PART 15

Lest we forget: The Directory of Unit Memorials



Original Memorial Crosses of the 47th (London) Division now situated at Army Reserve Centre, Flodden Road, Camberwell

Introduction

1921 was the year when Great Britain turned its attention to how best to remember its War dead.

In towns and villages all over the United Kingdom, memorial committees were formed to decide how best to commemorate the fallen from their local area.

The national tribute was the building of the Cenotaph in Whitehall, designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens, at first a temporary structure of wood and plaster board, later made permanent by public demand.

The Unknown Warrior was brought home to his final resting place in Westminster Abbey. During the earlier stages of his journey one of the pall bearers was an Infantryman from the 21st (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Surrey Rifles).

The Capital's own tribute to the units raised within its boundaries was Alfred Drury's impressive London troops memorial that stands outside the Royal Exchange in the City.

In addition, most units set about the task of building their own permanent memorials to their fallen comrades. Such memorials may be found within the Drill Hall itself or, where possible, in the local church or Regimental Chapel or nearby Park.

The register of unit memorials in the following pages is by no means complete. Whilst some have been destroyed by enemy action in WW2, others have simply been lost with the closure of the Drill Hall. However, those that remain carry where applicable the much shorter lists of the units fallen in WW2. Wherever they are sited, they remain a fitting tribute to the sacrifice of the Volunteer Reserve Forces of Greater London.

The London Troops Memorial



The London Troops Memorial that stands in the City of London, in front of the Royal Exchange, was erected in 1920 and is dedicated to all those from London Units who fell in the conflicts of 1914-1919 and 1939-1945. At the time of the original dedication, each unit listed was presented with a bronze plaque repricating the memorial to be displayed in their Headquarter locations.

Many of these plaques still survive and have been tracked to their current 2014 locations. Some are stored, some have been preserved in museum collections and one is in a memorial park in Fulham. However, the majority are affixed to the wall in the Drill Hall of the successor unit as was originally intended.

Known location of Remaining London Troops Memorial Plaques 2014

UNIT PLAQUE

Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve London Division

2nd (City of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers)

3rd (City of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers)

4th (City of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers)

6th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (City of London Rifles)

9th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Queen Victorias)

12th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (The Rangers)

13th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Kensington)

15th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own Civil Service Rifles)

16th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Queen's Westminster Rifles)

18th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (London Irish Rifles)

19th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (St Pancras)

20th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Blackheath & Woolwich)

24th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Queens)

1st London (City of London) Brigade RFA

7th London (County of London) Brigade RFA

8th London (County of London) Brigade RFA

2nd London Division RAMC

Territorial Force Association County of London

Territorial Force Association City of London

LOCATION

HMS PRESIDENT 72 St Katharine's Way E1W 1UQ

Army Reserve Centre 213 Balham High Road SW17 4BQ

Army Reserve Centre 27 St John's Hill SW11 1TT

Army Reserve Centre Napier House, Baring Road, Grove Park SE12 0BH

Rifles Museum London London Army Reserve Centre, 52-56 Davies Street W1K 5HR

Rifles Museum London London Army Reserve Centre, 52-56 Davies Street W1K 5HR

Army Reserve Centre The Cedars, Portway, West Ham E15 5QN

The Battalion Memorial Kensington Town Hall

Rifles Museum London London Army Reserve Centre 52-56 Davies Street W1K 5HR

Rifles Museum London London Army Reserve Centre 52-56 Davies Street W1K 5HR

Army Reserve Centre Connaught House, Flodden Road, Camberwell SE5 9LL

Army Reserve Centre 405 Mile End Road E3 4PB

Army Reserve Centre Napier House, Baring Road, Grove Park SE12 0BH

Army Reserve Centre 71 Braganza Street, Walworth SE17 3RF

Army Reserve Centre Fulham House, 87 High Street, Fulham SW6 3JS

Memorial Garden, Fulham

Army Reserve Centre Napier House, Baring Road, Grove Park SE12 0BH

Army Reserve Centre Iverna Gardens, Kensington W8 6TN

Army Reserve Centre Fulham House, 87 High Street, Fulham SW6 3JS

Finsbury Barracks City Road EC1Y 2BQ

Unit Memorials — Auxiliary and Reserve Forces County and City of London Units

London E1W 1UQ

Unit



London Division Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve Great War Memorial **Location of Memorial** Drill Deck, HMS PRESIDENT, 72 St Katharine's Way,



