

Cultural and heritage organisations from across the county are commemorating the 100th anniversary of World War One with an outstanding four-year programme of events and activities under the banner **Worcestershire World War One Hundred**.

Led by the Worcestershire Archive and Archaeology Service, the programme, which received one of the largest Heritage Lottery Fund Grants outside of London, commemorates the role Worcestershire played in World War One and tells the stories of Worcestershire people, their involvement with and personal legacy from the War.

Residents of Worcestershire are invited to be part of the project through sharing their own family photos, diaries, letters and artefacts from World War One for inclusion in the People's Collection exhibition. If you would like to loan or gift materials for this special exhibition, contact us through our website.

You can see the full programme of what is happening near you, which venues are participating and how you can get involved at www1worcestershire.co.uk

The map inside indicates just some of the highlights for 2017/2018.

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PARTNERS:

Worcestershire Archive and Archaeology Service
Museums Worcestershire
Avoncroft Museum of Historic Buildings
University of Worcester
George Marshall Medical Museum
Tudor House Museum, Worcester
Museum of Royal Worcester Porcelain
Elgar Birthplace Museum
Worcester Cathedral
Museum of the Mercian Regiment
Worcestershire Yeomanry Museum
Worcester City Council
Worcestershire Libraries and Learning Service

Worcestershire World War One Hundred

www1worcestershire.co.uk/
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The Butts, Worcester. WR1 3PD
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Event Guide
& Map 2017

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EVENTS 2017

1 EXHIBITION

Until November 2018

A Happy Convalescence

County Museum at Hartlebury,
Hartlebury Castle, Hartlebury,
Worcestershire DY11 7XZ

10am – 5pm Tue – Fri;
11am – 5pm Sat, Sun
Adults £5, Seniors £2.50,
Children (aged 5–16) £2.50,
Family Ticket £13 (admits 2
adults & 2 children)

Discover the stories of fun, friendship and romance that offered a brief respite from the frontlines for injured soldiers sent to recover at Hartlebury Castle Hospital. Piece together the journeys of the ill and injured from the battlefield to 'Blighty' and back again. Meet the determined Worcestershire women who nursed them back to health.



3 MOBILE APP

The World War One Remembering Trail

Worcester Cathedral, 8 College
Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA

Daily FREE

A Worcester Cathedral
App available to download
throughout the year.

4 EXHIBITION

Until 31 October 2018

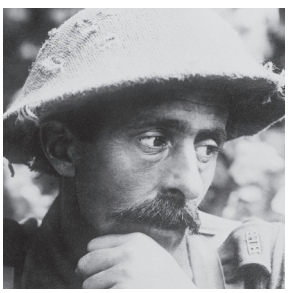
Malvern in World War One

Malvern Museum of Local
History, Malvern Museum,
Priory Gatehouse, Abbey Road,
Great Malvern, WR14 3ES

10.30am – 5pm Daily

Adults £2; 7–18 50p; under 7 FREE

Malvern Museum is running a programme of exhibitions and activities to commemorate the momentous years of the Great War as it affected the inhabitants of the Malvern area. Visitors receive a replica 1915 National Registration card, which gives brief details of one of 20 individuals who lived in Malvern at the outbreak of war. Visitors will discover what happened to them in a fuller description found in the last display room where other Great War events can be seen.



5 FAMILY DAY

WW1 Hospital Histories – The Boynes

The Boynes Residential Care
Home, Upper Hook Rd,
Worcester WR8 0SB

11am – 2pm

FREE

Travel through time to a 1917 Voluntary Aid Detachment Hospital at The Boynes Care Centre Care Home.
Activities: Bell Tent Casualty Clearing Station with re-enactors Discover History.

Exhibition of artwork and poetry inspired by 1917 patient autograph books by pupils of Hanley Swan St Gabriel's with St Mary's Church of England Primary School.

Play lawn games.

Timed poetry performances from Charley Barnes.

Timed tours of former VAD Hospital.

6 EXHIBITION

June

Cadbury Connection

Tudor House Museum, 38–42
Friar Street, Worcester, WR1 2NA

10am – 4pm Wed, Thu and Sat

FREE

An exhibition exploring the role of Richard Cadbury in the conscientious objector trials.



7 FAMILY DAY

Sunday 11 June

The Bell Tent at Norton Community Games

Norton Community Games,
Norton Cricket Club, Norton
Barracks/Brockhill La,
Worcester WR5 2PP

12noon – 4.30pm

FREE

This year's theme is based on the military, find out more about World War One with the Worcestershire World War One Hundred Bell Tent.



8 CONCERT & FILM SCREENING

17 June

The Battle of the Somme – Centenary Tour

Worcester Cathedral, 8 College
Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA

7.30pm

£20 & £15 available from
Worcester Live: 01905 611427

The original 1916 Battle of the Somme film by Geoffrey Malins and John McDowell accompanied by a live soundtrack performed by the British Police Symphony Orchestra. Composer Laura Rossi and Dr Toby Haggith, Senior Curator at The Imperial War Museum will give pre-performance talks about the battle and the musical score.

