

## **Timor Gunners from the 79<sup>th</sup> Battery 21 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment.**

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### **Background**

The 79<sup>th</sup> Anti-Aircraft (Ack-Ack) battery was established as an independent unit of the British Territorial Army (TA), 'the weekend warriors', in the winter of 1939 and they were based initially at Walton-on-Thames a small town on the south-west outskirts of the capital, London. The battery became a full-time unit at the start of September 1939 when war with Germany became inescapable, and, as with all Territorial Army units, was absorbed into the regular army by the end of that month. Together with three other similar batteries they became part of the 36<sup>th</sup> Light Ack-Ack regiment. During the first two years of the war the unit was employed on anti-aircraft protection duties in the Luftwaffe's Blitzes of London ('The Battle of Britain') and then Bristol. Later they were used in the protection of airfields and key installations in Cornwall and the Sicily Isles.

Although notionally a home defence forces unit, the 79<sup>th</sup> like many other former TA units was ordered to mobilize for overseas deployment in October 1941. They had received some cursory training in mobile warfare during 'Exercise Bumper' and were now issued with desert kit and their equipment was painted in desert camouflage ready for overseas deployment in mid-November. At this stage of the war the European theatre had expanded to the Middle East and North Africa and large convoys of reinforcements were being sent to Egypt via the long route around the South African cape and the south-north Suez Canal route. Other reinforcements were also being dispatched to India and Singapore. The scuttlebutt amongst the 79<sup>th</sup> gunners was that they were being sent to Iraq to protect the Basra railhead. In preparation for mobilization they were re-regimented to the 21<sup>st</sup> Light Ack-Ack regiment along with the 48<sup>th</sup> Light Ack-Ack battery. The 79<sup>th</sup> and the 48<sup>th</sup> joined the 69<sup>th</sup> battery who had long been members of the 21<sup>st</sup>. A new commanding officer, Lt-Col Martin Saunders, was also appointed and he was called to the War Office in the third week of November to be given instructions on the regiment's destination and operational tasks. It was to be a most secret operation known only to a few. He, alone, amongst the regiment knew they were to be a part of a small advanced force for a landing in French Algeria and then a subsequent 500 mile dash to capture the airfields at Tunis and Bizerta.

The regiment embarked on the troopships Warwick Castle and Empress of Australia in early December 1941 along with the 77<sup>th</sup> (Welsh) Heavy Ack-Ack regiment – another former TA regiment – and over 1,100 Royal Air Force personnel. The RAF contingent, almost all ground crew, would provide support to three double-squadrons of fighter aircraft to be flown in from Gibraltar and Malta, once the airfields had been secured. Two small teams from the 79<sup>th</sup> were detached to the SS Malancha and SS Troilus two of the three support ships, the other being the SS City of Pretoria, who were to accompany the main troopships and their naval escorts. In the event the Malancha sailed independently. It took several days to load the ships and they eventually sailed from the Clyde and Liverpool on the same day as the Japanese launched their attacks on Malaya and Pearl Harbour. Whilst at sea, the planners at the War Office decided to reschedule the operation which had been one of Winston Churchill's pet projects, but

without letting him know. The Operation would eventually take place a year later as “Operation Torch”. The small convoy which had been embedded in a much larger troop convoy WS(14) for their voyage to Gibraltar – which was to be the staging post for the invasion of Algiers – did not detach on December 11<sup>th</sup> as planned but stayed with main convoy enroute to South Africa. The ‘Force’ received no instructions about what would be their new destination and mission. Indeed it was 2 months and over 9,000 miles later that the force discovered their final destination was Java, only learning this when the ships pulled into the harbour at Tanjong Priok on February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1942 and were boarded by two British Officers who informed Col Saunders that his regiment was to disembark. Well almost. The 21<sup>st</sup> were instructed to send one of their Batteries (less one of their 3 gun troops) to Dutch East Timor to protect the vital airfield being operated by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) at Penfui. The Timor group were to be ready to re-embark within 24 hours after the regiment completed their unloading in Java. Col Saunders selected the 79<sup>th</sup> battery for the task with A troop, C troop and the battery headquarters to go to Timor and B troop remaining in Java.

