

# Midland Ancestors



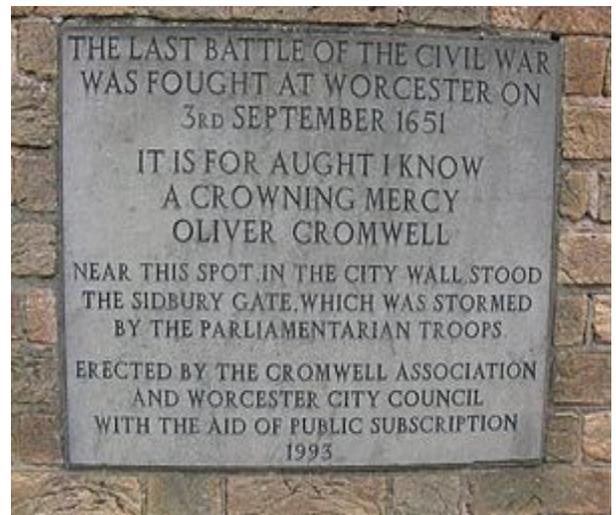
## *Bromsgrove Branch Briefing*

*Editor Mike Fisher*

*Tuesday 10th December 2019 at 7.45 p.m.*

***"The English Civil War in Worcestershire"***

***by Max Keen***



*How did the English Civil War between King and Parliament affect Bewdley, Kidderminster, Stourbridge and Worcester? Which royal figures appeared with armies of 5000 or more? What other armies appeared and what of the local people?*

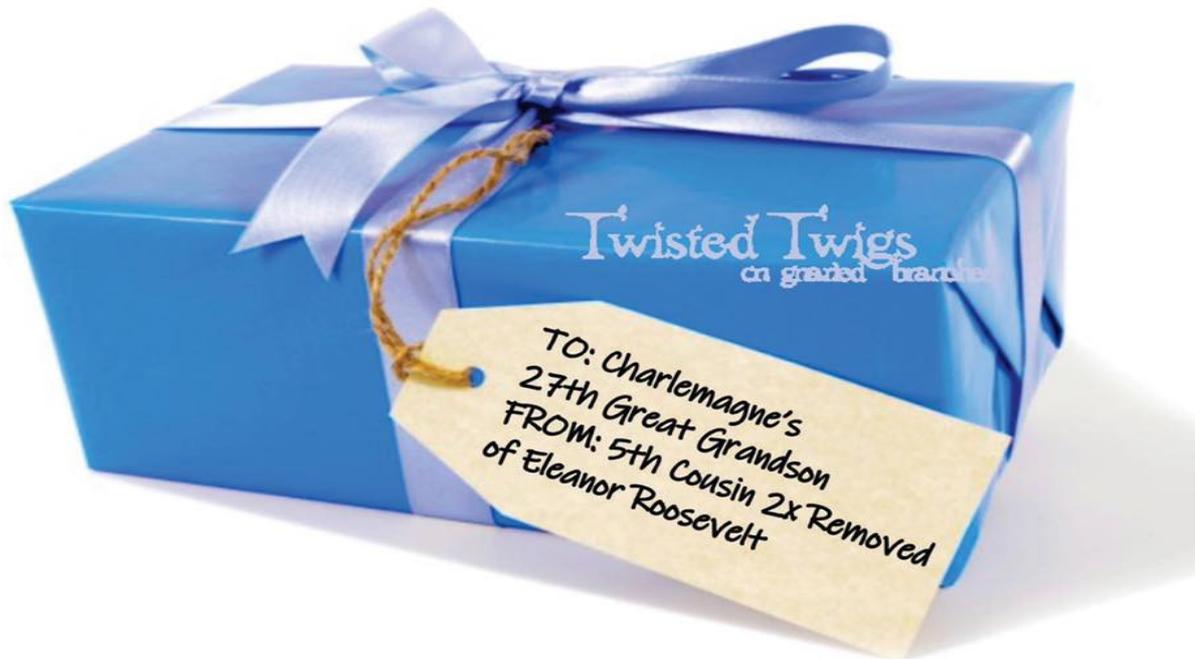
***Max appears dressed as an officer of the period!***

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***The 1939 Register*** was taken on 29 September 1939. The information was used to produce identity cards and, once rationing was introduced in January 1940, to issue ration books. Information in the Register was also used to administer conscription and the direction of labour, and to monitor and control the movement of the population caused by military mobilisation and mass evacuation.

It was designed to capture the details of every member of the civilian population on a specific date - military personnel were not recorded (see below for more information on who was and wasn't recorded). It contains details of around 40 million people, recorded in more than 65,000 volumes (transcript books).

# When Genealogists are put in charge wrapping the presents.



I have been helping a small number of people who have found out their "dad" was not their biological father. They are all deeply affected by discovery no matter how long ago they discovered it. "chatting" to them they were very close to their "dad" but their mothers were, to a lesser or greater degree, more distant to them. The one thing they have in common is the need to find their biological family. They all really need professional counselling to help them come to terms with it. I'm afraid and I'm not able to give them that but I do what I can with their families history.

Our next meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> January is "*Prepare to meet thy God, Death Records*" by *Sandra Taylor*

*Mike Fisher*