



**The laying up of the Colours of the West Riding Battalion and the receiving into safekeeping the Colours of the 3rd and 4th Battalions of the Yorkshire Volunteers including a dedication ceremony of additional memorial boards and tablets of the 5th and 7th Battalions of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, for both World Wars.**

Service lead by:  
Revd Canon Rachael Firth  
Revd Canon Sean Robertshaw CF VR

**Saturday 12 October, 2pm Huddersfield  
Army Reserve Centre, Drill Hall.**

## **Music: Duke of York**

### ***The Colours of the West Riding Battalion is paraded:***

*A Regimental representative:*

I ask, on behalf of the Royal Yorkshire Regiment that you to take the Colours of the West Riding Battalion Territorials into the safe keeping of Huddersfield Parish Church.

*The Colours of the 3rd and 4th Battalions of the Yorkshire Volunteers are brought forward.*

Padre, I ask you to receive the Colours of the 3rd & 4th Battalions of the Yorkshire Volunteers for safe keeping in this Drill Hall

*The minister reads the following sentences:*

*"God has called you to a free life.... Use your freedom to serve one another in love; that's how freedom grows: Love others as you love yourself. This is an act of true freedom". Galatians 5*

*The minister continues:*

We meet in the presence of God. We commit ourselves to work in penitence and faith for reconciliation between the nations that all people may together live in freedom, justice and peace. We pray for all who in bereavement, disability and pain continue to suffer the consequences of fighting and terror. We remember with thanksgiving and sorrow those whose lives, in world wars and conflicts past and present, have been given and taken away.

### **The Collect Prayer of the Royal Yorkshire Regiment**

O Lord God, the shield and buckler of all that trust Thee: grant to The Yorkshire Regiment in its Battalions and ranks the strength that fears no evil tidings, no desperate endeavours and no foe bodily or spiritual; but advances in Thy righteousness through all rough places, under the Captain of our Salvation, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Most Holy God and Father, hear our prayers for all who strive for peace, and all who yearn for justice. Help us, who today remember the cost of war, to work for a better tomorrow; and, as we commend to you lives lost in terror and conflict, bring us all, in the end, to the peace of your presence; through Christ our Lord. Amen

*All join together in the Lord's Prayer:*

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our**

**trespasses as we forgive those who trespass  
against us. And lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil For Thine is the  
kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever  
and ever. Amen**

**Readings:**

**Corinthians 9:24-25** Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last, but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. 26 Therefore I do not run like someone running aimlessly.

**Hebrews 12:1-2** Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Padre Sean reflects on Service and Sacrifice:**

**Hymn:**

**I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things  
above,  
entire and whole and perfect, the service of  
my love:  
the love that asks no question, the love that  
stands the test,  
that lays upon the altar the dearest and the  
best;  
the love that never falters, the love that pays  
the price,  
the love that makes undaunted the final  
sacrifice.**

**And there's another country I've heard of long  
ago,  
most dear to them that love her, most great to  
them that know;  
we may not count her armies, we may not see  
her King;  
her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is  
suffering;  
and soul by soul and silently her shining  
bounds increase,  
and her ways are ways of gentleness and all  
her paths are peace.**

*Cecil Spring-Rice*

**Dedication of the Plaques of Remembrance**

*An Association representative:*

Padre, I ask you to dedicate the additional names of those who served nobly and with valour for remembrance in this place.

*The Padre responds:*

Lord Jesus Christ, you set us the example of service.  
We dedicate these tokens of our gratitude, which represent the fighting spirit of our soldiers both past and present, their courage and service.

**All: Lord Jesus Christ you have blessed us this day with the gift of wisdom and remembrance. Preserve us now in all our duties that we may honour their memory and serve after the example you gave us. Amen.**

*Mr Julian Morley will share some vivid memories of his Grandfather, Pt Frank White, 20, who served under 2nd Lt Harris Hartas Anson, 27, and was within yards of him when he fell in action at St Servins Farm, at the end of August 1918.*

## Prayer

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life, and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Musical interlude; "Mountain Thyme" by Samuel Hazo.

