

## ***New series of hardback editions from Imperial War Museums showcase the very best of its photography collection***

IWM's photography collection contains approximately 11 million photographs covering the cause, course and consequences of modern conflict from the First World War to present day. This year IWM will celebrate this rich collection, publishing a series of four new hardback books each showcasing fifty of its most well-known and interesting photography on different themes. This visual series will launch in May with two titles focusing on the Royal Family and the Spitfire, with further books to be released in the autumn. Covering over fifty years of history and two World Wars, each title will include an introduction by IWM historians, and showcase IWM's unrivalled photography collection.

Spring 2022 will also see the publication of two more titles in IWM's critically-acclaimed Wartime Classics fiction series. *Mailed Fist* by John Foley is based on the author's own experiences in the Royal Armoured Corps during the Second World War whilst Robert Greenwood's *Mr Bunting at War* sheds light on the experiences of a quiet everyman on the home front.



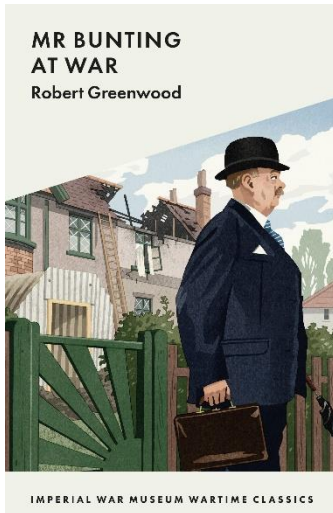
**The Spitfire: IWM Photography Collection**, ISBN 9781912423439, £12.99  
**The Royal Family in Wartime: IWM Photography Collection**, ISBN 9781912423453, £12.99  
 Publication date May 2022

This spring will see the publication of the first titles in a new series of beautiful photography hardbacks, showcasing captivating images held in IWM's comprehensive collection. The first two books in the series will be themed around the iconic Spitfire and the history of the Royal family in conflict. Both books will contain an informative introduction by an IWM expert, with added information on the history of IWM's wider photography collections.



**Mailed Fist by John Foley**  
 ISBN 9781912423491  
 £8.99  
 Publication date April 2022

The twelfth book to be added to IWM's Wartime Classics series tells the story of John Foley, who is posted to command Five Troop and their trusty Churchill tanks in April 1943. Covering the trials of training, embarkation to France and experience through the battlegrounds of Europe, Foley's intimate and detailed account follows the fate of these men of the Royal Armoured Corps in the latter stages of the Second World War.



### **Mr Bunting at War by Robert Greenwood**

ISBN 9781912423507

£8.99

Publication date April 2022

A thirteenth addition to the series will focus on the home front during the Second World War where we meet George Bunting – a businessman, husband and father, who lives a quiet life at home in Laburnam Villa, Essex. Mr Bunting’s initial war efforts are modest. But as the war continues into the summer of 1940, the Battle of Britain rages in the skies and the bombs begin to rain down on London, this bumbling ‘everyman’ is forced to confront the true realities of the conflict and does so with remarkable stoicism: *He was not brilliant, nor heroic, but there was one thing he could do – endure. It was the one thing he was good at, and it happened to be almost his sole duty.*

All titles are available to purchase from the [IWM online shop](#).

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#### **Notes to Editors**

##### **IWM**

**IWM (Imperial War Museums) tells the story of people who have lived, fought and died in conflicts involving Britain and the Commonwealth since the First World War.**

**Our unique collections, made up of the everyday and the exceptional, reveal stories of people, places, ideas and events. Using these, we tell vivid personal stories and create powerful physical experiences across our five museums that reflect the realities of war as both a destructive and creative force. We challenge people to look at conflict from different perspectives, enriching their understanding of the causes, course and consequences of war and its impact on people’s lives.**

IWM’s five branches which attract over 2.5 million visitors each year are **IWM London**, IWM’s flagship branch that has recently transformed with new, permanent and free Second World War and The Holocaust Galleries; **IWM North**, housed in an iconic award-winning building designed by Daniel Libeskind; **IWM Duxford**, a world renowned aviation museum and Britain’s best preserved wartime airfield; **Churchill War Rooms**, housed in Churchill’s secret headquarters below Whitehall; and the Second World War cruiser **HMS Belfast**.