

## *War and Women Across Continents*

### *Autobiographical and Biographical Experiences*



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#### **Description:**

Drawing on family materials, historical records, and eyewitness accounts, this book shows the impact of war on individual women caught up in diverse and often treacherous situations. It relays stories of partisans in Holland, Italian women carrying guns and provisions in the face of hostile soldiers, and Kikuyu women involved in the Mau Mau insurrection in Kenya.

A woman displaced from Silesia recalls fleeing with children across war-torn Germany, and women caught up in conflicts in Burma and in Rwanda share their tales. War's aftermath can be traumatic, as shown by a midwife on the Cambodian border who helps refugees to give birth and regain hope. Finally, British women on active service in Afghanistan and at NATO headquarters also speak.

*Interesting and timely. Using different research methods to arrive at the story of women involved in war and conflicts adds value to existing feminist research methods. The academic, and especially feminist, readership will benefit from this volume.* **Nahla Abdo, Carleton University**

*I enjoyed reading this book and admired its range across time and space. The variety of cases included is its main strength.* **Linda McDowell, University of Oxford**

#### **About Editor/s:**

**Shirley Ardener**, BSc(Econ)London; MA status Oxford, OBE, has carried out many years fieldwork (until 1987 with her husband Edwin) in Nigeria and in Cameroon where she is still involved with the University of Buea and the National Anglophone Archives set up by herself and Edwin. She was the Founding Director of the Centre for Cross-Cultural Research on Women (1983-1997) renamed the International Gender Studies at Lady Margaret Hall Oxford University of which she is a Research Associate. Books include *Perceiving Women* (1975), *Women and Space* (1981), *Swedish Ventures in Cameroon* (2002) and *Changing Sex and Bending Gender* (2005). **Fiona Armitage-Woodward** has held various teaching and research posts, including at Oxfam, and is a member of various societies and NGOs. She was a founding member of the Swaziland Society (1991) and has periodically written and edited for *Focus on Swaziland*. **Lidia Dina Sciamia** is a former Director, and currently a Research Associate of Oxford's International Gender Studies Center (IGS). Her publications include articles on women's crafts, 'Academic Wives' and 'Sport and Ethnicity'. She is the author of *A Venetian Island: Environment, History and Change in Burano* (Berghahn 2003).

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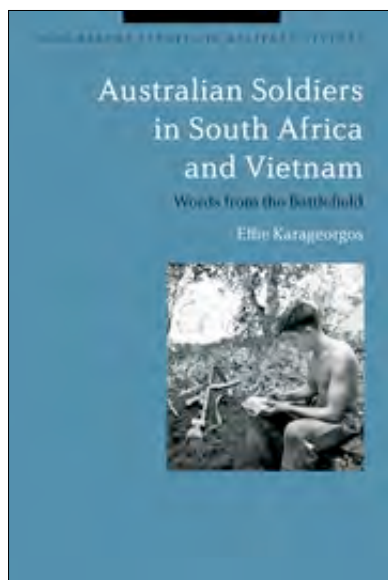
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## *Australian Soldiers in South Africa and Vietnam*

### *Words from the Battlefield*



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The Boer War and Vietnam War provoked dramatically different reactions in Australians, from pro-British jingoism on the eve of Federation, to the anti-war protest movements of the 1960s. In contrast, the letters and diaries of Australian soldiers written while on the South African and Vietnam battlefields reveal that their reactions to the war they were fighting were surprisingly unlike those on the home fronts from which they came.

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#### **About Author/s:**

**Effie Karageorgos** is a Tutor in the School of Historical and Philosophical Studies at the University of Melbourne, Australia.

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***Official and Unofficial Narratives in the Long 20th Century***



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The advent of the atomic bomb, the social and cultural impact of nuclear science, and the history of the British nuclear state after 1945 is a complex and contested story. *British Nuclear Culture* is an important survey that offers a new interpretation of the nuclear century by tracing the tensions between 'official' and 'unofficial' nuclear narratives in British culture.

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*At long last, a book that takes a long view of Britain's fascination with nuclear science. Jonathan Hogg takes us back to the Victorian age to show that British nuclear culture was born decades before the Cold War and that it flourishes to this day. Along the way, he takes in everything from H. G. Wells and Ewan MacColl to Morrissey and Alan Partridge. British Nuclear Culture will appeal to scholars and students of history, literature, politics and the mass media, and just about anyone interested in why and how Britain has lived with The Bomb. Tony Shaw, University of Hertfordshire*

### **About Author/s:**

**Jonathan Hogg** is Senior Lecturer in History at the University of Liverpool, UK. He is the author of *Using Primary Sources: A Practical Guide for Students* (forthcoming).

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***'The Few' in British Film and Television Drama***



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This new, updated edition of *The Battle of Britain on Screen* examines in depth the origins, development and reception of the major dramatic screen representations of 'The Few' in the Battle of Britain produced over the past 75 years. Paul MacKenzie explores both continuity and change in the presentation of a wartime event that acquired and retains near-mythical dimensions in popular consciousness and has been represented many times in feature films and television dramas. Alongside relevant technical developments, the book also examines the social, cultural, and political changes occurring in the second half of the 20th century and first decade of current century that helped shape how the battle came to be framed dramatically.

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*....superbly well-researched, combining a wide range of sources and archival material which engagingly conveys the élan of the Battle through its many filmic treatments from 1940 to the present. Representing an important addition to its developing cultural history historiography, it will appeal to all those interested in the Battle of Britain. Garry Champion, University of Northampton, UK*

*This perceptive and detailed study clearly reveals exactly how our memory of the Battle of Britain has been shaped and re-shaped by film and television. Journal of British Cinema and Television, of the first edition*

### **About Author/s:**

**S. P. MacKenzie** is Caroline McKissick Dial Professor of History and an affiliated faculty member in the Film Studies programme at the University of South Carolina, USA. He is author of numerous articles and nine scholarly books dealing with aspects of Britain at war in the 20th century, among them *British War Films, 1939-1945: The Cinema and the Services* (2006, reprinted 2007). Recent titles include *The Imjin and Kapyong Battles, Korea 1951* (2013), *British Prisoners of the Korean War* (2012) and *Bader's War* (2008).

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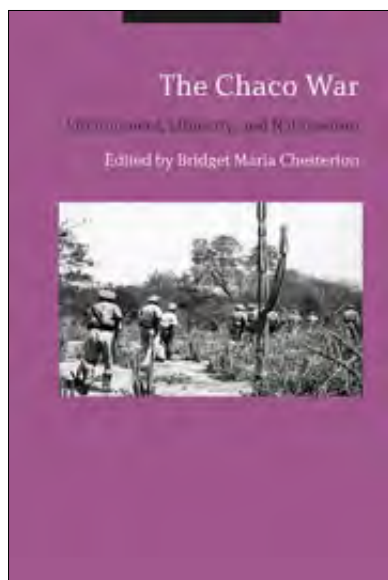
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## *The Chaco War*

*Environment, Ethnicity, and Nationalism*



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### **Description:**

In 1932 Bolivia and Paraguay went to war over the Chaco region in South America. The war lasted three years and approximately 52,000 Bolivians and Paraguayans died. Moving beyond the battlefields of the Chaco War, this volume highlights the forgotten narratives of the war. Studying the environmental, ethnic, and social realities of the war in both Bolivia and Paraguay, the contributors examine the conflict that took place between 1932 and 1936 and explore its relationship with and impact on nationalism, activism and modernity.

Beginning with an overview of the war, the book goes on to explore many new approaches to the conflict, and the contributors address topics such as the environmental challenges faced by the forces involved, the role of indigenous peoples, the impact of oil nationalism and the conflict's aftermath. This is a volume that will be of interest to anyone working on modern Latin America and the relationship between war and society.

*The bloody 1932-35 Chaco War between Bolivia and Paraguay fundamentally shaped South America in a way that still produces loud echoes today. Yet for English-language readers it remains an obscure conflict bracketed uncomfortably between the First and Second World Wars. This intriguing compilation helps clear a bit of the fog from this particular struggle. More importantly, it offers a series of provocative approaches to understanding the Chaco War's broader effects on 20th-century nationalism, on the indigenous population of the region, and on the international dimension, especially as regards the politics of petroleum. All of these are very modern issues deserving of more attention from scholars. Kudos to Chesterton for getting this very interesting ball rolling. Thomas Whigham, University of Georgia, USA*

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### **About Editor/s:**

**Bridget María Chesterton** is Associate Professor of History at Buffalo State, USA. She is the author of *The Grandchildren of Solano López: Frontier and Nation in Paraguay, 1904-1936* (2013) and co-editor of *Transformations of Populism in Europe and the Americas* (2015).

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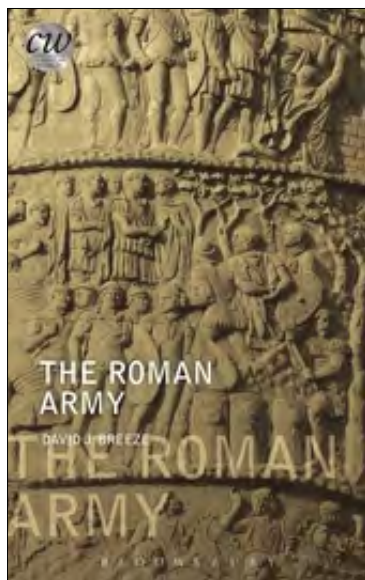


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*David Breeze distils a lifetime of studying the Roman army into an authoritative, short volume, packed with accurate and detailed information about all aspects of one of the most successful organisations of the ancient world. This little book provides an excellent survey of the subject for students and scholars alike.* **Boris Rankov, Professor of Ancient History, Royal Holloway, University of London, UK**

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### **About Author/s:**

**David J. Breeze** is an honorary professor at the Universities of Durham, Edinburgh and Newcastle. Chairman of the International Congress of Roman Frontier Studies and former Chief Inspector of Ancient Monuments, Scotland, he has written on the Roman army and on Roman frontiers, including *Hadrian's Wall* (4th edn, 2000), *Roman Frontiers in Britain* (Bloomsbury, 2013) and *The Frontiers of Imperial Rome* (2011).

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## ***The Russo-Turkish War, 1768-1774***

***Catherine II and the Ottoman Empire***



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*Brian L. Davies has an established position as one of the foremost military historians of early modern Russia. His latest book is a comprehensive and detailed study - the first for over a century - of the Empress Catherine the Great's first Ottoman War (1768-74). This ended by establishing Russia on the northern shore of the Black Sea and in the Caucasus, thereby facilitating its further expansion during the later eighteenth century and in particular enabling the Russian seizure of the Crimea (1783-84). Professor Davies is an authoritative guide to some complex events, which are of enduring importance: the origin of many of the present-day problems of eastern Europe are to be found in the fighting and its aftermath.* **Professor Hamish Scott, University of Glasgow**

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**Brian L. Davies** is Professor of History at the University of Texas at San Antonio, USA.

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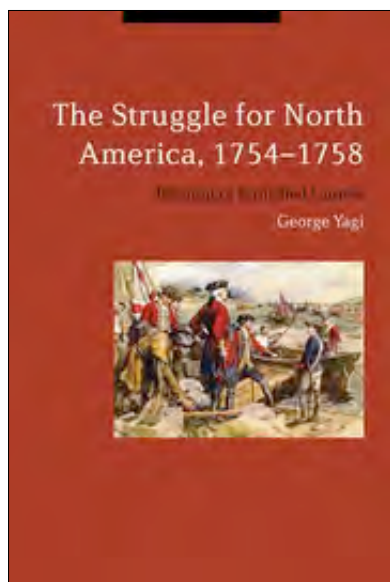
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## ***The Struggle for North America, 1754-1758***

***Britannia's Tarnished Laurels***



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At the end of 1758, Britons could proudly boast of the numerous victories which had been achieved against the forces of King Louis XV. Although the Seven Years' War, or French and Indian War, was far from over, 1758 marked a significant turning point. Uniquely, this book provides an insight into the initial stages of the Seven Years War, and explains why Britain failed, despite the many advantages which it enjoyed.

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### **About Author/s:**

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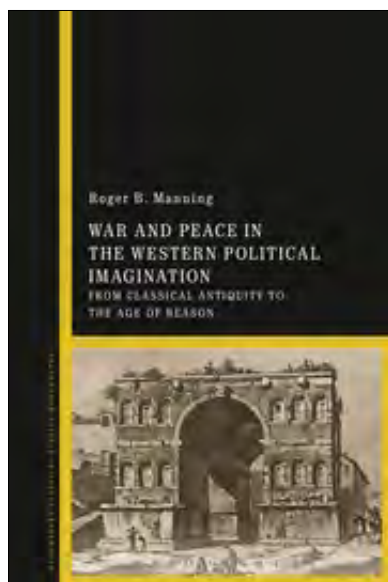
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## *War and Peace in the Western Political Imagination*

*From Classical Antiquity to the Age of Reason*



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*An important work on a crucial aspect of political thought. Manning ranges widely to offer a coherent, interesting and engaged account. Deserves much attention. Jeremy Black, Professor of History, University of Exeter, UK*

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**Roger B. Manning** is Emeritus Professor of History, Cleveland State University, USA. He has published widely on British and military history, including *An Apprenticeship in Arms* (2006) and *Swordsmen: The Martial Ethos in the Three Kingdoms* (2003).

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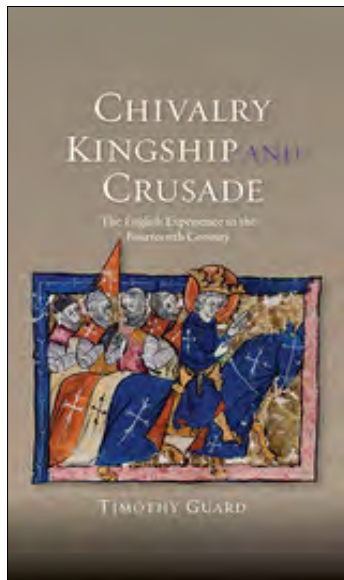
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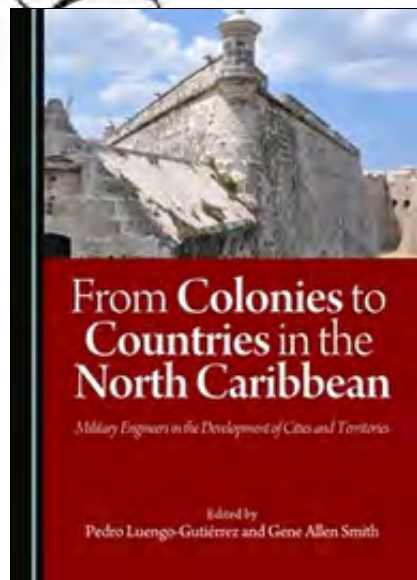
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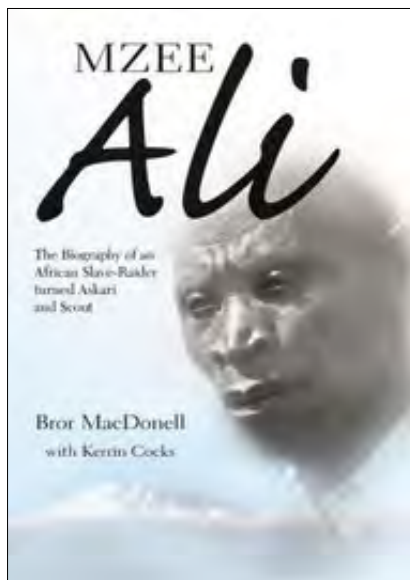
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With the arrival of the German colonizers, Ali joined the German East African forces as an askari. He worked on the railway line that was being laid from Dar es Salaam to Dodoma and finally to Mwanza on the shores of Lake Victoria—a monumental feat. With the outbreak of the First World War, he found himself attached to the forces of the legendary German commander, General von Lettow-Vorbeck. He saw action at the Battle of Salaita Hill near Mombasa and was with the General to the end, fighting a guerrilla campaign through southern Tanganyika, Portuguese East Africa, Nyasaland, Northern Rhodesia and to final surrender. After the war, he joined the British Colonial Service as a game scout.

### **About Author/s:**

Bror Urne MacDonell was born in 1921 in Elizabethville, the Belgian Congo. For the first twenty years of his life he was known as Bror Örne-Glieman (his father's Scandinavian surname) but discovered that the Belgian authorities had erroneously registered his surname as MacDonell (his mother's previous surname). He was educated in France and later at Eton in England. He became fluent in over a dozen languages including French, Swahili, chiShona and several other African languages. Aged nineteen, he was drafted into service during World War II. He served as Regimental Sergeant-Major with the African Light Infantry in East Africa and India and later transferred to Army Intelligence with the Northern Rhodesia Regiment. After the war he took up a varied career in hunting, locust control, farming, African administration and local government, working in the remotest bush of Northern Rhodesia and Tanganyika. He moved to Southern Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe) during the sixties and began writing *Mzee Ali* in 1963, from his campfire 'bush notes' of the forties. (Several UK publishers rejected the manuscript as being "too politically incorrect"—presumably because of the references to the black-on-black slave-trading.) He retired to the South Coast of KwaZulu-Natal, where he died in 1998. He is survived by his wife, Majorie, and four children.

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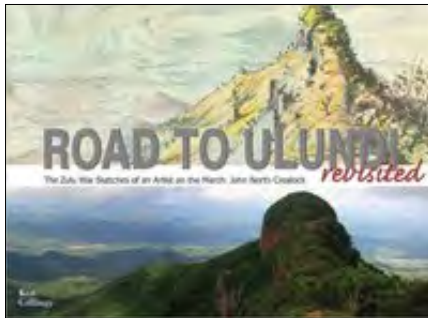
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Lt-Col John North Crealock was a veteran of the Indian Mutiny and the younger brother of Major-General Henry Hope Crealock, who commanded the First Division during the second invasion of Zululand in May 1879. He had earlier served with Chelmsford at Aldershot and was appointed to what has been described as a "plum staff appointment" at the Horse Guards. Crealock became Chelmsford's military secretary in the Anglo-Zulu War of 1879 and it is generally accepted that all Chelmsford's "disagreeable orders" supposedly emanated from him. He was described by Sir Garnet Wolseley (who replaced Sir Bartle Frere and Chelmsford) as "that arch-snob" and "evil genius", accused of "governing Chelmsford and keeping him in ignorance of all going on about him". Nonetheless, he was a skilled painter in watercolours.

Crealock was slightly wounded at the Battle of Gingindlovu on the 2 April 1879 and, in July 1880, on his return to England, he was appointed commanding officer of the 95th Regiment of Foot, serving with them in Gibraltar in 1881, Egypt in the 1882 campaign, and then on to India. The regiment was linked with the 45th Regiment of Foot to be renamed the Sherwood Foresters in 1881. Crealock handed over command in July 1885. He is described in the regimental history as a "progressive and appreciative Commanding Officer". On his return from India in 1890, Crealock was given command of 5th Brigade and promoted to major-general. He returned to India in 1893 and died at Rawalpindi on 26 April 1895.

Crealock's paintings were given to the Regimental Museum, where they are now housed. In 1964, a selection of the water colours was copied by the University of Natal Press and published in a book entitled *The Road to Ulundi*. South African historian Ken Gillings spent three years identifying and photographing the sites depicted in the book and was impressed by their accuracy. The trustees of the Museum of the Mercian Regiment (of which the Sherwood Foresters was an antecedent regiment) have kindly given the publishers the go-ahead to republish the sketches, with the accompanying photographs and explanatory notes prepared by Gillings. The result is a truly unique item of militaria, which is likely to become a sought-after item of Africana.

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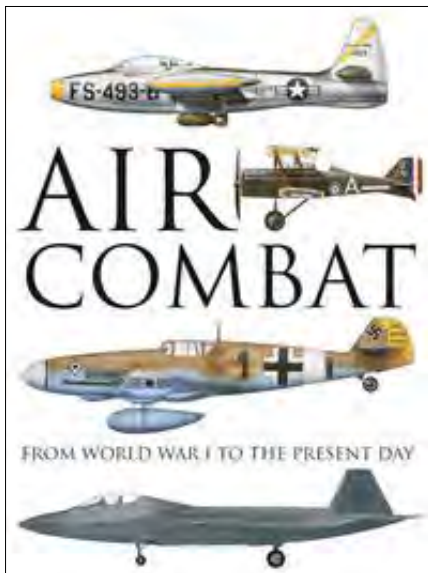


in KwaZulu-Natal. He has written numerous articles on the subject, many of which have appeared in the South African Military History Journal. He co-edited The War Memoirs of Commandant Ludwig Krause (van Riebeeck Society) and is author of Battles of KwaZulu-Natal, which is in its fifth edition. The Relief of Ladysmith: Breakthrough at Thukela Heights, 13–28 February 1900 is an acclaimed South African battlefield guide and has been affiliated with the South African Military History Society, the South African National Society, the Ladysmith Historical Society (of which he is a founder life member), the KwaZulu-Natal Heritage Foundation and the National Monuments Commission's War Graves & Graves of Conflict Committee. He chaired the KwaZulu-Natal Regional Committee for the Commemoration of the Centenary of the Anglo-Boer War. He lives in Durban, South Africa.



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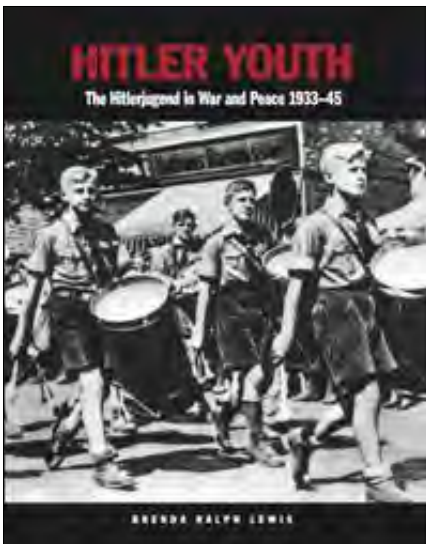
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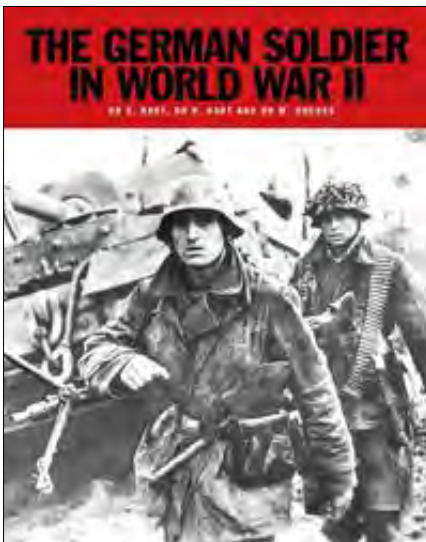
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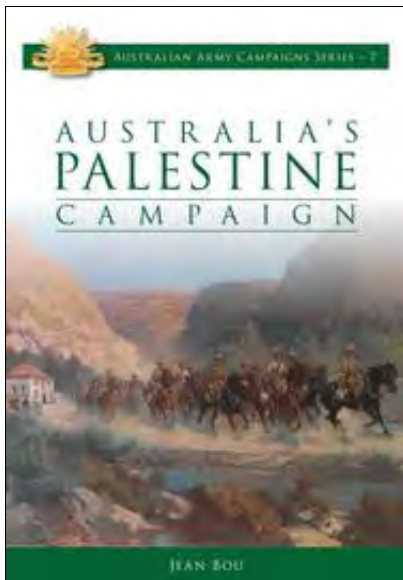




## *Australia's Palestine Campaign*

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With nearly two mounted divisions engaged against the Ottoman Empire in the Middle East for almost three years the Palestine Campaign was Australia's longest running militarily significant endeavour of the First World War after the Western Front. And yet apart from the battle of Beersheba, the Palestine Campaign receives little attention in Australia compared to Gallipoli and the Western Front. In contrast to the years of grinding trench warfare in France and Belgium, the Palestine Campaign was a war of relative movement and manoeuvre.

