US Memorial Day commemorated at the New Forest Airfields Memorial

US Memorial Day was marked on Monday 31st May at the Holmsley South Memorial by a short ceremony and placing of a wreath, in honour of all United States military personnel, who served on the twelve New Forest Airfields in World War II. The majority of those who served were under twenty-three years of age.



The inscription on the wreath read as follows:

"The Friends of the New Forest Airfields commemorate the part played by American service personnel in the Liberation of Europe in World War II to honour those who died for our freedoms"

We mark this day annually, along with Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day, to remember their sacrifice and to teach the rising generations of our young people the price of freedom, that Freedom is never 'free'.

