



# WOMEN & THE FIRST WORLD WAR (1910-1930)

NORTH EAST RESEARCH FORUM FOR FIRST WORLD WAR STUDIES

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Newcastle University

*Call for Papers*

This interdisciplinary symposium will showcase research on any aspect of women's history in relation to the First World War. We welcome papers on the role and place of girls and women both during the war and also in the years leading up to the outbreak of hostilities and in the decade after. For example, how did literature for girls before the war prepare children for war? How were women involved in pacifist groups? What kinds of work did women do during the war? How were women and girls involved in memorialisation activities? What is the relationship between spiritualism, war and gender politics? Do new transnational paradigms complicate our understanding of women and war? What role did women play in journalism during the war? These are indicative questions only – the symposium is intended to share and develop research on women and the First World War. Papers from a range of fields – including Literature, History, Archaeology, Geography, Politics, Film and Media, Modern Languages, History of Medicine, and Law – are encouraged.

*Keynote Address:*

**Professor Alison Fell (Leeds)**

**'Back to the Front: French and British Female Veteran Groups in the 1920s'**

Please send abstracts of 150 words for  
20-minute papers to [fww@ncl.ac.uk](mailto:fww@ncl.ac.uk) by **15 July 2015**.

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