

Women's Land Army

In June 1940 Oak Lawn on the Eye Road was requisitioned, initially for evacuees and Royal Engineers' training. Later it was used as a hostel for the W L A, housing 25 to 30 volunteers by June 1945. It was still in use as a hostel in 1948. Initially the Land Army was composed of volunteers but later girls over 16 were conscripted. The Land Army was finally disbanded on 21st October 1950.

Some of the names of those in the Women's Land Army mostly at Oak Lawn:-

Jean Allen

Marjorie Blackwood

F Bloomfield - Denham

Irene Carter

Iris Clarke

Norma Edge

Christina Hambling

Jane Houlson

Marjorie Hunter - working at Post Office Farm, Denham in 1944

Florence Joyce

Irene Morley

Mary Newson

Rose Violet Potter - later Rose Fellows, then Rose Leftley

Doris Ramsey

Ursula T Rose - Denham, 3 years 7 months service awarded 1948

Hilda Rush - Denham

Winifred Norma Shield, who married Colin Foreman of Cross Street in 1945

Joan Spink

Alma Walker