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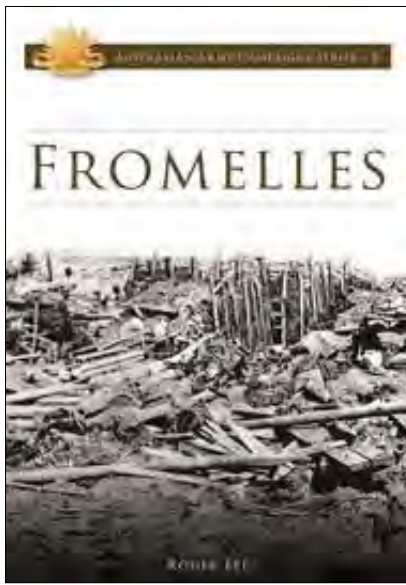


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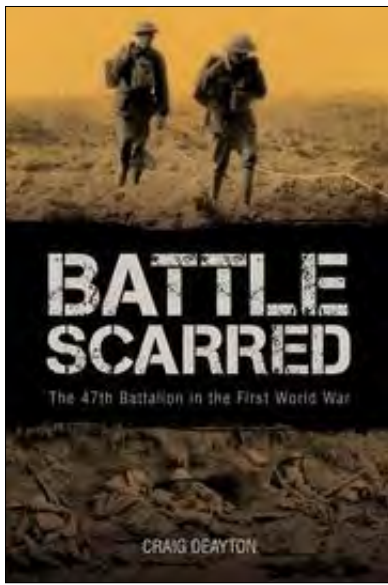
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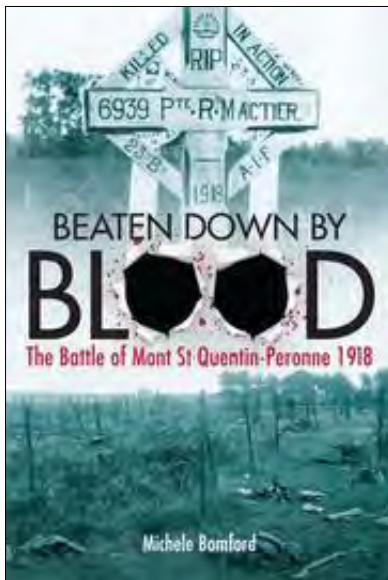
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As fear gripped the globe, Kerry an Australian Special Forces soldier, comforted his wife Kay, as they struggled to come to terms with their hellish ordeal of torture, mock executions and the helplessness of leaving behind 58 political prisoners of a long forgotten war. The couple's hopes focused only on seeing their children again. In the years after regaining their freedom and working to re-piece together family life, Kerry returned to active duty with the Special Forces and Kay turned her dark experiences towards creating social justice, over the years becoming a leading international humanitarian.

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This powerful story will have you gripping your chair and holding your breath, as you travel with Kay through Taliban strongholds and the remote wastelands of Al Qaeda terrorists. Her story provides a rare glimpse of places we may never visit and the courageous Afghan people determined to persevere against overwhelming odds. *Beneath the Pale Blue Burqa* is a truly inspiring journey and an important contribution to the selfless efforts of all who have gone before to brave the perils of Afghanistan.

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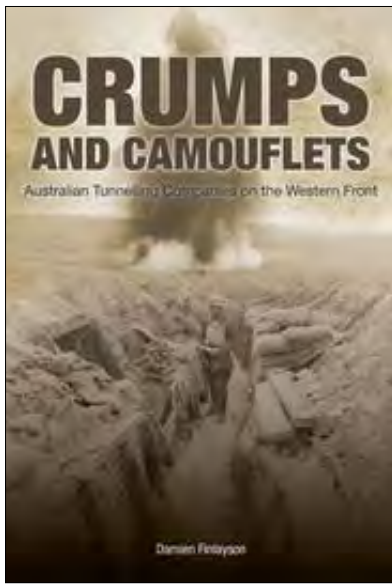
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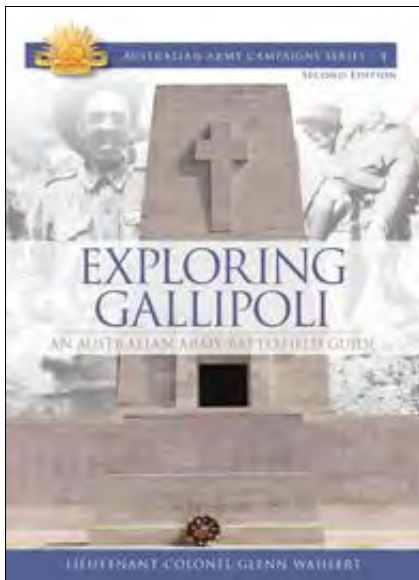
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The narrative follows the battalion members as they leave their homes and lives in Western Australia, embark for overseas, experience the excitement and boredom of arid and exotic Egypt, and undergo their baptism of fire in the first wave of the Australian and New Zealand landings at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915.

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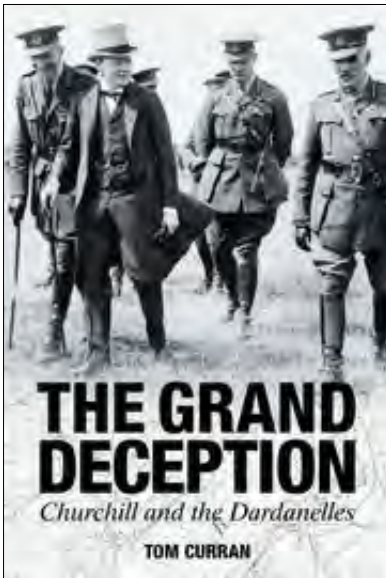




## *Grand Deception*

### *Churchill and the Dardanelles*

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The century that has elapsed since the 1915 Dardanelles campaign has done little to quell the debate that rages over its inglorious end. The origins of the campaign are likewise the subject of ongoing scrutiny, particularly the role of the First Sea Lord Winston Churchill, with whom the ill-fated campaign has been closely identified.

Tom Curran's *The Grand Deception: Churchill and the Dardanelles* presents a detailed examination of Churchill's role in the decision-making process that led to the Gallipoli landings.

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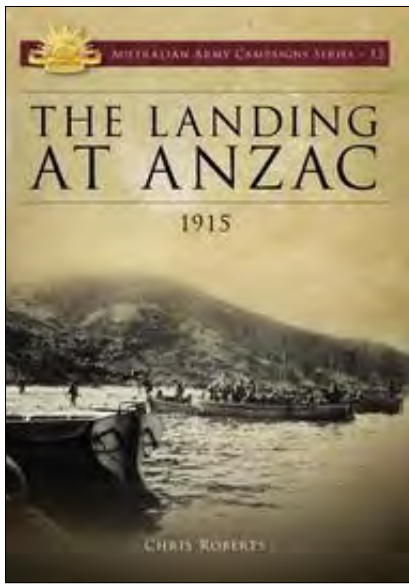
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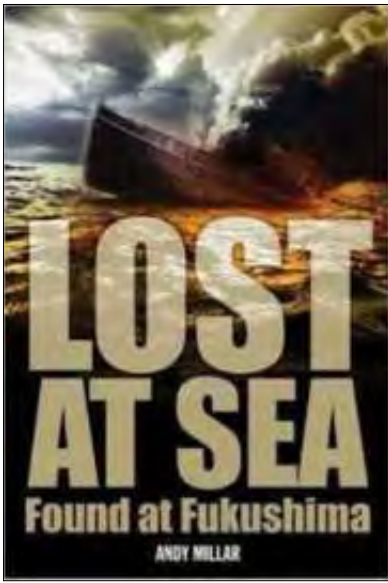
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## *Lost at Sea*

### *Found at Fukushima*

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On a calm, tropical afternoon in the South Atlantic Ocean in April 1942, a British tramp steamer, the SS Willesden, was shelled, torpedoed and sunk by a German raider, the KMS Thor. The Willesden was carrying 47 officers and crew, and a cargo of vital war supplies destined for Britain's 8th Army in North Africa. Five of Willesden's crew were killed in the attack. Among the survivors was Second Mate David Millar, who - along with his crewmen - was rescued by the Germans and interned on a succession of prison ships, before being handed over to the Japanese.

Badly wounded, David spent the rest of the war as a POW in a camp at Fukushima, north of Tokyo. The Thor was also responsible for sinking two other steamers, the SS Kirkpool and SS Nankin. Their survivors, who included 38 women and children, were dispatched to the same POW camp. What is remarkable about this story, apart from its inherent drama, is that these civilian POWs - numbering more than 130 in all - were officially listed as 'Missing at Sea': their presence in the camp remained a closely guarded secret. This meant that it was many months - in some cases, years - before the fog of mystery surrounding their disappearance lifted, and family and friends knew whether their loved ones were dead or alive. *Lost at Sea - Found at Fukushima* tells the little-known story of these survivors.

It is a tale of honour between enemy naval commanders; of suffering, courage and endurance, as months of imprisonment turned to years; and of the powerful relationships that form when people are forced together in life-threatening circumstances. Greatly enhancing the poignancy of this story is the fact that David Millar was the author's father.

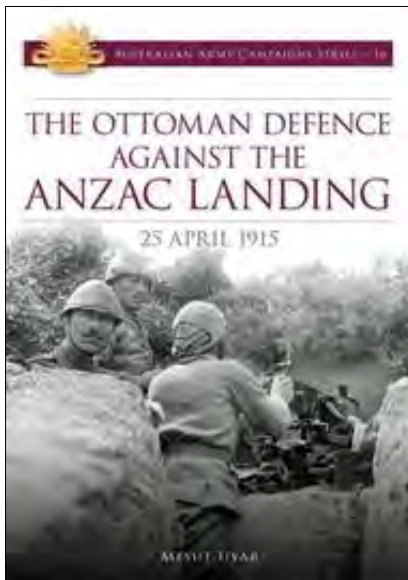
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## *Ottoman Defence Against the ANZAC Landing*

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The landing at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915 represents a defining moment, not only for Australia and New Zealand, but also for Turkey. However a detailed account of the landing from the Turkish perspective has yet to be published in English despite the 100 years that has elapsed since the first ANZACs scrambled ashore.

Descriptions of the Ottoman forces such as the composition of units, the men who commanded them, their weapons, capabilities and reactions to the ANZAC invasion have generally remained undocumented or described in piecemeal fashion based on secondary sources. The lack of a Turkish perspective has made it almost impossible to construct a balanced account of the events of that fateful April day.

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This valuable chronicle will enhance readers' understanding of the Ottoman war machine, its strengths and weaknesses and why it proved so successful in containing the Allied invasion. Detailed maps and photographs published for the first time add clarity and portray many of the men the ANZACs referred to with grudging respect as 'Johnny Turk'.

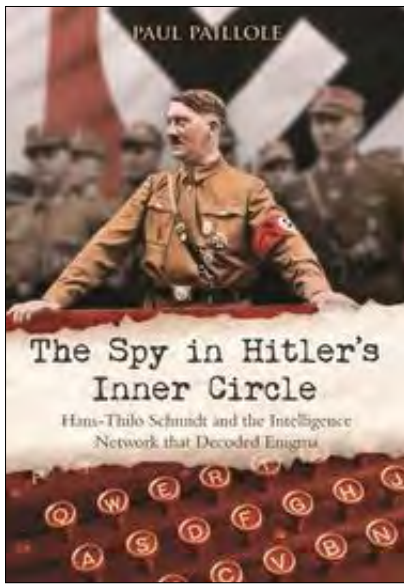
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## *The Spy in Hitler's Inner Circle*

*Hans-Thilo Schmidt and the Intelligence Network that Decoded Enigma*



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Ten years after the publication of his *Services Spéciaux* (1935-1945), Paillolle took up his pen once again in order to shed further light on the critical role that the French Secret Service played in the infiltration of German agencies. In this first English edition of *The Spy in Hitler's Inner Circle*, Paillolle brings us to the very heart of the world of espionage and counterintelligence, providing unique insight into the key figures that led to the decoding of the Enigma machine at Bletchley and the ultimate collapse of Hitler's Third Reich, most notably through Hans-Thilo Schmidt, France's German spy embedded in the very heart of the Third Reich.

In compelling narrative style Paillolle details how Schmidt delivered intelligence to France right from the source of the German Cipher Office. Schmidt, whose brother Rudolf occupied one of the highest postings in the Third Reich, commander of 2nd Panzer Army in Russia, created an intelligence network between France, Poland and England, and successfully transmitted crucial details about Hitler's strategic plans. From information about Germany's rearmament and the reoccupation of the Rhineland, to fundamental technical intelligence about the Enigma machine, Schmidt's contributions are key to the Allied victory in the intelligence war, despite the fact that France largely ignored his communications.

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Paillolle brings renewed focus onto one of the most important espionage affairs of the war, revealing new aspects of the participation of Enigma during the decisive phases of the Second World War: the Battle of France, the Battle of Britain, the Battle of the Atlantic, the Battle of Libya and the Battle of Normandy.

### **About Author/s:**

Paul Paillolle joined the French army in 1925 and was transferred to the Secret Services in 1935. Although initially reluctant to be desk-bound he rapidly excelled at the job. At the outbreak of the war Paillolle was prominent in the active counter-espionage branch, the 5th

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Bureau. After the defeat of France in 1940 he led a clandestine counter-espionage network which operated from Marseille under the codename 'Travaux Ruraux', whose role was to arrest German collaborators, though the reality may have been murkier. Operating at the heart of the Vichy regime, he was a key figure in dealings between the Vichy government, the Germans, the Allies, and the French factions vying for post-war power. He wrote two books, one about his own experiences, and this one about the Hans-Thilo Schmidt affair which he witnessed at first hand. He died in 2002.



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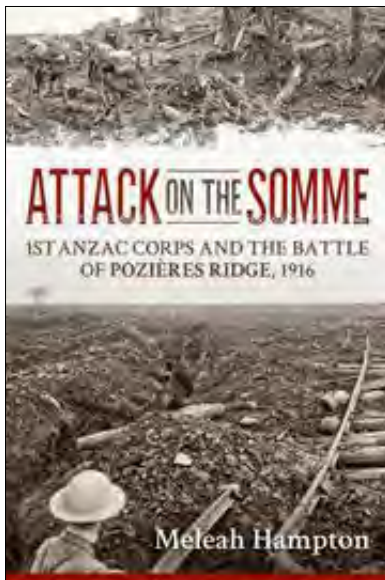
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The Battle of Pozières Ridge lasted precisely six weeks. In that time the 1st Anzac Corps, in whose sector most of the fighting took place, advanced the British line just over a mile and a half in a north-westerly direction. During this period of time the three divisions of 1st Anzac Corps rotated in and out of the line twice, each time conducting one or more offensive operations against heavily defended German positions. At its conclusion, the fighting around Pozières and Mouquet Farm had yielded very modest territorial gains at an enormous casualty rate.

Although a study of 1st Anzac Corps, *Attack on the Somme* is not history of Australian endeavour. The Australian Divisions slotted into the British Expeditionary Force on arrival to the Western Front, and fought under General Gough at Reserve Army. There was nothing particularly remarkable about the corps – some members had had some experience at Gallipoli, but the majority were new recruits.

The events at Pozières in July and August 1916, too, were absolutely representative of the ‘average day on the Somme’ for the British. Unlike the ill-fated first day of the campaign, or big days like the night attacks of 14-15 July, most days on the Somme involved only a small percentage of the line engaged in fighting the enemy in a limited, set-piece attack – just like any day on Pozières Ridge. The one notable difference about the 1st Anzac Corps of 1916 is the sheer volume of records left of its time on Pozières Ridge. The Australian Official Historian, C.E.W. Bean, ensured as much documentation as possible was saved for posterity. Orders and messages survive which are, in almost all other cases, simply not available for other contemporary British or Dominion troops. What they reveal is a wide range of operational approaches at all levels of command, even down to company level. On some occasions they enable the identification of individuals critical in the maintenance of a precarious position.

These documents also reveal the point at which diversity and innovation could not flourish with the influence of high command. The Australian memorial at the Windmill carries the words of Charles Bean, who said ‘Australian troops... fell more thickly on this ridge than on any other battlefield of the war’. This study of the battle reveals that more often than not, this was an unnecessary waste of lives and resources for the most negligible of gains, if any gains were made at all.

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## ***Barbarossa Derailed: The Battle For Smolensk 10 July-10 September 1941***

***Volume 1: The German Advance, The Encirclement Battle And The First And Second Soviet Counteroffensives, 10 July-24 August 1941***

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### **Description:**

At dawn on 10 July 1941, massed tanks and motorized infantry of German Army Group Center's Second and Third Panzer Groups crossed the Dnepr and Western Dvina Rivers, beginning what Adolf Hitler, the Führer of Germany's Third Reich, and most German officers and soldiers believed would be a triumphal march on Moscow, the capital of the Soviet Union. Less than three weeks before, on 22 June Hitler had unleashed his Wehrmacht's [Armed Forces] massive invasion of the Soviet Union code-named Operation Barbarossa, which sought to defeat the Soviet Union's Red Army, conquer the country, and unseat its Communist ruler, Josef Stalin. Between 22 June and 10 July, the Wehrmacht advanced up to 500 kilometers into Soviet territory, killed or captured up to one million Red Army soldiers, and reached the western banks of the Western Dvina and Dnepr Rivers, by doing so satisfying the premier assumption of Plan Barbarossa that the Third Reich would emerge victorious if it could defeat and destroy the bulk of the Red Army before it withdrew to safely behind those two rivers. With the Red Army now shattered, Hitler and most Germans expected total victory in a matter of weeks.

The ensuing battles in the Smolensk region frustrated German hopes for quick victory. Once across the Dvina and Dnepr Rivers, a surprised Wehrmacht encountered five fresh Soviet armies. Despite destroying two of these armies outright, severely damaging two others, and encircling the remnants of three of these armies in the Smolensk region, quick victory eluded the Germans. Instead, Soviet forces encircled in Mogilev and Smolensk stubbornly refused to surrender, and while they fought on, during July, August, and into early September, first five and then a total of seven newly-mobilized Soviet armies struck back viciously at the advancing Germans, conducting multiple counterattacks and counterstrokes, capped by two major counteroffensives that sapped German strength and will. Despite immense losses in men and materiel, these desperate Soviet actions derailed Operation Barbarossa. Smarting from countless wounds inflicted on his vaunted Wehrmacht, even before the fighting ended in the Smolensk region, Hitler postponed his march on Moscow and instead turned his forces southward to engage "softer targets" in the Kiev region. The 'derailment' of the Wehrmacht at Smolensk ultimately became the crucial turning point in Operation Barbarossa.

This study exploits a wealth of Soviet and German archival materials, including the combat orders and operational of the German OKW, OKH, army groups, and armies and of the Soviet Stavka, the Red Army General Staff, the Western Main Direction Command, the Western, Central, Reserve, and Briansk Fronts, and their subordinate armies to present a detailed mosaic and definitive account of what took place, why, and how during the prolonged and complex battles in the Smolensk region from 10 July through 10 September 1941. Its structure is designed specifically to appeal to both general readers and specialists by including a detailed two-volume chronological narrative of the course of operations, accompanied by a third volume, and perhaps a fourth, containing archival maps and an extensive collection of specific orders and reports translated verbatim from Russian. The maps, archival and archival-based, detail every stage of the battle.

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### **Contents:**

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This volume includes: The Northern Flank: Group Stumme's (Third Panzer Group) Advance to Velikie Luki, Toropets, and Zapadnaia Dvina, 22 August-9 September 1941; German Strategic Planning, the Tilt toward Kiev, and Second Panzer Group's Advance Across the Desna River, 22-28 August 1941; The Third Soviet Counteroffensive, including the Western Front's Dukhovshchina Offensive, 26 August-6 September 1941, the Reserve Front's El'nia Offensive, 30 August-10 September 1941, and the Briansk Front's Roslavl'-Novozybkov Offensive, 29 August-14 September 1941. Based on the analysis of the vast mass of documentary materials exploited by this study, David Glantz presents a number of important new findings, notably: Soviet resistance to Army Group Center's advance into the Smolensk region was far stronger and more active than the Germans anticipated and historians have previously described; The military strategy Stalin, the Stavka, and Western Main Direction Command pursued was far more sophisticated than previously believed; Stalin, the Stavka, and Timoshenko's Western Main Direction Command employed a strategy of attrition designed to weaken advancing German forces; This attrition strategy inflicted far greater damage on Army Group Center than previously thought and, ultimately, contributed significantly to the Western and Kalinin Fronts' victories over Army Group Center in December 1941.

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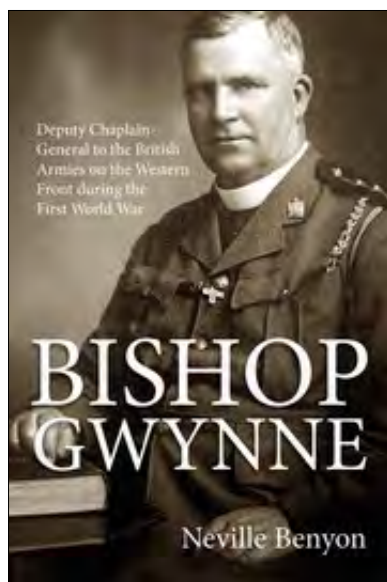
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## *Bishop Gwynne*

*Deputy Chaplain-General to the British Armies on the Western Front during the First World War*

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The celebrated General Sir Herbert Plumer once referred to BEF Deputy Chaplain General Llewellyn Henry Gwynne (1863–1957) “*as the man who did most to win the war.*”

This new study of Gwynne’s philosophy and work explores his formative years including his time at St John’s Theological College, Highbury. It also sheds light on his pre-war experiences as a young curate and priest in the industrial midlands, subsequent Sudan missionary work, and First World War service during which he achieved the rank of major general responsible to commanders of the four British armies on the Western Front.

The army chaplain general’s conferences, over which Gwynne presided, looked forward to a time when hostilities would end and the clergy could return to their “calling” of ministering congregations. From there they would lay foundations for a better world than that consumed by the upheaval of war. These lively wartime forums, during which the spiritual and temporal aspects of current conflict and anticipated peace were discussed and debated, had much in common with Diocesan Synodical meetings. So much so that they could be considered the guiding body of a true “Diocese of the Western Front”.

Based on ground-breaking archival research, including original agendas and meeting minutes, this volume contributes to our understanding of the vital role of Anglican chaplains during the years 1914–18 whilst re-evaluating the military career and legacy of a venerated cleric.

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## *Black Hawks Rising*

*The Story of AMISOM's Successful War against Somali Insurgents, 2007-2014*

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### **Description:**

Black Hawks Rising - the title of this book - acknowledges the formation and deployment of the African Union Mission to Somalia (AMISOM) in March 2007. Initially confined to peacekeeping within the Mogadishu enclave, it transformed into a peace-making mission. Many - including the author, who predicted the mission was DOA (Dead on Arrival) - gave the mission little chance of success. As a fighting force, however, AMISOM took on the Somali insurgents in 2010; expelled them from Central Mogadishu on Saturday, 6 August 2011; and expanded control of territory under the Somali Government in the succeeding years to most of Somalia.