The gunners arrived in Koepang Bay at the tip of the Dutch East Indies on February 16<sup>th</sup> where they were met by their Battery Commander, Major Dempsey, who had flown ahead. They discovered there were no docks or unloading facilities and had to move up the coast to Tenau. A day after landing, by which time they managed by any and all means possible to unload their equipment, they were informed that the RAAF were pulling out and returning to the Australian mainland. A Timor reinforcement convoy from Darwin, which lay some 500 miles from Koepang, escorted by the USS Houston, USS Peary, HMAS Warrego, and HMAS Swan had sailed on the 15th February 1942, carrying Australian Infantry and US Artillery units but after beating off a Japanese air attack were recalled just as the 79<sup>th</sup> was arriving. The convoy was informed that Timor had already fallen. On arrival in Timor the 79<sup>th</sup> became part of the Australian ‘Sparrow’ force and now with no airfields to protect would serve in an artillery support role. Apart from the thousand or so Australians there was also a Dutch Colonial Force contingent on the island but they would take no part in the coming defence of their island, going ‘bush’ when the Japanese invasion force arrived. During 5 days of intense fighting the ‘Sparrows’ inflicted heavy casualties on the Japanese invaders especially their seasoned and crack paratroop regiments and beat the Japanese in the Battle of Usua Ridge. However, the Japanese invasion force was growing in size and the operational commander of the ‘Sparrows’, Lt Col Leggett, faced with an opposing force some 10-20 times greater than his own, total Japanese air superiority, increasing casualties, and low supplies decided to surrender. He had been unable to communicate with the HQ of Force’s overall commander Brigadier Veale or the Army Headquarters in Darwin. In the latter case it appears his signals were received but no reply was forthcoming or at least none was received. The decision to surrender remained a contentious issue among Sparrow Force veterans long after the war.

Thus, on the 23 February 1942, 183 of the 184 Timor gunners (one was killed in action) along with the bulk of their Australian comrades went into captivity. Some of the Australian units refused to accept the surrender and made their way into the Timor hills where they linked up with Sparrow Force’s independent commando group who had been fighting in Portuguese East Timor. Together, with the help of friendly locals, they carried on a guerilla war until 1943 when they were evacuated to the mainland. News of the fall of Dutch West Timor did not appear in Australian newspapers until over a

week later. Indeed two years after their capture the British War Office were still denying to relatives that any British soldiers had served in Timor and even after the war some War Office Departments were evasive about the fate of the members of the 79<sup>th</sup>. The Royal Artillery memorial in London, England does not list Timor, which is perhaps not too surprising as only two-thirds of a single battery was involved. However, the 79<sup>th</sup> became known as the 79<sup>th</sup> (Timor) Anti-Aircraft Battery to recognize their involvement although ironically B troop had fought in Java.

Many allied records were lost during the war in the Far East and the Japanese destroyed many of their records dealing with prisoners-of-war matters. However, great efforts were made by the Allied prisoner repatriation agencies especially the US liberation forces, after the Japanese surrender, to compile lists and records of those who had been taken prisoner and what had happened to them. The British Agencies worked well into the late 1940s to put together definitive lists and rosters. Unfortunately this information was highly classified and indeed the Japanese Imperial Army's index cards of prisoners were not supposed to be released until 2021. The rosters made of the released prisoners were similarly classified. However, if a serviceman or women died in action or as a prisoner that information was made available through such databases as the Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) for British and Commonwealth personnel. In recent years all Western governments have started to release records far earlier than originally intended. Many of these records have now been digitized by government agencies or voluntary organizations such as the exceptional Center for Research-Allied POWS of the Japanese ([www.mansell.com](http://www.mansell.com)), Children of Far East Prisoners of War (COFEPOW) ([www.cofepow.org.uk](http://www.cofepow.org.uk)), The FEPOW Community ([www.fepow-community.org.uk](http://www.fepow-community.org.uk)) and the POW Research Network Japan ([www.powresearch.jp/en](http://www.powresearch.jp/en)). Using information from all these websites, especially the quite incredible Centre for Research website now run by Wes Injerd, following the passing of Roger Mansell, it has been possible to identify primary source documents in the UK National Archives which have enabled a roster of the 'Timor Gunners' to be compiled. For an Australian perspective especially with regard to the 'Sparrows' the Prisoners of the Japanese 1942-1945 website is a mine of information ([www.pows-of-japan](http://www.pows-of-japan)), as is the book by Peter Henning, "The Doomed Battalion"<sup>1</sup>.

