

GHOST FIELDS OF EAST ANGLIA

CAPTURING FADING MEMORIES OF THE AERIAL WAR 1942-45

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Ghost Fields of East Anglia has become established as one of the classic books covering the wartime period during which vast American air force bases sprang up in the remote countryside of eastern England. From here brave young airmen flew daily missions over war-torn Europe, battles from which many never returned. Through his own remarkable photographs and historic archive images Martin Bowman takes the reader on a visual tour of the surviving Second World War airfields, adding to these the fascinating stories of the lives of those who, for a few short years, made England their home.

Martin Bowman is among the best-known aircraft photographers in the country. The images in this book will fascinate many thousands who visit the area each year in search of this aspect of our military heritage. Rare images of wall art (most of which would have been lost forever but for the author's work in capturing it on camera), aerial photographs of the airfields themselves, and the ivy-clad ruins of all that remains today, make this book a unique visual record.

Ghost Fields of East Anglia honours those who briefly made East Anglia their home in World War Two and is a fitting tribute their comradeship and bravery.

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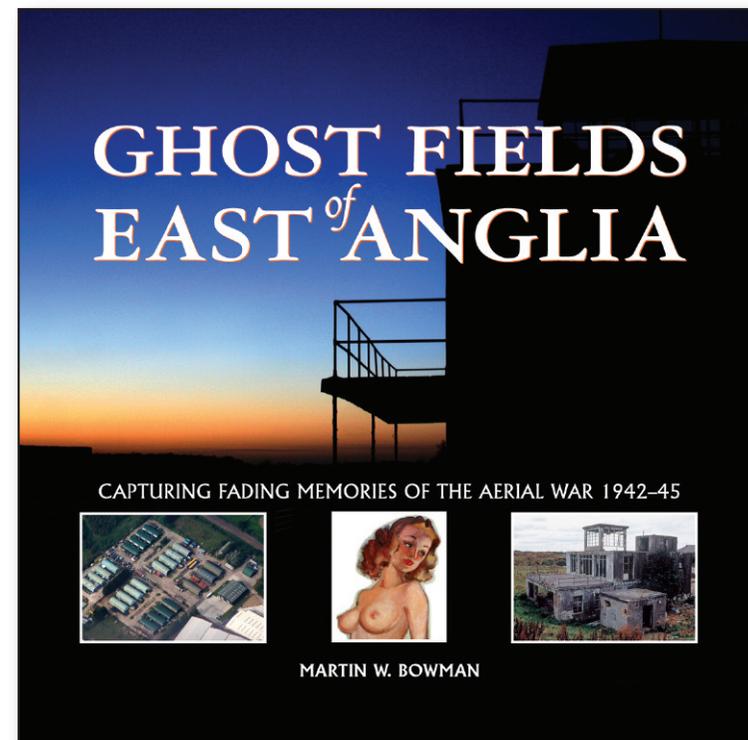
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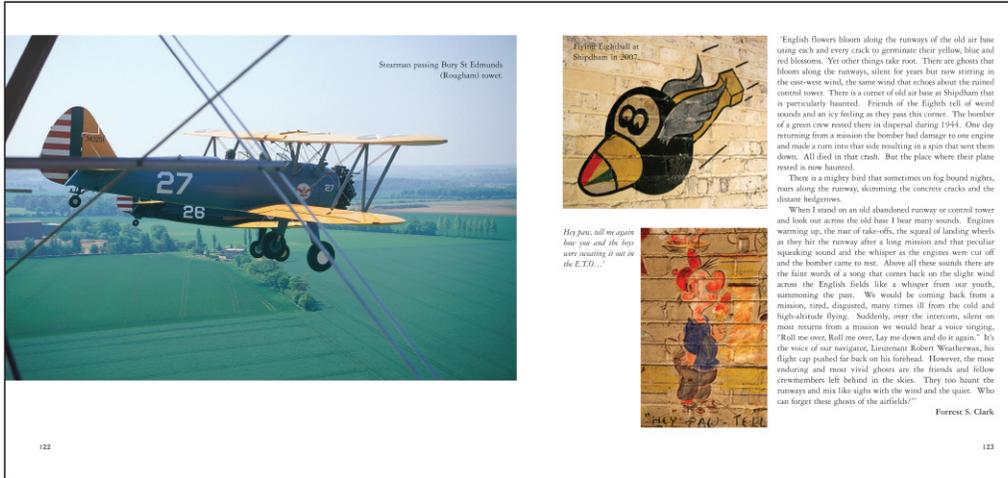
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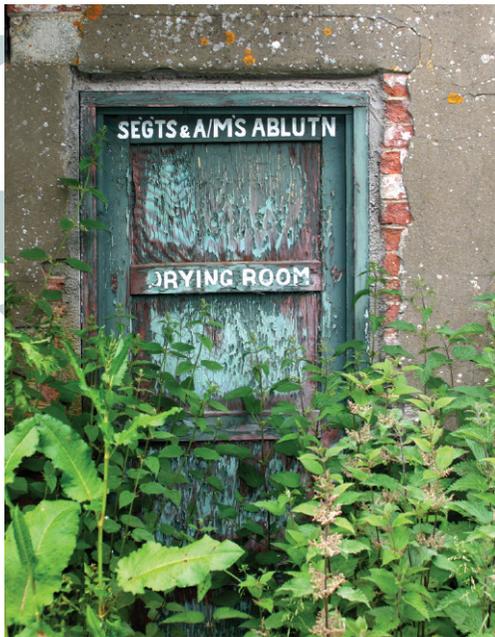
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Example of a double page spread.



Operations caravan and the Control tower, now a museum, at Debach.



Above: Signatures and squadron numbers smoked on the ceiling of the Airman's bar in the 'Eagle' in Benet Street, Cambridge.

Left: Ablutions Hut at Horham.



B-17 mural which once adorned a wall at Podington and is now at the IWM, Duxford.