen, Daisy Emma and Arthur.

Charles married, Mildred Abel in the first quarter of March 1924, registered at St Faiths, Norfolk.

He died in November 1967, registered at Norwich, Norfolk.



**ALBERT GEORGE HOWARD.**

16448, Corporal, Albert George Howard, 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born 13 June 1885 at Honingham, son of farm labourer, Thomas and Mary Ann, (nee Just), Howard, of, 39, Dereham Road. A large family of children, Georgianna, Mary Ann, Charles, Annie, Emma, Elizabeth, Bessie, Albert, Edith Florence, Fred, Herbert Thomas, Bertie and John.

Albert was working on a farm when he attested into the army, he was living at Morton on the Hill and Ringland. He had married Edith Elizabeth Sapey in the summer of 1905. By the time he joined the army he was leaving a family of five children behind, Albert Sidney (21/03/1906), Herbert Leonard, (1907), Walter Wallace, (1909), Charles Eric, (06/11/1911) Lena Dinah, (23/09.1913) and Easter Caroline was born in 1915.

Albert enlisted at Norwich, and after his initial basic training he was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France, 30/05/1915. On the 14/10/1915, Albert received a gunshot wound to the shoulder and was taken to 3, Stationary Hospital Rouen. Later he was admitted to 12, General Hospital Rouen, suffering from Influenza, 01/07/1916. Albert then received a shrapnel wound to his thigh and was taken to 1, Canadian Stationary Hospital, Etaples, before being transferred to the Western General Hospital Leicester, 13/08/1916, the casualty book, records Albert as serving with the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, he must have been transferred to the 8<sup>th</sup> after recovering from his wounds. He was killed in the Third Ypres Battle, commonly known as Passchendaele, Saturday, 11/08/1917, fighting in the Ritz Street area with the 54<sup>th</sup> Brigade, he was aged 32 years. His younger brother, Herbert, perished at Gallipoli, serving with the 1/5<sup>th</sup> Norfolk's.

The Battalion War Diary record for 10<sup>th</sup> and 11 August 1917: *7.30 a.m. warning message received to proceed to Chateau Segard, possible up to the trenches in front of Inverness Copse. The order to move to Ritz Street area under the orders of 54<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade. The Ypres-Menin Road exclusive to be held at all costs together with 6<sup>th</sup> Royal Berkshire Regiment. 11/08/1917, the enemy commenced a light barrage, this barrage became intense and under this the enemy launched an attack in strength on the strong point held by the Battalion.*

*The whole line of advance of this counter attack with machine gun and rifle fire. During the evening of the 11<sup>th</sup> the enemy made several attempts to capture this strong point but were driven off on each occasion.*

*Casualties noon 10<sup>th</sup> to noon 11<sup>th</sup>, 1 officer, 42 other ranks killed, died of wounds 3 other ranks, wounded 7 officers, 87 other ranks.*

*Noon 11<sup>th</sup> to noon 12<sup>th</sup>, 2 other ranks killed, 12 wounded.*



Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

These medals were eventually sent to his widow at 5, St Olaf's Terrace, Cliftonville, Mundesley, Norfolk, she had re-married to a Mr Thomas Butler.

Corporal, Albert George Howard has no known resting place and he is commemorated on the Menin Gate, Memorial, Ypres, West Vlaanderen, Belgium. C.W.G.C. Ref: - Panel 4.



Menin Gate Memorial Ypres, West Vlaanderen, Belgium.

Photo courtesy of C.W.G.C.

The Inscription to the missing on the Menin Gate Memorial reads:

**Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam**

Here Are Recorded Names Of Officers And Men Who Fell In Ypres Salient. But To Whom The Fortune Of War Denied The Known And Honoured Burial Given Their Comrades In Death

Of the fourteen children that **Thomas and Mary Ann Howard** raised, they had six sons, five of which were engaged in hostilities against the enemies of Great Britain, two never returned home.



