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The Queen and Prince Philip came to Mount Browne

WINDSOR CASTLE

19th December 2014

Dear Mr Bird,

Thank you for your letter, dated 27 October, concerning the visit of King George VI to Brockham Park, which has been forward to the Royal Archives. I apologise for the lateness of our reply but we have been particularly busy with enquiries, and I hope that this delay has not caused you any inconvenience.

King George VI undertook an inspection of the 8th Armoured Division on 1 May 1942, at the following sites: Burford Lodge, Wotton House, Wonersh Common, Cranleigh, Maresfield, Camp Hill, Brambletye, Chartham Park and the Grange. As part of this programme of visits the King arrived at Brockham Park around 12.45pm where he proceeded to inspect the troops, staying for luncheon, and left the park at roughly 14.30pm.

However for your general interest, on the 8th May the King was undertaking a tour of Devon and Cornwall, accompanied by the Queen. I hope that this and the above information will be of interest to you.

Yours Sincerely

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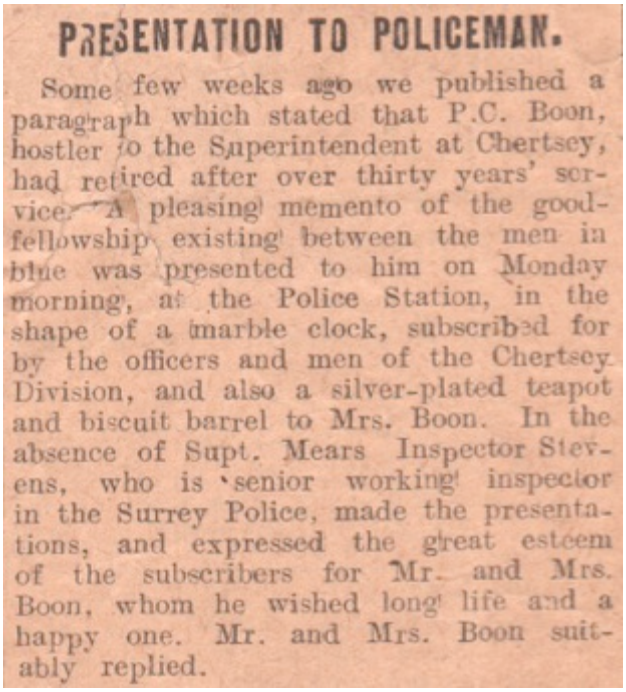
Douglas Sulley
Research Assistant

King George visited Surrey in 1942 to inspect the 8th Armoured Division

Police Constable and Special Constable Henry Boon
Surrey Constabulary



PRESENTATION TO POLICEMAN.

Some few weeks ago we published a paragraph which stated that P.C. Boon, hostler to the Superintendent at Chertsey, had retired after over thirty years' service. A pleasing memento of the good-fellowship existing between the men in blue was presented to him on Monday morning, at the Police Station, in the shape of a marble clock, subscribed for by the officers and men of the Chertsey Division, and also a silver-plated teapot and biscuit barrel to Mrs. Boon. In the absence of Supt. Mears Inspector Stevens, who is 'senior working' inspector in the Surrey Police, made the presentations, and expressed the great esteem of the subscribers for Mr. and Mrs. Boon, whom he wished long life and a happy one. Mr. and Mrs. Boon suitably replied.

Tony: A newspaper cutting that came with PC Boon's 1911 Coronation County and Borough and Special Constabulary medal. Presumably after he retired from the regulars he became a special constable. His service record as Pc Boon shows that he retired on the 16/04/14. So the newspaper cutting is about that time. There is no other information about the origins of the newspaper cutting.

Below is a copy from PC Boon's Service Record.

His brother was George Boon. I also have George Boon's Service Record, but do not have his medals, unfortunately. They were both awarded the 1911 Coronation medal, which is in the picture attached. The 1911 Coronation medal has the Orange ribbon; the other medal is for his service in the Special Constabulary.