### **Unit Roster**

The roster provided here has been compiled from various official UK sources (e.g., series WO 344, 345, 392, 361) and in all cases at least two and usually more sources have been used in cross-checking the information. The roster which has been reconstituted has 184 individuals. In Tony Paley's seminal book<sup>2</sup> on the 79<sup>th</sup> Light Ack-Ack "the Sparrows", a Sgt 'Bob' Jones, who survived the war and was of Welsh origin, is mentioned several times. A search of many databases, official files, and other literature has not revealed a 'Bob' Jones or a Robert Jones who was a Sergeant in the Royal Artillery and who was captured on Timor. However, there is a Lance Sergeant Alfred Aubrey Derrel Jones who did survive the war, was of Welsh origin, was a member of the 79<sup>th</sup> and was captured on Timor. It has almost certain that 'Bob' Jones is actually Alfred Jones.

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<sup>1</sup> Peter Henning, *The Doomed Battalion*, Allen & Urwin, 1995, NSW, Australia, ISBN 1863737621.

<sup>2</sup> Tony Paley, *The Sparrows*, The Self-publishing Association Ltd, Hanley Swan, Worcs, UK, 1992, ISBN 1854211455

In a report written by the 79<sup>th</sup>'s Battery Commander, Major 'Jack' Dempsey, he mentions a Gunner Bury who escaped from the main Timor prison camp and is thought to have been recaptured by the Japanese. On Bombardier Lawson's 21<sup>st</sup> Regimental roster, compiled in Changi, he lists a Gunner Berry who went missing in Timor. Gunner Berry is also mentioned in missing personnel files in the UK National Archives but he has no Japanese index card, no prisoner of war questionnaire form (WO 344 series), and does not appear in the CWGC, COFEPOW or FEPOW Community databases and lists or any of the prisoner lists on the Allied Centre site. He most certainly existed but apart from his initials and service number little else has been found so far.

No definitive official record of the actual number of men, and their individual details, sent to Timor has yet been found. However, according to some official documents 180 officers and men of the 79<sup>th</sup> Battery of the 21<sup>st</sup> Light Anti-Aircraft Royal Artillery Regiment were sent by sea to Koepang, Dutch West Timor. Aside from the gunners there is no record of any member of their usual support attachments from the Royal Corp of Signals (RCS), Royal Army Ordnance Corps (RAOC) and the Royal Army Service Corps (RASC), who have been with the Regiment since they sailed from Gourock, Scotland in early December 1941, accompanying them to Timor. Apart from 'B' Troop it appears that all the rest of the gunners of the 79<sup>th</sup> were sent to Timor. It is not clear whether the Battery Commander, Major John Dempsey, who arrived by seaplane ahead of the Timor contingent, was included in the 180 count but if not then 181 would be a more accurate figure. Sgt Munday, the Battery Clerk, was quoted in Paley's book as saying there were 175 men in the Oesapa Besar prison camp in Timor. It is not clear if Munday's number was for the time of surrender or when the gunners left the camp some 6-7 months later for Java. During their Timor captivity the gunners lost four comrades who died of wounds or illness, at least two escaped (Gunnery Harold L J Martin and F C Berry). Gunner Martin is believed to have been caught and executed. Gunner Frederick J Watkins was killed in action the day before the surrender.

The first roster of the 79<sup>th</sup> was published in Paley's book, along with rolls-of-honour for other Royal Artillery Java regiments. In the main Paley's list was a roster of those who has been killed in action or did not survive captivity compiled from British and Australian sources, but some survivors were listed. Today, as previously mentioned, the information for those who did not survive the war is available on the CWGC website and their records are searchable by individual but not by unit. In some instances only the regiment is given and not the Battery. Information on whether an individual perished as a prisoner or in action is not provided. It should also be noted that the place of burial is not necessarily the place of death and in some instances the individual's name is listed on a memorial but has no known grave or they may have been buried or lost at sea. Some of the information from the various sources is conflicting in terms of spelling, rank, service number, date of birth etc., and while every effort has been made to cross-check the information some conflicts will no doubt still be present.