**BERTIE WILFRED HOWARD.**

51346, Private, Bertie Wilfred Howard, 51<sup>st</sup> Battalion, Manchester Regiment, formerly, 3/33227, 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, East Surrey Regiment.

Born on 4 June 1898 at Honingham, Norfolk, son of farm labourer, Thomas and Mary Ann, (nee, Just), Howard, living at Dereham Road, Honingham, in 1901. Bertie was one of 14 children. When he enlisted his occupation was footman, and his address was 40, Honingham,

Bertie enlisted at Norwich on 5<sup>th</sup> June 1916, one day after he attained his eighteenth birthday. He was placed on the Reserve until he was mobilised on the 20<sup>th</sup> February 1917 and posted to the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, East Surrey Regiment. His army medical record shows him to have been five feet six and half inches tall with a chest measurement of thirty six inches, religion Church of England. On the 19<sup>th</sup> July 1917, Bertie was transferred to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Manchester Regiment and given a new number of 51346; he then was immediately drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France. After only two months, 28/09/1917, he was placed in hospital suffering from a bad fever.

He appears to have kept himself out of trouble apart from one small misdemeanour when he was late falling in for Church Parade on 21/01/1918, for this discretion he was awarded 3 days CB, (confined to barracks). He is recorded as having been moved to the front line 22/06/1918, however two months later 21/08/1918, he was given home leave for two weeks.

After the armistice, Bertie was posted to the 51<sup>st</sup> Battalion, Manchester Regiment 18/03/1919. He was finally demobilized 20/10/1919.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> August 1925, Bertie Wilfred Howard married Ellen Elizabeth Phillips at West Moors, Dorset.

At the beginning of 1999, five former soldiers of the Great War were presented with the French equivalent of a Knighthood, the Legion D'Honneur, at a moving ceremony at the Royal British Legion Club in Ferndown, Dorset.

Performing the honour were the French Consul, Ian Carruthers and Colonel Michel Perradon, the Military Attaché to the French Ambassador in London.

The recipients were Harold Miller, Hal Kerridge, Robert Fry, George White and Noel Adeney. Bertie Howard (100) of West Moors had been due to stand, but died days before. He had been told of the impending award which was collected by his grandson, Michael Howard.





**CHARLES HOWARD.**

Born in 1876, at Thuxton, Norfolk, son of farm labourer, Thomas and Mary Ann, (nee, Just), Howard. Living at Honingham by 1891. Charles married Emily Andrews in 1905, registered at Forehoe, Norfolk. Their daughter Evely was born in 1907.

The 1911 census shows the family to be living at 36, Bawtree Road, New Cross, Deptford, Charles was working as a general labourer.

**FREDERICK HOWARD.**

Born in 1894 at Honingham, son of farm labourer, Thomas and Mary Ann, (nee Just), Howard, of 39, Dereham Road, Honingham. Herbert was employed as a farm labourer when he enlisted.

He is registered at St Faiths, Norfolk, as having died, March 1927. His death is believed to be war related.



Charles – Frederick and Bertie Howard, Norfolk Regiment

## **HERBERT HOWARD.**

2321, Private, Herbert Thomas Howard, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion (T.F), Norfolk Regiment.

Born 1889 in Honingham, son of farm labourer, Thomas and Mary Ann, (nee, Just), Howard, of 39, Dereham Road, Honingham. Herbert was employed as a farm labourer when he enlisted.