The below were all awarded the 1911 Coronation Medal

1911 Tony Collman Coronation Police Medal awarded in 1911 to County and Borough:
Guildford Borough Police
Ex-Sergeant George Clarke
Sergeant James John Turner
Reigate Borough
Chief Constable Mr James Metcalf
Inspector Fred Howlett
Surrey Constabulary
Chief Constable Captain Mowbray Lees Sant
Deputy Chief Constable Howard John Page

Superintendent George Boon
Superintendent Arthur Simmonds
Inspector William Rands
Inspector William Faulkner
Inspector Robert George Barnard
Sergeant William Tytherleigh
Sergeant Edgar Brooks
Sergeant Frederick Percy
Sergeant Albert Philip Dixon
Constable John Slemmings
Constable Henry Boon
Constable Albert Samuel Carter
Constable Stephen Avenall
Constable Thomas Osbourne

SURREY CONSTABULARY
APPOINTMENT BOOK

NAME Henry Boon

AGE 20 **years in** Nov 1883 **HEIGHT** 5 **ft** 9 **ins. COMPLEXION** Dark

HAIR ~~Brown~~ **EYES** ~~Blue~~ **MARKS** ~~None~~

BORN in the parish of Beaminster **in the county of** Dorset

Married on _____ **with** _____ **children.**

TRADE Groom **LAST RESIDENCE** Sydling Court, Dorchester

BY WHOM LAST EMPLOYED, AND WHERE Mr Gendry, Sydling Court, Dorchester

WHAT RELATIVES RESIDING IN SURREY AND WHERE Brother at Weybridge

PREVIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE None

LENGTH OF SERVICE _____

NO. ON COLLAR 85

DATE OF APPOINTMENT 2 April 1884

WHEN SWORN IN AND WHERE ~~5 April 1884, at Guildford~~

BEFORE WHAT MAGISTRATES Messrs Ricardo, and Eastwood

WHERE FIRST STATIONED Guildford

Promotions

Date	From	To
Oct 1/85 July 1/90	Third Class Constable Second Class Constable	Second Class Constable First Class Constable

Removals

Date	From	To
Jan 21/86 Aug 28/00 Nov 21/07 Apl 8/09	Guildford Dorking Caterham Englefield Green	Dorking (Groom) Upper Caterham Englefield Green Chertsey (Groom)

Examinations

Date		Date	

COMMENDATION AND SPECIAL REMARKS

Date		

DISCIPLINARY OFFENCES

Date	Nature of Offences	Punishment

CAUSE AND DATE OF REMOVAL FROM THE FORCE Resigned Superannuated 16th April 1914

CONDUCT DURING SERVICE Exemplary

DATE OF CERTIFICATE 18th April 1914

COMPLETED 30 Years, Approved Service.

1887 Arthur Chitty was charged with **selling adulterated pepper.** PC Henry Boon deposed that on 9th February I called at the defendant's shop at Westcott and I purchased two ounces of pepper, for which I paid 2½d. On analysis this was found to contain liginious tissue resembling ground olive stones and known as poivette or pepperine to the extent of 15%. Chitty was fined £1 and 14s 6d costs. Edward Tyler and William Henry Overton were charged with similar offences but in these cases the pepper purchased from their shop was found to be adulterated only 5% and the cases were dismissed.

1890 February 4: Dorking Magistrates Bench: Frank Hickman allowed his dog to **stray unmuzzled at** Dorking on 24 January when PC Boon found the dog in South Street without a muzzle. It was the first case under the order and as the defendant had not wilfully disobeyed this order the case would be dismissed. It must not be taken as a precedent to other cases coming before them, each case being treated on its merits

1891 May 30: Funeral of PC Smith, Dorking: In the presence of a numerous concourse of people the remains of PC Smith were interred in the Dorking Cemetery on Sunday afternoon. As announced in our last issue PC Smith died suddenly on Thursday morning after 30 years service as a member of the Surrey Constabulary and he was about to retire on a well earned pension. Deceased was a painstaking and conscientious officer and was highly respected by his colleagues, a large number of whom were present at the internment in order to show their esteem for him, and many had travelled on foot a considerable distance. The coffin, which was surmounted by a number of handsome wreaths, was conveyed from the deceased's residence to the cemetery on an open hearse, which was followed by mourning coaches containing the deceased's relatives. The members of the constabulary followed at the rear, among those who attended were Superintendent Lambert (Dorking), Inspector Wood (Leatherhead), Inspector Hackman (Reigate), ex-Inspector Manning, Sergeant Mark (Holmwood), Sergeant Scarterfield, PCs Evans (Ashtead), Oliver and Avenall (Leatherhead) , Gwilliam (Boxhill), Slemmings (Beare Green), Madgwick (Ockley), Mollond and Osborne (Charlwood), Robinson (Walton on the Hill), Card (Kingswood), Finch (Shere), Stedman (Westcott), Newton (Effingham), Miller (Bookham), Marshal and Boon (Dorking). Mr M Mitchell of the Plymouth Bretheren performed the service at the graveside. A number of wreaths were sent including one from the officers and constables of the Dorking Division. [1]

