

HM Waterguard - Web Site Newsletter - September 2009

Hi Everyone

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The Anecdotes - HQ, Cutters, WTC & Multi. Divisional sub-page has now been split into five new sub-pages called 'Multi. Divisional', 'C&E & Waterguard Headquarters', 'Waterguard Training Centre', 'HM Cutters & HM Launches' and 'Waterguard Digs'. The many recent e-mail's reminiscing about Waterguard 'Digs' have been included in the latter - any more would be most welcome.

The Offices & Building page now has a sub-page - 'Offices and Buildings occupied and used by The Coastguard - and has been 'populated' initially with Coastguard cottages and watch towers found mostly, but not exclusively, on the Isle of Wight.

The Work-US Air Bases sub-page has been re-named 'Work-Foreign Air Bases' to accommodate the RCAF and their base at RAF Langar has been added.

Since the last Waterguard Web Site Newsletter the following pages have received some attention:

Home Page - additional images & text

The inclusion in my 'Forward' of an acknowledge of the work Eric Preedy has contributed to the site.

Anecdotes-LAP Sub-Page - additional text

A story from Colin Poland about his 'run in's' with Bill Dickinson over his overtime claim forms.

Contributions Page - amended text

A clarification of the position regarding the size of attachments that can be included in e-mails, and the exclusion of attachments to Rootsweb posting, in the How to Contribute section.

Credits, Recent Editions & Search the Site Pages

Have all been updated.

Legislation & Regulations Page - additional PDF/section/text

The clarification of the requirements for aircraft flying between the Isle of Man and Great Britain or Northern Ireland from 1956 as set out in OWO 20/1956 Part 2, thanks to a visit to Kew by Eric Preedy.

Links Page - additional links

A link to the Waterguard Notice Board page has been added to the internal links section and a link to GENUKI's British Coastguards 1841-1901 has been added to the Coastguard section.

Official Instructions Page - additional PDFs & text

Links to the PDFs of OWOs 29, 34, 40 & 44/1947, 12/1953 Part 3, 20/1956 Part 2, 43/1956, 19/1961, 6, 19 & 50/1964, 8/1965, 34 Part 6 & 35 Part 7 of 1966, 1/1967 and 22/1970 PDFs from elsewhere on the site.

Office & Buildings - England Sub-Page - additional images & text

The image alleged to have been of the original Rye Custom House has been withdrawn - Eric Preedy realized it was the same image known to be of the old Aldborough Custom House!

Cowes Custom House and the Cowes Waterguard Watch House have been added courtesy of the Cowes & Isle of Wight Customs History web site. Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, Waterguard Watch House has been added thanks to Val Tomasin and details of official buildings at Workington in Cumbria have been added thanks to Allen Sadler.

Office & Buildings - Coastguard Sub-Page - additional images & text

A new sub-page 'populated' initially with Coastguard cottages found on the Isle of Wight courtesy of Ann Barrett's Isles of Wight Coastguards web site pages and a trawl of the web.

Pay & Conditions Page - additional text & new sections.

The addition of pay rates for Coast Preventive Men for 1952 & 1955 and two new sections on Extral Duty Allowance and Small Port Allowance, thanks to a visit to Kew by Eric Preedy.

People-Bravery Awards 1905-1972 Sub-Page - amended text.

Entries for John Rees Thomas & Georg Elrick Thomson updated.

People-Colleagues 'In Harm's Way' sub-page - additional & amended text and PDF

Colleagues who were who were killed on duty as the result of an accident are now included and Gilbert Hornby APO's death has been added, thanks to a visit to Kew by Eric Preedy.

People-Colleague 1945-1972 A-N Sub-Page - additional text

Inclusion of J Merton - thanks to a visit to Kew by Eric Preedy - Brian Evans has sent in his CV.

People-Colleague 1945-1972 O-Z Sub-Page - additional text

Inclusion of Bernard C Reilly - thanks to a visit to Kew by Eric Preedy.

People-Sports & Pastimes Sub-Page - additional image & text

Addition of an image of Jim McBeath - British Civil Service Golf Champion - 1970

Stationery & Stores- Date Stamps Sub-Page - additional images

Eric Preedy's latest visit to Kew has unearthed date stamp images for the Collector Dover - 1936 & 1968 - and the AWS Dover 1936 and AWS - District 2 - Liverpool 1968.

Stationery & Stores- Official Forms Sub-Page - additional PDFs

Forms C 938, C&E 838, XS 143 & XS 144 have been added to the list thanks to Cliff Davies.

Tools & Equipment Page - additional PDF, section & text

The introduction of new section - Official Vehicles - with a link to the Irish Land Boundary patrol vehicles section on the Irish Land Boundary page and to the OWO introducing the use of Motor Cycles in Coast Preventive Stations.

Training Page - additional PDF & text

A WTC call-up letter for Course No 77 - April 1968 - thanks to Cliff Davies.

Uniforms Page - additional PDF & text

The addition of an anecdote about wearing 'hairies' and being issued with 'made to measure' at the WTC by David Bowie

Work Page - additional Section, text and PDFs

An additional section has been introduced for the Hovercraft and some additional text and PDFs related to the introduction of The Exchange Control Act of 1947 - both thanks to a visit to Kew by Eric Preedy.

A new section entitled Offenders has been added detailing the penaltys that were handed out to offenders with a PDF of a C 938 included - thanks to Cliff Davies.

Work-Airports Sub-Page - additional PDFs

PDF copies of forms XS 143 & xs 144 have been added to the page - thanks to Cliff Davies.

Work-Launch Service Sub-Page - additional images & text

The Cowes launch HMCL 'Nimble' pictured in 1906 and the Ryde, Isle of Wight, sailing launch HMCL 'Lady Primrose' pictured in 1919 have been added curtesy of the Cowes & Isle of Wight Customs History web site.

Work-Office Administration Sub-Page - additional PDF & text

The use of form C&E 838 Employment Record has been added to the Attendance section

Work-Foreign Air Bases Sub-Page - additional text

The sub-page has been re-named as 'Work-Foreign Air Bases' and the Royal Canadian Air Force base at RAF Langar added.

Cheers

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