Herbert attested at East Dereham, and as a serving Territorial was mobilised immediately at the outbreak of war. Training was initially done at Colchester in the August 1914, till the spring of 1915, when in March, they moved to Bury St. Edmunds. The Battalion became part of the 54<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division on the 21<sup>st</sup> May, which constituted the 163<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Brigade and continued with their training, now at Watford. They departed by train for Liverpool on the 29<sup>th</sup> July 1915 and were drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. The Battalion embarked on the S.S. "Aquitania" to the Dardanelles, arriving at Mudros, on the 5<sup>th</sup> August, on the 9<sup>th</sup>, the troops were transported by smaller vessels to Imbros, before proceeding on the 10<sup>th</sup> to the landing place of the 54<sup>th</sup> Division in Suvla Bay, Gallipoli. Herbert survived the carnage here for two months before succumbing to wounds on board the Hospital ship "Gascon", Friday, 01/10/1915, he was aged 26 years. He was buried at sea.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Private, Herbert Thomas Howard has no known resting place and he is commemorated on the Helles Memorial. Gallipoli, Turkey.

C.W.G.C. Ref: - Panel 42 to 44.



His Majesty's Hospital Ship "Gascon"



**ERNEST HUNT.**

Born in 1893 at Sloley, Norfolk, son of farm bailiff, Arthur Henry and Laura Hunt, of Church Farm, Honingham. Ernest was the second eldest of four children, his siblings were, Frederick John, Lillian Mary Jane, and Sidney John.

Ernest married Harriet F. Howell in the last quarter of 1920, registered at St Faith's Norfolk.

**S. JARVIS.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**GEORGE JESSUP.**

86498, Gunner, Edward George Jessup, 137<sup>th</sup> Siege Battery, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Born in 1887 at Honingham, son of shepherd, Edward (Edwin) Nathan and Mary Ann, (nee, Coleman), Jessup, of, Ringland Road. His siblings were, Edith M, William Henry and Alfred Sidney. By 1916, they were resident at 53, Honingham.

George was employed as a farm labourer when he enlisted, 23/02/1916, at Norwich; he gave his address as c/o, Mr Fowle, Lower Hellesdon, Norfolk. His army medical papers show him to be five feet ten inches tall weighed 144lbs with a chest measurement of thirty six inches. He was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France, 27/10/1916.

George married Doris May Haines in the last quarter of 1925, registered at Norwich.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

George died, 28 May 1944, aged 47 years; he was living at, London Street, Whissonett, Norfolk. Administration and Probate of his Will was with his widow. Effects: £342.12s.10d.

**W. JESSUP.**

H/48293, Private, William Henry Jessup, 5<sup>th</sup> Reserve Cavalry, (Hussars), Regiment.

Born in 1899 at Honingham, son of shepherd, Edward (Edwin) Nathan and Mary Ann, (nee, Coleman), Jessup, of Ringland Road. His siblings were, Edith M, Edward George and Alfred Sidney. By 1916 they were resident at 53, Honingham.

William was serving in the 5<sup>th</sup> Reserve Cavalry Regiment, and had not been mobilized when he died in the Military Hospital at Tidworth, Thursday, 11/07/1918, aged 18 years.

Private, William Henry Jessup is buried at, St Andrew Churchyard, Honingham, North-East part.

### **ARTHUR LAMBERT.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

### **FRANK LAMBERT.**

43253, Sergeant, Frank Sidney Lambert, Norfolk Regiment.

Born in 1881 at Upper Hellesdon, son of hoop and hurdle maker, Alfred and Harriet Eleanor, (nee, Abel), Lambert, of Hidness Farm, Ranworth St Helen, Norfolk. A family of twelve children, five lads, Frank Sidney, Ernest, Alfred Charles, George Herbert and Oliver Cyril, with seven girls, Alice, Florence Louise, Mabel Maude, Violet Ethel, Gladys Mary, Jessie Eleanor and Phyllis May.

In 1911, Frank was a boarder with Mrs Sarah Ann Hammond, at Honingham. He was employed as a hoop and hurdle maker. He married Ethel Gwen Gaskin in March 1916, registered at St Faiths, Norwich. Their daughter, Joan Astor was born in 1919.