*The following prayer is said:*

O God of truth, justice and freedom we hold before you those whose memory we cherish, and those whose names we will never know. Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us grace to pray for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future as we embrace the freedom you have given us. For your promise is to set us free from all that hinders. Amen. In peace let us pray to the Lord. We pray for the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of freedom, justice and truth. Lord in your mercy,

### **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who serve in the armed forces of the Crown, that they may have discipline and discernment, courage and compassion. Lord in your mercy,

### **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for our enemies, and those who wish us harm, that you may turn the hearts of all to kindness and friendship. Lord in your mercy,

### **Hear our prayer.**

We pray for the wounded and the captive, the grieving and the homeless, that in all their trials they may know your love and support. Lord in your mercy,

### **Hear our prayer.**

## **RESPONDING IN HOPE AND COMMITMENT**

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace?

**We will**

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war?

**We will**

Will you work for a just future for all humanity?

**We will**

## Hymn

He who would valiant be  
'gainst all disaster,  
let him in constancy  
follow the Master.  
There's no discouragement  
shall make him once relent  
his first avowed intent  
to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round  
with dismal stories,  
do but themselves confound—  
his strength the more is.  
No foes shall stay his might,  
though he with giants fight;  
he will make good his right  
to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, Thou dost defend  
us with Thy Spirit,  
we know we at the end  
shall life inherit.  
Then, fancies, flee away!  
I'll fear not what men say,  
I'll labor night and day  
to be a pilgrim.

*After John Bunyan*

## **ACT OF REMEMBRANCE**

*A moment of silence, a veteran says:*

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn."

*A member of the Royal Yorkshire regiment replies:*

"At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."

*All affirm:*

**We will remember them.**

*The beginning of the silence will be signalled with the Last Post Silence.  
The completion of the silence will be signalled With the Reveille.*

*The Kohima Epitaph is said:*

"When you go home tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow we gave our today."

## **The National Anthem**

**God save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King!  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the King.**

### *Padre blesses those gathered*

God grant to the living grace, to the departed rest, to the Church, the King, the Commonwealth and all people, unity, peace and concord, and to us and all God's servants, life everlasting. And the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you all and remain with you always. Amen.

All are requested to remain in place whilst The Regt. Band Play. "The Wellesley".

With thanks to:

Mr Julian Morley

Mrs Loveday Ingram (*Great niece of H H Anson's daughter, the late Margaret Walker.*)

Revd Canon Racheal Firth

Major David Gates

Captain Gary Clegg MBE. Director of Music

Captain Christian Long

Members of the Royal Yorkshire Regiment

The Band of the Royal Yorkshire Regiment

Mr Scott Flaving

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Band of The Royal Yorkshire Regiment

