

GROUP LEADER NOTES FOR WW1 SCHOOL WALK

WHITTINGTON GROUP

WHITTINGTON William Edward died **April 1916** (aged 27) lived in Weeks Rd. Ryde. Worked as gardener for Col. Cradock, joined up but 4 weeks later, due to ill health, died in a mainland hospital in Wiltshire.

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE

JONES Albert 3rd son of Charles & Ellen Jones, of Newport St. Ryde. Royal Navy (aged 26) died on the HMS BULWARK - accidental explosion whilst moored on the Medway **26 November 1914 -** over 700 killed - major disaster early in the war.

FAMILY GRAVE - KERBSTONES

MOORE Archibald Robert Sergeant- died from wounds at Hazelwood Red Cross Hospital, Ryde, on **6 April 1915** (aged 26) Son of Mrs. Agnes Moore, from Devon.

FAMILY GRAVE WITH UPRIGHT CROSS

HAYWARD GROUP

These graves are positioned fairly close together and have less information so this group may be more suitable for less able children. Two of the graves are Commonwealth War Graves therefore easy to identify with interesting regimental badges and clear inscriptions.

HAYWARD Stanley, Driver, aged 20, of Yeovil, Somerset, died from wounds at Hazelwood Red Cross Hospital, **10 April 1915.**

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE

HOLLIS William Thomas RN died **April 1916** (age 36) after shell bombardment. Nephew of Gibbs family of Ryde.

FAMILY GRAVE WIH UPRIGHT WHITE CROSS

WOODNUTT Arthur Oliver died **February 1915** (aged41) of 23 Brunswick St. son of George & Jane Woodnutt & husband of Emily. Only joined up month before, was stationed at Parkhurst but became ill & died of pneumonia.

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE

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COSSINS GROUP

These graves are positioned in different sections of the Old Cemetery and have a lot of interesting information about them with many different research links. This group may be suitable to challenge more able children.

COSSINS Albert Ernest Lance Corporal- (aged 42) husband of Rose Edith Cossins of 11 Bank Gdns. High St. Enlisted almost immediately on 4 Sept 1914, discontinued service March 1916 due to ill health, died at home within 2 weeks in **April 1916**.

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE

SCOVELL Donald Robert George of Nelson St. died **March 1920** aged 21, inscription says he served his country. Never recovered from being gassed. Mother's obituary states she lost a son in the Great War. Family had a well known & successful tent making business. (2 sisters also died young)

FAMILY GRAVE WITH ARCHED HEADSTONE & KERBSTONES

BYNG Arthur Maitland - Captain from a military family, already had successful career in Africa, India etc. Killed **14 September 1914** aged 42 - Battle of Aisne - one of the first major battles of the war. He was an excellent cricketer. Son of Major A. H. Byng of Wydford House, Bellevue Rd. Ryde and his mother died 2 months later, 14 November 1914.

ARTHUR'S PARENT'S GRAVE - TRIPLE PLINTH ONLY (CROSS MISSING)

GRAYSON GROUP

GRAYSON Joseph drummer boy, (aged 15) died in the Castle Red Cross Hospital, Ryde, in **March 1919**. Originally from Leeds.

COMMONWEALTH WAR GRAVE

PHILIP Gerald Huntly 2nd Lieutenant- died **November 1916** (aged 18) son of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Phillip of St. Vincent's, Barfield. Commissioned in Reserves Aug 1915, went to Front when old enough, September 1916, died of wounds 2 wks later. (Sister Agatha Helen died aged 6 in September 1916)

FAMILY GRAVE - RED BRICK KERBSTONES & HEADSTONE

MAYO George Patrick RN, died 1 November 1914 age 30 - sinking of HMS Good Hope. Disaster early in the war. Son of Harry & Ann Mayo, of Hand in Hand, Ryde pub.

MAYO John Thomas - (George's brother) Survived the war, died 1951 (aged 63 yr) Long naval service.

FAMILY GRAVE - KERBSTONES