1892 July 9: Dorking Bench: Harriett Wilger was summoned for **being drunk** in Dene Street a case proved by PC Boon. Fined 13s in default 14 days

[1] 1891 January 23:The Sussex Express, Surrey Standard Weald of Kent Mail, Hants and County Advertiser

Superintendent George Boon brother of Henry

SURREY CONSTABULARY
APPOINTMENT BOOK

NAME George Boon

AGE 21 **years in** Aug 1875 **HEIGHT** 5 **ft** 11 **ins COMPLEXION** Fair

HAIR Brown **EYES** Grey **MARKS** None

BORN in the parish of Beaminster **in the county of** Dorset

Married on _____ **with** _____ **children.**

TRADE servant **LAST RESIDENCE** Combe Court, Chiddingfold

BY WHOM LAST EMPLOYED, AND WHERE Mr Puickard Combe Court, Chiddingfold

WHAT RELATIVES RESIDING IN SURREY AND WHERE None

PREVIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE None

LENGTH OF SERVICE _____

NO. ON COLLAR 45

DATE OF APPOINTMENT 22nd February 1875

WHEN SWORN IN AND WHERE 27th February 1875, at Guildford

BEFORE WHAT MAGISTRATES Mr A Chandler, and Col. Ross

WHERE FIRST STATIONED West Clandon

PROMOTIONS

Date	From	To
Apr 1/76	Constable 3rd Rate of Pay	Constable 2nd rate of Pay
June 1/79	Constable 2nd rate of Pay	Constable 1st rate of Pay
Dec 1/83	Constable 1st rate of Pay	Sergeant
Oct 1/91	Sergeant	Inspector
Jan 1/99	Inspector	Superintendent

Removals

Date	From	To
Feb 15/81	West Clandon	Woking Station
Oct 6/83	Woking Station	Weybridge
Oct 14/97	Weybridge	Reigate
Jan 4/99	Reigate	Hersham
Aug 1/03	Hersham	Dorking

CAUSE AND DATE OF REMOVAL FROM THE FORCE Superannuated 31 January 1912

CONDUCT DURING SERVICE Exemplary

DATE OF CERTIFICATE 20th July 1912

COMPLETED 36 Years, Approved Service.

George Boon: Central Criminal Court: I am a sergeant of the Surrey Constabulary, stationed at Weybridge. On the 8th October 1887, I received a communication from the manager of the Oatlands Park Hotel, Walton-on-Thames, that a burglary had been committed. I ascertained that the prisoner had been in the employment of the company. I knew him as being in the employ of the company in 1886. On the 22nd October 1887, the prisoner was on remand at Holloway, and I went there to see him. I saw him with other prisoners there, and picked him out as the person who was in the employ of the Oatlands Park Hotel Company in the year 1886. A knife was shown to me at Brixton, and the stamp of the Oatlands Park Hotel was on the blade. It was alleged to have been in the possession of the prisoner. I saw it on October 22nd, 1887; the prisoner was then at Holloway Prison, on remand, charged with a burglary at Brixton.