Directed by

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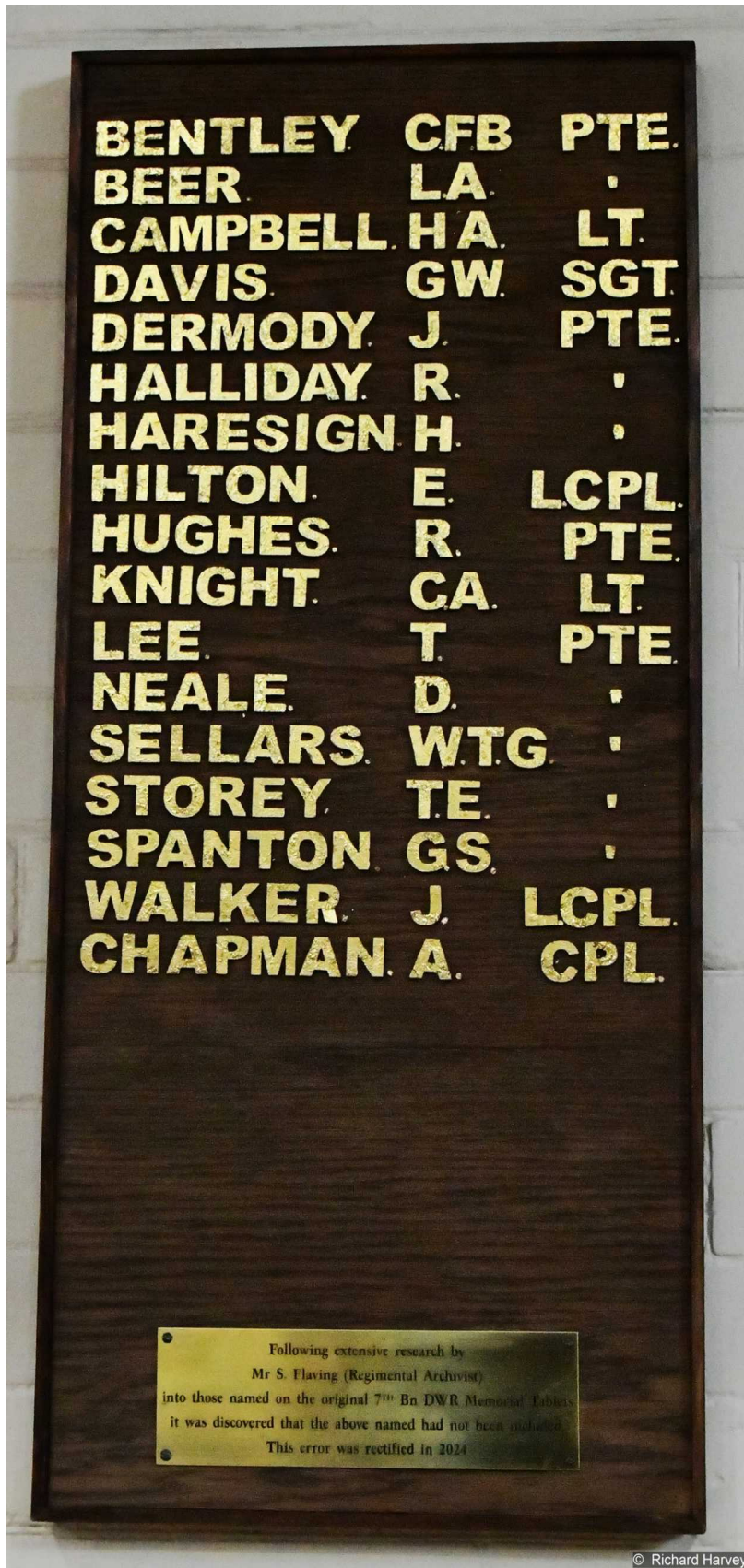
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COLLINS.	J.	"
COOPER.	W.	LT. COL.
CRINES.	H.	PTE.
CROCKER.	J.	LT.
DEMETRIADI.	LP.	LT. COL.
HIRST.	H.	PTE.
HUNT.	A.	"
McCLUSKY	J.	"
PROBYN.	J.W.	2 LT.
STANCLIFFE.	O.	PTE.
WATERHOUSE.	D.	"

Following extensive research by  
 Mr S. Flaving (Regimental Archivist)  
 into those named on the original 5<sup>th</sup> Bn DWR Memorial Boards  
 it was discovered that the above named had not been included.  
 This error was rectified in 2020.

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5th Battalion DWR

New name board for soldiers found to be missing from the original War Memorial Boards



7th Battalion DWR

New name board for soldiers found to be missing from the original War Memorial tablets



