

THE WORKSOPIAN

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130 YEARS OF WORKSOP COLLEGE



**SEVEN FAMOUS WORKSOPIANS
THROUGHOUT THE YEARS.**

**FROM SPORT, THE ARMY AND THE ARTS THERE HAVE BEEN
PEOPLE FROM EVERY SECTOR**

WILLIAM BARNESLEY ALLEN

**1902-1909 AT ST CUTHBERT'S
COLLEGE AT THE TIME**

**AFTER HIS TIME AT THE COLLEGE HE
STUDIED MEDICINE AT SHEFFIELD
UNIVERSITY.**

**SHORTLY AFTER THE UK DECLARED
WAR ON GERMANY HE JOINED THE
ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORP AND
HE WAS COMMISSIONED AS A
LIEUTENANT**

**IN SEPTEMBER 1916 HE WAS
PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN AND WAS
AWARDED THE MILITARY CROSS.**

**ON THE 3RD OF SEPTEMBER IN 1916
HE WAS ATTACHED TO THE 246TH
(EAST RIDING) BRIGADE, ROYAL
FIELD ARTILLERY NEAR MESNIL IN
FRANCE. WHEN THE EVENT THE
FOLLOWING EVENT HAPPENED HE
WAS AWARDED THE VICTORIA
CROSS "FOR MOST CONSPICUOUS
BRAVERY ON DUTY"**

**HIS VICTORIA CROSS CAN NOW
BE SEEN AS THE ARMY MEDICAL
SERVICES MUSEUM IN MYTCHETT,
SURREY.**



**IN THE ANTE-ROOM IN THE
SOMME BARRACKS WHICH IS
HOME OF SHEFFIELD UOTC
THERE IS A FRAMED PHOTO OF
WILLIAM WITH A COPY OF HIS
VICTORIA CROSS AND A FEW
OTHER OF HIS MEDALS. ALSO,
THE WHOLE ROOM IS NAMED
AFTER HIM: "ALLEN VC ROOM".**

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IVOR ROBERTS-JONES



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ROBERTS-JONES WAS IN PELHAM FROM 1926-31.

BEFORE GOING TO THE COLLEGE HE STUDIED AT OSWETRY SCHOOL AND AFTER HIS TIME AT THE COLLEGE HE ATTENDED GOLDSMITHS COLLEGE, LONDON AND THE ROYAL ACADEMY OF ARTS.

DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR HE SERVED IN THE BURMA CAMPAIGN BUT THAT WAS NOT WHAT HE IS MOST KNOWN FOR.

IN 1971 HE WAS COMMISSIONED TO MAKE A FULL-LENGTH STATUE OF WINSTON CHURCHILL WHICH CAN STILL BE SEEN TODAY IN PARLIAMENT SQUARE.

HE WAS ALSO COMMISSIONED TO CREATE A SCULPTURE OF AUGUSTUS JOHN AND THE WHOLE PROJECT TOOK JUST OVER THREE YEARS.



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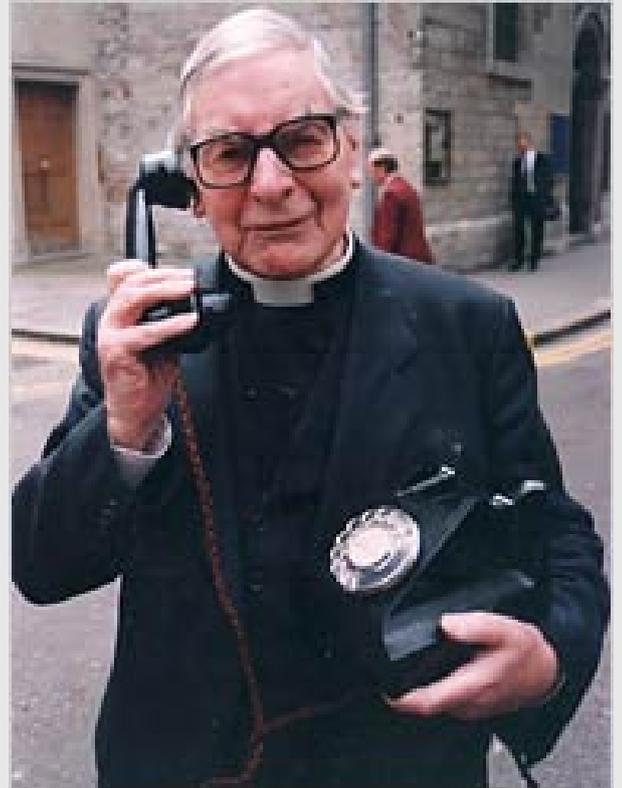
Chad Varah

PELHAM 1925-1930

VARAH WAS BORN IN BARTON-UPON HUMBER AND HE WAS THE ELDEST OF NINE CHILDREN.