1895 Central Criminal Court: George Boon (Police Inspector): Shortly after eleven p.m. on the 13th, from information received I went to Kirk's house with Mears. I saw Lillian in her father's arms. She appeared in a very dazed state, and ghastly white. The prisoner was partly reclining on a sofa in a corner of the same room. I found there two handkerchiefs tied round the child's neck, with the knots behind. Both were knotted tightly. They were loose. The neck was not discoloured. I should imagine they had been tied round the child's mouth. They would have been tight round there,

and would have prevented the child from crying out. I sent for Dr Graham, and on his arrival I cautioned the prisoner, and charged her with the attempted murder of the child. She began to cry, and in reply said, "I won't do it again" I sent her to Chertsey Police-station, and went upstairs, where I saw this box on the floor. I have measured it. It is 22 3-8 inches long, 12 5-8 inches wide, and 12 inches deep.

Thomas Mears (Sergeant, Surrey Constabulary). I went with Inspector Boon. I found on the child some bruises on the outside of the left thigh and hip and left cheek. I found part of the key in the lock of the box. There were some clothes in the box, filling up about one-third of it. I was present when Inspector Boon cautioned and charged her when she said, "I won't do it again" I took, her to Chertsey. She seemed very sullen and ill tempered. On the way she said, "I hope you will hang me when you get me there. I have only got to die once; I don't care". I had told her where I was going to take her. Afterwards she brightened up and began singing. She had only been in Weybridge five weeks. I did not know her.

1896: **George Boon** (Inspector, Surrey Constabulary). On this Tuesday I was in charge of the Chertsey Police-station, when the prisoner was detained there. About 3.30 p.m. he said to another prisoner in an adjoining cell, "I have been working for old Leonard, Shepperton Green, and got the push*;* I wanted him to pay me another day's pay; he would not; I thought I would make him pay for it, so I set light to his stacks, but no one saw me do it."

Guilty eighteen months' hard labour

Surrey County Constabulary

From

Kelly's Directory of Surrey for 1913

From John Molyneaux: February 20113: It is likely that those listed were those who lived at the police station

Headquarters, Woodbridge Road, Guildford

Chief Constable Captain Mowbray Lees SANT

Superintendent and Deputy Chief Constable Howard J PAGE

Inspector and Chief Clerk Robert BARNARD

Inspector William RANDS

Dorking Division

Superintendent George BOON Inspector T HARDY Sergeant and 10 PCs

Leatherhead Inspector William FALKNER

Believed to be the award of a golf trophy in the early 1990s

Who can you name?

Ken Williams with the chair of the police authority and Chief Constable Brian Hayes at possibly a long service award presentation about 1990.
Who else can you name?

Suicide but not on my ground!

Alan Bridgeman

1968 April 1: I was transferred from Guildford, which I loved, to Farnham, of which I knew nothing, other than that it was out in the sticks, and not busy, on April 1st, 1968. Was a move on All Fools Day relevant? I feared it might be, but soon found that the crew at Farnham was as entertaining as at any nick in the county, and soon aspired to be a divisional motorcyclist, and work in the manner of PC 1027 Cooper, the ace motorcyclist of the day – and for many years to follow. My probationary service ended in January 1969, and by June I was "Reserve Divisional Motorcyclist". By December, I was full-time motorcyclist, along with Bob Cooper and Terry Ashcroft, and we three were very happy Bobbies.

On **5th February, 1970** I was sent to a disturbance near Frensham Ponds hotel, at New Farm Cottages, which turned out to be a domestic dispute between two married couples; wife one objected to the fact that her husband had left her to live with wife two in a country cottage; husband two wasn't best pleased either! The adulterous couplewere obviously enjoying life in their country cottage hideaway, until its location was discovered by their respective partners, who had turned up at the door, and created quite a fuss. I spoke with the resident husband, who was obviously in fear of his wife, and he told me that his wife had turned up at his love nest, threatening all sorts of dire punishment for him and his lover. I noticed in the hallway a shotgun leaning against the wall. I asked who it belonged to, and he said it was his, and he had had to threaten his wife with it to make her go away. I checked it, it was unloaded, and there was no ammunition in sight. I gave him some terse advice on waving a shotgun at anyone, and he promised never to do so again.