The opening chapters of the book take the reader behind the scenes to highlight the inconsistent - and sometimes disastrous - US policy in the Horn of Africa generally, and in Somalia (specifically dating back to the Kennedy administration in the early 1960s). Under President George Bush, the US strongly and vigorously opposed deployment of regional African troops in Somalia - instead sponsoring Somali factions to fight against each other and, when that flopped, egged on Ethiopia to invade Somalia in December 2006, which caused the rise of violent insurgency that spilled across borders. Young jihadists streamed from the heart of USA to fight the invaders. To clean up the mess, the Bush administration finally supported the deployment of regional troops. Black Hawks Rising captures intimately the stories of the men and women who made up AMISOM: their triumphs, setbacks and victories.

The spotlight focuses on the Uganda People's Defence Forces (UPDF), whose Herculean efforts supported by Burundi National Defence Forces (BNDF) - and later the Kenya Defence Forces (KDF), Forces Armées Djiboutiennes (FAD), Ethiopian National Defence Forces (ENDF) and Republic of Sierra Leone Armed Forces (RSLAF) - were pivotal to the success of the mission. Their dedication, professionalism, ideological commitment, hard work and humanity turned Somalia from a wasted nation to one with hope for peace, stability and a better future for the Somali people. Like Heru - the Hawk-God of Ancient Egypt - AMISOM's new breed of African peace-warriors have demonstrated the capacity to work across borders regionally, continent-wide and globally to help resolve conflicts whenever and wherever they arise - protecting lives and property, and preventing genocides before they happen.

### **About Author/s:**

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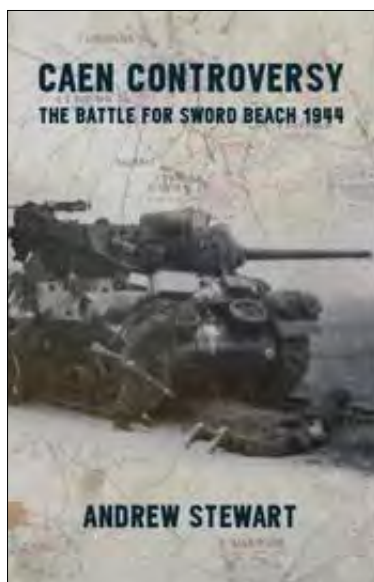
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## *Caen Controversy*

### *The Battle For Sword Beach 1944*

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On 6 June 1944 British, American, Canadian and French troops landed in Normandy by air and sea. This was one of the key moments of the Second World War, a long-anticipated invasion which would, ultimately, lead to the defeat of Nazi Germany. By the day's end a lodgement had been effected and Operation OVERLORD was being hailed as a success.

In reality the assault had produced mixed results and at certain points along the French coastline the position was still far from certain. The key Allied objectives had also not been captured during the first day of the fighting and this failure would have long-term consequences. Of the priority targets, the city of Caen was a vital logistical hub with its road and rail networks plus it would also act as a critical axis for launching the anticipated follow-on attacks against the German defenders. As a result an entire brigade of British troops was tasked with attempting its capture but their advance culminated a few miles short.

This new book examines this significant element of the wider D-Day operation and provides a narrative account of the operations conducted by 3 British Infantry Division. It examines in some detail the planning, preparation and the landings that were made on the beaches of Sword sector. To do this it considers the previously published material and also draws upon archival sources many of which have been previously overlooked to identify key factors behind the failure to capture the city. Its publication coincides with the 70th anniversary of the Allied liberation of France.

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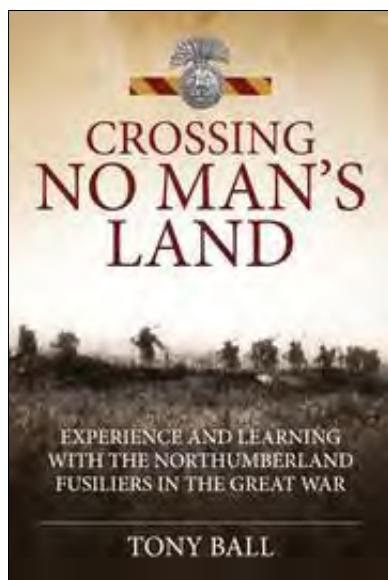
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## *Crossing No Man's Land*

*Experience and Learning with the Northumberland Fusiliers in the Great War*

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This book addresses the potentially deadly challenge of getting across No Man's Land in good shape to fight at the other side. It explores the development of the British Army's infantry battle tactics during the Great War using the largest infantry regiment, the Northumberland Fusiliers, as a case study. Principles and, in particular, practice are covered.

The study demonstrates the transformation of the British Army from an essentially Victorian army to a recognisably modern army; adapting tactics to the circumstances and saving lives in the process. A novel research approach is used; comparing Army doctrine with the reality at battalion level which yields a unique insight into experience and learning on the Western Front. Two hundred and eleven attacks and 75 raids are identified through a census of all 28 of the Regiment's battalion war diaries covering 25,876 diary days.

The analysis is set in the overall context of the War taking in the full sweep, from beginning to end, and also gives some small insight into the so called sideshows. A by-product of the research approach has been a detailed activity analysis, the 'doings', summarising what each Northumberland Fusiliers' battalion was engaged in every day and for the Regiment in aggregate. This is a secondary but no less valuable theme of the study, which also yields good material on infantry training. Furthermore, when activities are known on a daily basis, it is possible to correlate attacks with fatalities and to attempt to discover relationships between the two.

### **About Author/s:**

Tony Ball is a former director of a multinational company and now a military historian specialising in the British Army in the Great War, particularly the conduct of war. He holds a first degree in Economics, a post-graduate diploma in Marketing and masters degrees in Business Administration and History. Tony has previously taught marketing at Northumbria University. Since retiring as a company director, he has managed the Castle Keep on behalf of the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle upon Tyne, has also worked for Sunderland University Business School and currently works for Newcastle University in a part-time support role. He is a past chair of the Tyneside branch of the Western Front Association, speaks regularly to local historical interest groups and has written several articles mostly for the Journal of the Society for Army Historical Research. Tony is a grandson of a Northumberland Fusiliers' veteran of the Great War and the only person known to have read and analysed all 25,876 diary days of the Regiment in that war.

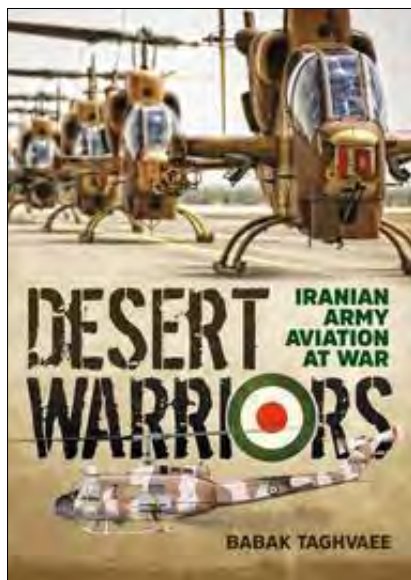
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Under the leadership of a sagacious and patriotic ruler, who wasn't only cautious about the security of his state but was acting to stabilize worldwide peace by means of keeping the Middle East secure from the danger of Communism, the third most powerful Army Aviation in the world was born and flourished, its efficiency proven during its role defending Iran during the war with Iraq, 1980-88.

One of the weaknesses of NATO's combat strength set against the Warsaw Pact was its armoured force. Following 1945 the armoured forces of the Soviet Union had quickly surpassed the West. Before the development of powerful new tanks such as the Shir 2 (Lion 2), Challenger 1, M1 Abrams in services with the Iranian, British and US armies, the only solution for confrontation with Soviet armour was the establishment of powerful Army Aviation forces. From the late 1960s His Imperial Majesty Mohammad Reza Pahlavi and many other commanders had realized the weakness of the Iranian Army compared to the powerful armoured forces of the Soviet Union and Iraq, two historical enemies of Iran, states who dreamed of reaching the waters of the Persian Gulf and the oil fields of Khuzestan province respectively. By following such a strategy, Iran possessed the third-largest Army Aviation Power in the world in just ten years, not only by being equipped with 800 of the latest and most advanced AB.205, AB.206, Bell 214, AH-1J and CH-47C helicopters but thanks to thousands of skilful and knowledgeable personnel. Iranian Army Aviation was used to provide for the security of Iran as well as helping to establish peace in Pakistan and Oman in the wars against terrorism and communism in 1970s.

After the Revolution, and even after the execution, arrest and dismissal of the architects of the force, it was effectively used to defend Iran during eight years of war with Iraq, 1980-88. Its AH-1Js hunted hundreds of Iraqi tanks and armoured carriers and its Bell 214As saved lives of thousands of wounded civilians and soldiers while the CH-47Cs were airlifting ammunition and soldiers to the frontline under the threat of direct fire from Iraqi AA guns and SAMs.

Based on the recently declassified official records of the Iranian Joint Chiefs of Staff, Ground Force and Army Aviation, this book provides details of the Iranian Army Aviation missions and roles during 97 major operations in the war with Iraq, including details on logged flying hours, performed sorties, launched missiles, carried cargos, wounded troops and soldiers beside the unheard history of the force since its foundation.

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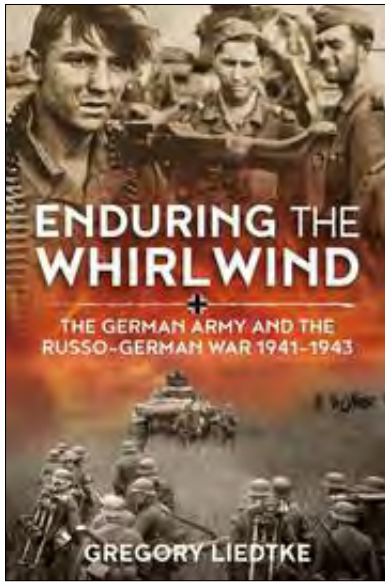
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## *Enduring the Whirlwind*

*The German Army and the Russo-German War 1941-1943*

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Despite the best efforts of a number of historians, many aspects of the ferocious struggle between Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union during the Second World War remain obscure or shrouded in myth. One of the most persistent of these is the notion - largely created by many former members of its own officer corps in the immediate post-war period - that the German Army was a paragon of military professionalism and operational proficiency whose defeat on the Eastern Front was solely attributable to the amateurish meddling of a crazed former Corporal and the overwhelming numerical superiority of the Red Army. A key pillar upon which the argument of German numerical-weakness vis-à-vis the Red Army has been constructed is the assertion that Germany was simply incapable of providing its army with the necessary quantities of men and equipment needed to replace its losses. In consequence, as their losses outstripped the availability of replacements, German field formations became progressively weaker until they were incapable of securing their objectives or, eventually, of holding back the swelling might of the Red Army.

This work seeks to address the notion of German numerical-weakness in terms of Germany's ability to replace its losses and regenerate its military strength, and assess just how accurate this argument was during the crucial first half of the Russo-German War (June 1941-June 1943). Employing a host of primary documents and secondary literature, it traces the development and many challenges of the German Army from the pre-war period until the invasion of the Soviet Union in June 1941. It continues on to chart the first two years of the struggle between Germany and the Soviet Union, with a particular emphasis upon the scale of German personnel and equipment losses, and how well these were replaced. It also includes extensive examinations into the host of mitigating factors that both dictated the course of Germany's campaign in the East and its replacement and regeneration capabilities.

In contrast to most accounts of the conflict, this study finds that numerical-weakness being the primary factor in the defeat of the Ostheer - specifically as it relates to the strength and condition of the German units involved - has been overemphasized and frequently exaggerated. In fact, Germany was actually able to regenerate its forces to a remarkable degree with a steady flow of fresh men and equipment, and German field divisions on the Eastern Front were usually far stronger than the accepted narratives of the war would have one believe.

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## *Fall of the Red Baron*

*World War I Aerial Tactics And The Death Of Richthofen*

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### **Description:**

Fighter pilot Manfred von Richthofen (the Red Baron) lacked innate aerobatic ability. As a tyro, he attempted to solve this problem through denial, going so far as to sneer at stunting as pointless. Great War air combat experience proved quite the reverse, and so we would anticipate a short and sad fighting life for the fellow. Yet the Red Baron became the Great War's single greatest scorer, as measured by total victories. How did he do it? This book is concerned with tactics, especially those tactics used by the Red Baron and his opponents. It offers the how and why of Great War aerial combat.

The author leans heavily on his expertise in engineering and aerodynamic techniques to explain this, with his reasoning presented in a readable, non-mathematical style. Absent are both the usual propaganda-laced Air Service reports and psychobabble. Offered instead is the logic behind Great War aerial combat; i.e., those elements determining success or failure in the Red Baron's air war. Gunnery experience led to the machine gun as the weapon best suited for aerial combat. Joined with a suitable aircraft, the extremely successful Fokker diving attack resulted. In reaction, effective defensive techniques arose, using forms of shrewd tactical cooperation by two-seater crews: pilot and gunner. These are detailed. Numbers mattered, establishing the level of assault firepower. Tactics of machines flying together in formation are given, as well as those of 'formation busters', intent upon reversing the odds and turning large numbers into a disadvantage. A pilot's nature and emotions had much to do with choosing between the options defining tactics. What were the aces like? How were tactics tailored to suit personality? What traits made for the ability to grapple with a jammed machine gun? A dozen high achievers are examined in terms of tactics and background.

In a fascinating study Leon Bennett covers all of these aspects of WWI aerial combat, and more. Similarly, the author turns his attention to examining the cause of von Richthofen's death, employing the tools of logic, rather than merely accept one of the many conflicting eyewitness reports as truth. In doing so, much testimony is exposed as unlikely. The bullet scatter to be expected from ground anti-aircraft fire matters greatly, and is developed, along with the odds against lone riflemen hoping to hit a fast-moving low altitude target. The most dangerous altitude for front-line crossing is established. The author concludes by rating the possibility of a rifleman downing the Red Baron as quite realistic - certainly as likely as any of the more celebrated possibilities. **This is an important book, offering a groundbreaking account of WWI aerial tactics, and a thorough examination of the final combat and death of the Red Baron.**

### **About Author/s:**

Leon Bennett is a graduate of the New York University College of Engineering, with both Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Aeronautical Engineering. He continued as a research worker at the University, attaining the rank of Senior Research Scientist, and also lectured on prosthetic devices at the NYU Medical School. Upon the closing of the Engineering College, he transferred to the Veterans Administration, where his research efforts won the 1984 award for vascular research by the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine. His military service was spent as a researcher at the Ballistics Research Lab, at Aberdeen, MD. His research output consists of 36 articles on subjects such as insect flight, blood flow, and load

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dissipation by human tissue. Following retirement, he has written two highly-regarded books about World War I aerial combat, *Three Wings for the Red Baron*, and *Gunning for the Red Baron*. He has also prepared numerous how-to articles for hobby magazines featuring model aeroplanes, including *Flying Models*, *Model Aviation* and the *Flying Aces Newsletter*.



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## *Guardians of the Ukraine*

*The Ukrainian Air Force Since 1992*



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Ukraine inherited a large portion of the former Soviet Air Force's equipment and infrastructures after its independence. 944 military aircraft including 137 heavy strategic bombers were quickly inducted into service with the Air Force on 17 March 1992, when it was officially established. This huge amount of military equipment made it the second most powerful air power in Europe. With a large variety of exotic combat aircraft types, including the last operational Yak-28s and Su-15s in the world, and with four fighter/ground attack/bomber divisions and seven fighter/ground-attack/ electronic countermeasures/ reconnaissance regiments, the Ukrainian Air Force has become an attraction to aircraft lovers as well as air defense analysts.

The financial problems and new defensive doctrine of the country were two principal factors for the decline in combat strength and expenditures of its Air Force during the past 23 years. However the downsized and weakened Air Force wasn't the shadow of former Soviet airpower, but since the mid-2000s the country's aircraft repair plants inaugurated numerous upgrade projects for the enhancement of the combat readiness of the aircraft and helicopters of the force.

In 2014, when the territorial disputes on the Crimea peninsula started before morphing into to a full-scale war with pro-Russian separatists, the Ukrainian Air Force had a fleet of 66 operational-ready fighter planes in service across seven Tactical Aviation Brigades, by means of which a series of interdiction and close air support missions were conducted. However during the war approximately 14 fighter/bombers of its air force have been lost, although its outbreak provided motivation for its commanders to start rebuilding its combat strength.

This book provides a detailed look on the organization and combat strength of the air force, and its aircraft and helicopters. Drawing on a wide range of previously unseen photographs supplemented by specially commissioned color artwork, Guardians of the Ukraine presents all types of combat, transport and training aircraft, as well as helicopters previously or currently operated by the Ukrainian Air Force, many of which are supported by captions detailing individual aircraft histories.

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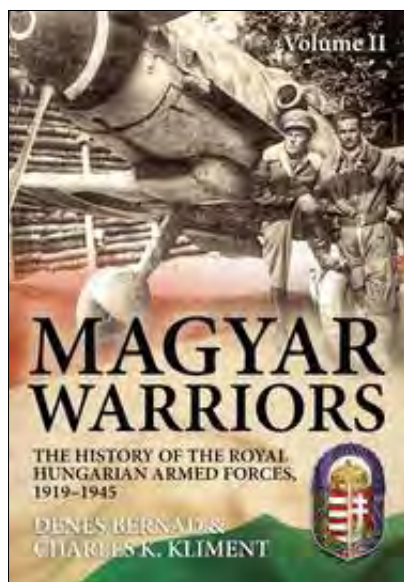
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## *Magyar Warriors*

### *The History of the Royal Hungarian Armed Forces, 1919-1945 Volume 2*

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#### **Description:**

The Hungarian armed forces (known as the Honvédség) were built up from the 1920s, their expansion gaining momentum once Hungary became free of the strict post-First World War Trianon treaty limitations in August 1938. Politically, Hungary was looking for a strong ally, who would help it to recover at least some of the territories containing sizeable Magyar ethnic populations that had been lost after the First World War. Initially, in the mid-1930s, Italy gave political assistance and supplied military materiel; then – on the eve of the Second World War – Germany also lent some support. In November 1938, Hungary managed to peacefully recover a chunk of its former territory from Czechoslovakia, followed by the Sub-Carpathian area during a brief border war in March 1939, and then the northern part of Transylvania from Rumania in August 1940. Later, in April 1941, the Bachka region and parts of Baranya were also taken back from the dismembered Yugoslavia, in a swift military action. The rub is that Hungary was sucked into the cauldron of the Eastern Front, and soon the Honvéds (Hungarian soldiers) found themselves deep in Soviet territory, outgunned and outnumbered by the Red Army. Later on, from August 1944, the beleaguered Honvédség had to fight in defence of its own territory. Alongside tiny Croatia, Hungary remained the last German ally up to the bitter end, and paid the price accordingly.

**This comprehensive reference, to be published in three volumes – the fruit of over twenty years of meticulous research – strives to provide a complete picture of the Hungarian armed forces between the years 1919 and 1945.**

Volume 1 (published in 2015) presents a brief history of the Magyars up until the end of the Second World War, as well as the building of the armed forces, and details the armoured formations and their equipment. Volume 2 covers in great details the activity of the air force (Chapter 4), the river flotilla (Chapter 5), as well as the combat operations of the Honvédség (Chapter 6). The final volume will contain type sheets of every weapon and vehicle used by the Army, as well as all aircraft types in service with the Air Force. The discussed topics are described in great details, and illustrated with over 500 photographs, several maps and many tables.

#### **About Author/s:**

Charles K. Kliment was born in 1932 in Prague, Czechoslovakia. He studied polymer chemistry at the Technical University in Prague, and specialised in the research of hydrogels for medical, cosmetic and industrial uses. In 1969 he emigrated with his family to USA. He retired in 2001 and lives in Princeton, New Jersey. Already during the Second World War he began his interest in military history and combat weapons. During these years, he assembled a large collection of war-time photographs, documents and memoirs. He specialises in AFVs, especially in the history of tanks, developed in the pre-war Czechoslovakia and their use in Second World War. This was a topic of his first published book, *Czechoslovak Armoured Vehicles 1918-1945*, published by Bellona Press, UK (1978). Besides that, he has authored eight further books, translated two others, and published many articles in historical and modelling magazines, such as *Military History*, *AFV News*, *Airfix Magazine*. He also co-operates with various military museums and armoured vehicles restorers.

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## *PBSuccess*

*The CIA's covert operation to overthrow Guatemalan president Jacobo Arbenz June-July 1954*

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In January 1954, at the peak of the so-called “Cold War”, the U.S. Government set to overthrow the Guatemalan President Jacobo Arbenz, who had been deemed a Communist and a dangerous influence in Central America. Thus, the Central Intelligence Agency was ordered to launch a clandestine paramilitary operation, code-named “Project PBSuccess”, for setting a precedent in a region that was considered the U.S. backyard. Six months later, Arbenz was out and a new “ruling junta”, more amiable to U.S. interests, had replaced him. In the process, the Agency not only had established the principles and tactics for all its future covert operations, but also had shaped the U.S. foreign policy for years to come.

Based primarily on CIA declassified documents and Guatemalan military sources, this book explores the volatile political and military scenario in which Project PBSuccess unfolded and, for the first time, delves into a rather poorly documented aspect of the operation: The use of air power by both, the CIA and the Guatemalan Air Force.

Backed by more than 20 years of careful research, the book covers the desperate attempts of the Guatemalan air arm for establishing a credible defense plan with very limited resources, and the difficulties that the Agency had to overcome in order to organize a rebel air force while navigating a sea of red tape and bureaucracy. It also examines all air operations launched prior and during the campaign, and brings to life the aircraft and the aviators that flew in those missions, sometimes with tragic results. **Besides a selection of photos never published before, the book also features a section on color profiles and markings, and a set of tables detailing the identities of the aircraft involved and the missions flown, on a day-by-day basis.**

### **About Author/s:**

Mario Overall – Co-founder of the Latin American Aviation Historical Society, has studies of Systems Engineering at the Mariano Galvez University of Guatemala. He served in the Guatemalan Air Force as Computer Specialists and then in the same capacity with the Narcotics Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy to Guatemala. He has authored more than 15 articles related to the history of military aviation in Central America, which have been published in renowned magazines in the U.S., Spain, Brazil, Mexico, England, France and Poland. He also has collaborated with several authors in their research work about Latin American Aviation History.

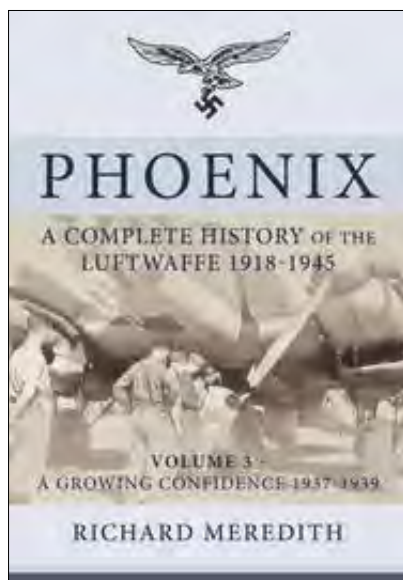
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## *Phoenix - A complete history of the Luftwaffe 1918-1945*

### *Volume 3: A Growing Confidence 1937-1939*



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Based on forty years of detailed research, the Phoenix Project is a unique history of the wartime German Luftwaffe. Going far beyond a simple description of famous air battles and operations the overall work draws extensively on original documents, secondary sources and contemporary accounts to place the Luftwaffe within its proper historical context, gather together its many disparate components and provide a hitherto unpublished balance to its diverse activities. In addition to the lead role of the combat air forces the history provides a proper emphasis to the largely unsung work of the Anti-Aircraft Artillery, Luftwaffe ground forces, Signals Service and the Medical Services. It also examines in detail the vital work of the huge training organisation and the organisation and role of a continent-wide ground organisation. All theatres are covered thus placing a much needed emphasis on the Luftwaffe's momentous struggle in the East, a theatre of operations that was always more urgent and more vital to the Wehrmacht.