The following information is provided for each individual:

- a) Rank
- b) Surname and First Names
- c) Service Number
- d) Date of Birth

- e) Camps\*
- f) Date of death or burial
- g) Cemetery or Memorial\*\*
- h) Home Town\*\*\*

\*All who survived the fighting or captivity on Timor were also in POW Camps in Java and most would pass through Singapore (usually Changi Barracks) if being transported from Java to Japan or the Burma-Siam Railroad. Those who worked on the railroad and survived would usually return to Singapore and may then have been sent to Japan. A few remained in Singapore and Java. Once in Japan they could be moved to several different camps. The camps came under a regional jurisdiction and on occasion the regional boundaries were changed. The names of the camps were sometimes changed or the whole camp was moved to a new location. In the camp list then the regions of mainland Japan are identified as FU = Fukuoka, Hi = Hiroshima, TO = Tokyo, HA= Hakodate, NA = Nagoya, OS = Osaka, others as BS- Burma-Siam Railroad, KO = Korea, S = Sumatra, Sing = Singapore, Ch = Changi, Ti = Timor

\*\* The cemeteries-memorials are: Y = Yokohama, S = Singapore, J = Jakarta, Je = Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, USA, K = Kanchanaburi, A = Ambon

\*\*\* Home town is a short form of the address of the named next-of-kin as given on the 1942 Japanese Index cards. In some instances the addresses were updated during the war or immediately afterwards. In these cases both short form addresses are given.

### Timor Roster

Rank	Surname	First Names	Service #	Birthdate	Camp	Deathdate	Cem <sup>y</sup>	Home Town
LSgt	Abel	Gordon Duguid	1548510	3-Jan-15	FU			Teddington, Middlesex;East Mosely,Surrey
Gnr	Adams	David Francis	1614691	16-Apr-14	FU	28-Dec-44	Y	Chadwell Heath;Essex
Bdr	Adams	Frederick	1614692	18-Apr-13	BS			Chiswick;London W4
Gnr	Aldridge	George Sydney	1614693	19-Aug-12	FU			Blackheath, London SE3
Bdr	Aldridge	Sidney Bertram	1460764	31-Mar-19	FU			Walton-on- Thames
Gnr	Andrews	Henry Albert	1653979	27-Feb-10	FU			Ashford, Kent

LBdr	Angel	John Lindsay	1552212	26-Aug-15	FU	2-Aug-45	Y	Epsom, Surrey
Gnr	Bailey	Frederick Charles	4344644	12-Mar-24	FU			Hull,East Yorkshire
2LT	Baillie	Andrew	158525	14-Jan-11	BS			Glasgow, Scotland
LBdr	Baker	Ronald Bernard Hartley	1514694	18-Apr-13	TO			Wallington, Surrey
Gnr	Baldwin	Leslie Frederick	1777140	16-Dec-20	Java			Balham, London SW12
Gnr	Bartlett	William Nathaniel	1826535	10-Aug-06	S	7-Feb-45	J	Edinburgh, Scotland
Gnr	Bates	Benjamin	1653983	17-Mar-10	FU			Brentford, Middlesex
LBdr	Beaken	Walter Herbert	1653985	2-Apr-09	FU			Islington, London NW 1
2LT	Bell	Robert Peter Mangin	190915	11-Sep-18	FU			Newburn-on- Tyne, Northumberland
Gnr	Bennett	Albert Sydney George	1653987	5-Mar-10	BS	26-Sep-43	K	Catford, London SE6
Gnr	Bentley	Thomas James	1653988	2-Apr-10	FU			Kilburn, London NW6
Gnr	Berry(Bury)	F C	1547598		Ti	Missing		
Sgt	Birkhead	Richard Walter	1481021	24-Sep-17	FU			Walton-on- Thames, Surrey
Gnr	Blanchard	Sydney Thomas	1614702	17-Apr-12	FU			Greenwich, London
Gnr	Boswell	Ernest Henry	1807104	11-Jul-21	FU			Cheshunt, Herts
Gnr	Brawls	Andrew	1826540	27-Mar-20	FU			Port William, Wigtonshire
Gnr	Brenchley	Harry	1614706	15-Feb-14	TO			Burmondsey,