HE CAME TO THE COLLEGE AND THEN WON AN EXHIBITION TO STUDY NATURAL SCIENCES AT KEBLE COLLEGE, OXFORD BUT HE QUICKLY SWITCHED TO PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS AND ECONOMICS. HE WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN THE UNIVERSITY RUSSIAN AND SLAVONIC CLUB.

ALTHOUGH VARAH WAS INITIAALLY RELUCTANT HIS GODFATHER PERSUADED VARAH TO STUDY AT LINCOLN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE. HE WAS THEN LATER ORDAINED DEACON IN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN 1935 AND PRIEST IN 1936. HE THEN SERVED AS A CURATE AT ST. GILES LINCOLN.



VARAH WAS MOST WELL KNOWN FOR CREATING THE SAMARITANS.

HE FIRST GOT THE IDEA OF WHAT WAS HAPPENING IN THE WORLD WHEN HE WAS TAKING A FUNERAL AS A CURATE IN 1935 AND IT WAS A GIRL WHO HAD COMMITTED SUICIDE. IN 1953 VARAH THEN FOUNDED THE SAMARITAND WHICH AIMED "TO BEFRIEND THE SUICIDAL AND DESPERATION. THE LINE GOT ITS FIRST CALL IN 1953 AND IT STILL GOES ON TO THIS DAY.



RUPERT SHELDRAKE



MASON 1955-1959

ALTHOUGH SHELDRAKE'S PARENTS WERE METHODISTS THEY STILL SENT HIM TO THE COLLEGE. AT FIRST HE SAID THAT AT ABOUT 14 HE HAD GONE THROUGH THE STANDARD SCIENTIFIC, ATHEIST STAGE AS HE THOUGHT THAT SCIENCE EQUALS ATHEISM. HE ALSO SAID THAT HE WAS THE ONLY BOY AT THE COLLEGE WHO REFUSED TO GET CONFIRMED.

JUST BEFORE HE WENT OFF TO COLLEGE HE WORKED AT A PHARMACOLOGY RESEARCH LAB IN LONDON. HOWEVER, HE HATED THIS DUE TO THE REQUIRED DESTRUCTION OF LAB ANIMALS WHICH HE FOUND DEEPLY UNSETTLING. HE THEN WENT TO CLARE COLLEGE IN CAMBRIDGE AND HE WAS THEN AWARDED A FELLOWSHIP TO STUDY PHILOSOPHY AND HISTORY AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY.

HE IS MOST FAMOUS FOR PROPOSING THE THEORY OF MORPHIC RESONANCE WHICH SUGGESTS THAT NATURAL SYSTEMS INHERIT COLLECTIVE MEMORY FROM PAST SYSTEMS OF THE SAME KIND. HE WAS ALSO KNOWN FOR CHALLENGING CONVENTIONAL SCIENTIFIC IDEAS ABOUT THINGS LIKE MEMORY, CONSCIOUSNESS AND HABITS IN NATURE. HE HAS ALSO WRITTEN SEVERAL POPULAR SCIENCE BOOKS AND GIVEN A FEW PUBLIC TALKS.

RONALD WALLENS



(THE EXACT DATE OF HIS TIME AT THE COLLEGE IS NOT KNOWN.)

WALLENS JOINED THE RAF ON A SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION IN 1934.

HE THEN JOINED HIS FIRST SQUADRON NO. 41 SQUADRON RAF AT RAF CATTERICK ON THE 26TH OF MARCH 1938.

41 SQUADRON JOINED THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN IN AUGUST 1940.

ON THE 8TH OF AUGUST WALLENS CLAIMED 2 BF 109S DESTROYED AND ONE SHARED DESTROYED, HE THEN SHARED A HU 88 ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST.

ON THE 5TH OF SEPTEMBER, 1940 WALLENS WAS SHOT DOWN BY A MEESCHMITT BF 109 OF JG54 AND WAS VERY SERIOUSLY WOUNDED IN ACTION OVER THE THAMES ESTUARY.

WALLENS'S FLIGHT WAS ORDERED TO MAKE A HEAD-ON ATTACK ON A LARGE FORMATION WITH 17 BOMBERS AND JUST OVER 50 OTHER PLANES. THERE WAS CHAOS AND PLANES WERE BEING SHOT, SOME COLLIDED AND SOME WERE LOST. WALLENS BROKE AWAY, DIVED AND TOOK OUT ONE PLANE AND WAS LINING UP ANOTHER BUT WAS ATTACKED FROM ABOVE AND HIS LEG WAS SHATTERED BUT HE STILL LIVED ON,.

FROM AUGUST TO OCTOBER 1938 HE UNDERTOOK FLYING TRAINING BEFORE THEN REJOINING THE SQUADRON. IN OCTOBER 1939 HE WAS AWARDED THE RANK OF PILOT OFFICER AND THEN FLYING OFFICER IN JULY 1940.



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