Throughout this work Luftwaffe activities are set within the wider role of overall military operations and Luftwaffe activity is therefore placed back within its proper context in the overall European conflict. Vol.3: A Growing Confidence covers the immediate pre-war period during which the Luftwaffe played a decisive role in the successful Anschluss with Austria, the occupation of the Sudetenland and Bohemia-Moravia and in the final success of Nationalist arms in Spain. This was a period of major expansion and re-equipment and this volume complements Vol.2 by examining in detail a range of topics which include the pre-war development of the Heeresflieger, Lehrtruppen, Seeluftstreitkräfte, Luftnachrichtentruppe and Fallschirmtruppe. There are also detailed studies of the flying training syllabus, flight safety and the use of motor vehicles.

As with Vol.2 a major part of this book is devoted to events in Spain including on this occasion Brunete, Teurel, the Nationalist offensive in Aragon, the Battle of the Ebro and the occupation of Catalonia. The structure of the Phoenix Project is totally unique. Five major themes run throughout the history's constituent volumes:

- **Strategy and Command**
- **Ministerial Activity**
- **Technology and Production**
- **Infrastructure and Training**
- **Operations**

These divisions enable the reader to pursue particular areas of interest throughout the overall work or to look at the inter-relationships between the various aspects of Luftwaffe activity.

#### **About Author/s:**

As a professional historical geographer with an all pervading interest in all things aeronautical, Richard Meredith brings a unique insight into the past realities of the wartime German Luftwaffe. Not only has he read about these aircraft and aviators, he has been fortunate in being able to actually own, fly and operate aircraft from the period. Over the last twenty-five years he has amassed over 3,000 flight hours on such types and is currently a Class Rating

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Instructor and Display Pilot. His personal military aviation library is extensive and consists of nearly 1,500 volumes many of which are of a German origin. With a passion for research and writing his academic qualifications include a BA (Honours) from Durham and an MSc from London.



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## *Playa Girón*

### *The Cuban Exiles' Invasion at the Bay of Pigs 1961*

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In 1961 - two years after a revolution in Cuba overran the government of Fulgencio Batista - a group of Cuban exiles (backed by the CIA) landed on the beaches of the Bay of Pigs in an attempt to overthrow Fidel Castro from the new government. After three days of intense fighting on the beaches and swamps around the area, the invaders were defeated by Castro's forces and most of them surrendered, while a few managed to escape to the ships.

Failures in the plans developed by the CIA and the lack of decision by the Kennedy administration were decisive in a fiasco that became one of the most shameful defeats by a US-backed operation in the 20th century. Among the forces that defended the Cuban Revolution, the Revolutionary Air Force played a key role - despite their lack of operational planes and pilots - sinking the main transport ships of the expeditionary force and forcing the others to leave, while abandoning the invading force on the beaches until they ran out of ammunition. Also, they won the control of the air space over the area - denying their use to the A-26 Invaders of the exiles - and thus leaving the ground forces with no close air support. The exiles fought remarkably against a much more powerful enemy and even won the first round of combat, but the lack of support left them with no ammunition or food, while the enemy forces thrown against them grew more and more as the hours since the landing passed by. In the end, they ran out of ammunition and had to surrender.

**After more than 50 years, much was written about the invasion, but only ever showing one side of the coin - told by veterans or historians from the Castro side their part of the story (and being highly subjective in the process). This book attempts to show the full picture from an objective point of view - gathering information from some of the few veterans still alive and from information both previously published and never published before.**

#### **About Author/s:**

Santiago Rivas was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 1977. Twenty years later, the Journalism graduate started to work in the fields of aviation and defence journalism - travelling all across Latin America to conduct his research for articles and books. In 2007 he published his first book, which was about the Malvinas/Falklands War, for a Brazilian editor - and since then, another 12 have been published across the globe in Argentina, Brazil, France, Germany and the United Kingdom, while four more are soon to be released. He has also had articles published in more than 50 magazines in 20 countries - and he currently works for more than 20 of the magazines. Santiago has three children and lives in Buenos Aires. He continues to travel every year to most of the Latin American countries to fulfil his research-based work.

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## *Pyramids and Poppies*

*The 1st South African Infantry Brigade in Libya, France and Flanders 1915-1919*

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b/w photos, maps

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### **Description:**

This re-issue of *Pyramids and Poppies* coincides with the hundredth anniversary of the formation of the First SA Brigade, in August 1915. The book tells the very personal story of the Brigade on the Western Front during the Great War 1914–1918: “The war to end all wars”. On this “front of all fronts”, as it was called by the millions of men who lived and died in the mud of trench warfare, South Africans were present. Nearly four and a half thousand men of the South African Brigade were never to return.

John Buchan rated the 1st SA Brigade ‘to have had no superior and not many equals’. Yet, since Buchan wrote *The South African Forces in France in 1920*, no book has been written that covers the whole spectrum of the 1st SA Brigade in the First World War.

*Pyramids and Poppies* updates and expands Buchan’s work with a wealth of new material which includes many hitherto unknown photographs and drawings. These are enhanced with previously unpublished personal accounts by the men of the South African Brigade, which the author has been fortunate enough to access. They bring the reader face to face with the frontline and battlefield realities. The exploits of the Brigade went far beyond the normal expectations from a single Brigade on the Western Front.

The huge casualties suffered at Delville Wood were a first. It brought home the real tragedy of the First World War experience to the people of South Africa and made Delville Wood the most famous battle fought by South Africans. Because of this, history has tended to overlook other places and events that were, for the South African Brigade, of far greater significance in terms of achievement and sacrifice. In the broad sweep of the conflict, Delville Wood must take its place as a modest part of the courage of the Springboks, who fought from Libya to France and Belgium. The actions at Halazin and Agagia are covered, as is Delville Wood, and so too are Butte de Warlencourt, Arras, Fampoux, Third Ypres, the crowning achievement at Marrieres Wood, Messines, Meteren, Beaufort, The Crossing of the River Selle and Hestrud.

Through the deserts of North Africa and stinking mud of Flanders bursts the bravery and compassion of men who offered themselves in innocence as volunteers and learned the cruel indifference of war waged, by armchair generals.

### **About Author/s:**

Peter K.A. Digby was educated at King Edward VII School, Johannesburg and the University of the Witwatersrand. He served for many years on the Staff of Pretoria Boys’ High School as teacher, Housemaster and Head of Department, English and also established a very successful School Pipe Band. He is a member of the Transvaal Scottish Regimental Council (since 1970), as well as being the Regimental Historian and until recently Honorary Curator of the Transvaal Scottish Regimental Museum, which he founded in 1964. He has been awarded the Military Merit Medal, John Chard Medal and Decoration. He served as Executive Director Museum and Archives of the General Smuts Foundation until 2012. His initiatives during that time resulted in the transformation of Smuts’ home at Irene, into a proper House Museum. He is currently South African Representative on the Committee of the International Military

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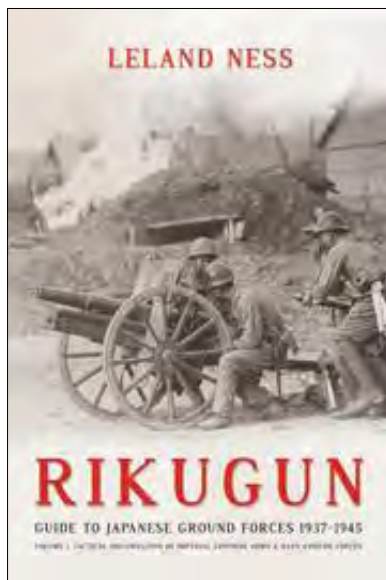
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## *Rikugun: Guide to Japanese Ground Forces 1937-1945*

*Volume 1: Tactical Organization Of Imperial Japanese Army & Navy Ground Forces*

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### **Description:**

*Rikugun: Guide to Japanese Ground Forces 1937-1945* is the first nuts-and-bolts handbook to utilize both the voluminous raw allied intelligence documents and post-war Japanese documentation as primary sources. This first volume covers the tactical organization of Army and Navy ground forces during the 1937-45 war. Using the wartime Imperial Japanese Army (IJA) mobilization plans, and the Unit Organization Tables, Unit Strength Tables and Unit History Tables compiled by the War Ministry and the 1st Demobilization Bureau during and after the war, a complete picture of IJA ground forces through the war is presented.

The evolution of the Japanese force structure is examined, including infantry, armor, cavalry, artillery and naval ground combat units from battalion to division level, each thoroughly discussed and illustrated with tables of organization and equipment and mobilization data. This forms the framework for any discussion of the Imperial Japanese Army's capabilities and intentions.

### **About Author/s:**

Leland Ness received a degree in Oriental Studies from the University of Arizona and served twenty-eight years in the US Army's reserves in infantry and intelligence, including active duty for Desert Storm. He published an industry-oriented newsletter on ground ordnance for fifteen years and served as an editor for the annuals *Jane's Ammunition Handbook* and *Jane's Infantry Weapons* 2003–2013. He is the author of *WWII Tanks and Fighting Vehicles*, *Handbook of the Red Army* (with Steven Zaloga), and *Rikugun – Guide to Japanese Ground Forces*.

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*Stalin's Favorite: The Combat History of the 2nd Guards Tank Army from  
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*Volume 2: From Lublin to Berlin, July 1944-May 1945*



**Description:**

The author Igor Nebolsin continues with his detailed chronology of the 2nd Guards Tank Army's combat operations. This volume includes the hard fighting outside of Warsaw in the summer of 1944; the 1st Belorussian Front's winter offensive in the Vistula Oder operation and the ensuing combat in Pomerania; and the final assault on Berlin, when the 2nd Guards Tank Army enveloped the German capital from the north and entered the city from north and west, fighting its way to the Tiergarten Park in the heart of Berlin. The author also briefly discusses the 2nd Guards Tank Army's subsequent history as part of the Group of Soviet Forces in Germany, its eventual disbanding in 1997, and its reconstitution four years later on 4 September 2001.

As with the first volume, the author's study is based upon the Army's operational documents from the Central Archives of the Russian Defense Ministry and recollections of its veterans, and received the active cooperation of Major-General Anatoly Shvebig, who was formerly a deputy commander of the 2nd Guards Tank Army's 12th Guards Tank Corps. It includes objective after-action reports from the Army's commander General Bogdanov and its subordinate formation commanders. Of note in this volume are General Bogdanov's recommendations for a tank army's table of organization and equipment and its proper use in combat operations, written shortly after the war ended. Illustrated with numerous images and supplemented with detailed tables, this volume completes the exhaustive study of the 2nd Guards Tank Army, Stalin's favourite.

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**About Author/s:**

Igor Nebolsin is a contemporary Russian military history researcher, from Novosibirsk, Russia. Both of his grandfathers were Soviet officers and veterans of World War Two. He is a son of a Soviet tank officer. From an early age he has been passionately interested in Eastern Front armored battles of the 1943-1945 period. Igor graduated with honor from the Academy of the National Economy under the Government of Russia in Moscow and earned a Masters degree at the University of Warwick (UK), where he successfully completed his dissertation. He is a keynote speaker at Russian WWII armored units' veterans' conventions. The Russian edition of his book on the 2nd Guards Tank Army and a study on the 1st Guards Tank Army both received high praise from Major-General Vitaly Jaroshevsky, the Chairman of the Russian Armor and Tank Units Veterans' Council. Currently Igor is working on a two-volume combat history of the Soviet 1st Guards Tank Army in WWII. His books are singled out for his primary research of archival data, views from both Russian and German sides and the human factor, which makes for fascinating reading. Igor is an active participant of international military forums. He is married and has two sons.

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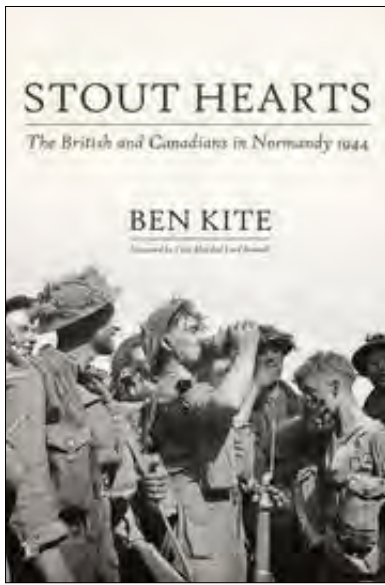
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## *Stout Hearts*

*The British And Canadians In Normandy 1944*

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### **Description:**

*Stout Hearts* is a book which offers an entirely new perspective on the British Army in Normandy. This fresh study explores the anatomy of war through the Army's operations in the summer of 1944, informing and entertaining the general non-fiction reader as well as students of military history.

There have been so many books written on Normandy that the publication of another one might appear superfluous. However most books have focused on narrating the conduct of the battle, describing the factors that influenced its outcome, or debating the relative merits of the armies and their generals. What was missing from the existing body of work on Normandy specifically and the Second World War generally is a book that explains how an army actually operates in war and what it was like for those involved, *Stout Hearts* fills this gap.

*Stout Hearts* is essential reading for those who wish to understand the 'mechanics' of battle. How does an Army care for its wounded? How do combat engineers cross obstacles? How do tanks fight? How do Air and Naval Forces support the Army? But to understand what makes an Army 'tick' you must also understand its people. Therefore explanations of tactics and techniques are not only well illustrated with excellent photographs and high quality maps but also effectively combined with relevant accounts from the combatants themselves. These dramatic stories of ordinary people doing extraordinary things are the strength of the book, bringing the campaign to life and entertaining the reader.

### **About Author/s:**

Ben Kite is a British Army Officer who commissioned into the Intelligence Corps from the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst in 1990. He has conducted operations in Belize, Germany, Iraq, Afghanistan, South Africa, Bosnia and Kosovo and served with the RAF, Royal Marines and US Marine Corps as well as his own service. He is a graduate of the Higher Command and Staff Course and was awarded the OBE in 2011.

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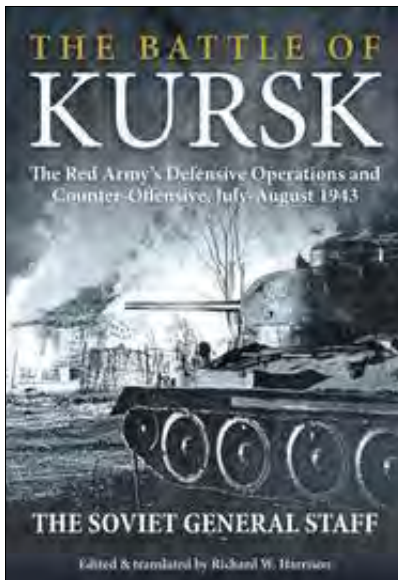
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## *The Battle of Kursk:*

*The Red Army's Defensive Operations and Counter-Offensive, July-August 1943*

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*The Battle of Kursk: The Red Army's Defensive Operations and Counter-Offensive, July-August 1943*, offers a peculiarly Soviet view of one of the Second World War's most critical events. While the German defeats at Moscow and Stalingrad showed that Hitler could not win the war in the East, the outcome of Kursk demonstrated beyond a doubt that he would lose it. This study was compiled by the Red Army General Staff's military-historical directorate, which was charged with collecting and analyzing the war's experience, and issued as an internal document in 1946-47. The study languished for more than a half-century, before being published in Russia in 2006, although heavily supplemented by commentary and other information not contained in the original.

The present work omits these additions, while supplying its own commentary in places deemed necessary. The book is divided into two parts, dealing with the defensive and offensive phases of the battle, respectively. The first begins with a strategic overview of the situation along the Eastern Front by the spring and summer of 1943 and the Soviet decision to stand on the defensive. This is followed by a detailed examination of the Central Front's efforts to counter the expected German attack out of the Orel salient, and the Voronezh Front's attempts to do the same against the German concentrations in the Belgorod-Khar'kov area. The rest of this section is devoted to an exceedingly detailed day-by-day, tactical-operational account of the struggle, particularly along the southern face of the salient, where the Germans came closest to succeeding.

The second part will be more of a revelation to the Western reader, who is likely to be more familiar with the defensive phase of the battle. Here the authors once again, in great detail, lay out the Red Army's preparations for and conduct of a massive counteroffensive to clear the Orel salient, which soon degenerated to a grinding struggle, which while ultimately successful, cost the Soviets dearly. Likewise, the authors detail the Voronezh Front's preparations to reduce the Belgorod salient and seize the industrial center of Khar'kov. This offensive, in conjunction with a simultaneous offensive in the Donets industrial region, pushed the German lines to the breaking point and set the stage for the follow-on advance to the Dnepr River and the eventual liberation of Ukraine.

### **About Author/s:**

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## *The Berlin Operation, 1945*

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*Berlin Operation, 1945*, tells the story of the Red Army's penultimate offensive operation in the war in Europe. Here the forces of three fronts (Second and First Belorussian and First Ukrainian) forced the Oder River and surrounded the defenders of the German capital, reduced the city and drove westward to link up with the Western allies in central Germany. This is another in a series of studies compiled by the Soviet Army General Staff, which during the postwar years set itself the task of gathering and generalizing the experience of the war for the purpose of training the armed forces' higher staffs in the conduct of large-scale offensive operations.

The study is divided into three parts. The first contains a brief strategic overview of the situation, as it existed by the spring of 1945, with special emphasis on German preparations to meet the inevitable Soviet attack. This section also includes an examination of the decisions by the Stavka of the Supreme High Command on the conduct of the operation. As usual, the fronts' materiel-technical and other preparations for the offensive are covered in great detail. These include plans for artillery, artillery and engineer support, as well as the work of the rear services and political organs and the strengths, capabilities and tasks of the individual armies.

Part two deals with the Red Army's breakthrough of the Germans' Oder defensive position up to the encirclement of the Berlin garrison. This covers the First Belorussian Front's difficulty in overcoming the defensive along the Seelow Heights along the direct path to Berlin, as well as the First Ukrainian Front's easier passage over the Oder and its secondary attack along the Dresden axis. The Second Belorussian Front's breakthrough and its sweep through the Baltic littoral is also covered.

Part three covers the intense fighting to reduce the city's defenders from late April until the garrison's surrender on 2 May, as well as operations in the area up to the formal German capitulation. This section contains a number of detailed descriptions of urban fighting at the battalion and regimental level. It closes with conclusions about the role of the various combat arms in the operation.

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## *The First Tank Crews*

*The lives of the Tankmen who fought at the Battle of Flers Courcellette 15 September 1916*

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### **Description:**

This remarkable new book reveals the hitherto unknown story of the soldiers who took the first tanks into action on the Somme battlefield in September 1916. Drawing on official records, contemporary newspaper reports and family memories, Stephen Pope provides a fascinating insight into the lives of First Tank Crewmen, covering their recruitment, scant training, rapid deployment and their premature use in battle. He then traces their interconnected lives over the next two years as tanks played a key role in the defeat of the Germany Army in 1918. He reveals the story of their return to civilian life and their often difficult struggle to build a family life. Sadly many of the First Tank Crew died young, some due to injuries or illnesses developed as a result of their wartime service. Many of their marriages failed, some as a direct result of the stresses of the battlefield. Many were childless and few lived to see their grandchildren grow up.

Amongst the stories revealed are those of the grandson of the social reformer Joseph Rowntree, the champion rose grower Bill Harkness; the Scottish chemist Stuart Hastie who introduced science into the whisky distilling process and the Liverpool school teacher Graham Nixon who tried to teach John Lennon mathematics. None of those who fought in the tanks achieved great fame for their actions and few revealed their wartime secrets to their families. However, many became pillars of their local communities, giving a life of service to those around them.

This book tells the previously untold stories of bravery, determination and dedication by a group of unsung heroes. The author has used his contacts with more than fifty relatives of those who fought at the First Tank Action and used their input to provide a detailed description of their lives after the war. He has also gathered together many, previously unpublished pictures including many of the tankmen in France, and has revealed the backstory to several well known photographs. Above all, he has linked individual lives together to create a fascinating story of ordinary men who took part in extra-ordinary events. The story of the First Tank Crews is one well worth reading.

### **About Author/s:**

Stephen Pope has been an Army officer for almost 40 years. Born in Hampshire, he first served with the Wessex Regiment and then joined the Royal Corps of Transport, seeing service in England and Germany, with several operational tours. Whilst serving as the senior Logistics officer at the British Army's armoured training centre in Canada, he started to gain an understanding of the unique lives of tank crewmen. Later, he led several battlefield tours during which he used the selection, training and leadership of tank crews to support team building amongst military and civilian staff. Preparing for the first of these tours, he discovered there was little known about those who fought at the first tank action on 15 September 1916. His research over the past thirteen years has led to his now being considered the subject matter expert on these tank crewmen. He is intimately involved in the centenary commemorations which will take place in France in 2016. He is also contributing to a new Tank Museum exhibition which opens in March 2016, and writing the first volume of a new history of the Tank Corps which will be published by Helion and Co in 2017.

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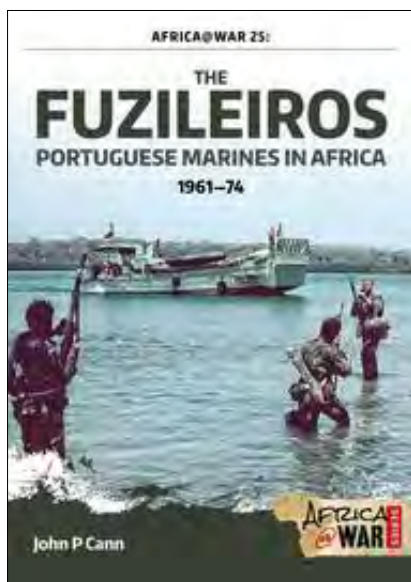
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## *The Fuzileiros*

*Portuguese Marines in Africa, 1961–1974*



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In 1961, Portugal found itself fighting a war to retain its colonial possessions and preserve the remnants of its Empire. It was almost completely unprepared to do so, and this was particularly evident in its ability to project power and to control the vast colonial spaces of Africa. Following the uprisings of March 1961 in the north of Angola, Portugal poured troops into the colony as fast as its creaking logistic system would allow; however, these new arrivals were not competent and did not possess the skills needed to fight a counterinsurgency. While counterinsurgency by its nature requires substantial numbers of light infantry, the force must be trained in the craft of fighting a 'small war' to be effective.

The majority of the arriving troops had no such indoctrination and had been readied at an accelerated pace. Even their uniforms were hastily crafted and not ideally suited to fighting in the bush. In reoccupying the north and addressing the enemy threat, Portugal quickly realized that its most effective forces were those with special qualifications and advanced training. Unfortunately there were only very small numbers of such elite forces. The maturing experiences of the Portuguese and their consequent adjustments to fight a counterinsurgency led to the development of specialized, tailored units to close the gaps in skills and knowledge between the insurgents and their forces. **This book is about the fuzileiros or Portuguese marines, a naval force that operated in the riverine littorals of Africa and that was both feared by the enemy and loved by those loyal to Portugal.**

The fuzileiros underwent one of the longest and most physically demanding specialist infantry training regimes in the world, lasting some forty-two weeks. Perhaps only 15 to 35 percent of the inductees eventually passed the course and were awarded the traditional and highly coveted navy blue beret. When deployed to Africa, they underwent further acclimation for weeks until they were able to move through the slime and mud of a riverbank with ease, as their lives depended on it. They became experts at riverine warfare and regularly ranged inland on extended patrols, many of which are recounted here. They were comfortable with the uncomfortable fighting environment, and this ability translated into an unpredictability that the enemy feared. This book is the story of how they came to be formed and organized, the initial teething difficulties, and their unqualified successes.

