



Centenary Edition

Upon the untimely death of Lord Kitchener in June 1916 the Nation was in grief. The loss was felt by soldier and civilian alike, who had seen Kitchener, already a hero, almost single-handedly give Britain a fighting chance against the German army at the beginning of the First World War.

Not more than a month after his death, a memorial Fund was established by the Lord Mayor of London. Many were eager to pay their respects by contributing to the Fund so that within two years it was worth £500,00 (around £12,000,000 in modern terms).

The money was immediately put to good use by giving relief to casualties of war, both financially and practically by supplying artificial limbs and equipment to the disabled. The Fund also contributed to the memorial in St Paul's Cathedral and made a donation to the Kitchener Memorial Medical School in the University of Khartoum.

Gradually the objectives of the Fund began to evolve. The Government were starting to take financial responsibility for the disabled so the Fund was used to enable soldiers to pursue education. Later this was extended to the sons of men who served, and in 1985 girls became eligible to apply.

The Kitchener Scholars' Association (KSA), was formed in 1921 by those first to receive the grant. Its aim was to provide the means for members to enjoy the company of other Scholars by promoting friendship for students and graduates at the start of their careers. Older members could encourage and give guidance to younger members at events while perpetuating the memory of the first Lord Kitchener.

To mark the 100th year following the death of the Field Marshal Earl Kitchener of Khartoum the KSA invite you to attend one of our events this year. Namely the annual dinner in March, a memorial service in both Orkney and St Paul's Cathedral in June, a service on remembrance day at the statue of Kitchener on Horse Guards Parade, or indeed all of them.



Remembrance Sunday — 13/11/2016

The KSA will be hosting its usual Remembrance day event this year on Sunday November 13th at Horse Guards Parade. Due to the popularity of this event for Scholars as well as the general public in respect of the main parade, there have needed to be increased security clearance in recent years so that Scholars and their guests can stand by the statue of Lord Kitchener. The committee ask that you contact us should you wish to attend and clearance can be arranged for you. Last year we had a good attendance at the statue with an excellent viewing of the guns firing to mark the start of the 2 minutes' silence. Lady Emma Kitchener-Fellowes laid a wreath at the foot of Lord Kitchener's statue and said a few words. Thankfully the weather was good enough for many of us to walk to the Great India Tandoori restaurant on Lower Sloane Street where we enjoyed a curry feast. It was lovely to have a mix of Scholars from varying ages, backgrounds and specialities including the arts, sciences and business in attendance.



Museums great and small: a career in the cultural sector—Emma Traherne

A museum is defined by the Museum Association as "enabling people to explore collections for inspiration, learning and enjoyment". I have been working in museums since graduating from UCL in 2006 with a BA in Archaeology and an MA in Museum Studies. It is a highly competitive field and there are more people than ever graduating with MAs or PhDs with hundreds of people applying for entry level jobs. There are also fewer jobs now compared to when I graduated. The Museum Association Cuts Survey 2015 found that almost one in five (18%) of all museums had closed a part or branch of their museum to the public in the past year or plan to do so in the year to come. 44 museums have already closed across the UK since 2010.



No one goes into museums for the money, but having said that it is an incredibly exciting, varied sector with not just the traditional curatorial roles up for grabs. Exhibitions, learning, fundraising, volunteer management, conservation, tour guides, retail, marketing, the list goes on.

I feel lucky that my first job was in the Museum of Farnham. My job as Assistant Curator was varied. I curated exhibitions, helped with schools, worked

with Surrey University business students, set up social media platforms, trained volunteers as well as cleaned the windows and changed the light bulbs. I gained a broad range of experience and became a jack of many museum trades. I then moved to the British Museum where I had volunteered throughout my undergraduate degree. I dealt with the metal detecting community as an assistant treasure registrar, and sorted 2000 prehistoric pots when I assisted with the installation of the Vikings exhibition.

I left the British Museum for a position at the Brent Museum & Archives; here I curated a number of exhibitions, catalogued 400 oral history recordings and organised a spotlight loan from the British Museum. In such a small team I could lead my own projects but at the same time budgets were tight and it could be lonely. It was a very varied job but I was aiming to focus on collection care and was therefore thrilled to accept a job as Collection Manager for historic furniture and decorative arts at the Houses of Parliament.

I feel very privileged to care for and research a collection of almost 11,000 objects at the Houses of Parliament, some of which are of national and international importance. Every day holds new surprises working in such a complex organisation but the long-term plan to research and increase access to the collection makes it a very worthwhile job.

There are many different volunteering opportunities in museums and should you think this might be an option for you, email your local museum and discover a career which I promise will never bore you.

KSA 84th Annual Dinner— 11/03/2016

This year we are proud to announce our Kitchener Centenary dinner and presentation ceremony will be held on Friday 11th March from 18:30 at the Royal College of Defence Studies. Our speaker will be Sir Gavyn Arthur, who was Lord Mayor of the City of London in 2002-3. He has spoken at the World Economics Forum (Davos) on corporate governance issues and headed talks in Athens and Rome with EU presidency countries on financial services regulations. He has also been leader of delegations to the US Treasury, Federal Reserve, World Bank, International Finance Corporation, Asian Development Bank as well as foreign, finance and trade and industry ministries, central bank governors, regulators and innumerable other financial institutions across the world. Should you wish to join us for this prestigious event please find further details on our website www.kitchenerscholars.org and contact Susan Saunders via email to enquire about tickets: susancrookemail@yahoo.co.uk



Orkney Memorial—Centenary Event 05/06/2016

The Memorial on Orkney Island marks the closest point on land to where, on the 5th June 1916, Lord Kitchener and his staff of 11 perished along with over 700 members of the crew of HMS Hampshire. The Devonshire-class armoured cruiser had recently taken part in the Battle of Jutland on 31 May 1916. Days after returning from Jutland, on 5 June, she left the Royal Navy's anchorage at Scapa Flow, Orkney bound for Russia. Just 2 miles out to sea, in the teeth of a gale, their ship struck a mine laid by a German U-boat - only 12 crewmen survived. It was long thought that Lord Kitchener was one of 650 men lost from HMS Hampshire, but recent research by local historian Brian Budge suggests the final death toll was as high as 737.



