

# SHEFFIELD LOCAL ASSOCIATION OF BOY SCOUTS

# ROLL OF HONOUR OF SHEFFIELD SCOUTS WHO DIED IN THE GREAT WAR

#### Herbert Bagshaw - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Rank: Sergeant

Service No. 785877

Died: 17 April 1918

Age: 25

Military Unit: "A" Battery, 285th Brigade, Royal Artillery

Memorial: Le Grand Hansard Military Cemetery,

Morbecque, France

Further Details: Son of Frederick William and

Betsy Ann Bagshaw, of 30, Fir Street, Walkley;

Husband of Annie M Bagshaw, of 8, Rosa Road,

Commonside, Sheffield

G Bailey - Scout - Troop Unknown



#### Frederick Percy Belcher - Vice President

Resources

Rank: Major

Died: 5 August 1918

Age: 33

Military Unit: "C" Battery, 92nd Brigade, Royal Field Artillery

Memorial: Terlincthun British Cemetery, Wimille, France
Further Details: Son of Mr and Mrs J F Belcher, of Sheffield;
husband of Dorothy Belcher, of Broomclose, Fairmile,
Cobham, Surrey

#### **Christopher Dobree Benson - 16th (Westbourne)**



Rank: Private

Service No: G/82

Died: 18 February 1917

Age: 22

Military Unit: 23rd Battalion, Royal Fusiliers

Memorial: Varennes Military Cemetery, France

Further Details: Son of Reginald and Madeline Augusta

Benson, of 55, Clarendon Road, Fulwood, Sheffield





Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 12/1292

Died: 23 July 1918

Age: 19

Military Unit: York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Courmas British Cemetery, Marne, France

#### William Neville Brewer - Scout - Troop Unknown



Rank: Sapper

Service No: WR/326054

Died: 22 May 1918

Age: 19

Military Unit: Royal Engineers

Memorial: Ecclesall (All Saints) Church, Sheffield

Further Details: Son of Jane Brewer, of 372, Psalter Lane,

Ecclesall, and the late George William Brewer

#### Harry Birks Browne - Assistant Scout Master - 39th (Don)

Rank: Private

Service No: 235256

Died: 27 August 1917

Age: 19

Military Unit:"C" Company 2nd/4th Battalion, Gloucestershire Regiment

Memorial: Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

Further Information: Son of David F Browne,

of 157, Grimesthorpe Road, Pitsmoor, Sheffield

### Walter Brownell - Scout - Troop Unknown



Rank: Private

Service No: 3/938

Died: 9 November 1914

Military Unit: King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: Cabaret-Rouge British Cemetery, France



# Ernest Albert Brownhill MM (and Bar) - Scout Master - 1st (Croft Hall)



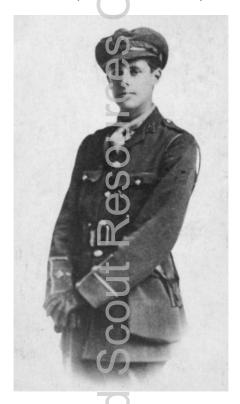
Rank: Second Lieutenant

Died: 16 August 1918

Military Unit: 55th Squadron, Royal Air Force

Memorial: Niederzwehren Cemetery, Germany

## Eric Marcus Carr - Assistant Scout Master - 35th (St Oswald's)



Rank: Second Lieutenant

Died: 1 July 1916

Age: 20

Military Unit: 12th Battalion York and Lancaster

Memorial: Thiepval Memorial Pier, France

Further Details: Address -120 Millhouses Lane, Sheffield

# Gerald Patrick Cronin - Assistant Scout Master - 40th (St Marie's)

Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No. 532736

Died: 17 June 1917

Age: 23

Military Unit: 15th (County of London) Battalion

(Prince of Wales Own Civil Service Rifles)

Memorial: Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres, Belgium

#### Charles William Dale - Scout - Troop Unknown

Resources

Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 4505

Died: 14 November 1916

Age: 18

Military Unit: "B" Company, 1st/7th Battalion,

Northumberland Fusiliers

Memorial: Thiepval Memorial, France

Further Details: Son of the late Edward and Jane Dale,

of Yearby, Yorkshire

#### Sidney Victor Devenish - Assistant Scout Master - Troop Unknown



Rank: Private

Service No: 40640

Died: 1 October 1917

Age: 21

Military Unit: 6th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment

Memorial: New Irish Farm Cemetery, Belgium

Further Details: Son of Mr and Mrs T B Devenish,

of 38, Palmer Road, Darnall, Sheffield

#### Eric George Duce - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Rank: Rifleman

Service No: 12476

Died: 23 July 1916

Age: 19

Military Unit: 2nd Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps

Memorial: Thiepval Memorial, France

Further Details: Son of Harry and Agnes Ada Duce,

of 56, Banner Cross Road, Ecclesall, Sheffield

#### Samuel Ivor Dunn - Scout - Troop Unknown



Rank: Private

Service No: 32486

Died: 27 September 1918

Age: 18

Military Unit: 1st/5th Battalion, Devonshire Regiment

Memorial: Lowrie Cemetery, Havrincourt, France

Further Details: Son of Charles and Elizabeth Ann Dunn

of Sheffield

#### Frank William Dust MC - Vice President



Rank: Major

Died: 23 April 1917

Age: 27

Military Unit: Third West Riding, Royal Field Artillery

Memorial: Arras Memorial, France

Further Details: Son of William and Margaret Mellor Dust,

of 9, Gladstone Road, Ranmoor, Sheffield

# Robert George Fawkes - Assistant Scout Master - 12th (St Michael's Ebenezer)



Rank: Private

Service No: 1241

Died: 9 November 1915

Age: 21

Military Unit: 1st/4th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, Belgium

Further Details: Son of Robert Victor Fawkes,

of 48, Bowness Road, Sheffield

#### William Eaton Franklin - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Resources

Rank: Rifleman

Service No: 205281

Died: 9 October 1917

Age: 20

Military Unit: 1st/8th Battalion, West Yorkshire Regiment (Prince of Wales Own)

Memorial: Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

Further Details: Son of William and Elizabeth Franklin,

of 75, Handley Street, Pitsmoor, Sheffield

#### Albert Edward Froggatt - Scout Master - Troop Unknown

Resources

Rank: Corporal

Service No: 9323

Died: 8 May 1915

Age: 28

Military Unit: 1st Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: Ypres (Menin Gate Memorial), Belgium
Further Details: Son of the late Thomas and Harriet Froggatt,
of Sheffield

J Fry - Scout - Troop Unknown

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#### **Henry Burrows Gallimore - Scout Master - 45th (Ryegate)**



Rank: Captain

Died: 26 May 1917

Age: 31

Military Unit: "D" Battery, 312th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery

Memorial: Honourable Artillery Company Cemetery, Ecoust-Saint Mein, France

Further Details: Son of Mr and Mrs Henry Gallimore; husband of Ethel M B Gallimore, of Endcliffe Vale House, Ranmoor, Sheffield

#### **Ronald Ernest Gapes - Scout - 16th (Westbourne)**



Rank: Private

Service No: 12/922

Died: 1 July 1916

Military Unit: 12th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorials: Thiepval Memorial,

Further Details: Address - 208 Barnsley Road.

Brother of Cyril Walter Gapes

# F Greaves - Scout - Troop Unknown



#### George Edward Hall - Scout - 11th (Pitsmoor)

Rank: Private

Service No: 204580

Died: 18 April 1918

Age: 26

Military Unit: "A" Company, 1st/5th Battalion,

York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

Further Details: Husband of Emily Hall, of 7, Hadfield

Terrace, Hadfield Street, Walkley, Sheffield

# John William Halliday - Assistant Scout Master - 58th (Brightside Mission)



Rank: Stoker First Class

Service No. K/32441

Died: 24 July 1918

Age: 22

Military Unit: Royal Navy

Memorial: Plymouth Naval Memorial, HMS "Pincher"

Further Details: Son of James and Mary Halliday,

of 43, Hayland Street, Brightside, Sheffield

#### Lawrence Hanley - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown



Rank: Rifleman

Service No: 34005

Died: 20 September 1918

Age: 23

Military Unit: 1st/5th Battalion, South Lancashire Regiment

Memorial: Loos Memorial, France

Further Details: Son of Mrs E Hanley, of 49, Harworth Street,

Walkley, Sheffield

# J Hepworth - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown



#### **Clarence Henry Howe - Scout - Troop Unknown**

Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 201353

Died: 22 November 1917

Age: 19

Military Unit: "B" Company, 2nd/4th Battalion,

York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Cambrai Memorial, Louverval, France

Further Details: Son of Horace A and Rachel Howe,

of 44, Swarcliffe Road, Darnall, Sheffield

#### Walter Howson - Scout Master - 33rd (Chapeltown)

Rank: Private

Service No: 16869

Died: 1 July 1916

Military Unit: 9th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Thiepval Memorial, France

Further details: Son of Mrs Catherine Howson,

of 155, Station Road, Chapeltown, Sheffield

#### **Albert Edward Jay - Troop Secretary - 15th (St Mathias)**



Rank: Private

Service No: 27185

Died: 21 September 1916

Age: 23

Military Unit: 6th Battalion,

King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: St Sever Cemetery, Rouen, France

Further Details: Son of Charles and Grace Jay,

of 182, Pomona Street, Ecclesall, Sheffield;

husband of Nellie Jay, of 140, Pomona Street, Ecclesall

# J F Jeffries - Scout - Troop Unknown



# A G J Jenkin - Scout Master - 16th (Westbourne)



A Joel - Scout - Troop Unknown



#### H Johnson - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Resources

Rank: Private

Service No. 12/1585

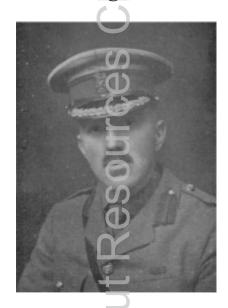
Died: 17 May 1916

Military Unit: 12th Battalion,

York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Sucrerie Military Cemetery, Colincamps, France

#### **Ernest William Longden - Vice President**



Rank: Major

Died: 21 August 1918

Age: 46

Military Unit: 4th (Hallamshire) Battalion,

York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Fulwood (Christ Church) Churchyard, Sheffield

Further Details: Son of James Appleby Longden and Annie M

Longden;

husband of Edith Longden, of 51, Meadow Bank Avenue, Sheffield

# John Lowe - Scout - Troop Unknown



Rank: Private

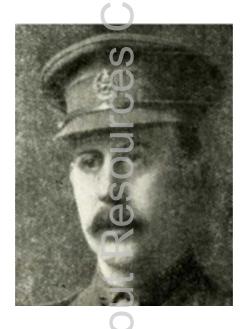
Service No: 4203

Died: 16 November 1916

Military Unit: York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Warlincourt Halte British Cemetery, France

#### John Lockwood Marsh - Vice President



Rank: Captain

Died: 16 October 1915

Age: 31

Military Unit: 1st/4th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Bard Cottage Cemetery, Belgium

Further Details: Mentioned in Despatches

Son of Harry Parker Marsh and Anne Jane Marsh;

husband of Edith Maude Marsh (nee Wilson),

of Sale Hill House, Broomhill, Sheffield

#### Harold Marshall - Assistant Scout Master - 3rd Walkley

Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 12/1379

Died: 25 July 1916

Age: 21

Military Unit: 14th Battalion,

York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Rue-de-Bacquerot No1 Military Cemetery,

Laventie, France

Further Details: Son of W F and Ada Marshall, of 251, School Road, Crookes, Sheffield



Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 12/1014

Died: 9 March 1917

Age: 24

Military Unit: 12th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Thiepval Memorial, France

#### Marcus Preston - Patrol Leader - 16th (Westbourne)



Rank: Private

Service No: 76537

Died: 15 September 1918

Age: 18

Military Unit: D Company, 18th Batallion, Durham Light Infantry

Memorial: Meteren Military Cemetery, France Further Details: Son of Job and Mary Emily Preston, of 6, Highnam Crescent Road, Broomhill, Sheffield

### Edmund Yerbury Priestman - Scout Master - 16th (Westbourne)



Rank: Second Lieutenant

Died: 19 November 1915

Age: 26

Military Unit: 6th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Hill 10 Cemetery, Turkey

Further Details: Son of Edmund and Elizabeth Priestman,

of 53, Broomgrove Road, Sheffield



# John Henry Raynor - Assistant Scout Master - 43rd (Owlerton St John's)



Rank: Lance Corporal

Died: 4 October 1917

Military Unit: 21st Battallion, Manchester Regiment

Memorial: Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

Details: Address - 49-51, Hoyle Street, Sheffield

#### Joseph Rodgers - Instructor - Troop Unknown



Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 18566

Died: 3 March 1915

Age: 45

Military Unit: 2nd Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Cite Bonjean Military Cemetery, Armentieres,

France

Further Details: Son of the late John Rogers

Served in the South African Campaign

Born at Aylesbury

# Joseph William Round - Assistant Scout Master - 3rd (Walkley)

Resources

Rank: Private

Service No: 285136

Died: 8 June 1917

Age: 23

Military Unit: 26th (Tyneside Irish) Battalion,

Northumberland Fusiliers

Memorial: Aubigny Communal Cemetery Extension, France

Further Details: Son of Joseph and Polly Round,

of 3, Palm Lane, Walkley, Sheffield

#### Joseph Scott - Scout - Troop Unknown



Rank: Private

Service No: 205247

Died: 10 October 1917

Age: 21

Military Unit: 1st/4th Battalion,

King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

Further Details: Son of Joseph and Mary Emma Scott,

of 63, Park Hill Lane, Sheffield

#### Percy Shimeld - Scout - Troop Unknown

Resources

Rank: Private

Service No: 65440

Died: 23 August 1918

Age: 19

Military Unit: 1st Battalion, Northumberland Fusiliers

Memorial: Vis-en-Artois Memorial, France

Further Details: Son of Frank and Alice Shimeld,

of 19, Vainor Road, Wadsley, Sheffield

#### Vivian Sumner Simpson MC - Vice President



Rank: Captain

Died: 13 April 1918

Age: 33

Military Unit: 12th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Outtersteene Communal Cemetery Extension,

Balleul, France

Further Details: Son of George Joseph and Gertrude Simpson, of Sheffield;

husband of Marian May Simpson, of Sheffield

# J Stancliffe - Scout - Troop Unknown



# S Thomas - Scout Master - Troop Unknown

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#### Arthur Titterton - Scout - Troop Unknown

Rank: Private

Service No: 13983

Died: 16 July 1916

Age: 22

Military Unit: 8th Battalion,

Kings Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: St Ouen Communal Cemetery, France

Further Details: Son of John William and Betsy Titterton,

of 43, Summer Street, Sheffield

#### William John Tulett - Scout - Troop Unknown

Rank: Bombadier

Service No: 55632

Died: 19 April 1915

Age: 21

Military Unit: 23rd Battery, 28th Brigade, Royal Field Artillery

Memorial: Ypres Town Cemetery, Belgium Further Details: Mentioned in Despatches Son of Captain W J Tulett and Ellen Tulett, of 20, Wynyard Road, Hillsborough, Sheffield

# Derwent Christoper Turnbull - Instructor Troop Unknown



Rank: Lieutenant

Died: 14 March 1915

Age: 24

Military Unit: 84th Field Ambulance, Royal Army Medical Corps, attended 1st Battalion, Cheshire Regiment Memorial: Ramparts Cemetery, Lille Gate, Belgium

Further Details: Mentioned in Despatches

Son of the late William Peveril Turnbull and Fanny Turnbull

Born at Wolverhampton

#### Harry Tyzack - Scout Master - 86th (St Jude's Moorfields)



Rank: Private

Service No: 30094

Died: 9 April 1917

Age: 28

Military Unit: 6th Battalion,

King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: Tilloy British Cemetery, France

Further Details: Husband of Harriett Elizabeth Tyzack,

of Woodbourne Road Council School, Attercliffe

#### John Herbert Wain - Scout Master - Troop Unknown

Resources

Rank: Corporal

Service No:

Died: 8 June 1918

Age:27

Military Unit: 8th Cyclist Battalion, Army Cyclist Corps

Memorial: Vandieres Churchyard, France

Further Details: Son of Josiah and A A Wain,

of 17, Southgrove Road, Sheffield

#### Herbert Ward - Assistant Scout Master - 64th (St Chad's)



Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 13888

Died: 1 July 1916

Age: 41

Military Unit: 8th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Thiepval Memorial, France

Further Details: Brother of Edward Ward,

of 33, Abell Street, Whinney Hill, Rotherham

# H Willis - Scout - Troop Unknown



#### William Willoughby - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Rank: Private

Service No: 30645

Died: 25 November 1917

Age: 20

Military Unit: 2nd Battalion

King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry

Memorial: Tyne Cot Memorial, Belgium

Further Details: Son of Mary E Willoughby,

of 73, Tullibardine Road, Sheffield, and the late George

Willoughby

# Henry Edward Wingfield - Assistant Scout Master – 21st (Cherry Tree)



Rank: Private

Service No: 12/1602

Died: 22 July 1916

Military Unit: 14th Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Rue-du-Bacquerot No. 1 Military Cemetery,

Laventie, France

Further Details: Son of Mrs L R Wingfield, of Lullington Cottage, Bexley, Kent

#### Joseph Womack - Troop Secretary - Troop Unknown

Rank: Lance Corporal

Service No: 27293

Died: 3 February 1918

Age: 30

Military Unit: 13th Battalion, East Yorkshire Regiment

Memorial: Anzin-St. Aubin British Cemetery, France

Further Details: Son of Sarah Womack;

husband of Edith Ella Womack,

of 157, Club Garden Road, Sheffield

#### **Additional Information**

#### Frederick Percy Belcher - Vice President

Other Memorials: Ecclesall All Saints Churchyard

Institute of Bankers Roll of Honour Sheffield (1914-1915)

Sheffield Council Official Roll of Honour

Tapton Hall Shore Lane Masonic Lodge Roll of Honour

Freemasons Roll of Honour Sheffield Cathedral

Wadsley Bridge War Memorial

#### **Christopher Dobree Benson - 16th (Westbourne)**

Other Memorials - Oundle School War Memorial

#### Albert Ernest Brownhill - Vice President

Albert Brownhill was born in Sheffield and joined the RAMC (Territorial Force) in May 1910. By the start of the Great War, he was a Lance-Corporal in the 1/3rd (West Riding) Field Ambulance. He went to France in April 1915 and by October was promoted to Sergeant. He was awarded a Military Medal and later a Bar for his bravery on the Somme.

The Military Medal – "For gallant conduct on 5 September 1916 in going out several times from a sap at Thieval Wood to collect casualties from No Man's Land who had been lying out for 36 hours."

The Bar to the Military Medal – "For gallantry on the evening of 19 November 1916 in attending to wounded men under heavy shell fire."

Natural for promotion, he transferred to the Royal Flying Corps, was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and qualified for his "Wings" in June 1918. Initially posted to No. 52 Squadron, he was shortly afterwards transferred to No. 55 Squadron out in France, a component of 41st Wing, Independent Force. Tragically, however, when his squadron was briefed to attack a target inside Germany on 16 August 1918, his D.H. 4 was one of four to be shot down by a superior enemy force that intercepted No. 55's pilots over Mannheim. His observer, Second Lieutenant W. T. Madge, was also killed. Both men were buried at Niederzwehren Cemetery in Germany.

Brownhill, who was 25 years of age, left a widow, Annie Lucy (nee Tanner), whom he had married at St. Barnabas Church, Ecclesall, Sheffield on 23 December 1917.

#### Eric Marcus Carr - Assistant Scout Master - 35th (St Oswald's)

Other Memorials: St Oswald's Church, Bannerdale Road Personal Marble Memorial
Sheffield City Battalion Roll of Honour
Old Edwardians Roll of Honour, King Edward VII School
St Oswald's Church Roll of Honour, Bannerdale Road

#### Sidney Victor Devenish - Assistant Scout Master - Troop Unknown

Other Memorials: Holy Trinity Church, Darnall (the church no longer exists, and the whereabouts of the Roll of Honour is unknown).

#### Frank William Dust MC - Vice President

Other Memorials: Ranmoor Church Sheffield Solicitors & Articled Clerks Roll of Honour

#### Henry Burrows Gallimore - Scout Master - 45th (Ryegate)

Extract from the "Sheffield Daily Telegraph"

26th May 1917: "D" Battery 312th Brigade Royal Field Artillery Catches Fire

The camouflage covering one of the howitzers of "D" Battery 312th Brigade Royal Field

Artillery catches fire.

Captain Henry Burrows Gallimore, Second Lieutenant Geoffrey Hardy, Gunner John Boyd, Sergeant J H Jenkins, Driver John Kemplay, Sergeant E J H Knight, Corporal Bertram Jowett Pepper, Gunner H Stott and Gunner N Vaughan are all killed as they are attempting to extinguish the flames before they reach the ammunition which they fail to accomplish.

"On the 26th May a sad disaster occurred in D/312 Howitzer Battery. The camouflage over one of the howitzers caught fire and blazed up. It was merely a question of a few moments when the flames should reach the ammunition and cause a terrible explosion, but there was a slight chance of the fire being put out in time, and Capt. H B Gallimore, who was temporarily commanding the battery, with Lieut. G. Hardy and a party of N.C.O.s and men, made a gallant attempt to extinguish the flames. Unfortunately, their efforts were in vain, and there was a tremendous explosion. Poor Gallimore was killed, and also ten others (including all six "Numbers One" of the battery), while Hardy was dangerously wounded, and also five gunners more or less severely. The loss of two such officers and six of the most valuable NCOs was a very serious blow to D/312, but the splendid act of devotion, in which they sacrificed their brave young lives, conferred a lustre not only on their own battery, but on the

whole of the Divisional Artillery, and will not soon be forgotten. Hardy, unhappily, died of his wounds on the 28th."

Other Memorials: Broomhill Wesleyan Church Memorial Plaque

#### **Ronald Ernest Gapes - Scout - 16th (Westbourne)**

Before joining 16th (Westbourne), Ronald Gapes was a member of 29th (Montgomery)

Other Memorials: Sheffield Council Official Roll of Honour

Sheffield City Battalion Roll of Honour

Christ Church Pitsmoor Roll of Honour

Central School Leopold Street Roll of Honour - now in High Storrs School Library

Atlas Works Roll of Honour

Roll of Honour & Roll of Dead - All Saints Church Ellesmere (now St Peter's Church) - now at St George's Church, Brookhill

#### Walter Howson - Scout Master - 33rd (Chapeltown)

Other Memorials: Chapeltown War Memorial

#### AGJJenkin - Scout Master - 16th (Westbourne)

Extensive research has been carried out to try and identify "A G J Jenkin". The original record is on the 16th Westbourne's own Roll of Honour. A search of Sheffield's Lord Mayor's List and all Sheffield War Memorials have failed to show anything.

The 16th's Roll of Honour has the acronym "BEAR" next to his name.

It is believed that he may have been:

Lance Corporal Arthur George Jenkin

Service Number: L/12417

Died: 25/04/1915

Aged: 26

Military Unit: 2nd Battalion, Royal Fusiliers

Memorial: Helles Memorial, near Sedd el Bahr, in Turkey,

Son of Mr and Mrs Harry Jenkin, of 8, Spondon Road, Broad Lane, South Tottenham,

London

The Helles Memorial commemorates those killed a Gallipoli. The Gallipoli Association are unable to help with the identification of "BEAR"

#### H Johnson - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Other Memorials: Sheffield City Battalion Roll of Honour

#### John Lockwood Marsh - Vice President

Memorial Plaque: St Mark's Church, Broomhill, Sheffield

#### Harold Marshall - Assistant Scout Master - 3rd Walkley

Other Memorials: Sheffield City Council Roll of Honour Sheffield City Battalion Roll of Honour

#### James Shaw Owen - Patrol Leader - Troop Unknown

Further Details: From successive Service Numbers, he was almost certainly the brother of Lance Corporal P W Owen (died 13 April 1918), the son of Mr and Mrs David Owen, of Sheffield

Other Memorials: Sheffield Council Official Roll of Honour Sheffield City Battalion Roll of Honour

#### **Edmund Yerbury Priestman - Scout Master - 16th Westbourne**

Scouting Record: In 1911, he was a Leader with 9th (Hallam) Extract from the *Sheffield Daily Telegraph*, 5 February 1919

#### Sheffield Scoutmaster's Gallant Stand

A thrilling account has come to hand of a gallant stand made recently at Suvla Bay by a party of the 6th (Service) Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment, under the command of Second Lieutenant E Y Priestman. This will be of interest locally, as a very large percentage of the recruits for this Battalion were residents of Sheffield and district. Lieutenant Priestman was a Sheffield Scoutmaster.

The account says: "Our trenches ran along the coast, near Jeffson's Post, and orders had been received for us to work along the furthermost sap to enable us to gain a portion of higher ground on the left of our sap. In order to do this, it was necessary to leave out trenches at night, run forward with sandbags to the place marked, and dig in as rapidly as possible. On this particular night, Lieutenant Priestman and about 30 NCOs and men were detailed to make good this position. Leaving the trenches at about 1.00am, they gained the position without incident, and commenced to dig in as quietly as possible.

"Shortly afterwards the Turks rushed the position. Lieutenant Priestman did not retire, but

opened a rapid fire, which kept the enemy at bay for a while, but coming on again with a combined rush, they decimated the whole of the gallant little band. Lieutenant Priestman fell, fighting till the last, and Regimental Sergeant Warr was also killed whilst taking up a message to him.

"We attacked the position again in larger force next night, and succeeded in holding it. The bodies of Lieutenant Priestman and several men were discovered, all the wounded having been removed by the enemy.

The captured position was named 'Priestmar's Post' by Headquarters, to commemorate the gallantry of this young officer, who was respected by all who knew him."

Other Memorials: Bootham School War Memorial

#### Vivian Sumner Simpson MC - Vice President

Vivian Simpson attended Wesley College (now King Edward VII School), Sheffield In 1901, he started a career as a player with Sheffield Wednesday. During his time there, he made 38 appearances and scored eleven goals. In 1903 and 1904, Wednesday won the League. In 1904, they reached the FA Cup semi-final and in 1907 (when he played in two matches but not the Final) they won the FA Cup. He left Sheffield Wednesday in 1907 Before the First World War, he worked for his father's solicitor's practice in Travis Place, Broomhill. He was one of the first recruits in the Sheffield City Battalion of the York and Lancaster Regiment

Between November 1916 and February 1917, Simpson was promoted from a temporary Second Lieutenant to acting Captain while commanding his company. He was promoted to acting Captain and to command his Company again in April 1917. In September 1917, Simpson was invalided back to Britain after suffering wounds and was posted to a role training junior officers in Sunderland. He later returned to the front and was killed by a sniper on 13 April 1918 in Outtersteene, France

In 1917, he was awarded the Military Cross and mentioned in dispatches. His Military Cross citation reads: "For conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty during and after an attack upon enemy trenches. He was the first to reach the trench, and to be engaged in hand-to-hand fighting with the enemy. Later, he displayed the greatest ability and energy in organising his company for the work of protection and consolidation. His work has been consistently excellent on previous occasions."

(The London Gazette, Supplement 13143, 19 September 1917)
He was the brother-in-law of Frederick Percy Belcher (qv)

His medals and papers are now in the York & Lancaster Museum, Clifton Park, Rotherham
Other Memorials: Sheffield Council Official Roll of Honour
Ex City Battalion men who died with other units Supplementary Roll
Solicitors & Articled Clerks Roll of Honour

#### **Captain Harold Steel - Vice President**

Whilst Captain (later Major) Harold Steel is listed in the Order of Service for the Sheffield Scouts Roll of Honour Memorial Service in December 1918, extensive research has identified that he did not die in WWI.

Reference to him is on the Tapton Hall Masonic Roll of Honour which names all Sheffield Masons who saw action during WWI. Over 80 are listed with the five that fell identified. His name is not one of them.

The Masonic records show that he was involved in the War from September 1914 and returned to attend a Lodge meeting in March 1919.

#### **Herbert Ward - Assistant Scout Master - 64th (St Chad's)**

Other Memorials: St Chad's Church Roll of Honour

#### E Watson - Ex-Scout - Troop Unknown

E Watson was listed in the 1919 Sheffield Scouts' Roll of Honour. However, as he is described as an "Ex-Scout", for consistency he is not listed in the Official Roll of Honour.

Rank: Private

Service No: 12798

Died: 18 May 1916

Age: 19

Military Unit: 2nd Battalion, York and Lancaster Regiment

Memorial: Essex Farm Cemetery, Ypres, Belgium

Son of Alice Watson, of 45, Darwen Road, Hillsborough, Sheffield and the late Edward

Watson

#### Henry Edward Wingfield - Assistant Scout Master - 21st (Cherry Tree)

Other Memorials: Dore War Memorial, Sheffield
Cherry Tree Orphanage Roll of Honour (whereabouts unknown)

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