

# Berkhamsted remembers the Great War



A week of events is planned as Berkhamsted marks the centenary of the start of World War I

## Commemorative Events 26 July – 4 August 2014

### **Saturday 26 July**

#### **Inns of Court Parade**

11am. Parade by the Inns of Court Officers Training Corps (now the Inns of Court & City Regiment) from Berkhamsted Golf Club to the War Memorial on the Common. They were in Berkhamsted from 1914-1919. After a service of remembrance they will parade back to Golf Club. Private reception in the afternoon. The public is invited to line the parade route but the road from the club to the Memorial will be closed to traffic. The IoC OTC was nicknamed The Devil's Own by George III.

### **Monday 28 July**

#### **Exhibition**

Civic Centre, 11am-10pm, free. A display of photographs and other memorabilia of the Inns of Court OTC in Berkhamsted and Ashridge, including some rare photographs by JT Newman, and information about the mapping in 2013 of the training trenches on the Common.

### **Regeneration (15)**

Civic Centre, 8pm, £5. Berkhamsted Film Society will show the film of Pat Barker's novel. *Regeneration* describes the treatment of WWI soldiers with psychological scars. Two such patients were the poets Wilfred Owen and Siegfried Sassoon. Stars Jonathan Pryce and James Wilby. Ian Davies 01442 395792.

### **Tuesday 29 July**

#### **Exhibition**

Civic Centre, 10am-4pm, as above.

### **Wednesday 30 July**

#### **Voices from WWI**

Greene Room, Kings Arms. 7.45pm, £12 (incl £2 to the Royal British Legion). Berkhamsted Speakeasy in association with Waterstone's presents short stories, dispatches, poems and letters all brought to life. Tickets available online [www.berkospeakeasy.co.uk](http://www.berkospeakeasy.co.uk).

### **Thursday 31 July**

#### **Keep the Home Fires Burning**

Ashlyns Chapel, 7.30pm, £8, proceeds to RBL. Songs and music from the trenches by Little Gaddesden Village Choir. 01442 842322 / [ruthcohen114@btinternet.com](mailto:ruthcohen114@btinternet.com).