### **About Author/s:**

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## *The Last War of the Superfortresses*

*MiG-15 vs B-29 over Korea*



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### **Description:**

**This work is an attempt by the authors to give as full and detailed a history as possible of the confrontation between Soviet fighters and the principal strike force of the United States Far East Air Force – the B-29 ‘Superfortress’ bombers during the course of the Korean War between 1950-1953.** Military documents, which the authors have studied over many years of work in the Central Archive of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation in Podolsk - as well as published Western sources - form the basis of this book.

The recollections of pilots who served in the 64th Fighter Air Corps, and who participated personally in the events described, are also widely used. Almost all the battles that took place between Soviet fighters and the ‘Superfortresses’ are analysed in detail; the authors have, on the basis of a comparison of Soviet archive documents and data from published Western sources, attempted to clarify the actual losses on both sides in these battles. Particular attention has been paid to key events in the history of the confrontation between the MiG-15 and B-29 such as the air battles of April and October 1951, which had a significant impact on the course of the Korean War and influenced the development of military aviation in both the USSR and the USA. Following the encounters on the approaches to the bridges at Andung of 12 April 1951 Strategic Air Command decided against using ‘Superfortresses’ close to the area around the MiG bases. The outcome of a series of air battles from 22 to 27 October 1951 - the most famous of which was the battle between MiGs and B-29s in the area close to the airfield at Namsi on 23 October (‘Black Tuesday’) was a ban by Strategic Air Command on daylight operations by ‘Superfortresses’ in the Soviet fighter’s zone of operation. These battles also influenced the technical policy of the United States Air Force in relation to strategic bombers.

Extensive losses in combat with the MiGs served as one of the most influential arguments for curtailing the piston engine B-36 and B-50 bomber programmes and boosting development of one of the most famous aircraft in the history of global aviation – the B-52 ‘Stratofortress’. Night operations, to which the B-29s and subsequently Soviet fighters were transferred, are also analysed in detail in this book. These nocturnal operations culminated in the air battles of December 1952 and January 1953. After sustaining losses in these battles that were comparable to those of October 1951 the ‘Superfortresses’ would subsequently only carry out nocturnal sorties to the MiGs’ zone of operation in poor weather conditions. In this work, the authors have analysed the advantages and the disadvantages of the La-11 and the MiG-15bis - the principal fighters of the 64th Fighter Air Corps - from the point of view of their ability to intercept the B-29s. Attention has been paid to the tactics of the opposing sides, and to how these changed over the course of the war. The technical aspects of the confrontation between Soviet fighters and ‘Superfortresses’ have been examined, and the reasons behind the different periods of success or failure in terms of performance in combat have been identified.

A great deal of statistical material has been provided in this book, which characterises combat operations carried out by the B-29s and the fighters of the 64th Fighter Air Corps, both within the text itself and in the form of easy-to-use tables. The book is illustrated with photographs obtained both from the personal archives of veterans of the 64th Fighter Air Corps; from the Central Archive of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation; and US National Archives. Colour profiles showing camouflage & markings are also included.

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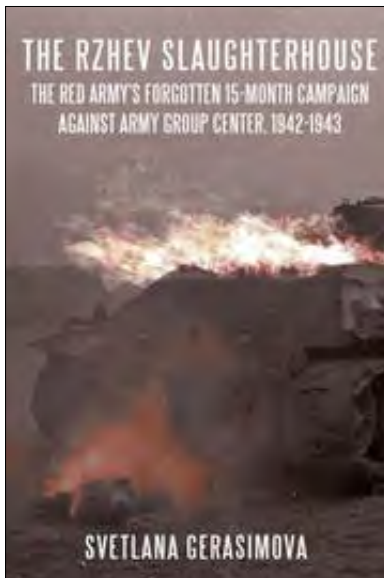
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## *The Rzhev Slaughterhouse*

*The Red Army's Forgotten 15-Month Campaign Against Army Group Center, 1942-1943*

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### **Description:**

Historians consider the Battle of Rzhev "one of the bloodiest in the history of the Great Patriotic War" and "Zhukov's greatest defeat". Veterans called this colossal battle, which continued for a total of 15 months, "the Rzhev slaughterhouse" or "the Massacre", while the German generals named this city "the cornerstone of the Eastern Front" and "the gateway to Berlin". By their territorial scale, number of participating troops, length and casualties, the military operations in the area of the Rzhev - Viaz'ma salient are not only comparable to the Stalingrad battle, but to a great extent surpass it. The total losses of the Red Army around Rzhev amounted to 2,000,000 men; the Wehrmacht's total losses are still unknown precisely to the present day.

Why was one of the greatest battles of the Second World War consigned to oblivion in the Soviet Union? Why were the forces of the German Army Group Center in the Rzhev - Viaz'ma salient not encircled and destroyed? Whose fault is it that the German forces were able to withdraw from a pocket that was never fully sealed? Indeed, are there justifications for blaming this "lost victory" on G.K. Zhukov? In this book, which has been recognized in Russia as one of the best domestic studies of the Rzhev battle, answers to all these questions have been given.

The author, Svetlana Gerasimova, has lived and worked amidst the still extant signs of this colossal battle, the tens of thousands of unmarked graves and the now silent bunkers and pillboxes, and has dedicated herself to the study of its history.

### **About Author/s:**

Svetlana Aleksandrovna Gerasimova is a historian and museum official. After graduating from Leningrad State University with a history degree, she worked in the Urals as a middle school history teacher, before moving to Tver, where she taught a number of courses in history and local history, and about museum work and leading excursions in the Tver' School of Culture. She earned her Ph.D. in history from Tver State University in 2002. For more than 20 years, S.A. Gerasimova has been working in the Tver' State Consolidated Museum. Recent museum exhibits that she has created include "The Battle of Rzhev 1942-1943" and "The Fatal Forties ... Toropets District in the Years of the Great Patriotic War." She has led approximately 20 historical and folklore-ethnographic expeditions in the area of Tver' Oblast and is the author of numerous articles in such journals as *Voprosy istorii* [Questions of History], *Voenno-istoricheskii arkhiv* [Military History Archive], *Voenno-istoricheskii zhurnal* [Journal of Military History] and *Zhivaia starina* [The Living Past], and of other publications. In 2009, she served as a featured consultant to a Russian NTV television documentary about the Battle of Rzhev, which quickly became controversial for its very frank discussion of the campaign. Stuart Britton is a freelance translator and editor residing in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He has been responsible for making a growing number of Russian titles available to readers of the English language, consisting primarily of memoirs by Red Army veterans and recent historical research concerning the Eastern Front of the Second World War and Soviet air operations in the Korean War. Notable recent titles include Valeriy Zamulin's award-winning 'Demolishing the Myth: The Tank Battle at Prokhorovka, Kursk, July 1943: An Operational Narrative' (Helion, 2011), Boris Gorbachevsky's 'Through the Maelstrom: A Red Army Soldier's War on

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the Eastern Front 1942-45' (University Press of Kansas, 2008) and Yuri Sutiagin's and Igor Seidov's 'MiG Menace Over Korea: The Story of Soviet Fighter Ace Nikolai Sutiagin' (Pen & Sword Aviation, 2009). Future books will include Svetlana Gerasimova's analysis of the prolonged and savage fighting against Army Group Center in 1942-43 to liberate the city of Rzhev, and more of Igor Seidov's studies of the Soviet side of



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## *The Somme 1870-71*

### *The Winter Campaign In Picardy*



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After the battle of Sedan on September 1, 1870 and the collapse of the Second Empire, followed by the investment of Paris, the Government of National Defence set about raising fresh armies. These had as their first objective the relief of the capital. The German troops covering the investment were stretched extremely thin until the fall of Metz at the end of October 1870. This released the forces around the city to move north and west to deal with the newly-forming French armies. The German Campaign in the northeast of France was conducted by the First Army led by General Edwin von Manteuffel. Opposing him was the French Army of the North, initially commanded for a short time by General Charles Bourbaki. He was soon replaced by General Louis Faidherbe, who was sent far from Africa.

The Campaign was fought to a large extent over the area of the Somme battlefields of the First World War, and the names of the towns and villages are grimly familiar with the resonance of what was to come. In 1914-1918 the direction of the fighting was on an east - west axis; in 1870 - 1871 it was north-south, with the line of the Somme being crucial to the outcome of the Campaign. The first major battle was the battle of Amiens on November 24; fought before Faidherbe's arrival, the Army of the North was led by the Chief of Staff, General Farre. It resulted in a German victory and the capture of Amiens.

In December, Faidherbe advanced and took up a strong defensive position along the line of the River Hallue, where a fierce battle was fought on December 23. After the French retreat, Faidherbe regrouped, and advanced again, this time on Bapaume. Another fierce encounter followed on January 3, at the end of which each side believed itself to be defeated. Faidherbe was thwarted in his objective to lift the Siege of Péronne, which fell on January 9. By now the situation at Paris was desperate, and on January 15 Faidherbe began a march eastwards with a view to compelling the movement of part of the investing armies to meet his advance. This resulted in the crucial battle of Saint Quentin on January 19, in which the Germans were now led by the redoubtable General August von Goeben, who won a final and decisive victory.

**The Author draws on a wide range of rare contemporary sources to describe the Campaign, which was fought in appalling weather conditions. The book is copiously illustrated, with specially drawn colour battle maps to demonstrate the course of the Campaign, and also includes extensive orders of battle.**

#### **About Author/s:**

Quintin Barry is a solicitor and retired Employment Judge. He has also held a variety of offices in both the public and private sector, including the NHS and local radio. He is presently Secretary General of an international group of law firms. He has had a lifelong interest in history, and has published a number of books on nineteenth century military history, with particular reference to the Wars of German Unification. His latest book is a history of the Russo-Turkish War of 1877-1878. He has also always enjoyed horse racing, an interest which has prompted him to write this racing biography of the seventeenth Earl of Derby

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## *The Viaz'ma Catastrophe, 1941*

*The Red Army's Disastrous Stand Against Operation Typhoon*

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### **Description:**

This book describes one of the most terrible tragedies of the Second World War and the events preceding it. The horrible miscalculations made by the Stavka of the Soviet Supreme High Command and the Front commands led in October 1941 to the deaths and imprisonment of hundreds of thousands of their own people. Until recently, the magnitude of the defeats suffered by the Red Army at Viaz'ma and Briansk were simply kept hushed up. For the first time, in this book a full picture of the combat operations that led to this tragedy are laid out in detail, using previously unknown or little-used documents. The author was driven to write this book after his long years of fruitless search to learn what happened to his father Colonel N.I. Lopukhovskiy, the commander of the 120th Howitzer Artillery Regiment, who disappeared together with his unit in the maelstrom of Operation Typhoon. He became determined to break the official silence surrounding the military disaster on the approaches to Moscow in the autumn of 1941.

In the present edition, the author additionally introduces documents from German military archives, which will doubtlessly interest not only scholars, but also students of the Eastern Front of the Second World War. Lopukhovskiy substantiates his position on the matter of the true extent of the losses of the Red Army in men and equipment, which greatly exceeded the official data. In the Epilogue, he briefly discusses the searches he has conducted with the aim of revealing the circumstances surrounding the deaths of Soviet soldiers, who to this point have been listed among the missing-in-action - including his own father. The narrative is enhanced by numerous photographs, colour maps and tables.

### **About Author/s:**

Lev Nikolaevich Lopukhovskiy graduated from the prestigious Frunze Military Academy in 1962 and spent the next ten years serving in the Soviet Union's Strategic Rocket forces, rising to the rank of colonel and a regiment commander, before transferring to a teaching position in the Frunze Military Academy in 1972 due to health reasons. Lopukhovskiy is a professor with the Russian Federation's Academy of Military Sciences (2008), and has been a member of Russia's Union of Journalists since 2004. Since 1989 he has been engaged in the search for those defenders of the Fatherland who went missing-in-action in the Second World War, including his own father Colonel N.I. Lopukhovskiy, who is now known to have been killed while breaking out of encirclement in October 1941. Motivated by his father's disappearance, he had previously taken up the intense study of the Viaz'ma defensive operation and wrote the initial manuscript of the present book. In 1980 this manuscript was rejected by military censors, because it contradicted official views. Lopukhovskiy is the author of several other books about the war, including *Prokhorovka bez grifa sekretnosti* [Prokhorovka without the seal of secrecy] (2005), *Pervye dni voyny* [First days of the war] (2007) and is the co-author of *Iiun' 1941: Zaprogrammirovannoe porazhenie* [June 1941: A Programmed Defeat] (2010). For his active search work, he was awarded the civilian Order of the Silver Star. Stuart Britton is a freelance translator and editor residing in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He has been responsible for making a growing number of Russian titles available to readers of the English language, consisting primarily of memoirs by Red Army veterans and recent historical research concerning the Eastern Front of the Second World War and Soviet air operations in the Korean War. Notable recent titles include Valeriy Zamulin's award-winning 'Demolishing the

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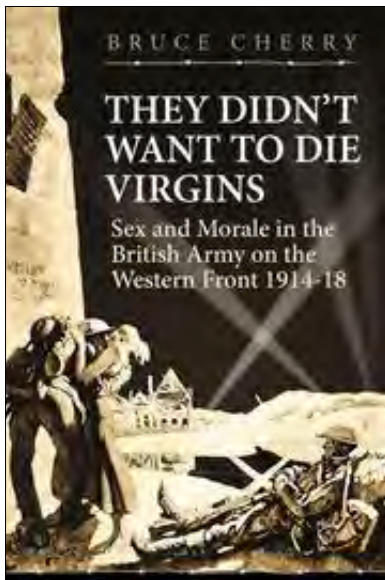
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## *They Didn't Want to Die Virgins*

*Sex and Morale in the British Army on the Western Front 1914-1918*

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There has been a collective amnesia when it comes to recalling the sexual activities of the British soldier on the Western Front between 1914 and 1918. Perhaps there has even been a conspiracy of silence with some inclined to let sleeping dogs lie. That the soldier could find the time, inclination, and indeed partners to enjoy a sex life amidst the mud and carnage is often a revelation even to those who are Western Front experts. Yet, as official venereal disease treatment figures attest, many a man or boy - even those with wife or sweetheart at home - took every opportunity offered to satisfy their lust, or assuage their natural youthful curiosity. Sexual adventures took place in regulated brothels, with 'wayside' prostitutes, and with compliant local women, themselves seeking the excitement of 'wild love'. And the army not only turned a blind eye but effectively became a procurer as Edwardian morals were sacrificed for morale and the need to keep men healthy enough to die in the line.

This meticulously researched study examines the soldiers' sex life in detail, exploring its impact on morale and placing it in the context of both pre-war civilian morality and the army's historic policy on sex. The author has read between the lines of published and unpublished memoirs and letters; listened carefully to hundreds of memories stored at London's Imperial War Museum; analysed soldiers' songs and jokes; and reinterpreted contemporary paintings, magazine illustrations, postcards and cartoons, that unconsciously left visual evidence of the importance of sex. Recently discovered unique photographs are included to give weight to his argument. The men's attitudes as well as actions are examined, as is their ownership and use of pornography. Noting that it 'takes two tango', the book looks at the socio-demographics and motives of the women involved and the workings and economics of the 'Red Lamp' army-regulated brothels. Careful not to denigrate the memory of the men who served and died, and avoiding sensationalism, hyperbole, or tabloid-style copy, the author paints a vivid picture of the seedier aspects of life behind the front while arguing its positive impact on morale.

### **About Author/s:**

Bruce Cherry's varied career has included journalism, university lecturing and extensive international experience as a marketing consultant for the tourism and education industries. In-between, he somehow managed to find the time to pursue a passion for military history, gaining a PhD to add to Masters in business, and has been researching, planning and leading battlefield tours since the late 1980s. He was founder of several well-known battlefield tour companies. This rich experience is evident in both the book's content and the style in which he handles what might be considered sensitive material. When not leading battlefield tours, Bruce now divides his time between the UK and Brazil (where he has family) and manages to find time for listening to rock music and watching Manchester United.

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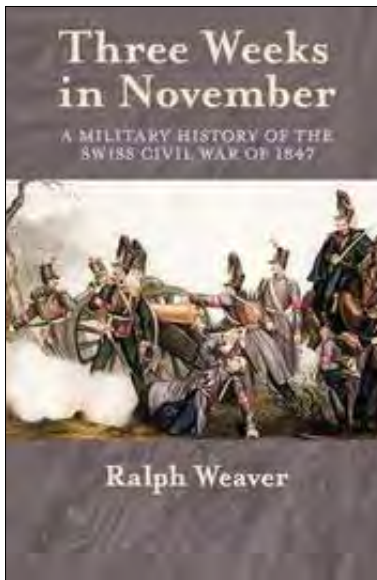
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## *Three Weeks in November*

*A Military History of the Swiss Civil War of 1847*



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### **Description:**

The political phenomenon known as the 'Springtime of the Nations' swept through Europe in 1848, toppling thrones, forcing old autocratic regimes to grant constitutions to the people and bringing street fighting and large scale campaigns to cities and states across the continent. What is not generally known is that a precursor to these events had already taken place in the centre of Europe in the Alpine valleys of the collection of independent states known collectively as Switzerland. **In November 1847, twelve of the Swiss cantons went to war with seven other cantons over the future of the country. The campaign lasted just three weeks, with only a few hundred casualties and ended with the establishment of the modern Swiss state we have today. If it had not ended so quickly it is likely that France, Austria and Prussia would have become involved, which would have led to a European-wide war.**

This book is unique in that it concentrates on the military aspects of this episode in history. As well as an outline of the campaign itself, it covers the strengths and organisation of each canton; in 1847 each was a separate state with its own army. Included are chapters on the uniforms of the cantons' armies, their battle flags, weapons and distinguishing badges. The major battle of the war, at Gislikon (modern Gisikon), a small village with a strategic river crossing, just north of the city of Luzern, is treated in detail. As well as the general picture, individual soldiers' stories illustrate the combat techniques of the period. Biographies are given of some of the leading figures from both sides of the conflict, which demonstrate the European dimension. Many served in French, Dutch and Neapolitan armies before taking appointments in the Swiss canton armies.

To compliment the text the book is well illustrated with a mixture of contemporary pictures, in colour and black and white, and also specially produced colour plates of Swiss canton uniforms and flags. So that the reader can follow the campaign, maps from official Swiss sources are included. Orders of battle for all the cantons and detailed orders of battle for the main action at Gislikon are also provided. This is the latest title in Helion's ground-breaking series of 19th Century studies, and will again appear in hardback as a strictly limited edition printing of 500 copies, each individually numbered and signed by the author on a decorative title page.

### **About Author/s:**

Ralph Weaver has made a life-long study of military history, particularly of Europe in the 19th Century. He began his military career with the Sealed Knot before giving up the sword for the pen. He has been the editor of the journal of the Continental Wars Society for the past twenty-five years and has written and illustrated books and magazine articles on military history. He trained as a land surveyor in the Civil Service and has used his map-making skills in battlefield walking and table top wargaming. He has been collecting books, pictures, photographs and reference material on uniforms with a view to writing a definitive history on the subject. As well as conducting research on military topics, his latest interests include cooking and looking after grandchildren.

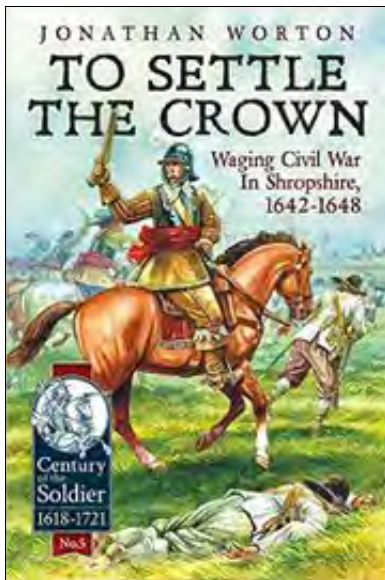
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## To Settle The Crown

### Waging Civil War in Shropshire, 1642-1648



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#### Description:

While the First, or 'Great', English Civil War of 1642-6 was largely contested at regional and county level, in often hard-fought and long-lasting local campaigns, historians often still continue to dwell on the well-known major battles, such as Edgehill and Naseby, and the prominent national leaders. To help redress this imbalance, *To Settle The Crown: Waging Civil War in Shropshire, 1642-1648* provides the most detailed bipartisan study published to date of how the war was actually organised and conducted at county level. This book examines the practicalities, the 'nuts and bolts', of contemporary warfare by reconstructing the war effort of Royalists and Parliamentarians in Shropshire, an English county on the borderland of Wales - a region that witnessed widespread fighting. Shropshire was contested during the First Civil War - when it became one of the most heavily garrisoned counties in England and Wales - and experienced renewed conflict during the Second Civil War of 1648.

Based on a Doctoral thesis, and therefore drawing primarily on contemporary sources revealing much new information, *To Settle The Crown* examines key aspects of the military history of the English Civil Wars: allegiance and motivation; leadership and administration; recruitment and the form of armed forces; military finance; logistics; and the nature and conduct of the fighting. Furthermore, while previous studies have tended to concentrate on the Parliamentarians, the comparatively plentiful evidence from Shropshire has allowed the Royalist war effort there to be reconstructed in rare detail. **This book reveals for the first time the extent of military activity in Shropshire, describing the sieges, skirmishes and larger engagements, while reflecting on the nature of warfare elsewhere across Civil War England and Wales.** In also providing a social context to the military history of the period, it explains how Royalist and Parliamentarian activists set local government on a wartime footing, and how the populace generally became involved in the administrative and material tasks of war effort.

Extensively illustrated, fully referenced to an extensive bibliography, and including a useful review of Civil War historiography, *To Settle The Crown: Waging Civil War in Shropshire, 1642-1648* is a significant fresh approach to the military history of the English Civil Wars.

#### About Author/s:

Dr. Jonathan Worton has a life-long and wide-ranging research and personal interest in all matters historical. In studying for the PhD upon which this book is based, he has in particular researched in depth the military and social history of the mid-seventeenth century English Civil Wars in and around the borderlands of Wales. He has lectured and spoken on aspects of the period on educational programmes and for various bodies and organisations, and has had several articles published. He has acted as an advisor and co-curator on heritage projects, and is currently an independent researcher, writer and educator. Prior to gaining a Masters Degree in Military History - setting him on a fresh career path - Jonathan had spent 20 years in industry as a marketing, publicity and graphic design professional. He lives with his family in Shropshire.

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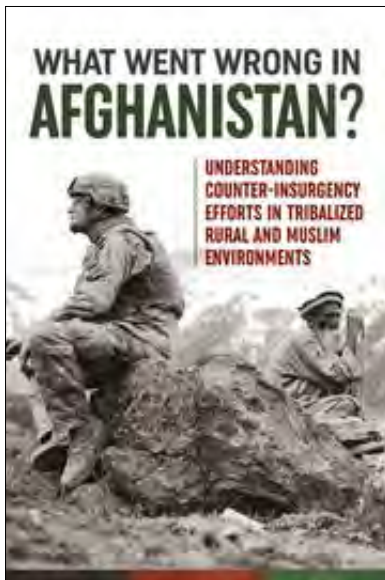
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## *What went wrong in Afghanistan?*

*Understanding Counter-insurgency Efforts in Tribalized Rural and Muslim Environments*

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### **Description:**

Since 20 December 2001 - the date which marked the authorisation of the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) to assist the Afghan Government - hundreds of thousands of coalition soldiers from around 50 different states have physically been and served in Afghanistan. Roughly 20 rotation periods have been experienced; billions of US dollars have been spent; and almost 3,500 coalition soldiers and 7,400 Afghani security personnel have fallen for Afghanistan. In this badly-managed success story, the true determiner of both tactical outcomes on the ground and strategic results was always the tribal and rural parts of Muslim-populated Afghanistan. Although there has emerged a vast literature on counterinsurgency theories and tactics, we still lack reliable information about the motivations and aspirations of the residents of Tribalised Rural Muslim Environments (TRMEs) that make up most of Afghanistan.

