

The Sky Their Battlefield II by Trevor Henshaw, ISBN 978099277108 Grub Street Books, hardcover, 406 pages, illustrated.

Firstly, the society would like to thank Trevor for his kind donation of a copy of his book for our library. Those interested in the aerial aspects of the Great War were delighted when Trevor Henshaw's epic work The Sky Their Battlefield was published nearly twenty years ago. The record of British Empire and American losses due to enemy action was staggering in its coverage,

and the book found a place on many bookshelves. My copy has been a constant source of reference.

The author has now refined and reviewed his work and a new edition, which includes avast amount of new material, has been published. As well as the information in the previous book, this latest volume includes details of the casualties due to accidents and illness in active service units of the RFC, RNAS, RAF, AFC, WRAF, USAS, USMC and USN on all fronts where those services were engaged. In addition to the comprehensive indices, there is an extra index of German and Austro-Hungarian airmen who are mentioned available through the Cross & Cockade International website.

The book does not include casualties in training units, nor Kite Balloon units, as this information would add some 3000 more entries to the database and make the book too unwieldy. Perhaps one day someone will fill the gap. This is a book that belongs on every Great War aviation historian's bookshelf. – **Gareth Morgan**.