Frank died, 23 May 1943; he was resident at that time at East Tuddenham. Probate of his Will, was with his widow. Effects: £274.15s.3d.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

### **GEORGE HERBERT LAMBERT.**

239024, Private, George Herbert Lambert, 428<sup>th</sup> Agricultural Company, Labour Corps, formerly with 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion Norfolk Regiment.

Born in 1895 at Brandeston, Norfolk, son of hoop and hurdle maker, Alfred and Harriet Eleanor, (nee, Abel), Lambert, of Hidness Farm, Ranworth St Helen, Norfolk. A family of twelve children, five lads, Frank Sidney, Ernest, Alfred Charles, George Herbert and Oliver Cyril, with seven girls, Alice, Florence Louise, Mabel Maude, Violet Ethel, Gladys Mary, Jessie Eleanor and Phyllis May.

In 1911, George was still living at Woodbastwick; here he was employed as a gamekeeper. He married Carrie Hesp, in the final quarter of 1916, registered at Bridlington Yorkshire.

George died in the General Hospital, Thorpe, Norwich, Friday, 28/02/1919, he was aged 24 years. His widow's address was listed as, Mill Cottages, Sledmere, Malton, Yorkshire.

Private, George Herbert Lambert is buried at St Fabian and St Sebastian Churchyard, Woodbastwick, Norfolk. C.W.G.C. Ref: North East of Church.



**WILLIAM McLEOD.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**ALFRED MINNS.**

28198, Private, Alfred Minns, 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Bedfordshire Regiment.

Born in 1876 at Honingham, son of farmer, David and Mary Minns, of Small Farm near Colton boundary, Honingham. His siblings were Arthur, Charles, Ellen, Walter, Emily and Albert. In 1911, he was living with his mother at Pump Row, Honingham, he was employed as a miller's carter.

Alfred attested at East Dereham, in the April 1915, and was mobilised 9 December 1915. His army medical record shows he was five feet six and half inches tall with a thirty four inch chest measurement; he was aged 39 years and 11 months. After his training he was drafted to France, 17/07/1916. He was soon in action and received shell wounds to his left arm and neck, 09/08/1916, this was at the engagement in the Somme region, he further received treatment, 12/12/1916, to his right foot, and was evacuated back to England.

After an operation in a London Hospital, Alfred was discharged as being physical unfit for war service, 20/07/1917, the listed cause was "Multiple Neuritis". He was granted a pension of 27/6d per week, to be reviewed every 52 weeks.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Arthur married Alice Mary Smith, 15 December 1923 at Colton.

He is registered at Norwich Outer has having died, March 1944, aged 68 years.

**WILFRED CHARLES OSWICK.**

GS/52159, Private, Wilfred Charles Oswick, 23<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, Royal Fusiliers, (City of London Regiment), formerly, G/11718, Royal Sussex Regiment.

Born in 1897, only child of general labourer, Charles and Ann, (nee, Grand), Oswick, of, Norwich Road, Honingham. Wilfred had a younger brother, Alfred Victor, born in 1900, however he died in 1909.

Wilfred enlisted at East Dereham. His theatre of war was the Somme; he died of wounds received, Wednesday, 21/02/1917, aged 19 years.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.



Private, Wilfred Charles Oswick is buried at Dernancourt Communal Cemetery Extension, Somme, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: -VI. A. 8.

### **GEORGE OTTAWAY.**

2009503, Private, George Ottaway, Engineers Depot, Brockville, Ontario, Canadian Force.

Born 10 August 1882 at Witchingham, Norfolk, son of carter on a farm, Benjamin and Rebecca, (nee, Roberts), Ottaway, of, 16, The Street, Honingham in 1891, and by 1901 their address was, Norwich Road, Honingham. The 1901 census shows the family to be, Frederick, George, Walter and Alice. In the early 1900's George emigrated to the United States of America,

On the 10 October 1910, he married Isabella Alexander, in Manhattan, New York City. He enlisted, June 3 1918, in New York City, into the Canadian Expeditionary Overseas Force. His army papers show he was five feet six and half inches tall with a thirty five inch chest measurement. He had grey eyes, brown hair and his religion was Presbyterian. His given address was, 177 East, 77<sup>th</sup> Street, New York City.