Unit HMS PRESIDENT First and Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial Drill Deck, HMS PRESIDENT, 72 St Katharine's Way, London E1W 1UQ



Unit HMS FITTLETON Memorial to those Lost at Sea 1972

Location of Memorial Drill Deck, HMS PRESIDENT, 72 St Katharine's Way, London E1W 1UQ



Unit The Inns of Court Regiment

Great War Memorial Officer Training Corps

Location of Memorial

Hemel Hempstead



Unit 1st (City of London Yeomanry) Rough Riders Great War Memorial Location of Memorial St Bartholomew the Great Church, Smithfield, London EC1A 9DS



Unit 1st County of London Yeomanry (Middlesex Hussars) Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Unknown



Unit

2nd County of London Yeomanry (Westminster Dragoons)

Location of Memorial Regimental Museum, HQ (Westminster Dragoons) Squadron, 87 Fulham High Street SW6 3JS



Unit

3rd County of London Yeomanry (Sharpshooters)

Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial St Martin in the Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC2N 4JJ



Unit 1st London (City of London) Brigade RFA Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial On the wall of St Laurence Jewry, Guildhall Yard, City of London EC2V 5AA







Unit

6th London (County of London) Brigade RFA TF

First World War: 6th London (County of London) Brigade RFA

Second World War: 52nd Anti-Tank Regiment RA 62nd Anti-Tank Regiment RA 205th Anti-Tank Regiment RA

Location of Memorial

Army Reserve Centre, Melbourne House, 63 King's Avenue, Clapham SW4 8DX

Unit

First World War: 7th London (County of London) Brigade Royal Field Artillery

Second World War: 64th (7th London) Field Regiment 117th Field Regiment 56th Heavy Regiment Royal Artillery

First and Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial

All Saint's Church, Pryors Bank Pavillion, Bishops Park, Putney Bridge Approach SW6 3LA

Unit

The Honorable Artillery Company

First and Second World War Memorial including conflicts since

Location of Memorial

Armoury House, City Road, London EC1Y 2BQ





Unit
2nd City of London Battalion The London Regiment (Royal Fusiliers)
First and Second World War Memorial
Location of Memorial
Army Reserve Centre, 213 Balham High Road SW17 4BQ



Unit

6th (City of London) Battalion The London Regiment (City of London Rifles)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Church of St Sepulchre-without-Newgate, London EC1A 9DQ



Unit

8th (City of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Post Office Rifles)

Location of Memorial St Botolph's Church, Bishopsgate EC2M 3TL



Unit

9th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Queen Victoria's)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial

The Drill Hall, Army Reserve Centre, 52-56 Davies Street, Mayfair W1K 5HR



Unit 10th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Hackney)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial St John-at-Hackney Church, Lower Clapton Road, London E5 0PD

Unit



11th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Finsbury Rifles) First and Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial St Mark's Church, Myddelton Square London EC1R 1XX

Unit

 $12^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (The Rangers)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Chenies Street, London WC1



Unit

 $13^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Kensington)

First and Second War Memorial

Location of Memorial Kensington and Chelsea Town Hall, Hornton Street, London W8 7NX



 $14^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (London Scottish)

First and Second War Memorial

Location of Memorial The Drill Hall, Army Reserve Centre, 95 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2DX

Unit

15th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Prince of Wales's Own Civil Service Rifles)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial The Embankment, Somerset House



Unit

16th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Queen's Westminster Rifles)

Location of Memorial The Drill Hall, Army Reserve Centre, Fulham House, 87 Fulham High Street, London SW6 3JS



Unit

17th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Poplar & Stepney Rifles)

Location of Memorial Unknown



18th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (London Irish Rifles)

First and Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial

The Drill Hall, Army Reserve Centre, Connaught House, 4 Flodden Road, London SE5 9LL

Unit



19th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (St Pancras) Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Army Reserve Centre, 405 Mile End Road, Bow E3 4PB



Unit

21st (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (First Surrey Rifles)

Location of Memorial St Giles' Church, Camberwell



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Unit

25th (County of London) (Cyclist) Battalion The London Regiment

First and Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial All Saints Church Fulham, Pryors Bank, Bishop's Avenue, London SW6 3LA



