

Fairlop Heritage Group

Created in 2009



First inaugural meeting held in Fullwell Cross library on Saturday 11 February 2009

It was agreed that:

The principle of the Fairlop Heritage Group shall be to promote the understanding of and concern for the historic and natural heritage of Fairlop Plain and its future.

Also agreed to involve local schools, where possible, so children could be made aware of history on their doorstep. We should consult and negotiate with the Council, so we could use facilities at Fairlop Waters for educational purposes and talks etc.

Also discussed: a website, was there an intention to commemorate the first flight from Fairlop Plain in 1911? a patron and a logo.

In 2009, a site for RAF Station Fairlop, created by David Martin, had been in use for a number of years, but given that the historic nature of Fairlop Plain extended far beyond WW2, this site should be extended.

The Patron could be the Member of Parliament. Later Lee Scott MP, accepted our invitation, and remained our patron until 2015, when he was succeeded by Wes Streeting MP.

The logo above, is designed to reflect the ancient and modern aspect of Fairlop Plain.

The word FAIR refers to Fairlop Fair held around the Oak.
Lop refers to the husbandry of trees and the angled break between F and L signifies the the loss of the Fairlop Oak in 1820.

Finally, the red spot in the O is a stylised roundel and refers to the connection of Fairlop Plain with the Royal Flying Corps and later the Royal Air Force.

11 November Remembrance Ceremonies.

These have occurred since 2009 and it custom to remember personnel from seventeen countries known to have served.

To date, Argentina, Australia, Canada, Czechoslovakia, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, South Africa and United States of America have been commemorated, and the ceremonies are always well attended. The Mayor and/or Deputy Mayor, Local Members of Parliament and Councillors are invited, as is the Parish Priest and whenever possible a Rabbi.

2009. The first ceremony.



Fairlop Memorial Wall

(Brian Ecott)



top left: **Lee Scott MP and Cllr. Keith Prince, Leader of LB Redbridge Council**
bottom left: **Deputy Mayor Cllr. Brian Lambert** right: **Sergeant Chris Chandler**

(Still Solutions)

2010. Canada.



middle: left: **Major Barry Deveraoux Canadian Forces**
 right: **Pavel Becak, Defence Attache Czech Republic who gave support**
 bottom (l-r) **David Martin, Harold Bennett, John Parfitt**
Harold Bennett with Deputy Mayor Cllr. Ruth Clark

(David Martin & Still Solutions)

2011 New Zealand



**Deputy Mayor Cllr. Felicity Banks, and Mayor Cllr. Chris Cummins
with Steve Pavett and Matt Tear from Christchurch, New Zealand**
(David Martin)