George Ottaway also enlisted for service for WW11; he was then aged 59 years.

He died in 1980, aged 97 years, his address at his death was, 07407, Elmwood Park, Bergen, New Jersey, U.S.A.

### **WALTER OTTAWAY.**

Born 12 July 1890, at Honingham, son of carter on a farm, Benjamin and Rebecca, (nee, Roberts), Ottaway, of, 16, The Street, Honingham in 1891, and by 1901 their address was, Norwich Road, Honingham. The 1901 census shows the family to be, Frederick, George, Walter and Alice.

Walter married Mary Ann Sophie Chapman in the last quarter of 1910, registered at St Faith's, Norfolk. The 1911 census shows they had a five month old daughter, Ellen Maud, and they were then living at East Tuddenham, his occupation was as a groom.

Walter is registered at Norwich, as having died, November 1986.

### **ARTHUR JAMES RIBBANDS.**

503101, Arthur James Ribbands, Labour Corps, formerly, 29072, Essex Regiment.

Born 10 October 1879, Baptised, 25 January 1880, at Honingham, son of James and Harriet, (nee, Dennis), Ribbands, of No 12, New Road Cottages, Honingham in 1881. At this time Harriet was a widow with six children, James, John, Julia, Alice Maria, Margaret Jane and

Arthur James, she was registered as a 'pauper'. The 1891 census shows Harriet to be living at No 17, Pump Yard, Honingham, and she was working as a charwoman.

Arthur married Jessie Aldridge in the second quarter of 1909, registered at Lambeth.

They are shown in 1911, to have two children, one year old Ellen, and one month, Emeline, and they were living at Honingham.

Arthur is registered as having died, September 1971, at Saffron Walden, Essex.

### **FRANCIS EDWARD ROWBOTTOM.**

79193, Private, Francis Edward Rowbottom, 84<sup>th</sup> Company, Machine Gun Corps, formerly, 2330, 1/5<sup>th</sup> Norfolk Regiment, 2162, King Own Royal Regiment, Norfolk Yeomanry.

Born 5 April 1890 at Honingham, son of estate agent for Sir Ailwyn Fellowes, K.C.V.O. Francis and Hannah, (nee, Ardley), Rowbottom, of, Home Farm, Honingham. A family of three lads and one girl, George Henry, Constance Alice, Francis Edward and Herbert Arthur.

Francis attested 11 August 1914, at East Dereham; he was five feet six and half inches tall with a thirty seven and half inch chest measurement, aged 23 years and 4 months. Initially he was placed with the 5<sup>th</sup> Norfolk Regiment, however his father used the influence of Sir Ailwyn Fellowes to get Francis transferred to the Norfolk Yeomanry, so that he could be with his elder brother, George. On the 15 September 1916, Francis was transferred again, this time to the Machine Gun Corps; this was also the day he was drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. During his service in the Middle East he contracted Malaria, and when he was demobilised he was granted a pension of 5/6d per week, to be reviewed in 26 weeks. Francis was demobilised, 11/05/1919.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Francis died, March 1976, registered at Norwich, he was aged 85 years.

### **GEORGE HENRY ROWBOTTOM.**

56165 Private, George Henry Rowbottom, Machine Gun Corps, formerly, 1589, Kings Own Royal Regiment, Norfolk Yeomanry.

Born in 1887 at Stapleford, Cambridgeshire, son of estate agent for Sir Ailwyn Fellowes, K.C.V.O. Francis and Hannah, (nee, Ardley), Rowbottom, of, Home Farm, Honingham. A family of three lads and one girl, George Henry, Constance Alice, Francis Edward and Herbert Arthur. George was employed as an estate agents clerk.

