

Last Chance to see 'WW1 Remembered' exhibition

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People are being encouraged to take a last look at a unique free exhibition which, over the past four years, has commemorated the Centenary of the First World War.

First shown in Bath in 2014, the Bath & North East Somerset Council WW1 Remembered exhibition was displayed in Radstock in 2015, in Keynsham in 2016, and in Midsomer Norton in 2017; it now returns to Bath for a final showing.

Councillor Paul Myers, cabinet member for Economic & Community Regeneration, said: "Now is the last chance to see the exhibition back in Bath for two weeks, at the Central Library from Monday 1 October to Sunday 14 October.

"WW1 Remembered tells some great local stories of the First World War through photographs and letters from the Bath In Time photographic archive and the Bath Record Office, as well as contributions from local people."

The exhibition includes the story of Oliver Brooks who was born in Paulton. He grew up working as a carting boy in the coal mines. He enlisted in the Army when he was still under-age. In 1915 he became the only First World War soldier in the Bath and North East Somerset area to be awarded the Victoria Cross. Oliver Brooks continued to serve and came home to find his courageous efforts pictured on playing cards and even in Fry's Cocoa advertisements.

WW1 Remembered is just one of several events taking place in Bath and North East Somerset this autumn to commemorate the WW1 Centenary. To find out more visit www.bathnes.gov.uk/ww1centenary

The exhibition is free and is open at the following times: Monday-Friday 9:30am-6pm; Saturday 9:30am-5pm Sunday 1-4pm at Bath Central Library, The Podium, in Northgate Street.

IMAGE DETAILS

Stretcher Section and RAMC (Royal Army Medical Corps) - 12th Hampshire Regiment. Soldiers of the 12th Hants. Regiment were billeted in Bath, and this picture was taken by local photographer George Love Dafnis.
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