									London SE1
Gnr	Bridger	Kenneth Arthur	1614705	14-Oct-13	TO				Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey
Sgt	Brockway	Roy Frederick	1549593	14-Jan-16	FU				Bemberton, Salisbury
Gnr	Brown	Ernest Walter	1614709	28-Dec-12	FU				North Harrow, Middlesex
Sgt	Brown	Gibson Harrison	4445669	11-May-06	TO				Feltham, Middlesex
Gnr	Brown	Vivian Percy	6401643	11-Dec-21	TO				Brighton, Sussex
Gnr	Brown	William Henry	1530926	11-Feb-18	TO				Coventry
Gnr	Bryant	Percy George	11060543	5-Feb-03	TO				Iver, Bucks
Gnr	Buchan	John Ford	1693996	14-Mar-10	TO	11-Mar-45	Y		Brentford, Middlesex
Gnr	Buckingham	Frederick Seymour	1653997	3-Mar-10	FU				Barking, London
Gnr	Burnett	John Reginald	1548346	21-Jul-15	BS	25-Jun-43	K		Pontypool, Wales
LBdr	Burton	Edmund David	1548410	abt 1902	Ti	23-Jun-42	A		Hammersmith, London
Gnr	Caines	Archibald Carlisle	1614709	4-Sep-12	FU				Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey; Esher
Gnr	Carter-Leay	Charles Edward	1614710	23-Sep-19	FU				Shoreditch, London E2
LBdr	Cartland	Charles Albert William	1614711	27-Sep-13	Hi				South Norwood, London SE25
Gnr	Casey	Albert Edward	1654002	13-Mar-10	TO	9-Dec-42	Y		Harringay, London
Gnr	Cashman	Daniel	1807066	27-Jan-21	FU				Stepney, London E1

Gnr	Catchpole	Benjamin Charles	2992345	9-May-14	FU				Staplehurst, Kent
Gnr	Catchpole	George Henry	1654003	6-Mar-10	FU				Rotherhithe, London SE16
Gnr	Chandler	Harold	1735808	12-Jul-20	TO	24-Feb-43	Y		Boxmoor, Herts
Gnr	Charley	Joseph Frances	1779512	10-Jun-14	NA				West Neath, Eire
Bdr	Charman	Wilfred Harry	1616543	13-Feb-10	TO	6-Apr-43	Y		South Godstone, Surrey
Gnr	Chatfield	Waldron Leslie Roy	6400120	10-Oct-21	TO				Uckfield, Sussex
LBdr	Chilton	Frederick	1614712	26-Feb-13	FU				Hamersham, Bucks
Gnr	Clipson	James Edward	1654009	5-Apr-10	Java				Barnes, London SW
Gnr	Cockaday	William Bob	1735528	13-Nov-06	FU	18-Dec-42	Y		Norwich, Norfolk
Gnr	Coe	Albert James	1654010	8-Jul-19	TO	4-Mar-43	Y		Lower Edmonton, London N1
Gnr	Coleman	Harold James	1654032	25-Feb-10	FO				Layton, Essex
Gnr	Coles	Jack	1825990	21-Dec-09	OS				Rochdale, Lancs
BQMS	Collett	William Joseph	1454094	2-Sep-09	Sing				Chertsey, Surrey
LBdr	Collins	Edwin Ernest	1614715	24-Nov-17	TO				Belmont, Surrey
Bdr	Compton	Arthur Frank	1552186	31-Dec-14	TO	10-Sep-45	S		Surbiton Hill, Surrey
Gnr	Connell	Walter	6584372	20-Apr-06	TO				Woodford Green, Essex
Gnr	Cook	John Harold	1654011	5-Apr-10	S	29-Nov-43	S		Purley, Surrey
Gnr	Cooper	Harry	1825963	7-Feb-15	TO				Haywood, Lancs
Gnr	Cotton	Raymond	1654012	20-Mar-11	FU				Newport, IOW



		George							
Gnr	Cowell	Bert Alfred	1614631	28-Oct-13	TO				Barnbury, London
Capt	Craig	William Marshal	107689	14-Jan-04	FU				Box Mich Hampton, Glos
Gnr	Croft	Maurice Henry	1614633	28-Jun-13	S, Sing				Streatham Hill, London, SW16
Gnr	Crowdell	Oliver 'Jack'	1511317	11-Oct-18	TO	28-Mar-45	Y		Nr Kidworth, Leicester
Gnr	Culshaw	Stanley	1825991	7-Sep-10	Ch				Bolton, Lancs
Gnr	Cunliffe	Calvert	1809144	20-Mar-09	FU	24-Feb-45	Y		Accrington, Lancs
Gnr	Cunningham	Walter Pendreich	1826556	9-Jul-07	BS	10-Aug-43	K		Edinburgh, Scotland
LBdr	Dagnell	Harold	819214	25-Nov-13	FU				Horwich, Lancs
Gnr	Davis	William John	1547590	1-Mar-14	FU				Sutton, Surrey
Major	Dempsey	John Patrick Heyward	122934	17-Jul-10	KO				Radlett, Herts
Gnr	Desert	George Albert	1745485	17-Apr-10	TO				Wembley, London
Gnr	Doolan	Michael John Anthony	1779694	1-Aug-21	TO				Moseley, Birmingham
Sgt	Evans	Henry	1545870	abt1901	Ti	2-Jul-42	A		Richmond, Surrey
Gnr	Fisher	Frederick William	1654026	23-Jun-19	Ch				Mansfield, Notts
Gnr	Flindall	Eric George	1807018	23-Jan-21	TO				Ruislip, Middlesex
Gnr	Foster	John 'jack'	1826509	22-Jun-09	TO	11-Mar-43	Y		Dundee, Scotland
Bdr	Fowler	James	1614640	5-Feb-13	FU				Hayes, Middlesex
Gnr	Fridd	Percy William	1614642	27-May-11	FU				Surbiton Hill, Surrey
LBdr	Gallucci	Adolphus	1654030	14-Mar-10	Java	23-Jan-43	J		Southfields,