George married Marion Rose Roshier on 8 September 1915, at Catton, Norfolk.

He was drafted with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, 08/10/1915, to the Middle East.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

George is registered at Norwich, as having died, March 1956, aged 68 years.

### **HERBERT ARTHUR ROWBOTTOM.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, Herbert Arthur Rowbottom, Norfolk Regiment, formerly, G/23605, Corporal, Royal West Kent Regiment.

Born 30 October 1892, at Honingham, family details previously covered. Herbert was employed as a bank clerk. He married Dorothy Susannah Butler, on 9 September 1922 at Summertown, Oxfordshire.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal. Commissioned into Norfolk's, 25/06/1918. He is registered at North Walsham, as having died, 1975, aged 82 years.

### **THOMAS RICHES.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

### **W. SHARP.**

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, William Dalton Colombo Sharp, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, (T.F), Norfolk Regiment.

Born in 1882 aboard S.S. Colombo in the English Channel, son of Master of Ship, Johnston and Margaret Sharp, they had three other children, two of whom, were born on the Colombo, they also had the ships name incorporated in the Christian names. The 1911 census indicates that William was living as boarder at 21, Parsons Green Lane, Fulham and working as a Chartered Accountant.

William was killed in action, 9/10/1917, fighting with the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, at the failed action at Polderhoek Chateau, he was aged 35 years. Casualties were 38 killed, 144 wounded, and 112 missing.

Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

His father, who retired, was now living at 33, Aglimby Street, Carlisle, Cumberland.

2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant, William Dalton Colombo Sharp has no known resting place and he is commemorated on Tyne Cot Memorial, West Vlaanderen, Belgium. C.W.G.C. Ref: - Panel 34 to 34 and 162A.

### **ALFRED SKIPPER.**

28152, Lance Bombardier, Alfred Skipper, Royal Garrison Artillery.

Born in 1878 at East Tuddenham, son of labourer, William and Eleanor (Ellen), (nee, Richards), Skipper, living at 14, Honingham in 1891. His siblings were, Harriet, Edith, George Edward, Agnes and Arthur.

Alfred attested into the Regular Army at Great Yarmouth on 17 June 1898. He was aged 18 years and 8 months, five feet six and a quarter inches tall weighed 128lbs with a thirty four inch chest measurement, his complexion was described as fresh, he had blue eyes and light brown hair, his religion was Church of England.

He first saw military action in South Africa, engaged in the Boer War from 1900 until 1902. For this action he was awarded the Queen's South Africa Medal with clasps for, Wittebergen, Transvaal, Cape Colony and South Africa 1901. His next action was with the



Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, 19/03/1915 until 14/04/1916. France was his next destination, fighting here from April 1916 until May 1918. His final engagement in hostilities was Egypt, 06/05/1918 until 22/07/1918.

Alfred was discharged, 21/08/1919, completing 21 years' service.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal

**GEORGE EDWARD SKIPPER.**

21363, Private, George Edward Skipper 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Border Regiment, formerly, 18790, 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born 2 June 1881 in Longham, Norfolk, Baptised 10 July 1881, son of labourer, William and Eleanor (Ellen), (nee, Richards), Skipper, living at 14, Honingham in 1891, and by 1911, Eleanor (who was now a widow), and George had moved to Pump Row, Honingham, his occupation was farm labourer. His siblings were, Harriet, Edith, Alfred, Agnes and Arthur.

George attested, 02/02/1915, at Norwich; he was placed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion Norfolk Regiment. On the 28<sup>th</sup> April 1915, George was transferred to the 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion Border Regiment. In readiness for embarkation to France his unit were moved to Felixstowe, 28/04/1915, they eventually entered France, 23/12/1915. George received a gunshot wound, 06/07/1916, and two days later he received a shrapnel wound to his right hip, he died of these wounds, Saturday, 08/07/1916, aged 35 years.

