

# *HOLT ROLL OF HONOUR*



Like every other city, town, village and hamlet the residents of Holt suffered losses during the First and Second World Wars. They are commemorated on the War Memorial, which stands on the Ham Green.

The 32 names from the First World War are on a large bronze panel on the higher part of the monument, the 8 from the Second World War on a smaller bronze panel lower down.

## **WWI**

**ALFORD, Victor Wallace\*** - Lance Corporal 12214 (Private on memorial) - Wiltshire Regiment, B Company, 1st Battalion - Died 1<sup>st</sup> October 1918 - aged 25 - son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Alford, The Gravel, Holt - Buried at Le Cateau Military Cemetery, France - Grave Reference I.B.150

**ASH, A. E.** - Lance Corporal – Wiltshire Regiment, 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion

**ASH, Walter William\*** - Sergeant 9664 - Wiltshire Regiment, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died on 10<sup>th</sup> August 1915 - Commemorated on Helles Memorial, Turkey - Panel 156 to 158

**BAILEY, Albert Edward\*** - Private 63037 - The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment), 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1918 - aged 32 - son of Albert and Lavinia Ann Bailey, Holt, husband of Louisa Bailey of 184 Wendover Road, Staines - Buried at Oulchy-Le-Chateau Churchyard Extension, France - Grave Reference I.C.1A

**BATTEN, Albert John Lampy\*** - Private 202935 - Dorsetshire Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Commemorated on the Basra Memorial, Iraq - Panel 22 and 63

**BRIMBLE, E.** - Private 12684 - Machine Gun Corps (Infantry), 55<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 13<sup>th</sup> November 1918 - Son of Mr. J. W. Brimble, Star Cottage, Holt - Buried at Don Communal Cemetery, France - Grave Reference I.B.32

**BUCKLAND, Cecil John\*** - Second Lieutenant - Royal Air Force and Royal Fusiliers, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 19<sup>th</sup> August 1918 - aged 23 - Son of Arthur George and Mary Elizabeth Buckland, 73 Finchley Road, St. John's Wood, London - Buried at Holt Old Cemetery - Grave Reference Church.13.1

**CLARK, William** - Master at Arms 180547 - Royal Navy, HMS Hampshire - Died 5<sup>th</sup> June 1916 - aged 37 - Son of Joe and Emily Clark of Hook Common, Basingstoke and husband of Rose J. Clark, Star Buildings, Holt - Commemorated on Portsmouth Naval Memorial - Panel Reference 21

**DAVIS, A.** - Sergeant - Wiltshire Regiment

**DEAN, E.F.** – Private – Wiltshire Regiment, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion

**DREWITT, Edward Francis\*** - Private 307170 - Lancashire Fusiliers, 2<sup>nd</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 17<sup>th</sup> April 1917 - aged 37 - Husband of Mary Drewitt of Sutton Road, Somerton - Buried at Longuenesse (St. Omer) Souvenir Cemetery, France - Grave Reference IV.B.54

**EDWARDS, Clement Victor** - Gunner 75480 - Royal Garrison Artillery, 278<sup>th</sup> Siege Battery - Died 12<sup>th</sup> September 1918 - aged 25 - son of Martha Edwards, Prospect Villa, Holt and the late Henry Edwards - Buried at Red Cross Corner Cemetery, Beugny, France - Grave Reference II.A.5

**EDWARDS, W** - Private - Wiltshire Regiment, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion

**GOSNELL, Stanley\*** - Lance Corporal 3104 - Wiltshire Regiment, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 7<sup>th</sup> May 1919 - aged 23 - son of Florence Louisa Longstaff (formerly Gosnell), of 6 St. Margaret's Villas, Bradford on Avon, and the late William Stanley Gosnell - Buried at Holt Old Cemetery - Grave Reference Chapel.13.2.