		Joseph							London SW18
Gnr	Gilbert	George Francis	1614646	22-Nov-16	FU				Hernhill, London SW24
Gnr	Gillan	James	1735667	9-Jun-06	FU				Bedford
Gnr	Goodworth	Harold	1781571	23 Sept 1899	FU	24-Feb-43	Y		Hatfield, Nr Doncaster, Yorks
Gnr	Hadland	Walter Henry	1692368	11-Jun-12	FU				Shepherd's Bush, London W12
Bdr	Hale	William Thomas	6400634	13-Dec-21	FU				Chailey, Sussex; Cowfold Sussex
Gnr	Hanreck	Charles Bernard	1806981	21-Jun-11	FU				East Ham, London E6
Gnr	Harker	Archie(bald)	1614695	17-Apr-13	FU				Burnley, Lancs
Gnr	Haynes	Eric Stanley	1807155	22-Jul-21	FU				Croydon, Surrey
Gnr	Haynes	Sydney	1548603	23-Dec-14	FU				Bromley, Kent
Sgt	Hepburn	James Robert	1427448	1-May-20	TO				Aberdeen, Scotland
Gnr	Hills	Nelson John	1653876	9-Sep-11	FU	14-Mar-45	Y		East Grinstead, Sussex
Gnr	Hocking	Joseph	1548784	15-Mar-16	FU	14-Dec-42	Y		Cleator Moor, Cumberland
Gnr	Hodge	George James	1807169	26-May-21	FU				Walthamstow, London
Gnr	Hodges	Allan Watts	1549345	1-May-14	FU				Chertsey, Surrey
Gnr	Hooker	Edward David	1549378	28-Nov-16	FU				Bethnal Green London E2
Bdr	Horne	Harold Victor	1653878	19-Mar-10	Hi				Ealing West, London
Gnr	Hoy	Herbert Sydney	1807183	28-Jan-21	FU				Holloway, London N7
Gnr	Huartson	Henry	1826215	30-Dec-11	Java				Lancaster, Lancs

Gnr	Hudson	Thomas Henry	1809178	13-Nov-06	FU	17-Jan-43	Y	Witherslack, Westmoreland
LBdr	Jarvis	Denis Arthur Claud	1556170	2-May-14	FU	12-Mar-45	Je	Walton-on-Thames, Surrey
LSgt	Jones	Alfred Aubrey (Derrel)	3955456	24-Nov-07	TO			Walton-on-Thames, Surrey
Sgt	Kember	Denis George	1524585	10-Mar-17	Ch			Isleworth, Middlesex
Bdr	Ketcher	Leslie Edward	1555905	15-Feb-14	FU			Hampton, Middlesex
Sgt	King	George Herbert	1453589	24-Nov-06	FU	17-Aug-43	Y	Walton-on-Thames, Surrey
Gnr	King	Wilfred George	1818444	19-Sep-13	FU			Northampton
Gnr	Knowles	John	1807216	2-May-21	FU			West Drayton, Middlesex
Gnr	Lowe	Frank	1547432	5-Sep-06	FU			Hounslow, Middlesex
Sgt	Lucas	Alfred	1459863	8-Jan-08	FU			Walton-on-Thames, Surrey
S/Sgt	Lucas	Henry	1456030	26-Nov-05	FU			Rushden, Northants
Gnr	Mackie	Andrew	1774706	27-Nov-13	TO	6-Dec-42	Y	Duff, Banffshire
Gnr	McIntyre	Bruce James	1551857	30-Apr-18	Java			East Grinstead, Surrey
Gnr	Mclachlan	Charles	1826689	15-Jan-10	TO			Clarkston, Renfrew
Gnr	McMahon	Henry	1478716	5-Jun-09	Java	18-Sep-44	S	Ashford, Middlesex
Gnr	Mansell	Percy Stuart John	1548785	10-Jun-13	Ch	24-Jun-44	S	Hanwell, London W7
Gnr	Marshall	Gavin	1826695	4-Nov-06	FU	27-Feb-45	Y	Linlithgow;

