

# NCAP

NATIONAL COLLECTION  
OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Welcome to the NCAP Newsletter - