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Sidlesham Heritage Trail



Easter Greetings

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LSA Stories for VE Day – Friday 2nd May

The LSA Heritage Trail website has several references to events during World War Two:

- (1) Evacuees
- (2) Bomb at Keynor Copse
- (3) Canadian and America soldiers
- (4) Home Guard at Keynor and No 88 Fletchers

Do you have any more stories?

Did your family or neighbours have evacuees?

Evacuees are named at No 1 with the Kemp family, 19 with the Ruckleys, 39 with the Kemps, 50 with the Dixons, 66 in the care of Mrs Cross, 69 in the care of Mrs McKenzie and 137 with the Berry family.

A bomb fell into Keynor Copse, behind Ivy Grange, during the war and the children at No 45 at that time were evacuated to Mutton Farm House next door,

American soldiers and wartime damage are mentioned at No 42 with Doug Litchfield,

Keynor Hut (adjacent to Keynor Farm House in Cow Lane) was the base for the Home Guard. Jackie Kemp (1), Fred Phillips (2), Bill Corner (7), Dickie Cowan (15), Fred Ruckley (19), John Bailey (22), Chris, Harry and Herby Hindson (23), Lance Edwards (36) and Lewis Kemp (39).

John Bailey (22) was awarded a certificate for service (to the Home Guard) between 12th June 1940 to 31st December 1944.

No 88 (Fletchers Lane) was vacant during the war and (allegedly) used as an administrative base (?) for the Home Guard.

A fuller version of these 'stories' will appear in the next edition of the Bulletin, commemorating VE Day.

**In the meantime do you have any more stories?
Did your family or neighbours have evacuees?**

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**Thank you for all your continued support and assistance with this project.
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