								Bo'ness, West Lothian
Gnr	Martin	Harold Laurence John	6401712	abt 1923	Ti	16-Jun-43	S	Uckfield, Sussex
Gnr	Massingham	William George	1735602	12-Jul-20	FU			Norwich, Norfolk
Gnr	Mears	James	1593668	abt 1916	FU			Islington, London NW 1
Gnr	Medlar	Sydney Ernest	1735606	11-May-06	FU	12-Oct-45	S	Fakenham, Norfolk
Gnr	Mellor	Cecil Henry	1826634	17-Dec-13	BS, Ch			Burnley, Lancs
Gnr	Miller	Frederick	1826698	20-Nov-13	FU			New Silksworth, Durham
Gnr	Mills	Jack	1456029	abt 1905	Ti	10-Mar-42	A	West Croydon, Surrey
Gnr	Mills	John	1653895	26-Feb-10	TO			Anerley, London SE20
Gnr	Mitchell	Robert	1826700	28-May-03	TO	4-Feb-43	Y	Dundee, Scotland
Gnr	Monckton	Edward Trevor	1438846	25-Feb-22	FU			Bishopsworth, Bristol
Gnr	Moore	Alfred John William	1556169	1-Oct-17	Ch	24-Jun-44	S	Richmond,Surrey
LSgt	Munday	Clifford John	1459745	11-May-15	FU			Sunbury-on- Thames, Middlesex
Gnr	Murray	Gerald	1826666	17-Jul-13	TO			Brierfield, Lancs
Gnr	Newman	Albert Henry Jess	6200461	10-Nov-01	FU			Richmond, Surrey; St Margaret's Middlesex
Gnr	Norris	Matthew	1593673	27-Jul-15	FU			Clonmel, Co Tipperary
Gnr	Padbury	Charles	1807286	8-Feb-21	Ch	18-Sep-44	S	West Greenwich,

		Frederick							London SE10
Gnr	Page	James William	1653908	18-Mar-10	Java				Kensall Roase, London NW10
Gnr	Paige	Stanley Walter	1807288	25-Jan-21	Hi				Paddington, London
Gnr	Parsons	Ronald John	6400441	10-Jun-21	FU				Lewes, Sussex
LBdr	Pascoe	Michael Bennett	1555908	10-Sep-11	FU	4-Mar-43	Y		Thames Ditton, Surrey
Gnr	Pedder	Edward James	1549187	25-Jan-16	TO				Camberwell, London SE5; Clapham
Bdr	Potter	Harry James	1460763	13-Mar-21	FU				Woking, Surrey
LBdr	Quennell	William	1453708	21-Aug-04	TO				Greenford, Middlesex
Gnr	Reader	Thomas Bramley	4689467	24-Sep-20	FU				Doncaster, Yorks
Gnr	Reed	Albert Howard	1653948	1-Mar-11	TO				Edmonton, London N18
Gnr	Reed	Thomas Joseph	1807324	28-Jan-21	BS, Ch				Croxley Green, Herts
Gnr	Reinhardt	Egor	1549333	14-Jan-16	Java, Sing				London W12
Gnr	Reubins	Samuel	1787487	28-Sep-08	BS, Sing				London SW2
Gnr	Riggs	Roy Herbert	6401589	14-Mar-22	Hi				Burnham, Bucks
Gnr	Robinson	William Harold	1781460	14-Nov-20	FU				Doncaster, Yorks
Gnr	Rogers	Irwin	1809042	14-Mar-08	Java				Nr Oldham, Lancs
Gnr	Rushton	William	11060960	31-May-18	FU	19-Feb-43	Y		Crewe, Cheshire
2Lt	Samuelson	Alexander Humphrey	155297	1-Apr-09	Sing				Norwich, Norfolk
LBdr	Sanders	Philip	1490216	7-Dec-07	FU				Egham, Surrey