Medals: 1914/15 Star British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Private, George Skipper is buried at Etaples Military Cemetery, Pas de Calais, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: - II. A. 67A.



**WILLIAM SMITH.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**REGINALD STONE.**

23850, Private, Reginald Stone, 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Norfolk Regiment.

Born 1 July 1891, baptised, 23 August 1891 at Colton, son of yardman in a farm, Henry and Eliza, (nee, Minns), Stone, by 1911, they had moved to Workhouse Cottages, Honingham, Henry was employed as a farm labourer. A family of two boys and three girls, Reginald's elder brother was Russell, and his three younger sisters were, Ethel, Edith Minnie and Sybil Richmond.

He enlisted at Norwich, and his army record shows that he was attached for a period to the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Suffolk Regiment. Reginald embarked with the British Expeditionary Force for the Western Front. At the beginning of October 1916, the 7<sup>th</sup> Battalion marched to Bernafay Wood, south-west of Longueval, just east of Montauban, it was in this area that Reginald was killed, Thursday, 12/10/1916, he was aged 25 years.



Medals: British War Medal and Victory Medal.

Private, Reginald Stone is buried at Cabaret –Rouge British Cemetery Souchez, Pas de Calais, France. C.W.G.C. Ref: - XXVIII. D. 28.

**RUSSELL STONE.**

Born 14 September 1888, baptised 28 October 1888 at Colton, Norfolk, eldest son of yardman in a farm, Henry and Eliza, (nee, Minns), Stone, of The Village, Colton Road, by 1911, they had moved to Workhouse Cottages, Honingham. A family of two boys and three girls, Russell's brother was Reginald, and his three younger sisters were, Ethel, Edith Minnie and Sybil Richmond. In 1911, Russell was employed as an agricultural worker. In January 1934, Russell married Mildred Annie Eliza Brown, at Colton, registered at Forehoe.

Russell is registered at Norwich as having died, March 1968, aged 79 years.

**FRANK TEBBITTS.**

Unable to trace records to this man for Honingham or the military.

**BERTIE LARTER WRIGHT.**

Born 8 January 1887 at Honingham, son of domestic gardener, John and Emily Ann, (nee, Bloom), Wright, of No 2, The Street, Honingham. His siblings were, Fossie, Lewis, John and Effie. The 1911 census shows Bertie to be working as an electrician. Bertie died, January 1975, registered at Scarborough, Yorkshire, he was aged 88 years.

**BASIL WRIGHT.**

Born 1889 at East Tuddenham, son of agricultural worker, John and Amanda Wright, of Rotten Row, East Tuddenham. In 1891, the family was Rhoda Emma, Sidney, Rosetta and Basil. By 1911, Basil and his brother John, were living with their Uncle and Aunt, James and Maria Ribbands at, The Lodge, Honingham. His Christian name is spelt Bazil, on the St Andrews Church, Roll of Honour.

## SOURCE

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## ADDENDUM

The information in this Addendum has been added to this booklet following information which has been provided by members of the public. Following research this has enabled further historical records to be discovered regarding those men who went to war but left behind few details of their background. If you have any information regarding any of the men in this booklet which may enable further information to be documented please email [clerk.honinghampc@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.honinghampc@gmail.com)

### **FRANK GAY.**

240508, Lance Corporal, Frank Owen Gay, Norfolk Regiment, former number, 2777.

Born 16 March 1892 at Mattishall Burgh, son of farmer, Alfred John and Florence, (nee, Sparke), Gay, of, Mattishall, Burgh, Norfolk. A family of ten children, Olive Maud, Reginald, Violet, Marguerite Daisy, Winifred Muriel, Alfred John, Frank Owen, Beatrix, Philip Gordon and Ivy. Before enlisting, Frank worked as an apprentice ironmonger.

He attested 8 September 1914 and after his training was drafted to the Balkans, 06/08/1915; this would have seen action at Gallipoli. He was eventually discharged 28 November 1918 and issued a Silver War Badge, number B53274 which indicated he had been wounded.