Musical Director: Richard Jenkinson.

Music by Laura Rossi, commissioned by the Imperial War Museums.



9 EXHIBITION

17 – 29 June

Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy

The Deans Chapel, Worcester
Cathedral, 8 College Yard,
Worcester WR1 2LA

FREE

An exhibition of the life and work of "Woodbine Willie", Rev. Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy MC, vicar of St. Paul's, Worcester and Army Chaplain.

10 EXHIBITION

22 – 29 July

Worcester and Gouzeaucourt: The adoption of a French village devastated in the Great War

Opening from 1pm 22 July
Mon – Fri 10am – 4pm,
Sat 10am – 5pm

Guildhall, High Street,
Worcester WR1 2EY

FREE

Exhibition compiled by Worcester Twinning Association as part of its HLF Project

As part of a national League of Help, Worcester adopted Gouzeaucourt in 1921 to help rebuild the shattered village which had been behind German lines for much of the War but in 1917 and 1918 was on the front Line. Battalions of the Worcestershire Regiment, notably 2/8th Battalion, were in the vicinity and the adoption was based on this connection with the Regiment and the dead in local cemeteries.

11 EVENT

Saturday 22 July 2017

The Bell Tent at the 115th Badsey Flower Show – a traditional village show

Badsey Recreation Ground,
Sands Lane, Badsey, Evesham,
Worcestershire. WR11 7EZ

1pm – 5pm

£3 Adults, £2 OAPs, £1 Children

In conjunction with the Badsey Society's stand, which showcases the work of the Society, visit the Worcestershire World War One Hundred Bell Tent and find out the impact the war had on Worcestershire as a whole.

12 LECTURE

22 July

1917: A Future in Sight?

College Hall, Worcester
Cathedral, 8 College Yard,
Worcester WR1 2LA

3.30pm – 4.30pm

£12, tickets via
www.3choirs.org/events/

In 1917, victory for either side was elusive but change was in the air. The alliance of 'throne and altar' was wobbling and Europe's 'Christendom' was in deep trouble. Would Bolshevik revolution spread across the continent? What influence would America's entry into the war have on Europe's future? Keith Robbins examines how, amidst the carnage of 'Christendom' Christianity was reimagined amidst a profound hope that this might indeed be the war to end war.

**MORE
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13 BOOK LAUNCH

22 July
Launch of Life after Tragedy: Essays on Faith and the First World War evoked by Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy
College Hall, Worcester Cathedral, 8 College Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA
4.30pm – 5pm
FREE – ticket required via www.3choirs.org/events/
This talk will be followed by a reception to celebrate the launch of Life after Tragedy: Essays on Faith and the First World War evoked by Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy, a book devised by members of Worcester Cathedral Chapter and published on the centenary of Studdert Kennedy's award of the Military Cross in 1917.

14 PERFORMANCE / EVENT
22 July, from noon
Quiet Revolution
Worcester City Centre
FREE more info via www.dancefest.co.uk/performances/quiet-revolution
World War One brought about a quiet social revolution on the Home Front.

Women were fighting the Great War on their own doorstep. Enduring loss, adversity and hardship, they discovered a new sense of purpose and dignity in comradeship, delicate-activism, unity and liberation.
Part of Watch Out Worcester, an afternoon of outdoor arts to surprise and delight in Worcester City Centre.

15 TALK
24 July
Religion and the British Soldier in WWI
King's School Boathouse, 5 College Green, Worcester WR1 2LL
9.30am – 10.30am
£12 (includes breakfast) www.3choirs.org/events/
Canon Michael Snape, Professor of Anglican Studies at the University of Durham, looks at how the First World War impacted on soldiers' religious beliefs and practices. This talk is the second in a series programmed to mark the launch of Life after Tragedy: Essays on Faith and the First World War Evoked by Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy.



16 TALK
26 July
Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy: An Inside View
King's School Boathouse, 5 College Green, Worcester WR1 2LL
9.30am – 10.30am
£12 (includes breakfast) www.3choirs.org/events/
The third in a series programmed to mark the launch of Life after Tragedy: Essays on Faith and the First World War Evoked by Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy. Today we receive a unique insight from Andrew Studdert-Kennedy, grandson of 'Woodbine Willie', who will talk about the life, work and legacy of the most famous British army chaplain of the First World War. He will explore the particular context of his grandfather's ministry and see what lessons can still be drawn from it.

17 TALK
28 July
Britain, Germany, and Church Relations, 1914–1918
King's School Boathouse, 5 College Green, Worcester WR1 2LL
9.30am – 10.30am
£12 (includes breakfast) www.3choirs.org/events/
The final talk in a series programmed to mark the launch of Life after Tragedy: Essays on Faith and the First World War Evoked by Geoffrey Studdert Kennedy. Canon Mark Chapman, Professor of the History of Modern Theology at the University of Oxford, and Vice-Principal of Ripon College Cuddesdon gives a fascinating talk on how relations between the churches of Britain and Germany were affected by the First World War.