The Duke of Wellington's Regiment West Riding Battalion Colours

Regimental Colour carried by Eddie Beecroft

Queens Colour carried by David Woolley

Colours laid up in Huddersfield Parish Church



3rd Battalion Yorkshire Volunteers Colours

Regimental Colour carried by David Haigh

Queens Colour carried by Peter Beresford

The Colours were taken into safekeeping in Huddersfield Drill Hall



Maj (Ret'd) Stephen Armitage TD

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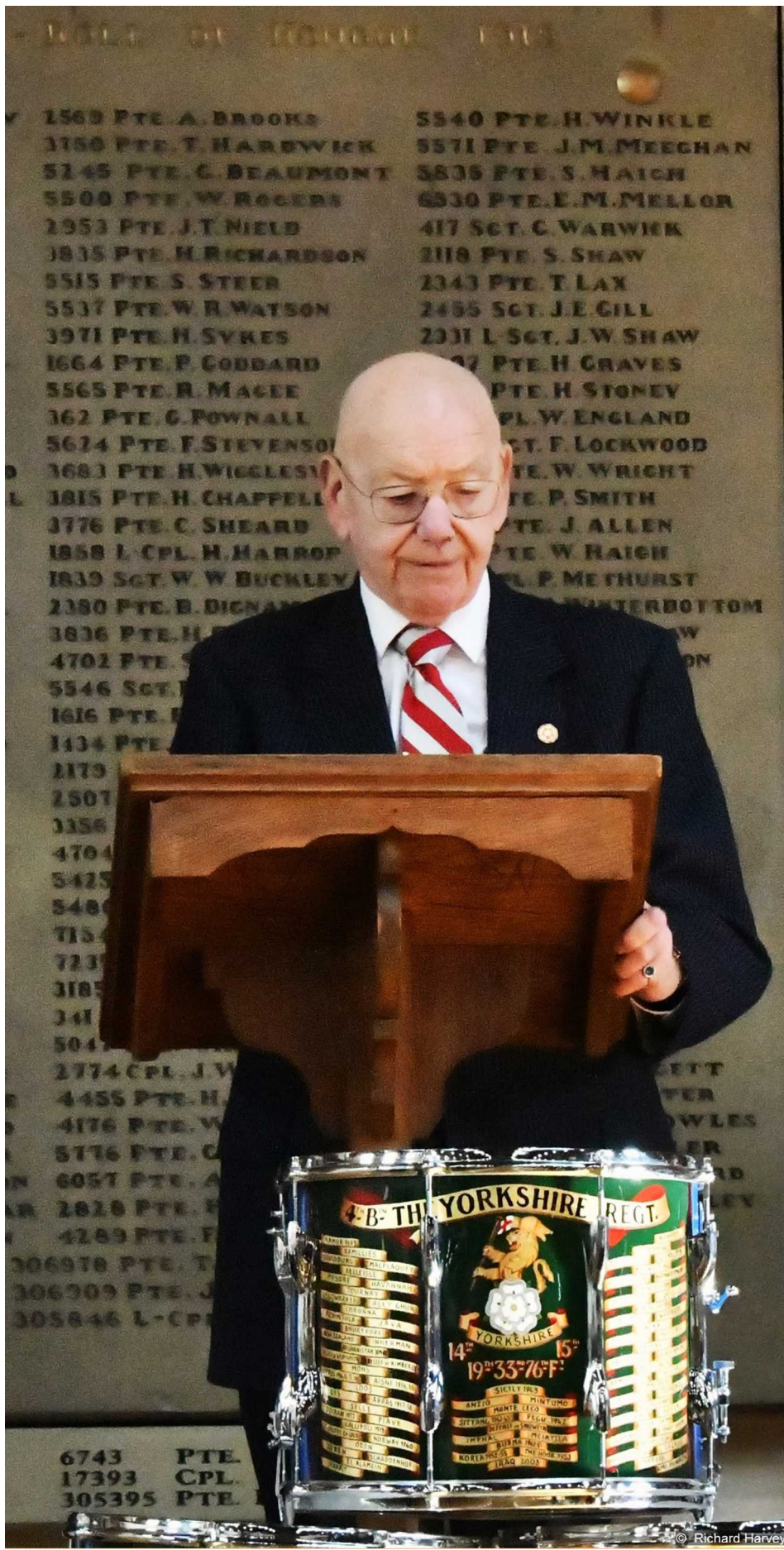


Major David Gates - Royal Yorkshire Regiment



Jonathon Hammond Booth, Deputy Lord Lieutenant for West Yorkshire





Major (Ret'd) Stan Hardy PWO & Y Vols



Mr Julian Morley

Grandson of Pte Frank White, who served under 2Lt HH Anson, and was standing close to him, when he fell in action at St. Servins Farm, August 1918



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Mrs Loveday Ingram

Great niece of 2Lt HH Anson's daughter, the late Margaret Walker

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NOTES: 4<sup>th</sup> Bn Yorkshire Volunteers Colours not present at ceremony.