Medals: 1914/15, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

In March 1924, Frank married Judith King Bird. The 1939 Register shows them both living at 128, Chesterfield, Cromer, Frank was employed as a Stationers Fancy Goods Manager. Frank Owen Gay died, 1<sup>st</sup> November 1976, his address was Cadogan House, Cadogan Road, Cromer, he was aged 84 years.



### **PHILIP GAY.**

240336, Acting Corporal, Philip Gordon Gay, Norfolk Regiment, former number, 2393.

Born 28 November 1896 at Mattishall Burgh, son of farmer, Alfred John and Florence, (nee, Sparke), Gay, of, Mattishall, Burgh, Norfolk. A family of ten children, Olive Maud, Reginald, Violet, Marguerite Daisy, Winifred Muriel, Alfred John, Frank Owen, Beatrix, Philip Gordon and Ivy.

It would appear that both Philip and Frank joined the Forces together, their numbers are quite similar and they both were drafted to the Balkans, 06/08/1915. Philip appears to have come through the war unscathed physically. After leaving the army in March 1919, he then joined the Royal Air Force on 27 January 1920. This appears to have been a short term engagement for on the 21 August 1926 he married, Ida Florence Brook at St Margaret, Thornbury, Bradford, West Yorkshire, and he was then serving as a Policeman.

Philip Gordon Gay died, 25 December 1976 aged 80 years, his address was 7, Town Hall Road, Great Yarmouth.

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### **JOHN EDMUND WALESBY HALL.**

166140, Lance Corporal, John Edmund Walesby Hall, 12<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Machine Gun Corps, formerly, 15439, 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Royal West Surrey Regiment and 2234, Army Cycle Corps.

Born 9 October 1895 at Honingham, eldest son of farmer John and Louisa Mary, (nee, Walesby), of Brick Kiln Farm, Honingham. John had three brothers, Henry, Robert and William Ronald, and four sisters, Louisa, Doris Kathleen, Lilian Ida and Armie Emily. By 1911, John was a boarder at 7, Avenue Road, Park Lane, Norwich.

On the 27 August 1914, John attested at Norwich, he was 19 years of age. His medical record shows him to be five feet six inches tall weighed 121lbs and had a chest measurement of thirty six inches, he had brown hair and eyes and his religion was Church of England. His occupation was clerk.

During his service, his parents were now living at Fishley Hall, Acle, Norfolk.

On the 30 January 1915, John was posted to the Army Cycle Corps. On the 31 May 1915 he was drafted with the British Expeditionary Force to France landing at Le Havre. John remained with the Cycle Corps until the 2 June 1916, when he was then transferred to the 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Royal West Surrey Regiment. His final move came on 2 August 1918, when he was transferred to the 12<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Machine Gun Corps.

He was demobilised 29 March 1919, his home address was then given as, Lime Kiln Farm, East Harling, Norfolk.

Medals: 1914/15 Star, British War Medal and Victory Medal.

In the second quarter of 1924, John Edmund Walesby Hall married Iris Olive Everett, registered at Thetford.

The 1939 Register shows John and Iris living at 55A, York Road, Great Yarmouth; he was a Civil Servant and also a Special Constable.

John Edmund Walesby Hall died, 11 January 1952; he was living then at 5, North Drive, Great Yarmouth.

### **SIDNEY GOLDSMITH.**

Sidney Goldsmith born 27 July 1889 at Brandon Parva, son of shepherd, Samuel and Maria, (nee, Boast), Goldsmith, living in 1891 at 2, Lower Band, Brandon Parva. Sidney's siblings were Thomas Jones, Ellen, Walter William, Rosanna, and Lily Florence.

In 1911 Sidney was living with his widow mother at Honingham.

Sidney married Gertrude M. Pole in the last quarter of 1920.

He is registered as having died, September 1932.

To date, still seeking military information