		Harold							
LSgt	Sawyer	Edward George John	1550565	12-Nov-14	TO				Isleworth, Middlesex
2Lt	Scott	Charles Walter	197729	14-Oct-17	FU				Kirkcaldy, Fife
Bdr	Seton^	Thomas Arthur	4447988	2-Nov-10	FU				Darlington, Durham
Gnr	Shorney	Leonard Augustus	1818896	15-Jun-09	FU				Newport, Monmouth
Bdr	Smith	Cecil Charles	1548046	6-Jun-12	FU				East Sheen, London SW14
Gnr	Smith	John W	4615201	8-Jul-13	Ch				Halifax, Yorks
Gnr	Smith	Leonard Charles	1782746	3-Feb-05	Ch				Bristol, Glos
Gnr	Sparke	John James	1817355	6-Nov-12	BS	29-Jun-43	K		South Woodford, London
Gnr	Stokoe	Harry Henry	1453209	19-Dec-14	FU				Spennymoor, Durham
LBdr	Storey	James Matthew	1548344	18-Oct-14	FU				Wicklow, Eire
Gnr	Stringer	Albert	1781444	8-Jun-04	FU				Featherstone, Yorks
Gnr	Telford	John Edward	1826640	24-Jun-13	TO				Carlisle, Cumberland
Gnr	Tiffany	Clifford	1781399	16-Jan-05	FU				Kippax, Yorks
Gnr	Todd	William	1653920	19-Mar-10	S	3-Aug-45	J		Seam Harbour, Durham
Gnr	Trendell	Alfred George	1807409	2-Jul-21	FU				Sutton Common, Surrey
Gnr	Triggs	Philip	1807410	25-May-21	FU				Hornchurch, Essex
Gnr	Turpin	Edward	1781404	23-Nov-03	Java				Tadcaster, Yorks

Gnr	Vesey	Eric	1821778	28-Aug-05	FU			Fallowfield, Mancs
Gnr	Vincent	Eric William	1807418	2-Jul-21	FU			Battersea, London SW11
LBdr	Wallace	John	1456027	abt 1913	Ti	1-Jun-42	A	New Malden, Surrey
Gnr	Warriss	Sidney George	1781413	14-Nov-20	FU			Barnsley, Yorks
Gnr	Warwick	George	1497138	26-Jul-18	FU			Grimsby, Lincs
Gnr	Watkins	Frederick James	1818926	abt 1901		22-Feb-42	S	Clifford, Herts
Gnr	Watson	Kenneth McLeod	1826752	3-Nov-11	FU			Dundee, Scotland
Gnr	Webb	Ashby Seymour Warren	1818929	1-Jan-06	BS, Sing			Hay, Herts
Gnr	Webb	Ernest Robert	1543708	24-Dec-08	FU			Bristol, Glos
Gnr	Webster	Granville	1781417	31-Jul-20	Ch			Liversedge, Yorks
Gnr	Webster	James	2880269	1-Jul-22	TO			Fifekeith, Banfshire
Gnr	Weeden	John	1807433	22-Jan-21	FU			Tunbridge Wells, Kent
Gnr	Wells	Gordon James	1556203	6-Mar-15	Ch	24-Jun-44	S	Leamington Spa, Warwick
Sgt	Weston	Ronald James	1452499	16-Jan-14	FU	9-Dec-42	Y	Bristol, Glos
WOII	White	Reginald	1552454	21-Apr-13	FU			Kingston-on- Thames, Surrey
Gnr	Wilkinson	James Leonard	1807869	21-Apr-09	BS	2-Jul-43	K	Clayton, Mancs
Gnr	Wilson	John	1826757	25-Sep-06	BS, Ch			Darvel

Gnr	Woodgate	William George	1555814	12-Jun-18	FU				Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey
Gnr	Wright	Alfred Randolph	1781386	15-Apr-05	FU	1-May-43	Y		Barnsley, Yorks
Gnr	Wright	James	1735786	29-Sep-06	Ch	24-Jun-44	S		Peterborough, Northants
Gnr	Wright	James Frederick	1806998	17-May-21	FU				Bethnal Green, London E2
ALSgt	Yorke- Johnson^^	Dennis Godfrey	6401762	27-Sep-21	OS				Hove, Sussex

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