

## Lakenheath Heritage Group

### People

0001P - Alwyne Arthur and Mrs. Lucy Mary Barker (Carter)

0002P - Cooks at Lakenheath Primary School in the 50's Ciss Mackender, Ethel Roper & Louie Rutterford.

0003P – Henry Flatt on his 1921 225cc Triumph Motor Cycle which was still registered as being still on the road in 2017. We believe that the gentleman with him was Mr. Aimes.

0004P - Dinner party

0005P - Henry Smith presenting Fishing Trophies. Left to Right: Carl Mitchel? Stephen Jackson, David Jackson, Henry Smith, Denis Flack and ??

0006P - Jumble Sale Lakenheath Village Hall 1977

0007P - Lakenheath May Day singers

0008P - Lakenheath Silver Band with Father Christmas at the junction of Wingfield Road and Wingfield Avenue in 1980.

0009P - Land Girls Harvesting Chivers Farm, Lakenheath 1939

0010P - Mildenhall Secondary Modern 1963 – 1

0011P - Mildenhall Secondary Modern 1963 – 2

0012P - Mildenhall Secondary Modern 1963 – 3

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0014P - Minnie Pruer

0015P - Mr Challis the last Shepherd of Lakenheath

0016P – Royal Observer Corp. (ROC) Lakenheath Post. Back Row Left to Right: Sammy Tuffs, Ralph Ashman, Harry Rutterford, Charlie Bennett, Tom Tuffs, Jim Brown, Horry Fincham, Walter Flack, George Peckett.

Middle Row Left to Right: Sarge Flack, David Howard, Fred Bullen, Herb Coleman, Johnny Coleman.

Front Left to Right: Ebb Flack and Harold Bennett.

0017(1)P - Three members from Lakenheath of the Second World War Lakenheath Royal Observer Corps Post.

Sammy Tuffs, George Peckett and Barry Hensby were amongst the 796 selected from 1,376 observers and 29 Officers, who volunteered for service as 'Seaborne' observers aboard 'D.E.M.S.' (Defensively Equipped Merchant Ships) used in the D-Day Landings.

They were enlisted into the Royal Navy for one month with the option of extension to two months, (the majority stayed for two) paid a special rate of £1 a day and given the Rank of Petty Officer. Their ages ranged 17 to 70.

2 observers were killed and 22 survived their ships being sunk. 1 was injured by shell splinters and 1 was injured by a flying bomb when his ship was in dock.

From Lakenheath First standing on the left is Barry Hensby, 6th from left standing is Sammy Tuffs and George Peckett is sitting 2nd from the right.

0017(2) – Note the signatures, second from Top that of Sammy Tuffs and 6<sup>th</sup> from the top George Peckett.

0018P - The Co-op Girls approx. 1955 Front row-Ethel Gathercole, Barbara Shinkins, Mary Sumner, Christine Rolph, Sheila Bennett, Back Row- Valerie Brown, Shirley Bishop and Laura Bennett.

0019P - Back L to R unknown, Lil Gipp, , Emma Stanford, Florrie Flack, Lottie Halls. Front L to R Unknown, Meg Morley, Bob Stanford and Fred Halls

0020P - Those involved with Youth Club around 1955

0021P - Lucy & Alwyn Barker with their caravan.

0022P - Fruit Pickers for Chivers

0023P - Land Army girls fruit picking

0024P – workers probably for Chivers

0025P - Lakenheath boys meet the Land Army girls on the Church Wall

0026P - WW1 1919-1920 Lakenheath Veterans -The soldiers are: Back Row: James Rutterford, Robert Mackender, Joseph Rutterford, Billy Mackender, Tom Phipp, Leslie Allsop, Harry Howard, Alfred Bailey and Syd Mackender

Second Row: Jim Brown, Bob Bennett, Sam Harding, Septimius Horrex, Jack Nunn, Gilbert Horrex, Charlie Fincham, Horace Parsons, Ebb Flack, Charles Cooper, Arthur Rolph, Bert Flack, Tyrell Flack, Victor Morley, George Rutterford, Chris Bailey, Tom Flack, Billy Rolph, Arthur Tuffs, Geo Rutterford, Simon Flack, Mark Coleman, John Crane, Fred Cash, Bert Mackender, Fred Brooks,

Third Row: Dick Crane Snr., Thomas Halis, Dick Petch, Sargeant Coleman, Rev Mirriss, Fred Gathercole.

Bottom Row: Charlie Coleman, George Sitford, Henry Flatt, , Sidney Rolph, Edgar Rutterford, Arthur Sitford.

0027P - RAF at armistice parade

0028P - Mr Presland's Coach 1937 - This includes his coach and horses. Mr Presland and the coachmen are in period dress. The house is decorated with flags and it is hard to see whether the union flag is attached to the house or the coach. The house seems to be that adjoins what was Matthews Nursery on the corner. Was this the Coronation of King George VI?

