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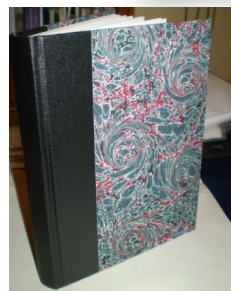
Welcome



Welcome to our second edition of the Bound by Veterans Newsletter! We are delighted you wish to find out more about what we do.

Following the success of our first newsletter, we want to be able to regularly update you about what we do and how we do it and, more

importantly, how you can get involved! Whether you are a veteran, a bookbinder, a business or a volunteer, we would love to hear from you. We offer basic, intermediate and more complex bookbinding courses to cater for a wide variety of skill levels and



enable our students to work through the courses at their own pace. Sign up today for more information about our bookbinding centre and you will be regularly updated on what we offer and how you can join us.

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Special points of interest:

- Like us on [facebook.com/Bound-by-Veterans](https://www.facebook.com/Bound-by-Veterans)
- Our Introductory Courses average 7 students each month
- All materials and training are free!
- Over 200 veterans and partners have learned a new skill through BBV

Trustee's Overview by Lt Col Mike Quaille

I was delighted to be asked to become a trustee for BBV in March last year.

The bookbinding sessions run in the Tidworth Recovery Centre are a very popular feature of the Rolling Recovery Programme. Those still serving and veterans all relax, chat and learn how to create a book to take home.

I use my position, of Officer Commanding the Recovery Centre, to advertise BBV opportunities and, having seen how much fun they have and how calming and productive it is, I encourage everyone to give it a go.



7 The average number of veterans attending Intro courses each month

***"Go for it!
It is not a
subject you
would think
of but it is
really
enjoyable in
its simplicity.
(Stefan)***



Interested in learning how to bookbind? Want to volunteer to help our charity? Are you a company keen to be involved with our work?

Please **get in touch** and help us transform the lives of more veterans and their partners. (contact details p.4)



Stefan's Story

Following a Taster session at Tedworth House, I attended a week-long course. It was such an interesting subject that I had never considered before. Although there is a lot of concentration involved, it is not mentally challenging. I found I could relax and forget about the issues I have as everything went into creating the book

itself. I am currently studying Levels 1 & 2 and would like to get some bindery practice but really look forward to using my skills as a hobby, to make presents for people, as it is something I can fit around me and how I feel on a day-to-day basis. It is all done in logical steps so you can put it down and pick it up very easily.

Bindery Methods by Ali Strachan

There are countless different bindings used in our trade: case binding in cloth, leather or paper; contemporary or traditional; Japanese, Coptic, Ledger-style, Fine leather and Vellum, as well as boxes and folders.

We also create photograph albums and deal with the restoration of books.

As the Bindery Director at Shepherds, I have always been fascinated by books

and paper and this is my dream job.

An added bonus is the work I now do alongside at Bound By Veterans. I especially enjoy helping veterans learn creative skills which are so rewarding and absorbing: the feedback from veteran students has been nothing but positive.



Fantastic Freya



I got involved with BBV in 2014 because I wanted to be part of an amazing project that provided not only skills and qualifications, but a social

and friendly environment for veterans going through transition or coping with mental and physical conditions. Seven years ago, a serious illness left me virtually housebound. As part of my recovery, I joined several courses, and bookbinding was the craft I fell in love with. I have worked freelance now in several binderies across the south of

England, but I am now very proud to be the Principal Instructor at Bound by Veterans. The courses are usually a week long and the classes are small, ranging from beginners through to Level 2 City & Guilds. We host day courses and workshops. The bindery is open on set days for all students who want to come and work on their own projects.

***“ It’s a place
to socialise,
have a laugh,
learn and
drink a LOT
of tea!”
(Freya)***

Spellbinding Training

We provide three types of training: **informal introductory lessons** as a “taster” for bookbinding, and **formal courses** leading (if desired) to national qualifications. **Workshop days** cover the wider aspect of bookbinding. There is no requirement to apply for City & Guilds awards, but veterans are

automatically registered and application for these nationally recognised qualifications is strongly encouraged. Courses and awards are available at Level 1 and Level 2, and each course covers the syllabus of one City & Guilds “Unit”. By completing a Unit, a student can achieve a single craft Award.

For example, the successful completion of the Beginners' Course (Unit 118) qualifies for a City & Guilds Award.



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Training Courses 2016

6-10th June - **LEVEL 2 SECOND AWARD – Alternative and Historical Binding (C&G Unit 221)** Daffodil Barn, Woodborough.

24th June - **INTRODUCTORY LESSON** at Tedworth House (Avon Room)

4-8th July - **LEVEL 1 FIRST AWARD – Basic Principles And Making Journals (C&G Unit 118)** Daffodil Barn, Woodborough.

11 - 13 July - **BOX MAKING MASTERCLASS** (veterans must have previously attended Basic Principles course)

22nd July - **INTRODUCTORY LESSON** at Tedworth House (Avon Room)

5-9th September - **LEVEL 1 FIRST AWARD – Basic Principles And Making Journals (C&G Unit 118)** Daffodil Barn, Woodborough.

23rd September - **INTRODUCTORY LESSON** at Tedworth House (Avon Room)

For more dates and information on courses and qualifications, visit www.wiltshirebarn.co.uk

Bound by Veterans is a registered charity (1149583).

Remember, all our introductory courses are free to WIS veterans and their partners!

Free tuition & free materials!