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## THE NATIONAL MEMORIAL TO THE EVACUATION Commissioned by The British Evacuees Association

The National Memorial to the Evacuation Dedication Service took place on 25th July 2017. Over 220 members, family, friends and supporters were present at the service at The National Memorial Arboretum, Alrewas, Staffordshire.

We were honoured to welcome HRH The Duke of Gloucester at this event. Our Memorial now stands proudly in place and will ensure that the greatest ever social upheaval in British History, which involved over 3.5 million children, is not forgotten.

# Do you remember the evacuation?

**Were you an evacuee? Were evacuees sent to your area?**

**Have you any memories of the great evacuation of British children during WW2?**

The British Evacuees Association (formerly The Evacuees Reunion Association) was formed in 1996 to ensure that the true story of the great evacuation would become better known and preserved for future generations. It is a registered charity, non profit organisation which is funded by our Membership subscriptions and donations.

We publish a 16 page quarterly magazine 'The Evacuee', which is sent to all our members worldwide. We currently have members in the United Kingdom, France, Spain, United States, Canada, New Zealand and Australia. The magazine contains our members stories and recollections of their time as children, articles of interest, and

an Events and Lost Touch section that has helped many contact former friends and family.

We provide educational information to schools, history groups and are regularly asked to contribute and participate in television programmes on the subject. We also organise reunions, our largest to date being 1800 members at St Paul's Cathedral in London in 2009 to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of the Second World War Evacuation. We attend 1940's events throughout the country and march annually in November at the Royal British Legion Parade in London.

You don't have to have been an evacuee to join The BEA - membership is open to everyone



Your past...

*We look forward to hearing from you*

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**The great British Evacuation of the 2nd World War, 1939-1945**

**Did you know:**

- Although Britain was not invaded, over three million of its civilians - mostly children - were evacuated from their homes and families
- They were taken from the cities and towns that were seen as likely targets for enemy bombing and from the coastal regions threatened with invasion
- The code name for the Government's evacuation plan was 'Operation Pied Piper'
- Under the scheme, children of school age could be registered to be taken to the reception areas under the care of their teachers
- Parents could not travel with them - the destinations were secret

**Patrons**

Mr Michael Aspel OBE - Television Presenter and former evacuee. Sir Robert Crawford CBE - Former Director General of the Imperial War Museum. Lady Emma Barnard - of Parham Park, home for evacuees during World War Two