

- THE -  
**SIR KEITH PARK**  
- MEMORIAL CAMPAIGN -



**Please join us at RAF Museum London - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Dear Supporter,

Thank you for your continued support. It was good for myself and the Campaign team to meet so many of you at the numerous Air Shows we attended throughout the Summer.

This latest issue of our Newsletter contains an update of where the Campaign is now, what our next steps are, and an invitation for you to join us at the Battle of Britain weekend taking place at the RAF Museum at Hendon on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

**The Campaign**

The Campaign has been a great success. Contrary to some inaccurate media reports, we have received the enthusiastic backing of the Mayor of London, Boris Johnson, for our plans to place a statue of Sir Keith on the 4<sup>th</sup> Plinth temporarily in late October or November 2009 for six months, with a permanent statue being erected in September 2010 most probably in Waterloo Place. This would be a fitting site and appropriate time for the statue to take up a permanent position in London, as 2010 marks the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Britain.

There has been enormous support for the Campaign from the RAF, Battle of Britain veterans, members of the Park family and even the New Zealand cricket team. We have also secured the support of the leaders of all the New Zealand political parties, including the Prime Minister and Defence Minister. In the UK more than 60 MP's from all parties are backing the Campaign and we are supported by individuals such as Tony Benn, Lord Tebbit, Sir Patrick Moore, Dan Snow and Edward Fox. Thousands of members of the public and many organisations have shown their support by signing our petition.

**Campaign Aims & Next Steps**

Two planning applications will soon be made to Westminster City Council. We are finalising the form of the sculptures that will grace the 4<sup>th</sup> Plinth temporarily and permanently at the site in Waterloo Place. As advised by Westminster City Council's Public Art Advisory Panel, we have asked six sculptors to make maquettes (scale models) of a single design for both the temporary and permanent statue. By mid-September the final sculpture/sculptor will be chosen, and a detailed planning application will be submitted to Westminster City Council before the end of this year.

We will of course keep our supporters updated with news on both the website and with regular newsletters. We will also ask for letters of support to be sent to Westminster's Planning Committee at the appropriate time. It is important that the officers and elected councillors at Westminster City Council, who have the ultimate decision over whether our proposals proceed, are aware of the widespread and passionate support amongst members of the public for a suitable memorial to Sir Keith Park.

We thank you again for your continued support and look forward to meeting many supporters of our Campaign at RAF Hendon on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

Kind regards,

**Terry Smith**  
Sir Keith Park  
Memorial Campaign



A Spitfire at dawn in Trafalgar Square on launch day 7<sup>th</sup> March

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**Support The Sir Keith Park Memorial Campaign - Return This Petition Slip**

I ..... am aware that there is no permanent memorial or statue to Air Chief Marshal Sir Keith Park GBC, KBE, MC and Bar, DFC, RAF, who was in direct command of the pilots and all those who helped them defend London, the South East & the whole country from invasion during the Battle of Britain in 1940. I am aware that there is a statue currently being commissioned and agree that a suitable position for it to occupy is the 4<sup>th</sup> Plinth in Trafalgar Square, where Sir Keith Park would join other heroes.

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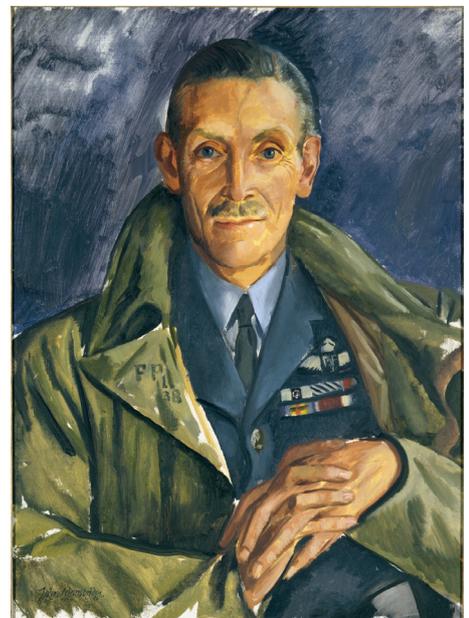
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**RAF HENDON TICKETS**

I would like: ..... Individual Ticket(s) at £5.00 each

or: ..... Family Ticket(s) at £15.00 each

for the event on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September.





**Please join us at RAF Museum London - Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

**Battle of Britain Weekend,  
RAF Museum, Hendon -  
Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2008**

We would like to invite you to our next Campaign event at the Battle of Britain Weekend organised at the RAF Museum, London in Hendon on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September. This is an all day event (and indeed the Battle of Britain theme continues on the Sunday).

We are delighted that our participation in the event at Hendon has been organised in conjunction with KEA, the New Zealand ex-pat business organisation. We look forward to meeting many supporters of our Campaign at RAF Hendon at what promises to be a great day out. Available for view on the day is a simulation of the control room at RAF Uxbridge where Sir Keith Park took control of the operations of 11 Group during the Battle of Britain. There will also be many interactive activities for adults and children of all ages including special Battle of Britain themed displays. Tickets are £5.00 per person or £15.00 for a family ticket which gives entry to an exclusive area of the Museum with complimentary coffee, tea and refreshments. Please contact the Campaign for tickets and further details on: **020 7200 7268** or email: **campaign@sirkeithpark.com**

In the meantime we would be most grateful if you would pass on the form below to any friends or colleagues who would like to support our Campaign and sign the petition. Please note, you can use the same address and/or the form below to confirm that you would like tickets to the event at RAF Hendon on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

**To book your tickets to this event, telephone: 020 7200 7268  
or email: campaign@sirkeithpark.com**

**Memorial Campaign Website Update  
www.sirkeithpark.com**

In mid September 2008, the Campaign website will see a major update. Visitors to the site will be treated to new content including a section packed with video and audio podcast interviews from celebrity supporters to include Sir Patrick Moore, Edward Fox, Dan Snow and Dr. Stephen Bungay. The site will also show TV footage from previous Campaign events including the launch in Trafalgar Square and subsequent events at Biggin Hill and the RAF Club.

This website refreshment is timed to coincide with the commencement of the second phase of the Campaign as the two planning applications are readied for Westminster City Council. Our aim is to keep our supporters around the world up to date with the very latest news from the Campaign and our website enables us to do this in a timely and interactive manner.

So, put a note in your diaries to visit the Campaign website on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September when you can enjoy all the new interactive content.



Members of the extended Park family meet Terry Smith in New Zealand



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