



Surrey Constabulary History

An in depth history of policing in Surrey

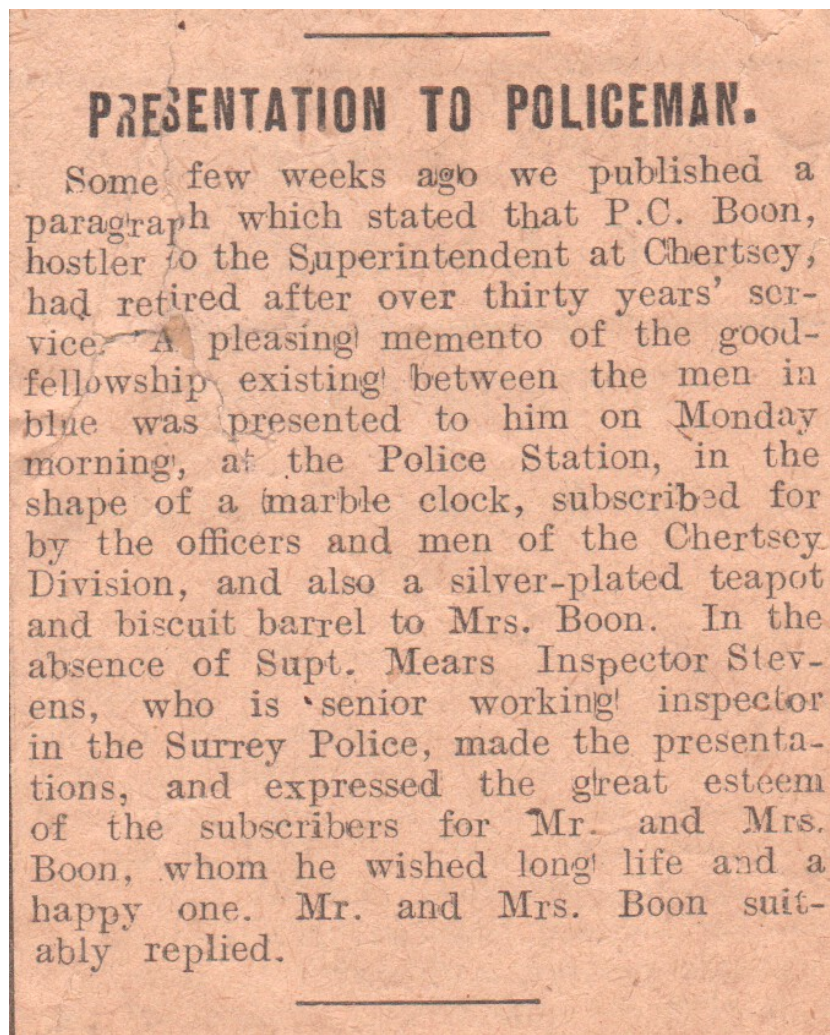
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Police Constable and Special Constable Henry Boon Surrey Constabulary and his brother Superintendent George Boon



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.

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

PC Boon's Service Record.

**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

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

Removals

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

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.

Amount of pay on retirement £ _____ Average for the last three years £ _____

Pension @ _____ £ _____ or Gratuity £ _____ Granted.

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 lignin 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 (Ashted), 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 Brethren performed the service at the graveside. A number of wreaths were sent including one from the officers and constables of the Dorking Division. ¹

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

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

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Apr 1/76	Constable 3 rd Rate of Pay	Constable 2 nd rate of Pay
June 1/79	Constable 2 nd 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

<u>Date</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
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

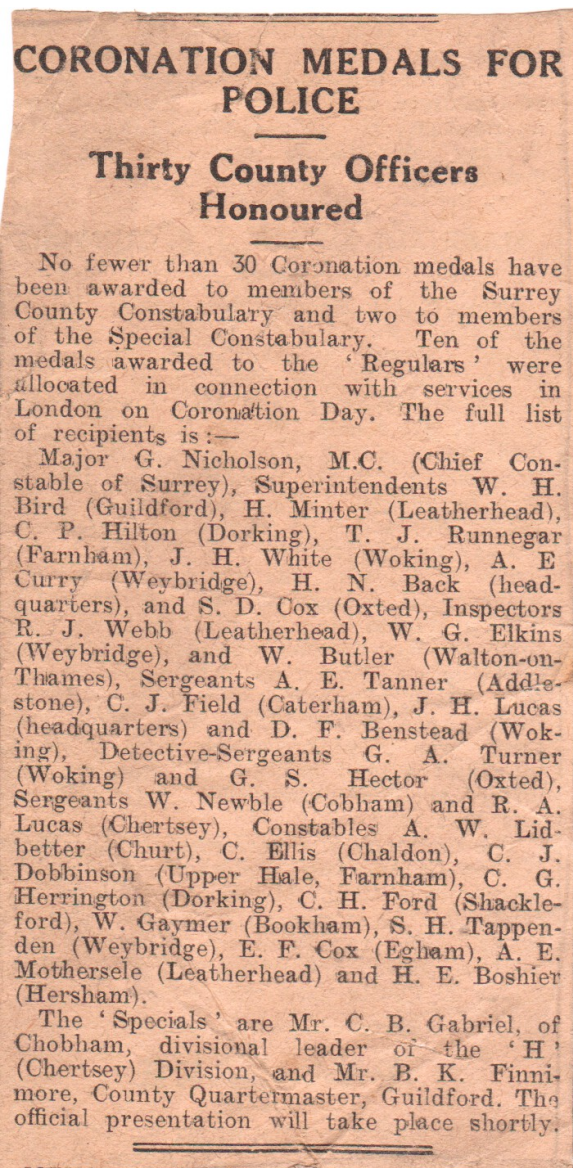
Dorking Division

Superintendent George BOON Inspector T HARDY Sergeant and 10 PCs

Leatherhead Inspector William FALKNER

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.





Neil Boon Surrey Constabulary

It is not known if he is related