0029P - Lakenheath workers. This shows the piling for a culvert under the River Lode. Location approx. at Newmans Drove roughly the sharp left bend after High Bridge. It is near where the Shaft that goes down to the tunnel to Essex. The picture includes George Rutterford on the left, Herb Bennett and Bill crane on the far right.

0030P - Piling the Lode. This shows in the foreground Bill Crane. You can clearly see the drain for which the culvert was being dug in the background as mentioned in picture number 0029P.

0031P Dr. Alfred Joseph Pickworth. A Medical man as well as a Methodist Minister serving Lakenheath. His last known home was on the corner of Mill Road and Back Street known as Pickworths' Old Place.

0032P - Stone Sifters, Lakenheath. The gravel pits were located on Lakenheath Warren, top of Maids Cross Hill. The gravel was dug and sifted to remove the sand. The stones were used to surface Drovers in the fens.

0033P - Behind Village Hall, Mothers and babies with left to right Mrs. Hensby, Mrs. Crane, Mrs. Flack, Mrs. Rackham, Mrs. Ivy Gannon and Mrs. Eileen Sutton.

0034P - Cecil (HUD) Cooper delivering for the butchers.

0035P - Albert Henry Coe with his Dad, slightly in front of him. In this picture they are shovelling hail c1950. Albert Coe was the village baker for many years. This is to the rear of the bakery that stood on the site of the Co-op in 2020 by Anchor Lane.

0036P - Lakenheath ROC post members 1959s L to R, Unknown Officer, Jim Dolan, Maurice Moss Flack, Derek Hammond, Sammy Tuffs, Don Fincham, Ken Turner.

Front L to R, Les Rutterford, Fred Bullen, Alan Peachey, Ernie Rutterford.

0037P - 1950's Armistice parade with Hazel Coleman, Jill Peckett, Freda Coleman, June Legg, Cynthia Shinkins, Joan Whitehead, Yvonne Halls, Rose Allsop, Mary Sumner, Jeanette Mackender

0038P - Blacksmiths Fred Smith, Blacksmith, Ebb Crane, Dick Bennett, Jack Smith, Blacksmith and son of Fred Smith, Billy Brown, Walter Smith Blacksmith

0039P - Cecil Cooper, Ernie Tuffs, John Flack, Arthur Flack, Percy Rutterford.

0040P - Hunters work force left to right, Sarah Wallace. Janet Leader, Kath Clarke, Jackie Turner, Helen Game, Jill Bennett, Kim Wilderspin 1990 or 1991

0041P - Ike Bennett & Graham Cook with his Milk Float

0042P - J F Bennett and Staff 1955 with Harry Crane, Reg Mackender, Malcolm Gyte, Ernie Bedford, Brian Smith, Josh Bennett Tom Tuffs, George Lummis, Fred Smith Ernie Rutterford, Les Rutterford

0043P - Knitting Group, Methodist Church.

0044P - Lakenheath Camera Club with Ray Turner, David Flack, Colin Smith, John Fenn and Ernie Neal

0045P - Lakenheath School around 1927 see 0046P for the names

0046P Lakenheath School around 1927 names for picture shown at 0045P

0047P - Lakenheath County Primary school around 1968. - Celia Douglas was the teacher.

0048P - Lakenheath pupils and staff in 1905.

0049P - Proceeds from a Marathon Run organised by Mike Chambers split between The Village Home and the Youth Club. Left to Right Back: Margaret Davis, Jennifer Ottewell, Scott Watts, Neville Sizer, Valerie Jackson and Pat Neal. Middle Row: Alice Horrex, Marie Laflin, Margaret Sizer, Ann Chambers and Gwen Watkins. Front Win Hatchley, Mike Chambers, Ray Waller (Youth Club leader) and Billy Howard.

0050P - Tom Sumner in the middle with Will Gathercole (left) and Anthony Starr (right). RAF Lakenheath in the 1950's

0051P - The older person is Joe Sizer born 1934. Next to him Manoah Sizer, his son, who became the mayor of St Albans. Photo taken in front of The Elms, 133 High Street, Lakenheath.

0052P - L - R John Flack, .....Plumb, Arthur Coleman, Ron Flack, Stephen Halls, Michael Palmer, Brian Mackender, Don Gathercole, David Smith and Roy Williams. Darts team.

0053P - Lakenheath School infants Back L to R. Governess Emma Rolph; Arthur Hensby; Jack Hensby; Barry Hensby; John Crane; Dick Crane; Harry Mackender; Sid Budd; Win Bennett; Nora Bennett. Middle L to R. Tom Sutton; Sylvia Gathercole; Albert Gathercole; Gladys Gathercole; Mona Hanslip; Charlie Nunn; Daisy Howard; Hilda Palfrey; Ruby Flack; William Palfrey; Olive Watts; Mildred Presland; Alice Olley; Herbert; Clements; James Tuffs.

0054P - Sir Charlton and Lady Briscoe.

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