How differently modern police are obliged to handle any incident involving a firearm! I know that nowadays an ARV would be dispatched to the scene at the least suggestion of possession of a firearm – but in 1970 Life was different! The man's girlfriend then returned to the house, and I paused long enough to admire her very attractive form – before commencing my standard homily on domestic disputes, fairly standard at the time. She insisted on asking what she could do about threats to her made by her boyfriend's wife, and I replied that it was a complex issue in these circumstances. "Oh don't worry about that – my boyfriend is a solicitor"! I then vaguely remembered having seen the boyfriend in Farnham Court some weeks previously, and meditated briefly on the question of how such an unimpressive example of masculinity could attract such an attractive female! Having gained no insight to this question – then or since – I repeated my advice, and departed.

Back at the nick I checked on the address, and 12mphasiz it was 200 yards inside Hampshire ground. Delighted with this knowledge, I then composed an 8/9 report for transmission to Whitehill nick, identifying the residents, and their respective spouses, and advising that attention be paid to the address, since there would undoubtedly be a repeat of the disturbance there.

A whole month passed, and Frensham remained peaceful as ever, until Monday, **9th March 1970**, when I was working 8 to 4 on Foxtrot 26. As I booked on at the front

office, a 999 call was being received from HQ of an attempt suicide at Frensham. The duty sergeant immediately set off to attend in his Morris 1000, and was already driving out of the gate as I ran across to the garage to put on my crash-helmet and fire up my trusty Triumph 500. I sped to Frensham – and I must confess I was very good at speeding in those days – and arrived at the New Farm Cottages to find a farmworker standing at the front door of number 4. He was chewing on a piece of straw, in a remarkably peaceful manner, as I stopped at the gate, and shouted "Is this where the attempt suicide is?" He rolled the straw in his mouth, and said disdainfully "Attempt!" I gathered from this that the attempt had been successful. He told me that the body was in the front room, and the girlfriend was next door. He indicated the front room, and I went in.

The room was in total darkness, with the curtains closed. I put the light on, and saw that the body of the solicitor was laying on a low couch under the window, with a 12 bore shotgun still balanced between the floor and the bridge of his nose – or where the bridge of his nose used to be. It wasn't there anymore, and nor was the top of his head. The force of the blast had blown his brains across the room and spread a very obvious trail of blood about six inches wide right across the ceiling to the far side of the room. I could see that the body was very definitely deceased. I searched the house for a note – but there was none. I rang Farnham nick, and told station officer PC 849 Jones – a very amusing Welshman, who sadly died about 1975 – to call Whitehill and send their coroners officer. I 13mphasized that there was no need for a doctor to attend, since death was beyond all possible doubt. Taff complied forthwith. Then the duty sergeant arrived, and I wondered how it had taken him so long to get there, since he had left the nick before I did. I was too polite to ask him. He phoned PC Jones as well, and I was mildly irritated that he was telling Taff off for no reason obvious to me. Then he turned to me, and asked whether it was certain that the attempt suicide was successful. I suggested he should check the body, and opened the door to the unlit front room. He stepped inside into complete darkness, and I switched on the light behind him, revealing the most distressing bloody scene right in front of him. He immediately shouted "My God – its Hampshire ground". He then departed A Hampshire PC attended at 10.00am, and I left the scene to him.

I remember that that evening I heard for the first time the song "Bridge over Troubled Water", and it made me think that the Frensham solicitor had failed to find the bridge he needed. I see him still, whenever I hear the song. It's amazing isn't it, how a particular tune can trigger a memory. What tunes trigger your memories?

