**Woolwich Pub Bomb**

**7th November 1974**

SEFF remembers the innocents of the Woolwich Pub Bomb committed on 7th November 1974 by Provisional IRA terrorists.

A bomb made of 6lb of gelignite with the addition of shrapnel was thrown through the window into the bar on 7th November 1974. Two people were murdered in the explosion; Gunner Richard Dunne (aged 42), of the Royal Artillery and Alan Horsley (aged 20), a sales clerk. 28 people, including the landlady, Margaret Nash, were injured.

Responsibility for this bombing was subsequently claimed by The Provisional IRA and specifically by part of the terror cell apprehended at the Balcombe Street Siege.

The attack was one of a series of pub blasts carried out in England by the IRA at the time. It occurred a month after five people were killed in Guildford and two weeks before the Birmingham pub bombings, which killed 21.

A survivor of the bomb Fred Westmoreland and who was left with permanent injuries has recently spoken out publicly. The former Army man, who lost part of a leg and his hearing in one ear, was speaking after the BBC revealed that the inquest into the atrocity was never completed.

Mr Westmoreland, now a Conservative councillor in Wiltshire, said: "Those who died deserve serious attention be given to what happened to them."

Mr Westmoreland said he has mixed feelings about an inquest into the 1974 London attack, but concedes that loved ones of those murdered may feel differently.

"To me it's done, but I believe those who died deserve that serious attention be given to what happened to them, although it's almost 50 years ago,".

"I believe someone would want to acknowledge the deaths of Mr Horsley and Mr Dunne. It was all brushed over and very quickly everyone forgot about them."

The victims of the Woolwich Pub Bomb are remembered on SEFF’s Memorial Quilt; Terrorism knows NO Borders.

SEFF’s thoughts and prayers are with the families of those murdered via the bombing and all others physically and psychologically injured.