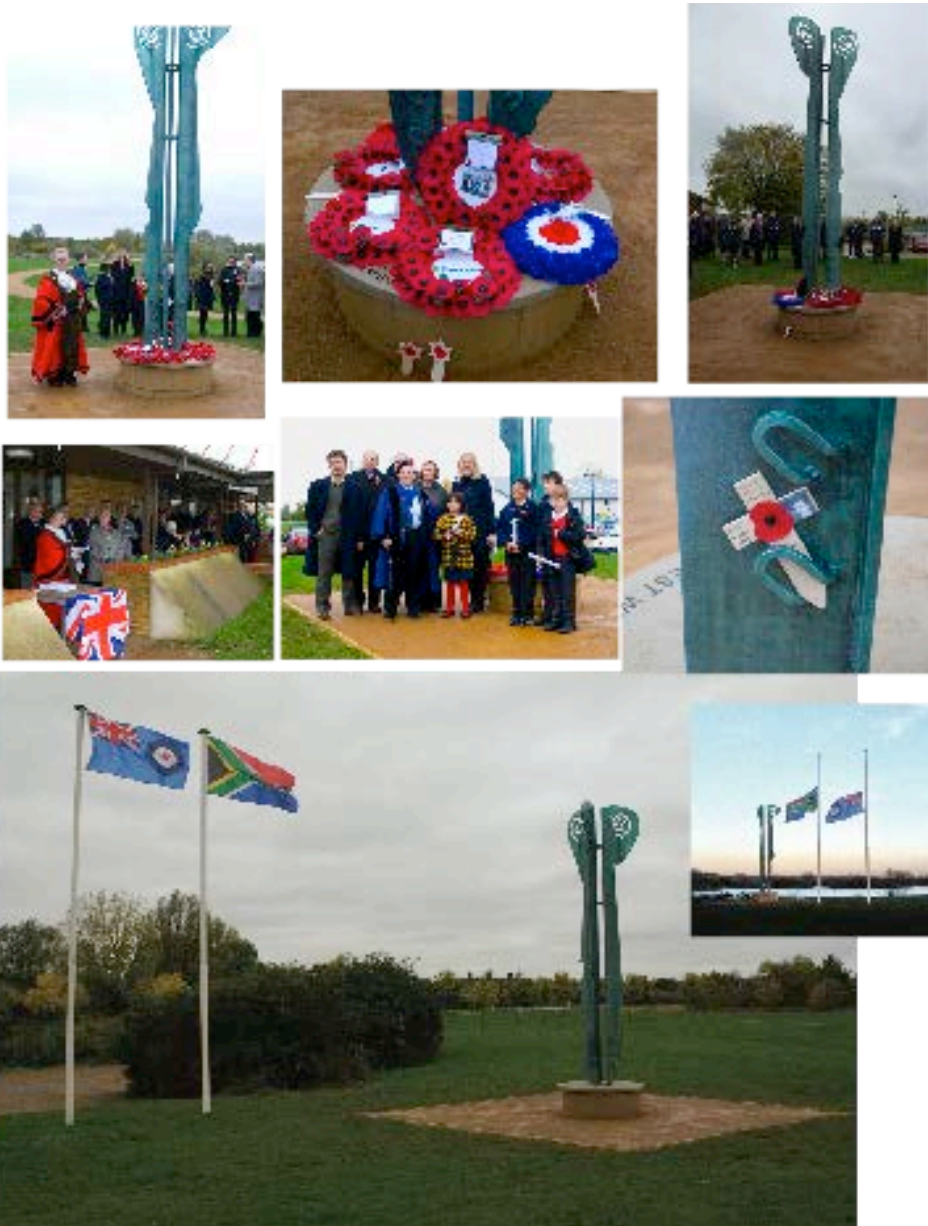
2012 Czechoslovakia



centre r: **Mayor of Redbridge Cllr. Muhammed Javed, presides over the ceremony**
centre l: **Harold Bennett in wheelchair, left Sean Grant and right Max Bean**

(Still Solutions)

2013 South Africa – the first with our Memorial



Top: **Mayor Cllr Felicity Banks by the memorial**
Centre (l-r): **the Mayor Speaking, Cherie Selzer from Catchcart, Eastern Cape,**
with children from Fairlop Primary School,
Remembrance Poppy for Ken Trott who died September 2013
Bottom: **Flags at half mast for Nelson Mandela, former President of South Africa**
who died 5 December 2013.

(David Martin, Barbara Martin, Chris Johnson)



We commemorated Ireland and Russia only to discover with assistance from Ministry of Defence (Polish Section), that P/O Stanislav Kurowicki, who held a Russian Passport, was in fact Polish.
The following year this error was publicly acknowledged.

FAIRLOP REMEMBERS 2017

John Bramston Primary School 10 November
Fairlop Waters 11 November

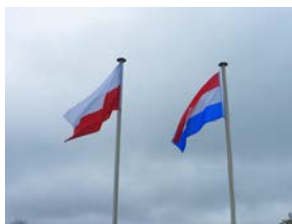
On Friday 10 November we visited John Bramston Primary School with Deputy Mayor Ashley Kissin and Wes Streeting MP to hold a ceremony for pupils.



Pupils held up cards, on which were printed the names and ages of those killed at Fairlop in two World Wars.



At Fairlop Waters, we remembered P/O RC Schuren from the Netherlands and P/O Stanislaw Kurowicki, we now know is Polish.



Deputy Lt. Chan, our Patron Wes Streeting MP and Mike Gapes MP paid tribute to those who served at Fairlop. Prayers led by Rev. Kate Lovesey. Mund Gerandts and Robert Pliszka representing Netherlands and Poland, spoke in their native language as well as English.



Thanks are due to Melanie Dye and Paven Kettory of John Bramston Primary School & Ashley Ryan and her staff at Fairlop Waters Country Park.

Photography: Alan Banner

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A selection of photos which include from left to right by line:

Revd Kate Lovesey, Wes Streeting MP and Mike Gapes MP,
Fairlop Heritage Group at John Bramston Primary School
Mund Geradts, left, Robert Plizska
Deputy Lt Thomas Chan, John Bowers, Melanie Dye and pupils
Ellie Rudolph, Max Bean, Barbara Martin, David Martin



