



One Woman's War

EILEEN YOUNGHUSBAND

"It reads like a novel. But every word is true."

A fascinating account of the Second World War – as told by a woman who helped to defend the skies from the Nazis

- Secrets revealed about The Filter Room, Radar and the life and death decisions she had to make to protect England.
- Foreword by Winston Churchill's granddaughter.
- Endorsed by Dame Vera Lynn.

Winston Churchill immortalised the fighter pilots who won the Battle of Britain as “The Few” but behind them was another group of people – even fewer and mostly women, whose work was too secret to acknowledge. The author takes us on a fascinating journey, bringing to life the untold story of Radar’s secret Filter Room.

Ninety-year-old Eileen Younghusband served as an officer in the Women’s Auxiliary Air Force in WW2. Deciding to volunteer at the age of eighteen, her mathematical abilities lead to her training as a Clerk Special Duties, a vital part of the Radar chain. She found herself working in the Filter Room, the lynchpin between the coastal Radar Chain and the successful defence of Britain. She tracked the V1s over Kent and London and gave the first “Big Ben” warning of a V2, which landed on Chiswick on September 8th, 1944.

After losing two fiancés, she eventually married; only to be posted overseas six weeks later to Second Tactical Air Force in Belgium. There she became part of a team tracking and destroying V2 launching vehicles, responsible for the devastating raids on Antwerp – the Allies’ vital port for landing troops and supplies.

Re-allocated to new duties, she was sent as guide and interpreter to the concentration camp south of Brussels, Breendonk, known as the “Camp of Silence and Death” where she learnt the horrible secrets of its past...

MARKETING, PUBLICITY, PRESS, REVIEWS

- “One Woman’s War” will be launched on July 4th 2011 – Eileen’s 90th birthday.
- Around the time of launch, 90-year-old Eileen will tour a number of towns and cities to promote her book.
- This book will be supported by a strong marketing campaign, making use of TV, radio, print and Internet outlets.



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THE AUTHOR

EILEEN YOUNGHUSBAND lives in Sully in the Vale of Glamorgan. She speaks several languages and regularly gives lectures about her time in the war. Reminiscing, she says these experiences have helped her cope with the loss of both her husband and her only son. It has also given her the determination to gain her Bachelor of Arts Degree at the age of eighty-six, write her autobiography “Not an Ordinary Life” and complete this wartime saga, in the last two years. This book is dedicated to the small band of women of the WAAF, working in the seven Filter Rooms of Fighter Command, whose dedication to duty and patriotism contributed to the victorious defence of Great Britain.