

World War 1 Roll of Honour

Birmingham City Police

PC A79 Jack ALLEN

Private 172888 Machine Gun Corps



Jack was born in 1887 in Mancetter, North Warwickshire

3rd August 1909 Jack ALLEN joined Birmingham City Police as a miner. He was issued with warrant number 7751, collar number PC A79 and was posted to the A Division

18th October 1911 Jack was awarded a gratuity of a guinea and complimented in police orders for courageous conduct in stopping a runaway horse

1912 census shows Jack ALLEN residing at Moseley Street Police Station

16th April 1913 Jack was again awarded a gratuity of a guinea and complimented in police orders for courageous conduct in stopping a runaway horse

13th October 1913 Jack was awarded a gratuity of a guinea and complimented in police orders for the arrest when off duty of someone breaking into premises

12th April 1914 Jack Allen married Edith Agnes Russell and they had two children, their son who was born 15th September 1914 and a daughter who was born 17th June 1917

24th April 1918 Jack resigned from the police to join HM Forces and served as Private 172888 Machine Gun Corps

27th January 1919 Jack re-joined Birmingham City Police after serving with HM Forces, he was issued with a new warrant number of 8741 and was posted to the A Division

8th August 1919 Jack was dismissed from Birmingham City Police after being reported by Superintendent George MONK for being absent from duty on Saturday 8th August 1919 and participating in a police strike

6th September 1942 Jack sadly died, his address was 21 Wichnor Road, Sheldon, Birmingham and his effects of £842 16s 8d were left to his widow Edith Agnes Ashby

George Harry Russell was the landlord of the Hen and Chickens Public House in Moseley Street, Birmingham and he had four daughters who *all* married policemen from Moseley Street Police Station, one of the policemen who married one of his four daughters was Jack Allen

The other police officers were PC C78 Thomas Mooney, PC E58 Harry Paragreen, PC William Woodyatt and PS A14 William Henry Robinson. PC Woodyatt married PC Paragreen's widow



PC Mooney



PC Paragreen



PC Woodyatt marked by a X



PC Robinson