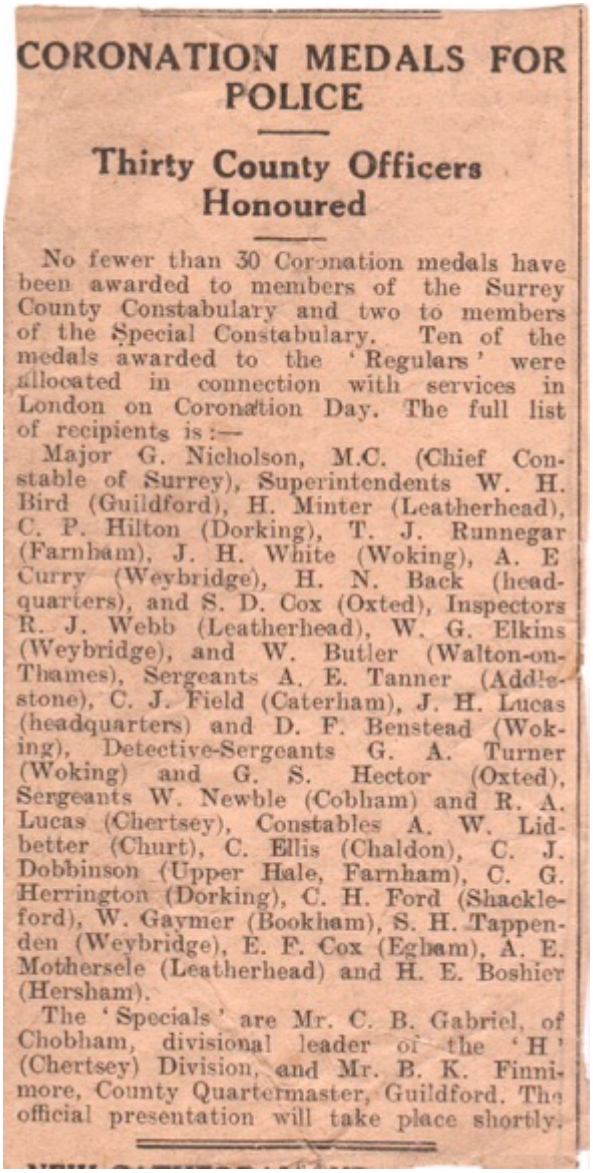
Awarded to Terry Ashcroft having achieved that milestone on the 30th Jan 2016 having joined the Surrey Constabulary in 1966

Terry Ashcroft and Chief Constable Peter Matthews
Peter Wickens and Stan Wood in background

Keith Windsor, Terry Ashcroft, Mike Juniper and Stan Wood 2010
Surrey Dog Section

1937 Coronation Medal awarded to Surrey Constabulary Officers

Tony: Another recent addition to my collection! This is a newspaper cutting, which gives details of the Surrey Constabulary officers awarded the 1937 Coronation medal. Not everyone in the Force received this medal. A certain few were selected not like the recent jubilee medals which were awarded to all police officers. I am not sure what paper this cutting came from.



CORONATION MEDALS FOR POLICE

Thirty County Officers Honoured

No fewer than 30 Coronation medals have been awarded to members of the Surrey County Constabulary and two to members of the Special Constabulary. Ten of the medals awarded to the 'Regulars' were allocated in connection with services in London on Coronation Day. The full list of recipients is:—

Major G. Nicholson, M.C. (Chief Constable of Surrey), Superintendents W. H. Bird (Guildford), H. Minter (Leatherhead), C. P. Hilton (Dorking), T. J. Runnegar (Farnham), J. H. White (Woking), A. E Curry (Weybridge), H. N. Back (headquarters), and S. D. Cox (Oxted), Inspectors R. J. Webb (Leatherhead), W. G. Elkins (Weybridge), and W. Butler (Walton-on-Thames), Sergeants A. E. Tanner (Addlestone), C. J. Field (Caterham), J. H. Lucas (headquarters) and D. F. Benstead (Woking), Detective-Sergeants G. A. Turner (Woking) and G. S. Hector (Oxted), Sergeants W. Newble (Cobham) and R. A. Lucas (Chertsey), Constables A. W. Lidbetter (Churt), C. Ellis (Chaldon), C. J. Dobbinson (Upper Hale, Farnham), C. G. Herrington (Dorking), C. H. Ford (Shackleford), W. Gaymer (Bookham), S. H. Tappenden (Weybridge), E. F. Cox (Egham), A. E. Mothersele (Leatherhead) and H. E. Boshier (Hersham).

The 'Specials' are Mr. C. B. Gabriel, of Chobham, divisional leader of the 'H' (Chertsey) Division, and Mr. B. K. Finnimore, County Quartermaster, Guildford. The official presentation will take place shortly.

Death in Dorking

Nick Brent retired Detective Superintendent

(The full details of this event are deposited in the county archives and will not be released to the public for some years)

On 24th July. 1988, Kevin Barry Iliffe a 42-year-old man was charged with the murder of an 18-year-old youth Benedict Ware and with two firearm offences. During the early evening of the 24th of July 1988, a group of approximately 20 youths gathered at The Windmill Public House, Horsham Road, Dorking to celebrate the birthday of one of their number. The plan was throughout the evening they would visit sixteen local pubs and consume a drink at each one.