**HARDING, E.H.\*** - Private 441162 - Canadian Infantry, 8<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 12<sup>th</sup> November 1917 - Buried at Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium - Grave Reference XXII.HH.17

**HARES, Charles Edwin** - Gunner 170930 - Royal Garrison Artillery, 308<sup>th</sup> Siege Battery - Died 4<sup>th</sup> June 1918 - aged 20 - son of Charles William and Rosa Alice Hares, Holt - Buried at Pernes British Cemetery, France - Grave Reference VI.C.10

**HARRIS, S.** - Private - Royal Army Service Corps

**HIGGS, William George\*** - Private 9490 - Wiltshire Regiment, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 10<sup>th</sup> August 1915 - aged 20 - son of Josiah and Rosa Maria Higgs, Hawcroft, The Common, Holt - Commemorated on Helles Memorial, Turkey - Panel 156-158

**HODGE, W.** - Private - The Buffs

**HUNTLEY, Reuben\*** - Private 20716 - Wiltshire Regiment, 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 24<sup>th</sup> November 1916 - aged 25 - son of William and Rhoda Huntley, of Wingfield and husband of Dorothy Huntley, 7 Tony [sic] Place, Bradford on Avon - Buried at Boulogne Eastern Cemetery, France - Grave Reference VIII.D.197

**HURN, Thomas Henry\*** - Private 171722 - Machine Gun Corps (Infantry), 32<sup>nd</sup> Company - Died 5<sup>th</sup> November 1918 - aged 19 - son of Henry John Hurn, Fernlea, Holt - Buried at Cross Roads Cemetery, France - Grave Reference I.I.15.

**JOHNSON , A. H.** - Bombardier (Corporal) 110617 - Royal Garrison Artillery, 244<sup>th</sup> Siege Battery - Died 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1918 - aged 27 - son of Mrs. Mary Johnson, of 2, Bridge Terrace, Holt - Buried at Fifteen Ravine British Cemetery, France - Grave Reference II.G.14

**LADD, William Herbert, D.C.M.\*** - Corporal 8402 - Wiltshire Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion - Died 21<sup>st</sup> March 1918 - Commemorated on Pozieres Memorial, France - Panel 64 \* Taken from the Supplement to The London Gazette, 3 June 1915. Distinguished Conduct Medal: Private W. H. Ladd, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, Wiltshire Regiment. For gallant conduct at Neuve Chapelle on the night of 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> March 1915, when he voluntarily brought in a machine gun from an exposed position, whilst exposed to heavy fire.

**MARCH, W.J.** - Private S/18386 - Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, 12<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 19<sup>th</sup> September 1918 - son of Henry Hedley March, Bradford, Leigh Road, Holt - Buried at Doiran Military Cemetery, Greece - Grave Reference III.B.32

**MORRIS, R** - Sergeant Major - Wiltshire Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion

**SCRINE, H.** - Private 7681 - Wiltshire Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion - Died 12<sup>th</sup> October 1918 - aged 29 - son of Mr. F. Scrine, of 33, Mount Pleasant, Corifree, Trowbridge - Buried at Niederzwehren Cemetery, Germany - Grave Reference III.D.16

**SMITH, Frank Herbert** - Lance Corporal 9481 - Wiltshire Regiment, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 10<sup>th</sup> August 1915 - aged 17 - son of Herbert Llewellyn and Harriet Fanny Smith, Lyndhurst, Holt - Commemorated on Helles Memorial, Turkey - Panel 156 to 158.

**STOKES, F.O.** - Private 19566 - Wiltshire Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion - Died 9<sup>th</sup> October 1916 - Buried at Grandcourt Road Cemetery, France - Grave Reference D.38

**TURNER, Harold Frank Barclay** - Captain - Wiltshire Regiment, "C" Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion - Died 1<sup>st</sup> September 1917 - aged 22 - son of the late Frank M. and Harriet F. Turner - Buried at Menin Road South Military Cemetery, Belgium - Grave Reference II.A.12

**USHER, A.** - Private 9663 - Wiltshire Regiment, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 26<sup>th</sup> January 1917 - Buried at Amara War Cemetery, Iraq - Grave Reference XXV

