



Brendan McGurck 1945 RIP

The late Norman Taylor researched extensively why Brendan's name was not inscribed on the Blaisdon village War Memorial. Norman wrote his notes about Brendan in the book - Recollections of Blaisdon Hall - (copies still available from John Ward).

Despite Norman's attempts to have Brendan's (the airman) included on Blaisdon's Memorial - Norman actually visited The National Arboretum - and confirmed Brendan's name is memorably inscribed on the monument there, little progress has been made but now good news has arrived.

John Ward and Roger Allen have progressed this matter as an ongoing issue. Last night in Blaisdon, the Parish Council discussed a letter received from The British War Graves Commission. I am not party yet to its contents, but it concerns Brendan McGurk. I will keep you posted.

Brendan was the 21st boy to enter BH (1935) leaving in 1937. While serving over France, Brendan was killed in action in 1944.

KENNETH HILL

I believe the name(wrongly inscribed) of Kenneth Hill BH (1940-1942) is going to be removed. Kenneth indeed served his country, but died as a civilian in Bolton; well after the end of World War 11. Kenneth was trained in **Baking** at Blaisdon Hall.

Appeal: Does anyone have a photo of Brendan? If so could you Email or mail a copy to me. Many thanks. JW