Fairlop Roll Of Honour

19th Century

Name	Rank	Date	Reason
George Hall	PC	1846	thrown off horse at Fairlop Farm

1914 to 1919



Argentina



Australia



Belgium



Bermuda



Canada



Czechoslovakia



France



Ireland



Netherlands

Ashmore, Ernest	Civilian	19 July 1916
Baird, John Donald	2/Lt	8 May 1918
Beacroft Smith, Frank	Lt.	28 May 1918
Bean, Arnold Ralph	F/Sgt	29 July 1918
Bell, Laurie	2/Lt	29 July 1918
Burns, Thomas Rowlands	Lt	16 December 1918
Cound, Russell James	F/Sgt	8 January 1919
Craig, George Robert	Lt	24 August 1917
Davies, Lorwith Gwilym	Captain	2 September 1918
Ellercamp, Wilfred Allen Herbert	Lt	30 December 1918
Edwardes, Henry Arthur	2/Lt	16 February 1918
Everett, Frank	Flying Cadet	8 October 1918
Floyd, William Eric	Prob. F/O	21 January 1918
Hatcher, Harold Blake	2/Lt	30 July 1918
Homewood, Charles	2/Lt	8 July 1918
Hurdall, Charles Douglas	2/Lt	30 December 1918
Jassby, Harry Walter	2/Lt	6 November 1918
Manuel, Vane Carrington	2/Lt	18 December 1917
Meff, William	2/Lt	25 July 1918
Simpson, Thomas Barton	Lt	19 December 1918
Trotter, Claude Handley	Lt	13 October 1918
Wood, Walter Bertram	Lt	11 November 1917

hangar collapsed
crashed
walked into propeller
mid air collision
mid air collision
crashed
crashed
crashed
mid air collision
broke up mid air
crashed
crashed, on fire
mid air collision
crashed
mid air collision
mid air collision?
crashed
crashed
crashed
crashed



Norway



New Zealand



Poland



Sierra Leone



South Africa



Southern Rhodesia



United Kingdom



United States of America

1939 to 1945

Aitchison, Harold Leslie John	F/Lt	12 July 1943
Barrett, John Patrick	F/Sgt	19 June 1942
Borkovec, Miroslav	Sgt	17 May 1942
Burton, Allen Henley	F/O	18 May 1943
Campbell, Robert Richard	F/Sgt	15 April 1943
Crisp, John Lawrence	P/O	8 June 1942
Damsell, Walter Anthony	P/O	22 July 1943
Dawson, Ian Maclaren	F/Sgt	30 July 1942
De-Naeyer, Francis	F/Lt	25 May 1943
Dennison, Francis Hurst	F/O	30 December 1943
Draper, Raimund Sanders	F/O	24 March 1943
Dyon, Theodule Elsi Nicolas	W/O Adjt	26 October 1942
Farmer, John Anthony Goodhand	Sgt	1 January 1942
Fawkes, Stephen Guye Hawkesworth	P/O	8 December 1941
Fejfar, Stanislav	F/Lt	17 May 1942
Forshaw, Roger Gatty	S/Ldr	18 December 1941
Green, Helen	ACW	1 August 1944
Guy, John Arnold	P/O	25 May 1943
Halamasek, Evzen	Sgt	2 June 1942
Harris, Joseph Herbert	LAC	8 October 1944
Houghton, Harry Dennis	F/Sgt	28 April 1943
Hurt, Charles Edward	P/O	30 July 1942
James, Dennis Stephen	F/Sgt	15 July 1942
King, Richard Lander	P/O	18 November 1942
Kurowicki, Stanislaw	F/O	11 September 1943
Marshall, James Wilfred.	F/Sgt	November 1943
McConnell, William Alexander Daziel	Sgt	26 May 1943
McKeown, Desmond Papworth	S/Ldr	2 September 1943
McKoy, Godfrey Alan	F/Sgt	26 January 1943
Mitchell, John Leonard	F/Sgt	12 February 1942
Otto, Allan Walter	Sgt	16 May 1943
Parker, Thomas Lawrence	P/O	6 December 1942
Pavlik, Karel	F/Lt	5 May 1942
Perkins, Ernest Phillip Orwell	Air Raid Warden	18 November 1944
Snowden, Nicholas	P/O	16 April 1943
Skeet, William George	LAC	18 November 1944
Stevenson, Peter Charles Fasken	F/Lt	13 February 1943
Stromme, Eiliv Schjelderup	Lt	11 October 1942
Vaughan, John Michael	F/O	22 July 1943
Warner, Leonard John	F/Sgt	10 January 1944

did not return
crashed on landing
did not return
crashed in flames at Fairlop
did not return
into the sea
into the sea
did not return
did not return
into the sea
did not return
into the sea
crashed
killed by crashed Dornier 217
flew into hill
shot down
did not return
lost on night patrol
ran into vehicle
into the sea
did not return
motor cycle accident
crashed over target
did not return
shot down near target
into the sea
shot down
no details
crashed near airfield
no details
did not return
into the sea
crashed on take off
into the sea
shot down
killed by V2
believed shot down
killed by V2
into the sea
shot down
into the sea
into the sea

Friends of Fairlop

John Wilkinson	Cpl	2005
Stanley (Basil) Parsons	LAC	2010
Kenneth Albert John Trott	F/O	12 September 2013
Harold Bennett	F/Sgt	10 January 2015

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