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Mametz Wood Memorial

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Mametz, Somme

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== Geography ==

Mametz is situated on the D64 road, some 32 kilometres (20 mi) northeast of Amiens and 4 miles (6.4 km) east of Albert. Fricourt lies to the west, Contalmaison is to

the north, Montauban-de-Picardie to the north-east and Carnoy and Maricourt are to the south-east. Mametz Wood is 1,000 yards (910 m) to the north-west. Before the First World War, the village was the fifth largest in the area, with about 120 houses and had a station on the line from Albert to Péronne.

The Welsh at Mametz Wood (painting)

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== Welsh Charge at Mametz Wood ==

Carnoy-Mametz

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== See also ==

Communes of the Somme department

Mametz, Pas-de-Calais

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== Geography ==

Mametz is located about 10 miles (16 km) south of Saint-Omer, at the junction of the D157 and D197 roads. The commune was joined by the villages of Crecques and

Marthes in 1822.

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During the Battle of Albert (25 to 29 September 1914) the II Bavarian Corps attacked westwards north of the Somme but was fought to a standstill east of Mametz. Reinforced by the XIV Reserve Corps the Germans captured Mametz on 29 September. After a mutually-costly battle for Fricourt, the French were eventually forced out, the front line stabilised and both sides began to improvise defences. In mid-December a French in the Mametz area was a costly failure.

Mine warfare began soon after a front line was established but the most extensive mining took place further north at La Boisselle. During 1915, the area...

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Llewelyn Wyn Griffith CBE (30 August 1890 – 27 September 1977) was a Welsh novelist, born in Llandrillo yn Rhos, Denbighshire. He is known for his memoir, *Up to Mametz*, based on his service during World War I.

Educated at Dolgellau Grammar School, he joined the civil service. On the outbreak of war in August 1914 he was working at the Inland Revenue in London. He tried to join up but was refused because the Inland Revenue was considered a reserved occupation. When the rules were relaxed he and a friend tried to join the Royal Naval Division, but his friend was rejected. Both then joined the 7th (Merionethshire and Montgomeryshire) Battalion, Royal Welch Fusiliers of the Territorial Force. When the 15th (Service) Battalion, Royal Welch Fusiliers (1st London Welsh) was forming as part of 'Kitchener's Army' Griffith applied for a commission and was accepted in January 1915. His service as a company commander with the 15th Royal Welch Fusiliers, part of the 38th (Welsh) Division, provided the material for *Up to Mametz*. He covered his later war service on the staff in the sequel *Beyond Mametz* (unpublished until 2010).

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== History ==

The village of Mametz is located approximately eight kilometres to the east of Albert, and on 1 July 1916, the opening day of the Battle of the Somme, it was an objective for the British 7th Division, along with a nearby German trench named Dantzig Alley which ran to the southwest of Mametz. Both were captured by elements of the division's 91st Brigade, the 22nd Battalion of the Manchester Regiment and the 1st Battalion of the South Staffordshire Regiment.

Devonshire Cemetery

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Devonshire Cemetery is a small Commonwealth War Graves Commission (CWGC) burial site for some of the British Empire and Commonwealth troops killed during the Battle of the Somme. It is located near to the village of Mametz. The cemetery grounds were assigned to the British Empire in perpetuity by the French state in recognition of the sacrifices made by the Allies in the defence of France during the First World War.

All but two of the graves in the cemetery are of men from the 8th and 9th Battalions of the Devonshire Regiment.

== Foundation and development of the cemetery ==

The cemetery was established on 4 July 1916, employing a section of the old front-line trench in Mansel Copse. This ground had originally been held by troops of the 9th Devons before the attack towards the German positions in Mametz on 1 July. Casualties were extremely heavy. After the attack a wooden board was erected close to the mass grave with the legend, 'The Devonshires held this trench, the Devonshires hold it still'. The same inscription is now to be found on the stone memorial tablet unveiled in 1986.

After the war, the architect W. H. Cowlshaw was commissioned to submit a design for a permanent site....

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