## Wartime Southam

## 1939 - 1945

Local Historian, Alan Griffin, grew up in Southam and his earlier book "Lest We Forget" about the Great War was written in memory of his grandfather Private Ralph Griffin who was killed in action at Wulverghem on January 8th 1915.

His latest book "*Wartime Southam 1939 - 1945*" is a scrapbook of the war years in and around Southam during WW2 and will be launched on May 20th at the Southam History Fayre in St James' Church, when the author will be there to



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A group of young Southam Air Training Corps (2028 Squadron) cadets dressed ready for take off.

sign copies.

Alan says, "I am

more than willing to respond to enquiries about any aspect of Southam in Wartime and would welcome sight of any photographs or ephemera of the period."

Following the History Fayre, the book will be available from the Southam Heritage Collection for  $\pounds 6.99$ , but at the History Fayre you will not only have the opportunity to meet Alan Griffin, but purchase a signed copy at the discounted price of  $\pounds 5$ .

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Bill Fitchett at RAF Gaydon, who was well known in Southam as he ran the newsagents on Market Hill