**The aim of this book is to describe some on-the-ground problems of counterinsurgency (COIN) efforts in TRMEs - specifically in rural Afghanistan - and then to propose how these efforts might be improved.** Along the way, it will be necessary to challenge many current assumptions about the conduct of counterinsurgency in Afghanistan. Most generally, the book will show how counterinsurgency succeeds or fails at the local level (at the level of tactical decisions by small-unit leaders) and that these decisions cannot be successful without understanding the culture and perspective of those who live in TRMEs.

Although engaging issues of culture, the author is not an anthropologist or an academic of any kind. He is a Muslim who spent his childhood in a TRME - a remote village in Turkey - and he offers his observations on the basis of 15 years' worth of field experience as a Turkish Special Forces officer serving in rural Iraq, Turkey, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan and Afghanistan. Cultures in these areas are not the same, but there are sufficient similarities to suggest some overall characteristics of TRMEs and some general problems of COIN efforts in these environments. In summary, this book not only challenges some of the fundamentals of traditional counterinsurgency wisdom and emphasises the importance of the tactical level - a rarely-studied field from the COIN perspective - but also blends the first-hand field experiences of the author with deep analyses. In this sense, it is not solely an autobiography, but something much more.

### **About Author/s:**

After graduating from the Turkish War Academy in 1998 Metin Gurcan joined the Turkish Special Forces and served in Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Kosovo and Iraq as the military adviser/liaison officer between 2000-2008. In 2008-2010 he achieved an MA degree in Security Studies from the US Naval Post-Graduate School, Monterey. In 2010-2014 he worked as an analyst officer in the Turkish General Staff. No longer working with the military, he is currently writing his PhD dissertation on changes to the Turkish military over the last decade. In 2014 he worked as a visiting research fellow at the Changing Character of War (CCW) at Oxford University on counterinsurgency efforts in tribal and Muslim settings. He has been published extensively in Turkish and foreign academic journals about the changing nature of warfare, terrorism, Turkish civil-military relations, military history and Turkish foreign policy. Metin Gurcan has another forthcoming book, entitled The Gallopoli

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#### **About Author/s:**

Philippe GUILLEMOT is a historian specialized in battles of East Europe during the Second World War. He is the author of Hungary 44-45 of the series “Of Battles and of Men” from “Histories and Collections.”

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Journalist and comics specialist, Xavier Fournier is editor-in-chief of the magazine Comic Box, lecturer and author of works about the history of comic books. Far from limiting himself to a catalogue of characters, he is interested in the sometimes vibrant testimonies about these stories told through documentaries or through fantastic but always incredible Proustian madeleines.

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### **About Author/s:**

Olivier Pigoreau, author of *Nom de code Atlas* (Nouveau Monde éditions, 2011) and co-author of *Bad Reichenhall* (Grancher, 2010), offers a new perspective on German repression in France, evoking the day to day life of its players.

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#### **About Author/s:**

Stéphane LAVIT is passionate about history and everything having to do with the Second World War. A historical reconstruction enthusiast and a collector, he is also the founder of the Group of Living History Overlord 44. He has also researched for numerous years about the 45th American division that contributed to the liberation of the Rhône-Alpes region.

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This book also presents the technical evolution of the Zeppelins, an ultra-modern combat machine of the time equipped with transmission and respiratory machines.

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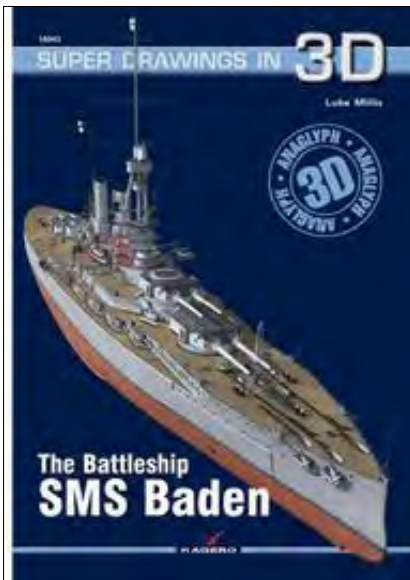


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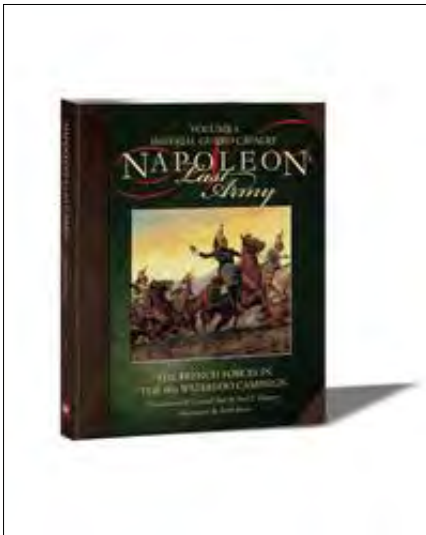
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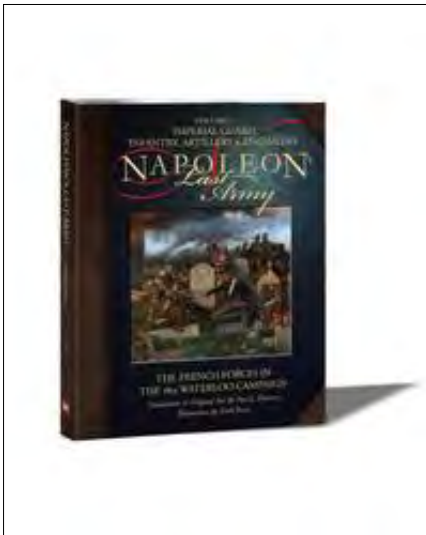
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### **About Author/s:**

Alexander Rose is the author of *Washington's Spies: The Story of America's First Spy Ring*, which inspired the AMC original series *TURN: Washington's Spies*, and *American Rifle: A Biography*. His writing has appeared in *The New York Times*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*, and other publications.

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*5. SS-Panzer Division "Wiking", Eastern Poland, July 1944*

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**Binding:** Hardback

### **About Author/s:**

Remy Spezzano is the founder and owner of RZM Publishing, a company that has become a byword for high quality photo books on the German Armed Forces of the Second World War. As a specialist in the area of photo research, he has worked with some of the world's preeminent national archives and gained access to numerous private collections to procure the finest photographic material produced by the German Propaganda units. The selected images are then enhanced using the most advanced photo-retouching techniques to obtain optimal visual appeal. These same rigorous standards are also applied to the graphic design and production of each book, which the publisher approaches like an artist intent on realizing his vision. The end result is a body of work that is world-renowned and includes RZM's best selling *God, Honor, Fatherland*; *Platz Der Leibstandarte* and *Kampfraum Arnheim*.

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*The World War I History, Memories, and Photographs of Leonhard Rempe, 1914-1921*

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**Illustrations:** 79 images and 3 maps

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### **Description:**

Twenty-one-year-old Leonhard Rempe volunteered to serve Germany in 1914. By the time World War One ended, he had seen action on both major fronts, witnessed the war from the back of a horse and the cockpit of plane, and amassed one of the more unique records of anyone in the Kaiser's army. *From German Cavalry Officer to Reconnaissance Pilot* is his remarkable story.

Rempe initially served as a cavalryman in the 35th (1st West Prussian) Field Artillery of the XX Armee-Korps, fighting in several bloody and significant battles against the Russians on the Eastern Front. In 1916, he exchanged his spurs for the cockpit and transferred to the Western front. Flying specially built planes for reconnaissance work was dangerous duty, but Rempe relished his time in the open cockpits, flying at altitudes high and low to provide detailed intelligence information for the German army. He met and knew many of the pilots who flew in both fighter and reconnaissance planes, including Manfred von Richthoven-the Red Baron. Unlike so many of his fellow pilots, Rempe survived several crashes, and was shot down over Reims, France, in March of 1918.

At war's end, Rempe returned to a defeated Germany in the midst of turmoil and revolution and served briefly in a Freikorps (Free Corps) regiment dedicated to preserving the new government in Weimar against German Communists. Seeking a new beginning, he arrived at Ellis Island in the spring of 1923 to start his life as an American. He brought with him flight reports, other miscellaneous documents, and scores of remarkable photographs documenting his wartime service, most of which are published here for the first time. During 1956, the last year of his life, Rempe penned a brief memoir of his World War One service which, together with the photographic record, forms the basis of *From German Cavalry Officer to Reconnaissance Pilot*.

Using primary and secondary sources Dr. Paul Rempe provides insight into the grim realities of Leonhard's war while his father's own memoir recalls his special comradeship with his fellow soldiers and airmen. *From German Cavalry Officer to Reconnaissance Pilot* adds substantially to the growing literature of the First World War, and paints a unique and compelling portrait of a young German caught up in the deadly jaws of mass industrialized war.

### **About Author/s:**

Paul L. Rempe earned B.A. and M.A. degrees in History at Marquette University in Milwaukee. He continued his graduate studies at Stony Brook University in New York where he received a Ph.D. in History. During his time at Carroll University in Waukesha, Wisconsin, he taught a variety of history courses. While at Carroll he published articles and book reviews in his academic discipline of British and Irish history. Now retired, he and his wife enjoy spending time with their three sons and grandchildren while still taking time to write and to travel.

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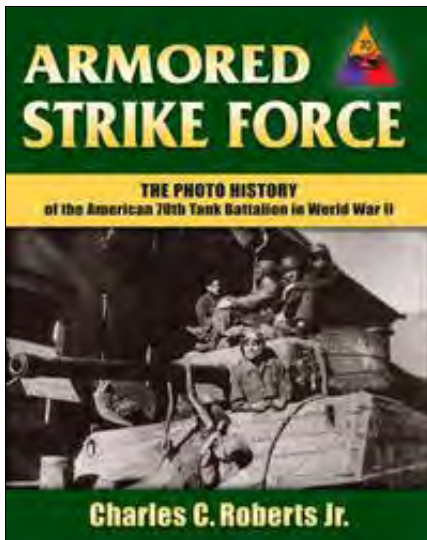
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### **About Author/s:**

Charles C. Roberts Jr. has been researching World War II for decades, with an emphasis on American armor and the 70th Tank Battalion in particular. In 1990 he founded Roberts Armory, a traveling museum that participates in reenactments, parades, and documentaries. Roberts lives in Rochelle, Illinois.

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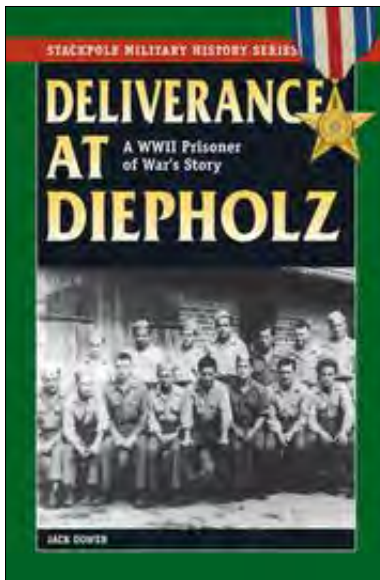
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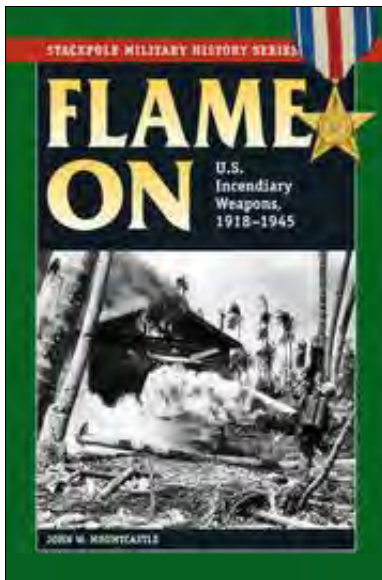
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Brig. Gen. John Mountcastle, USA (Ret.), was the U.S. Army's chief of military history from 1994 to 1998. A graduate of the Virginia Military Institute and Duke University and a veteran of Vietnam, he also taught at West Point. He lives near Richmond, Virginia.

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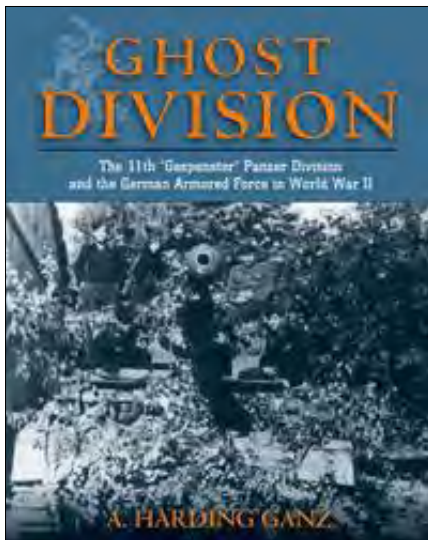
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### **About Author/s:**

Born in New York City, A. Harding Ganz is professor emeritus at Ohio State University. He served as a tank platoon leader in the U.S. Army stationed in Germany in the 1960s and earned his master's from Columbia University and his doctorate from Ohio State. He has written for publications such as *Armor* magazine and the *Journal of Military History*. He lives in Newark, Ohio, near Columbus.

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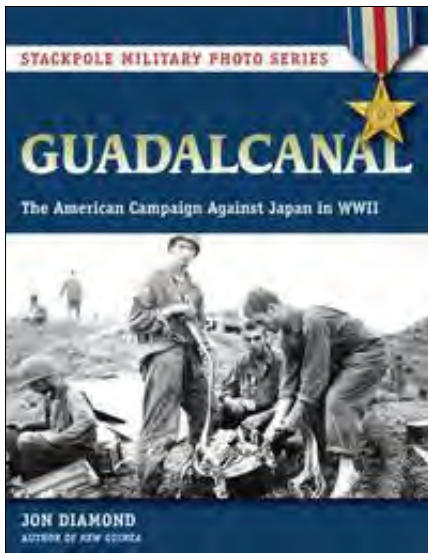
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Jon Diamond has written extensively on military history topics, and in addition to articles for World War II History and Military Heritage he has authored books such as Orde Wingate (978-1-84908-323-2) and Archibald Wavell (978-1-84908-737-7). A graduate of Cornell University, Diamond is a medical doctor in private practice and has taught at Harvard and Penn State. He lives near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

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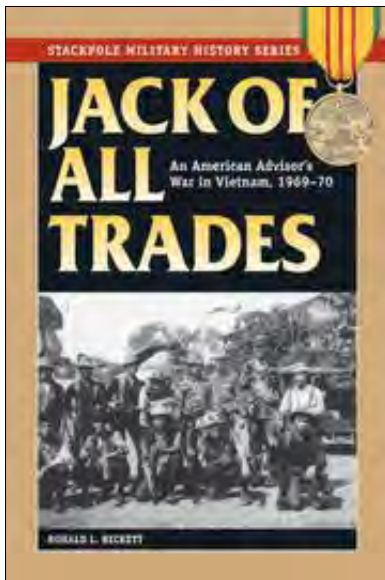
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### **About Author/s:**

The late Ron Beckett, a native of West Virginia, graduated from West Point in 1961 and retired from the U.S. Army in 1983. He later served as a school superintendent near Annapolis, Maryland.

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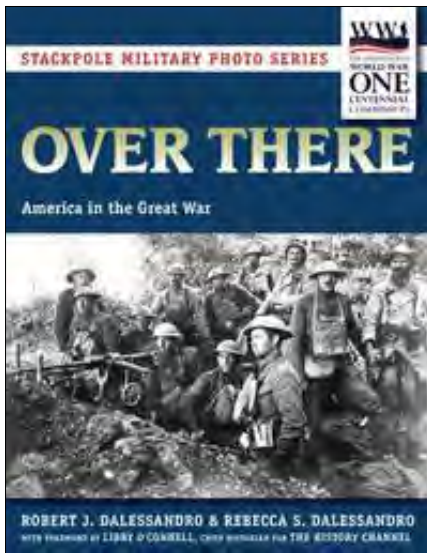
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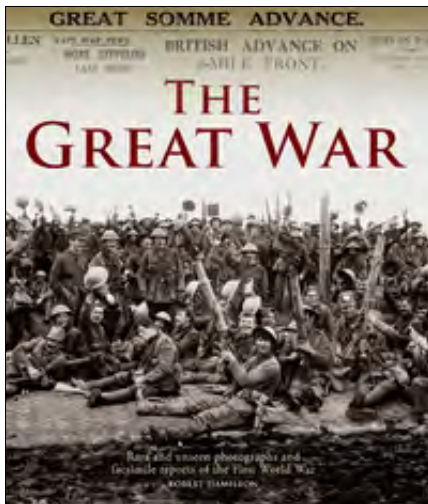
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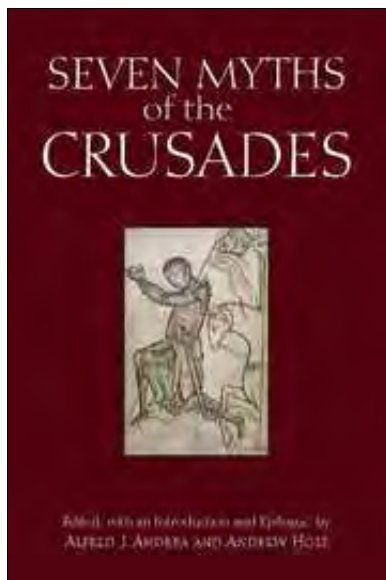
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## *Seven Myths of the Crusades*



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*Seven Myths of the Crusades* ' rebuttal of the persistent and multifarious misconceptions associated with topics including the First Crusade, anti-Judaism and the Crusades, the crusader states, the Children's Crusade, the Templars and past and present Islamic-Christian relations proves, once and for all, that real history is far more fascinating than conspiracy theories, pseudo-history and myth-mongering. This book is a powerful witness to the dangers of the misappropriation and misinterpretation of the past and the false parallels so often drawn between the crusades and later historical events ranging from nineteenth-century colonialism to the protest movements of the 1960s to the events of 9/11. This volume's authors have venerable track records in teaching and researching the crusading movement, and anyone curious about the crusades would do well to start here. **Jessalynn Bird, Dominican University, co-Editor of *Crusade and Christendom***

*Crusade historians frequently lament the wide gulf that separates modern scholarship from popular beliefs regarding the holy wars of the Middle Ages. In this lively book a group of those scholars tackle seven of the most intractable myths that obscure our view of the crusades. With erudition, energy, and a dose of humility this book makes the case that solid historical research brings us ever closer to historical accuracy — and that matters. The myths of the crusades may be legion, but breaking down seven of them is an excellent place to start. **Thomas F. Madden, St. Louis University***

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### **About Editor/s:**

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This book, translated from the original Spanish, is the primary academic and historical study of the Blue Division - a Falangist initiative involving the dispatch of some forty-thousand Spanish combatants (over a half of whom paid with their lives, health, or liberty) to the Russian Front during the Second World War.

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### **From reviews of the Spanish edition**

*Xavier Moreno's Blue Division can be considered the most rigorous and comprehensive book on the Blue Division to date. **Quadern**, in *El País*, 21 February 2013*

*The historian Xavier Moreno Juliá is the author of The Blue Division, Spanish Blood in Russia, considered the most rigorous and comprehensive study published so far on this question. **Més Periódico**, weekly review in *El Periódico*, 14 July 2013*

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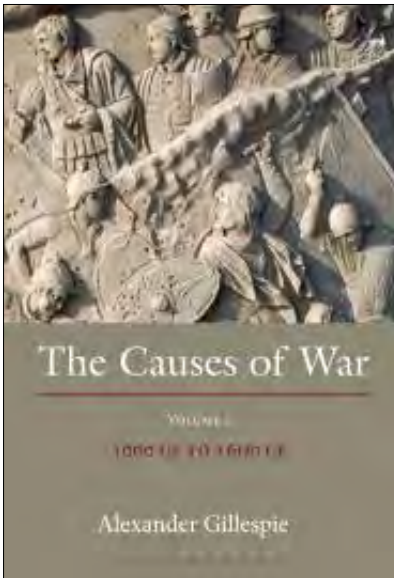
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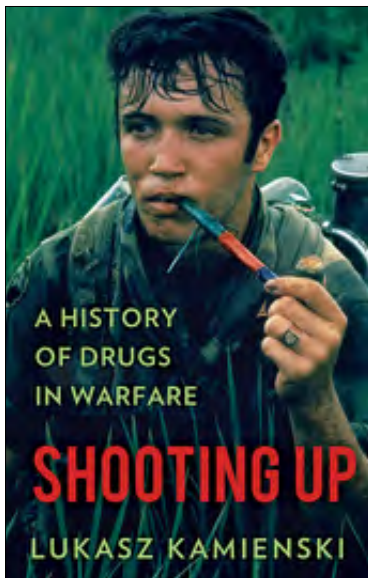
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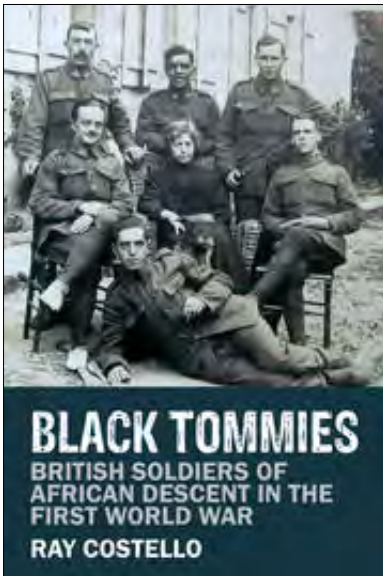
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## *Black Tommies*

### *British Soldiers of African Descent in the First World War*



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#### **Description:**

*Black Tommies* is the first book entirely dedicated to the part played by soldiers of African descent in the British regular army during the First World War.

If African colonial troops have been ignored by historians, the existence of any substantial narrative around Black British soldiers enlisting in the United Kingdom during the First World War is equally unknown, even in military circles. Much more material is now coming to light, such as the oral testimony of veterans, and the author has researched widely to gather fresh and original material for this fascinating book from primary documentary sources in archives to private material kept in the metaphorical (and actual) shoe boxes of descendants of black Tommies.

Reflecting the global nature of the conflict, *Black Tommies* takes us on a journey from Africa to the Caribbean and North America to the streets of British port cities such as Cardiff, Liverpool and those of North Eastern England. This exciting book also explodes the myth of Second Lieutenant Walter Tull being the first, or only, black officer in the British Army and endeavours to give the narrative of black soldiers a firm basis for future scholars to build upon by tackling an area of British history previously ignored.

#### **About Author/s:**

Ray Costello is an independent historian and writer and an honorary research fellow of the School of Sociology and Social Science, University of Liverpool.

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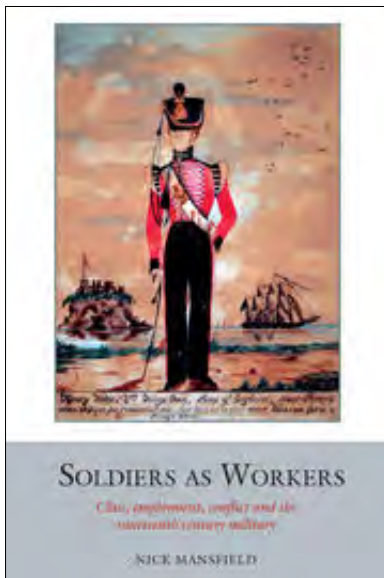
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### **Description:**

The book outlines how class is single most important factor in understanding the British army in the period of industrialisation. It challenges the 'ruffians officered by gentlemen' theory of most military histories and demonstrates how service in the ranks was not confined to 'the scum of the earth' but included a cross section of 'respectable' working class men.