In 1926 around 4,000 people attended the opening of the memorial which cost £734 to build, paid for by public subscription from Orcadians and erected by a local contractor. On the centenary of the sinking, the KSA are encouraging Scholars to make the trip up to Orkney for a service of remembrance with our President Lady Emma Kitchener-Fellowes and her family. Due to logistics the KSA are not formally able to organise a trip but it does have information that can help you with planning travel and accommodation. Please contact the committee via the website or secretary@kitchenerscholars.org

Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund Update.

This year there are 97 Kitchener University Scholars studying at 29 Universities in Great Britain.

The Trustees are delighted to report that, despite the volatility in financial markets during the 2014/15 accounting year, the Fund was able to award thirty scholarships last year. Of these scholarships, two were supported by a grant from the ABF, The Soldiers Charity, two by a grant from the Wakeham Trust and four by Mid Kent College, the latter specifically for successful applicants with a Royal Engineers background.

The Scholarship Committee report that the standard of applications remains exceptionally high. There has continued to be a significant rise in the number of applications to the Fund with over ninety received this year. Last year the number of applicants called for interview increased to fifty one. All interviews were conducted at the Royal College of Defence Studies and each scholarship awarded was for £1000.

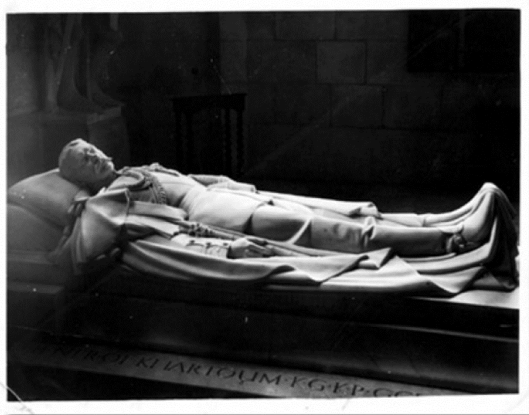
AGM—Goat Tavern 04/07/2016

The KSA's annual general meeting will take place on the evening of 4th July 2016 at the Goat Tavern, 3 Stafford Street, Mayfair, W1S 4RP. A light selection of snacks will be provided for the meeting which will be held in the upstairs bar. This pub has become a somewhat traditional venue for the KSA now, with many of its AGM's held there over the years.

Should you wish to attend please email Mike Rennie at: secretary@kitchenerscholars.org

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St Paul's Service of Remembrance—100 Years



This is a special year for Kitchener Scholars as we commemorate 100 years since the death of the first Lord Kitchener. We shall be attending a service in St Paul's Cathedral followed by a shorter service in the All Soul's Chapel in the north tower that was dedicated in 1925 to the memory of Kitchener. Within the chapel lies an effigy of Lord Kitchener and sculptures of the military saints St Michael and St George. As it is the centenary of his death the KSA and our president The Lady Emma Kitchener-Fellowes will be hosting a champagne reception nearby. Please put Sunday 12th June in your diary to keep it free - further details will be released closer to the date. We

hope many of you can attend as this will be the most significant memorial service to date - please register interest on our website or by emailing our Secretary Mike Rennie: secretary@kitchenerscholars.org

How can you help the LKNMF with its Scholarship work and appeal

1. Make a "one-off" donation. *Should you be in a position to do so, you might consider repaying the value of your scholarship, ideally adjusted for inflation. If you qualify, please ask the Fund Secretary David Hamilton for a gift aid form and standing order mandate secretary@lknmf.com*

2. Make a regular monthly or annual standing order. *The completed standing order mandate with the gift aid form should be returned to the Secretary.*

3. Sponsor a Scholarship. *University Scholarships currently offer £1000 to each successful candidate.*

4. Leave a legacy. *There are generous tax advantages associated with legacies. If you wish to discuss these further with one of our Trustees, who is a lawyer, then please contact the Fund Secretary.*

5. Payments. *Cheques should be made payable to the "Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund Appeal" and returned to the Fund Secretary. Payments can also be made by BACs to the "Lord Kitchener National Memorial Fund Appeal". Please include your name in the reference.*

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Merchandise

Why not show your support for the KSA with a hoodie, tie or cufflinks. Full details of sizes, prices and how to order our wonderful range of merchandise can be found on the KSA website www.kitchenerscholars.org.



Committee News: Our long-serving Chair Jonathan Price will be stepping down this year. He has been on the committee for thirty years and served as our chairman three times, most recently for over a decade. In this time he has also been our treasurer and recruited many of the current committee. We are indebted to Jonathan for his time and commitment to the KSA and thank him for all his hard work. A new Chair will be voted in at the next AGM.

The most recent Committee meeting took place at The Naval & Military Club on St James's Square, courtesy of the KSA Secretary, Mike Rennie, who is one of its members. The Club is also known as 'The In & Out', given the prominent signs on its separate entrance and exit gates when sited on Piccadilly opposite Green Park in Cambridge House up until 1999. As it turns out Cambridge House would have been a location very familiar to Kitchener, given he was a member of The Naval & Military Club from 1902 onwards.

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