By 8.30 p.m. the group had visited at least eight public houses all on the west side of Dorking and the evidence suggests that by this time they had each consumed eight pints of beer or the equivalent in spirits.

The last pub to be visited by Ware was The King's Arms in West Street, which he left with a friend at about 8.35 p.m. and made his way to Pump Corner at the top end of West Street. This was about the same time as Kevin Iliffe and his girlfriend left The Bistro Restaurant in South Street. From there they drove towards Iliiffe's home in his Ford Orion car travelling around the town's one way system to the junction of West Street and then to Pump Corner where Iliffe and Ware had a physical confrontation which ultimately led to the death of Ware.

The circumstances of this tragic incident are not at all clear and are complicated by the fact that there were 133 witnesses of which 46 were to a greater or lesser degree witness to the events immediately preceding Ware's death. Whilst there is nothing to suggest that Iliffe was in a bad frame of mind prior to the confrontation, the mood of Ware is a different matter. On leaving the pub with his two companions Ware approached a Morris Minor van that had been stopped by police in West Street. Ware was behaving in a troublesome manner according to the evidence provided by Police Constable Harris and the three occupants of the van.

Three independent witnesses who were travelling in a green Mini saloon behind Iliffe's Ford Orion gave evidence from that Ware and his male companion were walking in the centre of the road and deliberately hit the wing mirror of Iliffe's car as he drove slowly past them in the nearside lane approximately one foot from the kerb. Iliffe and his girlfriend's version differ slightly from this. They said that the two youths were crossing from the nearside to the offside in front of them and loitered in the road itself, then hit or kicked the offside of their car, whereupon Iliffe got out of the vehicle to remonstrate with them. At this point 21 witnesses including the occupants of the green mini describe the general fracas that followed involving Ware and Iliffe. From other witnesses at their various vantage points there are varying accounts, which were only to be expected, which basically amounted to shouting, pushing, shoving and swearing.

Most of the other witnesses do agree in broad terms with Iliffe's explanation giving the most accurate account of what actually happened. Ware and his friend deliberately hit out at the offside of Iliffe's car as it was passing slowly by. Ilife then got out of his car to remonstrate with them and an argument ensued in which the youths pointed to an alleyway inviting Iliffe to fight and that there was very close face to face confrontation.

Trying to remove himself from quarrel Iliffe returned to his car and witnesses say that Ware followed him and pulled him out of the vehicle. Being manhandled in this way Iliffe grabbed a hunting knife that was in the door compartment and pointed it at Ware's chest, pricking his clothing several times telling him to back off. Ware then lunged forward and head-butted Iliffe on the nose. While this is happening Iliffe's Ford Orion rolled back and crashed into the front of a blue Vauxhall car with a loud bang.

By this time Iliffe's face is streaming with blood and not realizing that a fatal wound had been inflicted by his knife, he quickly returns to his car, shouts to the other driver that he is sorry and that he will sort it out around the corner. He then drives off with rear bumper trailing on the road and stops 300 yards from the scene to exchange details with the other driver who gives him some tissues to quell his bleeding nose. Not knowing the full extent of his actions and believing that his knife had only penetrated Ware' s clothing, Iliffe then drove off.

Meanwhile back at the scene Ware begins to walk across the road supported by his friend until he finally collapses in the road and dies as a result of a single stab wound to the heart, which was later confirmed by a post mortem.

The next morning, with Detective Inspector Dunford I set up an Incident Room at Dorking Police Station and with a team of detectives commenced a murder enquiry. At 0830 that morning I witnessed a post mortem examination carried out by Pathologist, Doctor Shepherd, pronouncing that death was consistent with a single stab wound to the heart.

At 1300 hours that day the driver of the blue Vauxhall came to Dorking Police Station and gave Iliff's name and address. Detective Sergeant Moorhead and Detective Constable Kendal were sent to the area of Iliffe's home at Great Bookham with instructions to keep observation on the property. Shortly after, Iliffe's father came out of the premises and was confronted by the two officers. He had collected his son's driving documents and subsequently made a statement about his involvement.