**VANDERSTEIN, Harry\*** - Private 9669 - Wiltshire Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion - Died 9<sup>th</sup> April 1917 - aged 20 - adopted son of Sarah Hancock, Ivy Cottage, Holt - Buried at Wancourt British Cemetery, France - Grave Reference - Special memorial 6 [the surname is spelt Vanderstine in the Commonwealth War Graves Registers]

**WILLIAMS, G.** - Petty Officer 184383 - Royal Navy, H.M.S Submarine E.15 - Died 4<sup>th</sup> December 1916 - husband of the late Annie Ethel Williams, 66 Sutherland Road, Portsmouth - Buried at Baghdad (North Gate) War Cemetery, Iraq - Grave Reference Angora Mem. 179

Some, but not all, of the names of those killed in the First World War are also commemorated on a memorial which is specifically dedicated to Harold Frank Barclay Turner, which stands in the churchyard of St. Katharine's Church.

## **SECOND WORLD WAR**

**ALAND, Herbert Llewellyn\*** - Private 5577008 - Wiltshire Regiment, 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion - Died 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1944 - aged 21 - son of William and Annie Aland, Holt - Buried at Banneville-La-Campagne War Cemetery, France - Grave Reference II.B.22

**BENNETT, A.W.** - A/A.B. Royal Navy

**FLETCHER, D.** - Sergeant - Royal Air Force, Volunteer Reserve

**HEAVYSIDE, John William, D.S.C.\*** - Commissioned Engineer - Royal Navy, H.M.S. Eclipse - Died 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1943 - aged 44 - son of John Henry and Florence Heavyside, Holt and husband of Emily Heavyside, Holt - Commemorated on Plymouth Naval Memorial - Panel 78, Column 2

**HEAVYSIDE, Roy Henry Llewellyn\*** - Private 5626156 - Devonshire Regiment, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion - Died 12<sup>th</sup> July 1944 - aged 27 - son of Frederick and Winifred Heavyside and husband of Joan Heavyside, Bradford-on-Avon - Ryes War Cemetery, France - Grave Reference IV.B.5

**LEDBURY, David Rupert Nelson\*** - Marine PO/X5001 - Royal Marines, H.M.S Fidelity - Died 1<sup>st</sup> January 1943 - aged 19 - son of Richard Ledbury, and of Lottie Frances Ledbury, Melksham - Commemorated on Portsmouth Naval Memorial - Panel 79, Column 3

**MORTIMER, Lawry Brimson\*** - Aircraftman First Class 575923 - Died 5<sup>th</sup> July 1941 - aged 18 - son of Howard and Grace Gladys Mortimer, Holt – commemorated on Runnymede Memorial - Panel 57

**SCRINE, Robert\*** - Leading Stoker D/KX81506 - Royal Navy, H.M.S. Neptune - Died 19<sup>th</sup> December 1941 - aged 28 - son of Edward Pearse Scrine and Gertrude Scrine, Holt - Commemorated on Plymouth Naval Memorial - Panel 52, Column 2

\* Taken from the London Gazette, Tuesday 23 June 1942, Admiralty, Whitehall. The KING has been graciously pleased to ...approve the following awards:- For great courage, skill and determination in action with the Enemy while escorting a Convoy in HMS Eclipse: The Distinguished Service Cross. Mr. John William Heavyside, Commissioned Engineer, Royal Navy.

The above is an alphabetical list of names with some additional information, mainly which I have taken from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission Registers. If I have been at all uncertain I have not included the details. Besides the information the CWGC supplies, such as the details of rank, service number and cemetery they are currently (2012) working in association with The War Graves Photographic Project to photograph every war grave and individual memorial of service personnel from the First World War to the present. They are able to provide photographs or digital images to enquirers for a small fee. Photographs of graves or memorials are available for those servicemen marked with a \*. Both web sites are extremely easy to search and may help you to trace your military ancestors, or one of the 67,000 Commonwealth civilians who died as a result of enemy action during the Second World War.