 $28^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Artists Rifles)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Royal Academy of Arts, 62-64 Gower St, London WC1E 6ED



Unit First Aid Nursing Yeomanry First and Second World War Memorial Location of Memorial St Pauls Church, 32a Wilton Place, Knightsbridge SW1X 8SH



Unit 601 (City of London) Squadron Royal Auxiliary Air Force Second World War Memorial Location of Memorial

Royal Air Force Museum, Hendon NW9 5LL

Unit Memorials — Auxiliary and Reserve Forces County of Middlesex

Unit



7th Battalion The Middlesex Regiment (DCO) (TA)
First and Second World War Memorial
Location of Memorial
Hornsey Parish Church, Cranley Gardens, London N10 3AH



Unit 8th Battalion The Middlesex Regiment (DCO) (TA) First and Second World War Memorial

Location of Memorial Army Reserve Centre, Deansbrook Road, Edgware, Middlesex HA8 9BA



Unit

9th Battalion The Middlesex Regiment (DCO) (TA)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial

Army Reserve Centre, Deansbrook Road, Edgware, Middlesex HA8 9BA



Unit

10th Battalion The Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Army Reserve Centre, Deansbrook Road, Edgware, Middlesex HA9 9BA



Unit

10th The Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Chiswick Parish Church, 247 High Road, Chiswick, London W4 4PU



Unit 7th (City of London) Battalion The London Regiment

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Army Reserve Centre, Deansbrook Road, Edgware, Middlesex HA8 9BA

Unit Memorials — Auxiliary and Reserve Forces

County of Essex



Unit 7th Battalion The Essex Regiment First and Second World War Memorial Location of Memorial On the boundary of Army Reserve Centre, Whipps Cross E17 9DR

Unit Memorials — Auxiliary and Reserve Forces

County of Surrey Units



Unit

5th Battalion The East Surrey Regiment
First and Second World War Memorial
Location of Memorial
The Parish Church, All Saints, Kingston Upon Thames KT1 1JP



Unit

4th Battalion The East Surrey Regiment
First and Second World War Memorial
Location of Memorial
The Parish Church, All Saints, Kingston Upon Thames KT1 1JP



Unit 4th Battalion Royal West Surrey Regiment Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Croydon Minster CR0 1RN





Unit 22nd (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (The Queen's) Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Old Jamaica Road, Bermondsey, London SE16



Unit

23rd (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment Great War Memorial **Location of Memorial** St Mary's Church, Battersea Church Road SW11 3NA



Unit

 $24^{\mbox{\tiny th}}$ (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (The Queen's)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Kennington Park, Kennington Park Road, London SE11 4BE



Unit 23rd (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Army Reserve Centre, 27 St John's Hill, Battersea SW11 ITT



Unit 42nd Royal Tank Regiment Second World War Memorial Location of Memorial Army Reserve Centre, 27 St John's Hill, Battersea SW11 ITT



Unit 4th Battalion The Queen's Surrey Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Croydon Minster CR0 1RN



Unit

8th London Howitzer Brigade, RFA TF (Royal Field Artillery, Territorial Force)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial Plumstead Common Road, Plumstead Common SE18



13th (County of London) Battalion (Kensington)

Memorial dedicated to members of the Sergeants Mess who died in the Great War

Location of Memorial

Army Reserve Centre, Marlpit Lane, Coulsdon, Surrey CR5 2HD



Unit Surrey Yeomanry Great War Memorial Location of Memorial Guildford Cathedral, Stag Hill, Guildford GU2 7UP

Unit Memorials — Auxiliary and Reserve Forces County of Kent Units



Unit

 $1^{\text{st}}, 2^{\text{nd}}$ and 5^{th} Field Ambulance RAMC

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial St Alfege Church, Church Street, Greenwich SE10 9BJ



Unit

20th (County of London) Battalion The London Regiment (Blackheath & Woolwich)

Great War Memorial

Location of Memorial

Within the grounds of Army Reserve Centre, Wat Tyler Road, Blackheath SE3 0QZ

London Divisional Memorials



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Unit 58th (2/1st London) Division **Location of Memorial** Chipilly Village Church, France

Unit 47th (1/2nd London) Divison Location of Memorial Highwood, Somme, France



Unit 63rd (Royal Naval) Divison

Location of Memorial Horseguards, Whitehall, London SW1A 2AX