Common soldiers represent a huge unstudied occupational group. They worked as artisans, servants and dealers, displaying pre-enlistment working class attitudes and evidencing low level class conflict in numerous ways. Soldiers continued as members of the working class after discharge, with military service forming one phase of their careers and overall life experience.

After training, most common soldiers had time on their hands and were allowed to work at a wide variety of jobs, analysed here for the first time. Many serving soldiers continued to work as regimental tradesmen, or skilled artificers. Others worked as officers' servants or were allowed to run small businesses, providing goods and services to their comrades. Some, especially the Non Commissioned Officers who actually ran the army, forged extraordinary careers which surpassed any opportunities in civilian life.

All the soldiers studied retained much of their working class way of life. This was evidenced in a contract culture similar to that of the civilian trade unions. Within disciplined boundaries, army life resulted in all sorts of low level class conflict. The book explores these by covering drinking, desertion, feigned illness, self harm, strikes and go-slows. It further describes mutinies, back chat, looting, fraternisation, foreign service, suicide and even the shooting of unpopular officers.

### **About Author/s:**

Nick Mansfield is Senior Research Fellow in History at the University of Central Lancashire, Preston.

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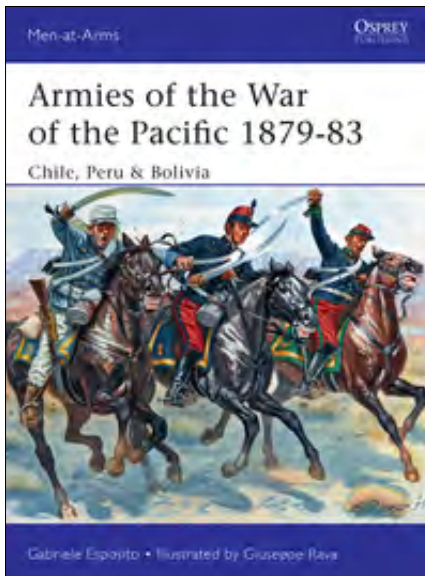
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*Chile, Peru & Bolivia*



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The Pacific War was the greatest and bloodiest war ever fought in the Andean region, and is one of the most important conflicts in South American history. It is also known as the 'Saltpeter War' or the 'Guano War' because the possession of these two highly profitable nitrates was the main cause of the conflict. By the 1870s Chilean military superiority and expansionist policies exploded into full scale conflict.

This book examines the troops, uniforms and equipment used by the Chilean, Peruvian and Bolivian forces and traces the events of the war from the early naval blockades, through major pitched battles, to the final guerilla campaign in occupied Peru. The war ended in total victory for Chile, and that country's military emergence thereafter as 'the Prussia of South America', while it cost Peru some lucrative provinces, and Bolivia its outlet to the Pacific coast.

**About Author/s:**

Gabriele Esposito is an Italian researcher and a long-time student of military history. His main field of research is the military of 19th-century Latin America, but his interests range from the Ancient world to modern post-colonial conflicts. He has published several works in the UK, including MAA 499 *Armies of the War of the Triple Alliance 1864–70* published in March 2015, and is a regular contributor to many specialized magazines.

**Contents:**

- Introduction - the importance of the war for South American history, and its political and military consequences for the nations involved
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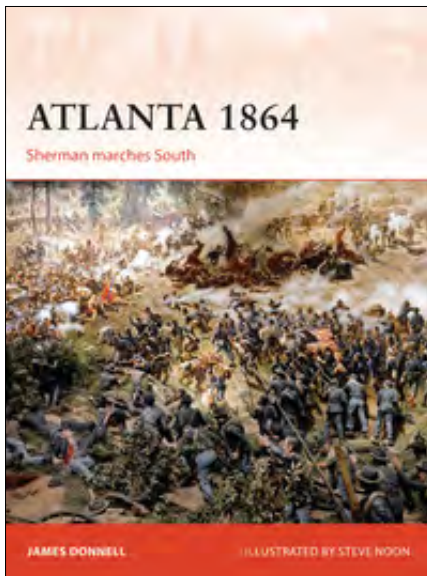
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On September 3, 1864, Union Major-General William Tecumseh Sherman telegraphed the War Department in Washington, D.C., "Atlanta is ours, and fairly won." The capture of the heart of the south the day before was the end of a fiercely fought four-month campaign in the Western Theater of the Civil War and caused jubilation throughout the North. More importantly for the Union cause, it propelled President Abraham Lincoln to reelection two months later.

In this volume author James Donnell explores the entire Atlanta campaign, from Sherman's initial clashes with Joseph E. Johnston's army of Tennessee to the final Confederate resistance under General John Bell Hood. Perfectly complemented by specially commissioned artwork and detailed maps, this study takes the reader from the border of Georgia and Tennessee to Atlanta, with Sherman preparing for his famous March to the Sea.

#### **About Author/s:**

James Donnell has been fascinated with the Civil War ever since he made a visit to the Gettysburg battlefield in elementary school. He has studied Civil War history and tactics for 25 years. In that time, he has amassed a considerable library of military history, in general, and Civil War history in particular. In 2000, he retired from the US Air Force, and is currently living in southeast Virginia, where he spends his spare time touring the innumerable Civil War sites in the area. Steve Noon was born in Kent, UK, and attended art college in Cornwall. He's had a life-long passion for illustration, and since 1985 has worked as a professional artist. He has provided award-winning illustrations for the publishers Dorling Kindersley, where his interest in historical illustration began. Steve has illustrated over 30 books for Osprey.

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*North America 1755–63*



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Providing a unique glimpse into the experiences of regular British and French infantry in North America during the French and Indian War, this book reveals what it was like for soldiers fighting each other at some of the most pivotal engagements of the conflict, La Belle-Famille, Quebec and Sainte-Foy.

Far from home, the equipment and tactics initially employed by both colonial powers were more suited to the European theatre, but as the war ground on, tactical doctrine evolved as both armies learned lessons that would be utilized by succeeding generations of soldiers.

Packed with first-hand accounts, dramatic artwork and photographs and a technical analysis of the evolving nature of warfare on the American continent, this book puts readers in the boots of the soldiers who played a pivotal role in shaping the future of North America.

**About Author/s:**

Stuart Reid was born in Aberdeen in 1954 and is married with two sons. He has worked as a librarian and a professional soldier and his main focus of interest lies in the 18th and 19th centuries. Peter Dennis was born in 1950. Inspired by contemporary magazines such as Look and Learn he studied illustration at Liverpool Art College. Peter has since contributed to hundreds of books, predominantly on historical subjects, including many Osprey titles. A keen wargamer and modelmaker, he is based in Nottinghamshire, UK.

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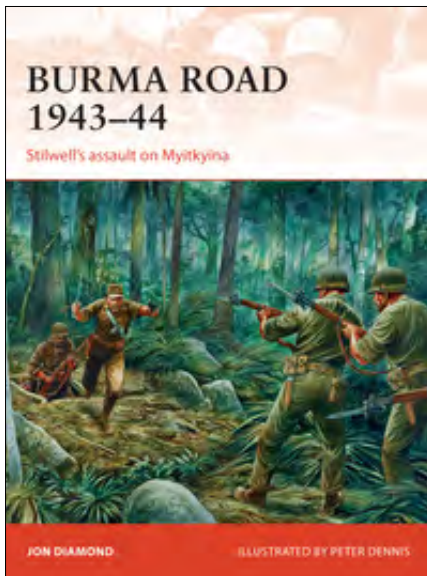
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Packed with first-hand accounts, specially commissioned artwork, maps and illustrations and dozens of rare photographs this book reveals the incredible Allied attack on Myitkyina.

#### **About Author/s:**

Jon Diamond is a practising physician who has had a life-long interest in military history. A graduate of Cornell University, Jon has been on the faculties of Harvard Medical School and Pennsylvania State University. He has served as a civilian attendee to the United States Army War College National Security Seminar in Carlisle, Pennsylvania and has written a significant number of articles and papers including over fifteen for Military Heritage Presents WW II History. He has just completed a book on David Low's Cartoons and the British Policy of Appeasement. He resides in Hershey, Pennsylvania.

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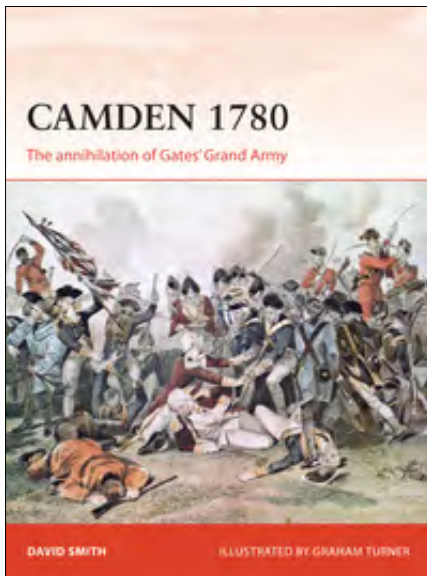
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As the American Revolution continued, the British refocused their fight on the southern colonies in the hopes of triggering an outbreak of loyalism that would sweep the rebels aside. Under Sir Henry Clinton they captured Savannah at the end of 1778, and Charleston in May 1780, with Lord Cornwallis being left in command with just 8,500 men under him. Too thinly spread to guard the 15,000 square miles he was responsible for, Cornwallis went on the offensive, invading North Carolina and using Camden as a launch pad.

This new history reveals how Cornwallis was able to use his aggressive strategy to great effect and how the overconfidence of the re-formed American forces under Horatio Gates was to result in a shocking defeat on the night of 15 August 1780 – a defeat that would allow Cornwallis to push deep into North Carolina the following year, where he would only be stopped by the American victory at Yorktown.

#### **About Author/s:**

David Smith is a graduate of the Military Studies Master's Degree programme at the University of Chester. Having studied and worked in the United States he has a special interest in American military history, especially the Civil War and the War of Independence. Graham Turner is a leading historical artist, specializing in the medieval period. He has illustrated numerous titles for Osprey, covering a wide variety of subjects from the dress of the 10th-century armies of the Caliphates, through the action of bloody medieval battles, to the daily life of the British Redcoat of the late 18th century. The son of the illustrator Michael Turner, Graham lives and works in Buckinghamshire, UK.

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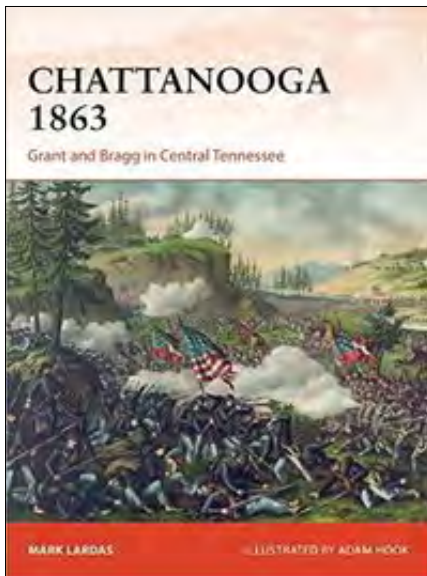
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*Grant and Bragg in Central Tennessee*

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In early October, Grant was promoted to command of the Military District of Mississippi and told to clean up the mess created by Chickamauga. With those orders a new campaign began: the Chattanooga Campaign. This book tracks how over the next three months Grant would orchestrate the movements of three Union Armies – The Army of the Cumberland, The Army of the Tennessee, and two Corps from the Army of the Potomac. He would lead them into a series of battles that saw them break the siege of Chattanooga before in three battles in three days the Union forces broke the Confederate army entrenched in the heights overlooking Chattanooga.

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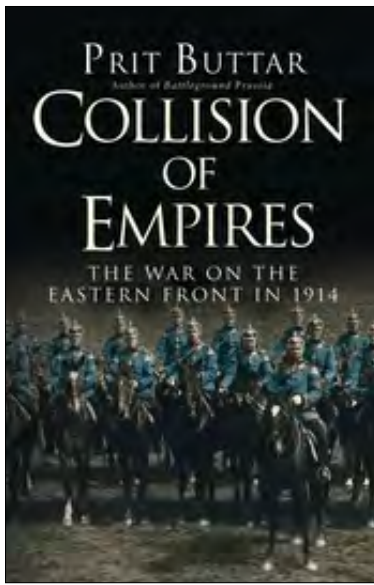
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### **About Author/s:**

Prit Buttar studied medicine at Oxford and London before joining the British Army as a doctor. After leaving the army, he has worked as a GP, first near Bristol and now in Abingdon. He is extensively involved in medical politics, both at local and national level, and served on the GPs' Committee of the British Medical Association. He appears from time to time on local and national TV and radio, speaking on a variety of medical issues. He contributes regularly to the medical press. An established expert on the Eastern Front in 20th century military history, Buttar has published two books focusing on the Second World War, and *Collision of Empires* is the first of a planned four-volume series, the definitive study of the First World War on the Eastern Front.

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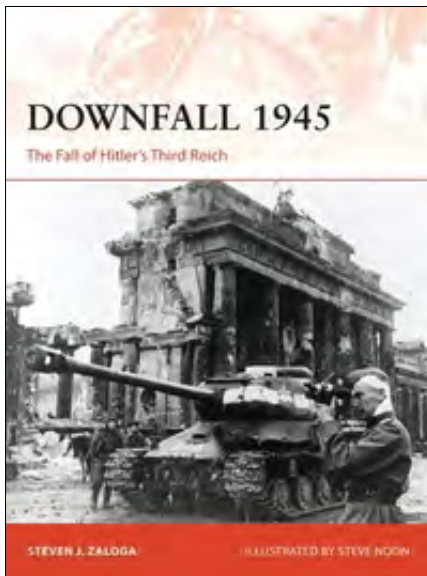


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#### **About Author/s:**

Steven J. Zaloga received his BA in History from Union College and his MA from Columbia University. He has worked as an analyst in the aerospace industry for over two decades, covering missile systems and the international arms trade, and has served with the Institute for Defense Analyses, a federal think tank. He is the author of numerous books on military technology and military history, with an accent on the US Army in World War II as well as Russia and the former Soviet Union. Steve Noon was born in Kent, UK, and attended art college in Cornwall. He's had a life-long passion for illustration, and since 1985 has worked as a professional artist. He has provided award-winning illustrations for the publishers Dorling Kindersley, where his interest in historical illustration began. Steve has illustrated over 30 books for Osprey.

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In the aftermath of the Winter War, Finland found itself drawing ever closer to Nazi Germany and eventually took part in Operation Barbarossa in 1941. For the Finns this was a chance to right the wrongs of the Winter War, and having reached suitable defensive positions, the army was ordered to halt. Years of uneasy trench warfare followed, known as the Continuation War, during which Finland desperately sought a way out, German dreams of victory were dashed and the Soviet Union built the strongest army in the world.

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#### **About Author/s:**

After graduating college, Vesa Nénye followed his family's illustrious military tradition and served his country, Finland, as a Tank Commander and an Arms & Munitions NCO. Upon leaving the armed forces, he became a member of the Panssarikilta - the armoured core heritage society in Finland. A veteran of historical and strategy gaming in Finland, Peter Munter founded a play-by-mail business and worked extensively as writer and translator of roleplaying supplements in the late 80s. Peter is an ex-Marine from the Finnish Navy and currently works as a Managing Director in a games retail chain that he established with Vesa Nénye in 1997. Toni Wirtanen served in the Kymi Jäger Battalion of the Karelian Brigade as an infantry anti-tank specialist and has ever since been active with the reservist corps. Toni is best known for his work as the singer and songwriter in the rock band Apulanta, founded in 1991. Chris Birks moved from England to Bergen, Norway, aged 13, and, whilst studying at the University of Bergen, worked at building the Norwegian hobby scene for miniature strategy war-gaming. Chris now works as a teacher of mathematics and natural sciences.

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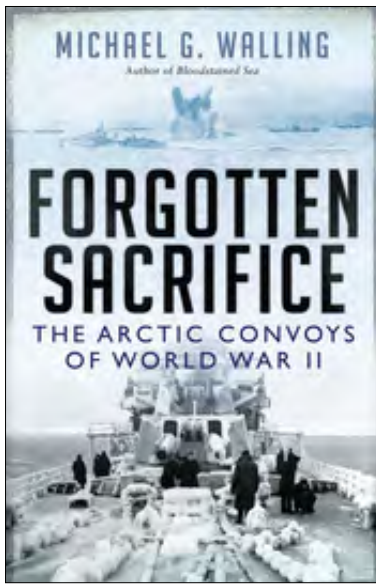


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**About Author/s:**

Michael G. Walling is author of several books, including *Bloodstained Sea*, winner of the 2005 Samuel Eliot Morison Award for Naval Literature. An internationally recognized World War II expert, Walling is a contributing author to the US Naval Institute's *Naval History* magazine and has appeared on The History Channel and PBS as an aviation and naval expert. After graduating from Montclair State College with a BA in Biology, Walling served in the US Coast Guard for six years as a commissioned officer and a senior petty officer. He has spent more than 45 years collecting stories from veterans from World War II, Korea, Viet Nam, and Iraq as well as those of pilots, merchant seamen, and civilian personnel with NATO and EUFOR in the Balkans. His research has included visits to Afghanistan; Russia; London; Sarajevo; Baska Voda, Croatia; Halifax, Nova Scotia; St John's, Newfoundland; and New Orleans.

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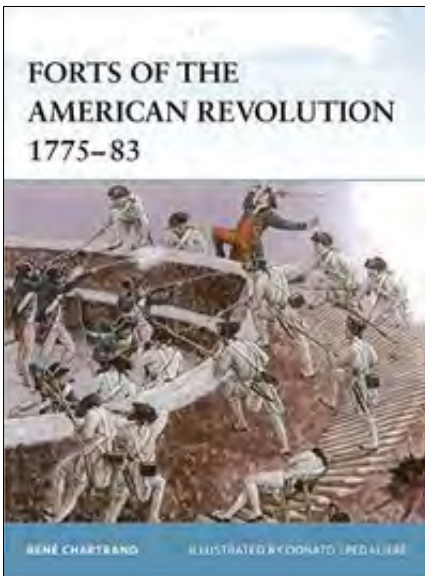
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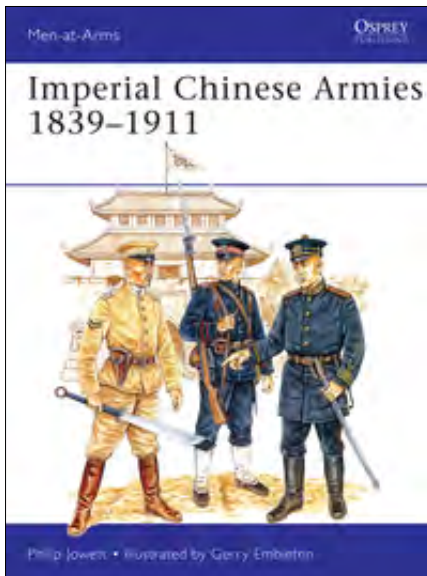
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**About Author/s:**

Philip Jowett was born in Leeds in 1961, and has been interested in military history for as long as he can remember. His first Osprey book was the ground-breaking Men-at-Arms 306: Chinese Civil War Armies 1911-49; he has since published the three-part sequence The Italian Army 1940-45 (Men-at-Arms 340, 349 and 353). A rugby league enthusiast and amateur genealogist, he is married and lives in Lincolnshire. Gerry Embleton has been a leading illustrator and researcher of historical costume since the 1970s, and has illustrated and written Osprey titles on a wide range of subjects for more than 20 years. He is an internationally respected authority on 15th and 18th century costumes in particular. He lives in Switzerland, where since 1988 he has also become well known for designing and creating life-size historical figures for museums.

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**About Author/s:**

Dr Raffaele D'Amato is an experienced Turin-based researcher of the ancient and medieval military worlds. After achieving his first PhD in Romano-Byzantine Law, and having collaborated with the University of Athens, he gained a second doctorate in Roman military archaeology. He currently works as vice-head of the Laboratory of the Danubian Provinces at the University of Ferrara, under Professor Livio Zerbini.

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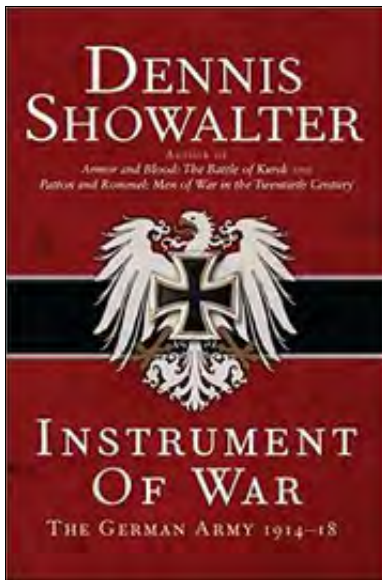
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**David Campbell** has worked as a freelance new media producer and content specialist for many years, including roles at IBM, the BBC, various internet consultancies and the civil service. He has a broad range of interests in literature and history, including the Middle Ages, the Napoleonic era, naval warfare, and the genesis of the 'military revolution'. He is the author of CBT 007 German Infantryman vs Soviet Rifleman. **Johnny Shumate** (illustrator) works as a freelance illustrator living in Nashville, Tennessee. He began his career in 1987 after graduating from Austin Peay State University. Most of his work is rendered in Adobe Photoshop using a Cintiq monitor. His greatest influences are Angus McBride, Don Troiani, and Edouard Detaille.

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### **About Author/s:**

Douglas John Sadler BA (Hons), M.Phil., FRHistS FSA (Scotl) is a military historian with some two dozen titles in print or preparation; he lectures at the Centre for Lifelong Learning at Sunderland University and is a fellow of the Royal Historical Society and the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland. He is a very experienced and much travelled battlefield tour guide covering most major conflicts in the UK, Europe and North Africa. He knows the ground over which the Desert War was fought. He is also a keen historical interpreter with much experience of delivering history in innovative ways for schools, the community and the media (Clans series for Mentorn). He is married with two grown up daughters and lives in Mid-Northumberland.

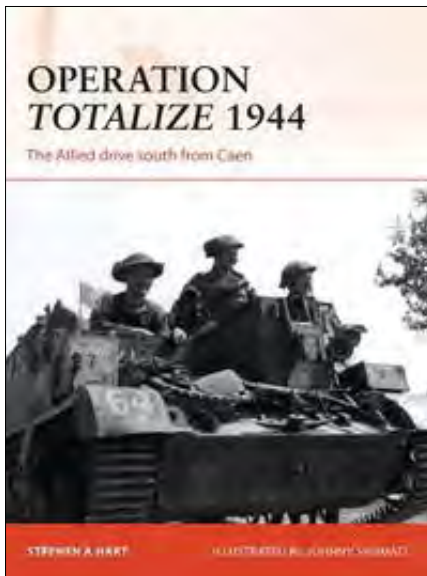
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In Operation Totalize, Lieutenant-General Guy Simonds' II Canadian Corps launched an attack from its positions along the Bourguébus Ridge south of Caen, striking south-southeast astride the main Caen–Falaise road toward the high ground that dominated the town of Falaise and the key west-east lateral road that ran through this town. Using sophisticated operational art the initial break-in achieved rapid success; indeed, more tactical success than any previous Allied break-in attack in Normandy.