At 7.20pm Detective Sergeant Hayllor, a scenes of crime officer Mr Dowswell, Mr Hopkins a photographer and I went to the house and in the presence of the defendant's father and carried out a cursory examination of all rooms. Other officers later made a more thorough search of the house and grounds when a .22 calibre pistol magazine, .22 air rifle together with a large quantity ammunition and a sawn off shotgun that was found under a water butt were seized.

As a result of identifying Iliffe's parent's address D.S. Moorhead and D.C. Kendal went to Merton, where they found the Ford Orion car. They kept this under observation until Iliffe was seen to approach the vehicle. When D.C. Kendal arrested him and took him to Dorking police station where he was later interviewed on several occasions in the presence of his Solicitor. He voluntary gave what appeared to be a true account of the incident and admitted to the possession of the firearms. He was then charged with a number of offences and remanded from Dorking magistrate's court to Lewis prison.

Subsequently Iliffe appeared at Kingston Crown Court where he was acquitted of the murder charge on the grounds of self-defence, but convicted of the firearms offences for which he received a non-custodial sentence.

Henry Edward Thomas Bullen

Memorial Plaque Effingham

PTE H. BULLEN
GRENR GDS
KILLED 1914

PC 257 Henry Edward Thomas Bullen
Killed in action 26 October 1914

Served as Private 12378 in the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards and is buried in Zantvoorde British cemetery. PC Bullen was the son of Thomas and Mary Bullen. Henry was born at Walmer in Kent enlisting at Canterbury.

Henry Bullen joined the Surrey Constabulary on 11th November 1912 and was sworn in on 29th November 1912 at Guildford aged 28 before Col. Ricardo and Capt. Briscoe. His appointment number was 1642 and his collar number 257. At the time of his appointment he gave his trade as Grocer's Assistant, although he had previously served with the Grenadier Guards for seven years from 28th September 1905 to 27th September 1912.He was first stationed at Dorking later moving to Effingham and during his service was promoted from 3rd class to 1st class Constable.

Effingham, Surrey
WWI Memorial in St Lawrence's Churchyard

Age	28
Height	5' 10 ½"
Complexion	Fair
Hair	Light Brown
Eyes	Blue
Birth Place	Walmer, Kent

A member of a family long connected with Walmer, and son of a Channel pilot, who went afloat in the lugger Cosmopolite, Private Bullen served 7 years in the 1st Battalion Grenadier Guards. He was for a time parade inspector at Walmer, and when recalled to his regiment for the war, was in the Surrey Constabulary, and about to be married.

Parents: 1911 census:

No. 52, York Road, Walmer, Kent: PRO Ref: RG14 RD64 SD4 ED10 SN135

Thomas Bullen: head: mar: 61: boatman: Walmer, Kent
Mary Bullen: wife: mar: 63: ---: Deal, Kent
Frederick Bullen: son: unmarried: 21: general labourer: Walmer, Kent

The battle for Ypres Salient occurred with the German artillery almost constant for 56 hours during the period of Pc Bullen's death. Zantvoorde British Cemetery was made after the Armistice when remains were brought in from the battlefields and nearby German cemeteries. Many were those of soldiers who died in the desperate fighting round Zantvoorde, Zillebeke and Gheluvelt in the latter part of October 1914. There are now 1,583 servicemen of the First World War buried or commemorated in the cemetery. **(CWGC site)**

Connection with Effingham

He was not native to Effingham but was stationed in the village as a police constable in the period leading up to the War. He was one of the few named on the Effingham memorial who had already had a military career before the War. He re-enlisted at age 30.

Chance find of photographs

The following photographs are a few of a number recently re-discovered by Cliff Cox. It is from a file he used to take into schools to talk about the Surrey Constabulary. The file in due course will be deposited in the county archives at Woking along with what is developing into a considerable collection of Surrey Constabulary photos and documents. If you have anything of interest please let the editor know.

Fred Booker about 1976

Ann Carter Woking about 1976

Michael Morley about 1976

Roger Weedon about 1976

Ray Hussey with recruits? About 1976

Superintendent Dalrymple – who is the cadet? About 1976