20 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
17 September
Remembering Stanley Baldwin
Worcester Cathedral, 8 College Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA
FREE
Remembrance service for Stanley Baldwin MP. MP for Bewdley and Prime Minister during the War, Mr Baldwin is buried at Worcester Cathedral.
Evensong – commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Stanley Baldwin.



21 CONCERT
30 September
The Armed Man: a Mass for Peace 2017
Worcester Cathedral, 8 College Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA
7.30pm
Tickets via Worcester Live Box Office, 01905 611427
Concert, The Armed Man: a Mass for Peace by Karl Jenkins featuring ELGAR Cello Concerto with BBC Young Musician Winner Laura van der Heijden; Worcestershire Centenary Chorus, 250 young voices marking the centenary of the Great War; Orchestra of the Swan conducted by Neil Ferris.
Photographs from photojournalist Michael St Maur Sheil's stunning exhibition, Fields of Battle, Lands of Peace 14–18, will be screened during the performance.



22 FAMILY DAYS
Saturday 16 & Sunday 17 September
The Bell Tent at Lickey Hills Local History Society Open Weekend
Lickey Hills, Warren Lane, Rednal, Birmingham B45 8ER
11am – 4pm
FREE
Come and see the World War I gun proof site that has recently been awarded a Heritage Lottery Fund grant. And find out more about some local characters – this year the baddies! Plus the Worcestershire World War One Hundred Bell Tent to tell us about Zeppelin attacks.

23 EXHIBITION
Mid October – mid December
The Queens Own Worcestershire Hussars at Huj, 1917
Worcester Soldier Gallery, Worcester City Museum & Art Gallery, Foregate St, Worcester WR1 1DT
FREE
A temporary exhibition featuring the story of the last charge by British Cavalry, namely The Queens Own Worcestershire Hussars, to capture Turkish guns at Huj in Palestine.

24 FREEDOM PARADE
21 October
Dancox VC – Freedom March
Worcester City Centre
FREE
To mark the award of the Victoria Cross to Private Frederick George Dancox, as well as the tenth anniversary of the Mercian Regiment, the Regiment will march through Worcester City Centre.
25 PLAQUE UNVEILING
21 October
Remembering Dancox – Plaque unveiling
Dancox House
Army Reserves Centre, Pheasant Street, Worcester
FREE
A memorial plaque will be unveiled to mark the award of the Victoria Cross to Private Frederick George Dancox at the Battle of Poelcappelle.

26 TALK
26 October
The Queens Own Worcestershire Hussars at Huj, 1917
Worcester Soldier Gallery, Worcester City Museum & Art Gallery, Foregate St, Worcester WR1 1DT
£5
To accompany the exhibition telling the story of the last charge by British Cavalry, Stamford Cartwright will give a talk about the Charge and the role of The Queens Own Worcestershire Hussars.
27 CONFERENCE
4 November
North American Women and World War One
University of Worcester, Henwick Grove, Worcester, WR2 6AJ
For further info contact University of Worcester
2017 marks the centenary of American entry into WWI and the host of facets of female participation, this conference explores the roles, and impact, of American women in the Great War.

28 EXHIBITION
4 – 19 November
Britain and the Great War
Deans Chapel, Worcester Cathedral, 8 College Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA
FREE
An exhibition exploring Britain in the Great War.

29 TALKS & ACTIVITIES
11 November
Armistice The Hive
FREE
Talks and activities throughout the day.
Talks to include:
Emily Mayhew – stretcher bearers and the casualty evacuation chain.
Rebecca Wynter – Dr. Martha Stewart, first female Resident Medical Officer.
Alice Edwards – research into general medical developments in Worcestershire during WWI.

30 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE
12 November
Remembrance Day Service
Worcester Cathedral, 8 College Yard, Worcester WR1 2LA
10.30am
FREE

31 EXHIBITION
2 – 27 November
Childhood Interrupted: Worcestershire's Youth in WWI
The Hive, Sawmill Walk, The Butts, Worcester, WR1 3PD
FREE
An exhibition on how the lives of children were changed, disrupted and altered by WWI.

32 EXHIBITION 2018
3 February – 11 November 2018
The War to End all Wars
Worcester City Museum & Art Gallery, Foregate St, Worcester WR1 1DT
FREE
From industry to the military, fashion to food, discover how the First World War changed the lives of Worcestershire people and shaped the future of the 20th century.

33 EXHIBITION 2018
17 February – 2 June 2018
Benjamin Williams Leader: Blest by the Suns of Home
Worcester City Museum & Art Gallery, Foregate St, Worcester WR1 1DT
FREE
Through the work of Worcester's most famous artist, Benjamin Williams Leader, discover how the British landscape took on new emotional importance during World War One as a landscape worth fighting for.