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### **About Author/s:**

Dr Stephen A Hart is senior lecturer in the War Studies department, the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst. Prior to this he lectured in the International Studies Department at the University of Surrey, and in the War Studies Department, King's College London. He is the author of *Montgomery and the 'Colossal Cracks': The 21st Army Group in Northwest Europe 1944-45* (Praeger, 2000), and has co-authored - with Russell Hart - several popular histories of aspects of the German Army in World War II. In addition he has produce a number of articles. Johnny Shumate works as a freelance illustrator living in Nashville, Tennessee. He began his career in 1987 after graduating from Austin Peay State University. Most of his work is rendered in Adobe Photoshop using a Cintiq monitor. His greatest influences are Angus McBride, Don Troiani, and Édouard Detaille. His interests include karate, running, Bible reading, history, and making English longbows.

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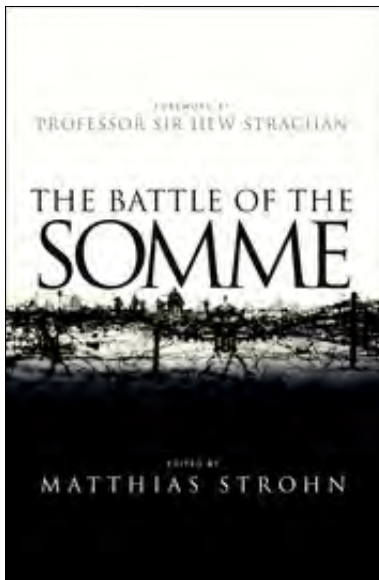
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### **About Author/s:**

Dr Matthias Strohn was educated at the Universities of Münster (Germany) and Oxford. He has lectured at Oxford University and the Joint Services Command and Staff College at Shrivenham. Since 2006 he has been a lecturer in the Department of War Studies at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, and in 2011 he was also made a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Buckingham. He holds a commission in the German Army and is currently a member of the military attaché reserve. He has published widely on 20th century German and European military history. Hew Strachan is Chichele Professor of the History of War at the University of Oxford and a Fellow of All Souls College. He also serves on the Strategic Advisory Panel of the Chief of the Defence Staff, on the UK Defence Academy Advisory Board, and on the Council of the International Institute for Strategic Studies. His books include the first volume of his projected three-volume work *The First World War* (2001), *The First World War: A New History* (2003), and *Carl von Clausewitz's On War* (2007).

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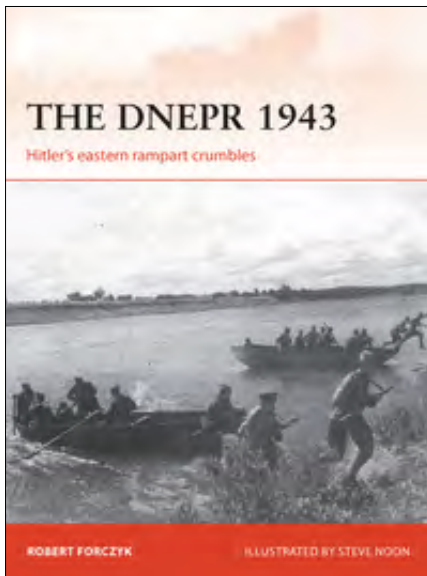
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### **About Author/s:**

**Robert Forczyk** has a PhD in International Relations and National Security from the University of Maryland and a strong background in European and Asian military history. He retired as a lieutenant colonel from the US Army Reserves having served 18 years as an armour officer in the US 2nd and 4th infantry divisions and as an intelligence officer in the 29th Infantry Division (Light). Dr Forczyk is currently a consultant in the Washington, DC area. **Steve Noon** (illustrator) was born in Kent, UK, and attended art college in Cornwall. He's had a life-long passion for illustration, and since 1985 has worked as a professional artist. He has provided award-winning illustrations for the publishers Dorling Kindersley, where his interest in historical illustration began. Steve has illustrated over 30 books for Osprey.

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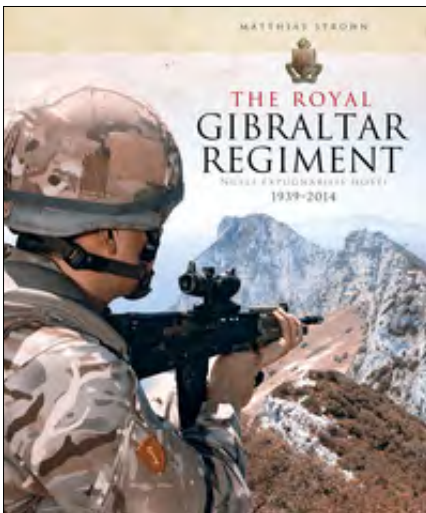
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### **About Author/s:**

Dr. Matthias Strohn was educated at the Universities of Muenster (Germany) and Oxford. He has lectured at Oxford University and the Joint Services Command and Staff College at Shrivenham. Since 2006 he has been a lecturer in the Department of War Studies at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, and in 2011 he was also made a Senior Research Fellow at the University of Buckingham. He holds a commission in the German army and is currently a member of the military attache reserve. He has published widely on 20th century German and European military history and is an expert on the German army in the First World War and the inter-war period. He has advised British and German government bodies on the First World War centenary commemorations.

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**About Author/s:**

**Leigh Neville** is an Australian national currently living and working in Sydney. He has travelled and worked internationally, was based in Europe for ten years, and now works for a large American consultancy; he is currently completing a Masters programme in International Studies. He has previously written: *Elite 163, Special Operations Forces in Afghanistan* and *Elite 170, Special Operations Forces in Iraq*. **Peter Dennis** (illustrator) was born in 1950. Inspired by contemporary magazines such as *Look and Learn* he studied illustration at Liverpool Art College. Peter has since contributed to hundreds of books, predominantly on historical subjects, including many Osprey titles. A keen wargamer and modelmaker, he is based in Nottinghamshire, UK.

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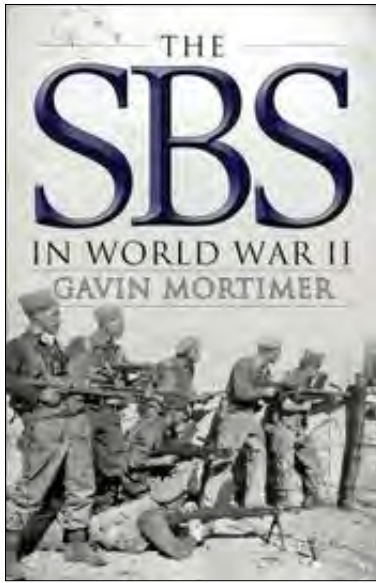
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Gavin Mortimer is the author of *Stirling's Men* (Weidenfeld & Nicholson, 2004), a ground-breaking history of the early operations of the SAS, *The SAS in World War II* (Osprey, 2015) and *The Daring Dozen* (Osprey, 2012). An award-winning writer whose books have been published on both sides of the Atlantic, Gavin has previously written for *The Telegraph*, *The Sunday Telegraph*, *The Observer* and *Esquire* magazine. His most recent book is *The Men Who Made the SAS: The History of the Long Range Desert Group* (Constable, 2015).

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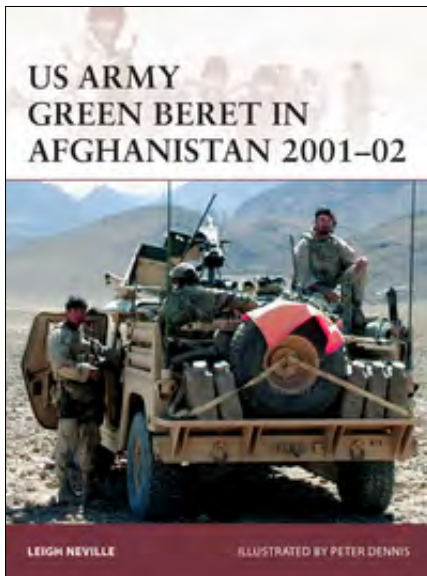
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**About Author/s:**

**Leigh Neville** is an Australian national currently living and working in Sydney. He has travelled and worked internationally, was based in Europe for ten years, and now works for a large American consultancy; he is currently completing a Masters programme in International Studies. This is his second book for Osprey, a companion to his *Elite 163; Special Operations Forces in Afghanistan*. **Peter Dennis** (illustrator) was born in 1950. Inspired by contemporary magazines such as *Look and Learn* he studied illustration at Liverpool Art College. Peter has since contributed to hundreds of books, predominantly on historical subjects, including many Osprey titles. A keen wargamer and modelmaker, he is based in Nottinghamshire, UK.

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## *US Army Rangers*

### *Panama–Afghanistan*



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**Author/s:** Leigh Neville

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#### **Description:**

**Written by an expert on modern Special Forces units and the operations they undertake, this book explains the evolution of the Rangers' missions in Panama, the first Gulf War, Somalia and the post 9/11 invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan.**

It reveals the training and organizational changes that the unit has undergone and investigates in particular how their doctrine and tactics have changed during the 14-year war in Afghanistan.

At the beginning of the war the Rangers were an elite light infantry unit of picked men tasked with short duration recon raids and securing ground behind enemy lines in support of Special Forces; they have since evolved into a special-mission unit themselves – on the cusp of being assigned to the Joint Special Operations Command.

#### **About Author/s:**

Leigh Neville is an Australian national who has written a number of books on both modern conventional military units and special operations forces serving in Afghanistan and Iraq, their weapons and their vehicles, including six titles for Osprey with several more in development. He has also consulted on military topics for several wargame companies and television documentary makers. He lives in Sydney with his wife and two dogs. He can be contacted via his website at [www.leighneville.com](http://www.leighneville.com).

#### **Contents:**

- Introduction - the 'ranger' in history, as a behind-the-lines guerrilla soldier - the US Army Rangers, from World War II to Vietnam and after
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### **About Author/s:**

Steven J. Zaloga received his BA in History from Union College and his MA from Columbia University. He has worked as an analyst in the aerospace industry for over two decades, covering missile systems and the international arms trade, and has served with the Institute for Defense Analyses, a federal think tank. He is the author of numerous books on military technology and military history, with an accent on the US Army in World War II as well as Russia and the former Soviet Union.

### **Contents:**

- Introduction
- The opposing sides
- Montebourg: June 7-10, 1944
- The Scharnhorst Line, October 2-3, 1944
- The Krinkleterwald, December 16, 1944
- Analysis
- Aftermath
- Unit organizations
- Bibliography
- Index

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### **About Author/s:**

A retired geologist and geophysicist, **Ed Gilbert** has written for Osprey's Warrior, Battle Orders and Campaign series, and is the co-author of Tanks In Hell. Catherine is a retired speech pathologist and audiologist, has written for the Warrior and Campaign series, and (with Ed) is co-author of True For The Cause Of Liberty. Their current research is on the Red Stick War of 1813-14. Ed and Cathy are residents of Texas. **Johnny Shumate** (illustrator) works as a freelance illustrator living in Nashville, Tennessee. He began his career in 1987 after graduating from Austin Peay State University. Most of his work is rendered in Adobe Photoshop using a Cintiq monitor. His greatest influences are Angus McBride, Don Troiani, and Édouard Detaille. His interests include karate, running, Bible reading, history, and making English longbows.

### **Contents:**

- Introduction
- Belief and belonging
- Recruitment and training Appearance
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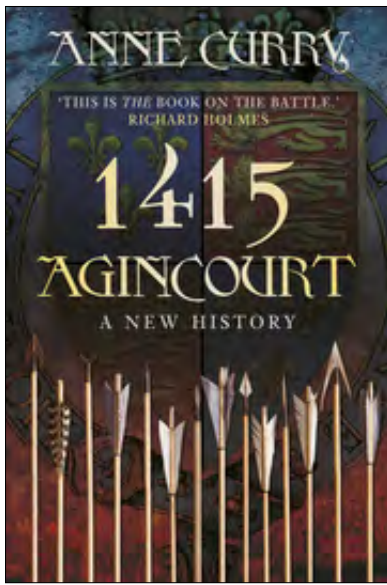
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### **About Author/s:**

ANNE CURRY is Professor of Medieval History and Dean of the Faculty of Humanities at the University of Southampton, and the world's leading authority on the battle of Agincourt. This book is the distillation of her life's work. She is the advisor to the Agincourt battlefield centre in Picardy and was historical consultant for the ITV documentary of the battle in the Battlefield Detectives series. She is a member of the Societe de L'Histoire de France as well as the Society of Antiquaries, and was President of the Historical Association 2008-2011. She is a lead member of the Agincourt 600 Committee: <http://agincourt600.com/>

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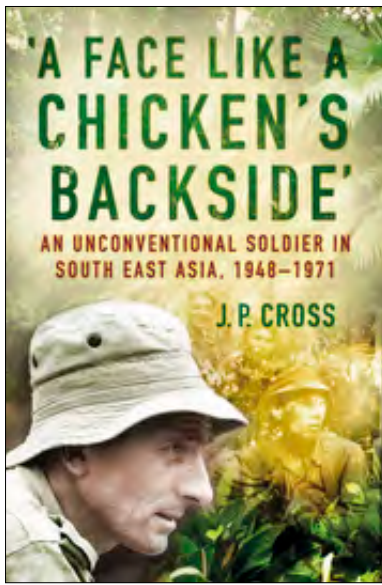




## *A Face Like a Chicken's Backside*

*An Unconventional Soldier in South East Asia, 1948-71*

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### **About Author/s:**

JOHN CROSS has been a lifelong Gurkha officer and lives in Pokhara, Nepal. Early in his career a Malayan aborigine said, 'John Cross is a good man, although he has a face like a chicken's backside'. He is the author of *GURKHA TALES* (Frontline Books) *GURKHAS AT WAR* (Greenhill Books) and *JUNGLE WARFARE* (Pen & Sword Books).

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### **About Author/s:**

Peter Street graduated from Oxford in Modern History. He has lectured on various aspects of history and politics in higher and adult education for 40 years, notably for the Open University. He is the author of *God Save the Queen! Britain in 1952* and *Long Live the Queen! Britain in 1953* (both The History Press).

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#### About Author/s:

MARK CHAMBERS works as a contractor for the NASA Langley Research Center and has won numerous awards for his NASA work. He has previously written From Research to Relevance: Achievements in Aeronautics Research at the NASA Langley Research Center, 1917–2002, Engineering Test Pilot: The Exceptional Career of John P. "Jack" Reeder, and Flight Research at NASA Langley Research Center, as well as articles for Aviation Magazine. He lives in Virginia USA.

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### **About Author/s:**

James Hayward's previous books include *The Bodies on the Beach*, *Myths and Legends of the First World War*, *Myths and Legends of the Second World War*, *Double Agent Snow* and *Hitler's Spy*. As a historian he has collaborated with organizations including the BBC, ITV, Channel 4, the Imperial War Museum and the National Army Museum. As a solicitor he worked on the Bloody Sunday inquiry, a role which cemented a long-standing interest in investigative research. He lives in Norfolk.

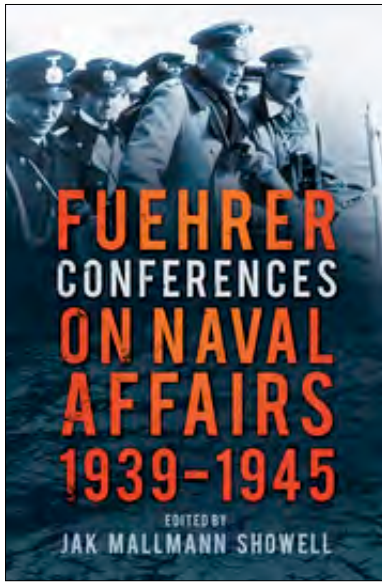
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### **About Editor/s:**

JAK MALLMANN SHOWELL has written more than forty books about naval operations during the Second World War, including Hitler's U-Boat Bases, Enigma U-Boats: Breaking the Code and U-Boat Command and the Battle of the Atlantic.

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### **About Author/s:**

Greg Fisher holds a DPhil from Oxford (2008) and is Associate Professor in the Department of History and College of the Humanities at Carleton University, Ottawa. He specialises in late antique and near eastern history and is the author of *Between Empires. Arabs, Romans, and Sasanians in Late Antiquity* (Oxford, 2011) as well as numerous journal articles. He teaches Greek and Roman history and has been teaching the history of the Second Punic War at Carleton for five years.

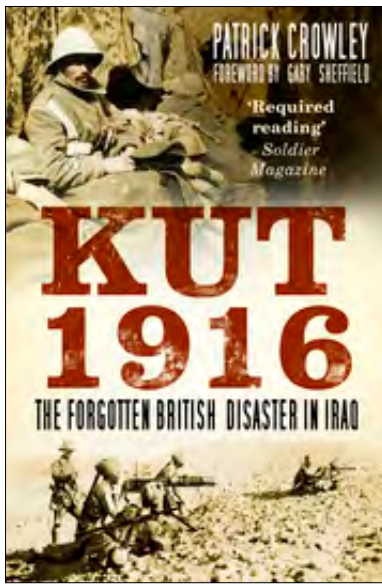
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## *Kut 1916*

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**Binding:** Paperback

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#### **About Author/s:**

PATRICK CROWLEY is a historian and battlefield tour guide. He recently retired after 34 years’ service in the Queen’s Regiment, Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment and staff appointments. He has served in England, Northern Ireland, Belize, Gibraltar, Zimbabwe and Iraq (where he was awarded the American Meritorious Service Medal). His other works include *A Guide to the Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment* and *Loyal to Empire* (forthcoming, THP 2016).

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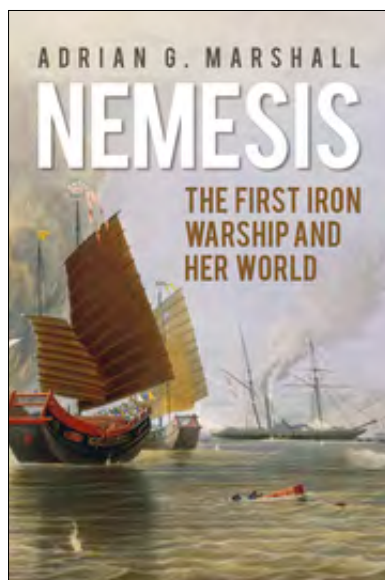
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## *Nemesis*

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#### **About Author/s:**

ADRIAN G MARSHALL is the author of *The Singapore Letters of Benjamin Cooke 1855-1855*. He worked as an academic at the University of Aberdeen initially in tropical environmental science, founding and editing 'The Journal of Tropical Ecology', later in administration as Director of International Student Recruitment. Now retired, he is based in Aberdeenshire.

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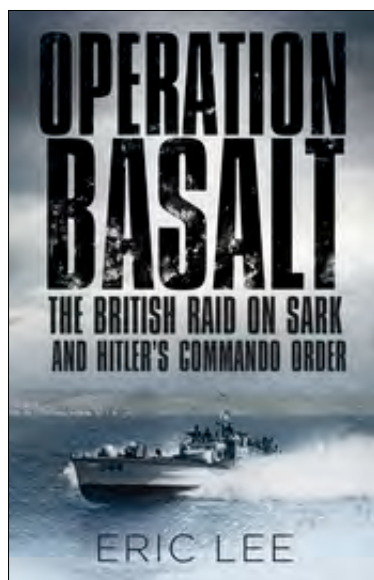




## *Operation Basalt*

*The British Raid on Sark and Hitler's Commando Order*

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**Extent:** 224

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### **Description:**

- The raid that led to the Führer's directive, 'All quarter is to be denied on principle'. It was obeyed.
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- Executions of captured British commandos became commonplace. Two of the British officers who participated in Operation Basalt were themselves victims of the Kommandobefehl while serving with the SAS in Italy. None of the other officers survived the war.

Operation Basalt was carried out by British commandos on the island of Sark on the night of 3/4 October 1942, intended to serve several purposes. The raid itself was a tactical success: a German prisoner was captured, several more were killed, and all British soldiers returned safely to base. It is remembered because of Hitler's reaction. He ordered: 'In future, all terror and sabotage troops of the British ... will be ruthlessly eliminated in battle.' Using the National Archives and the Sark Society archives, Eric Lee tells the Basalt story for the first time. Did the commandos bind and kill unarmed German soldiers?

### **About Author/s:**

ERIC LEE is the author of Saigon to Jerusalem: Conversations with Israel's Vietnam Veterans, 'a significant presentation of the Vietnam conflict from a rare perspective' (Vietnam magazine). He served 11 years in the Israel Defence Forces reserves in a combat unit. He has written many articles for Modern Combat and other magazines. He lives in London.

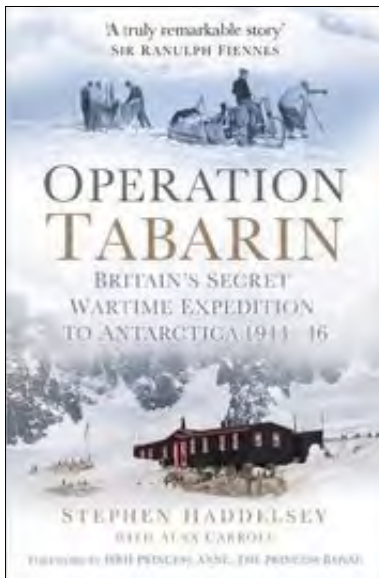
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## *Operation Tabarin*

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**Edition:** 2

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In 1943, Churchill's War Cabinet met to discuss the opening of a new front. Its battles would be fought amidst the glaciers of the Antarctic. Intended to safeguard the Falkland Islands from Japanese invasion and to deny German U-boats, the expedition also sought to re-assert British territorial rights in the face of Argentine provocation. Indeed, the British bases secretly established in 1944 would also go on to play a vital part in a global 'conflict': the Cold War.

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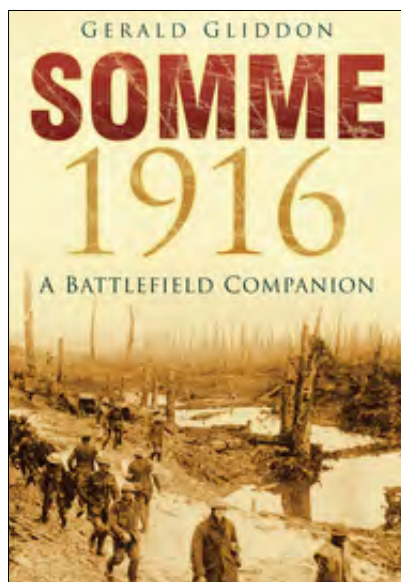
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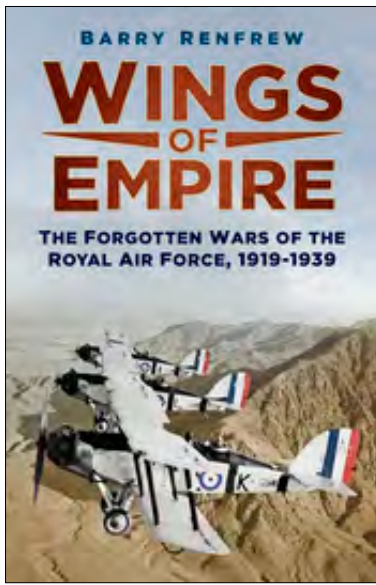
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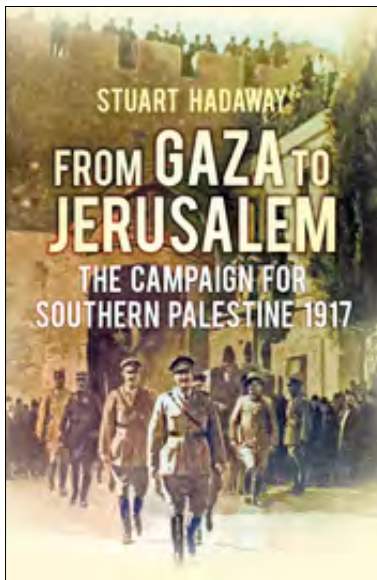
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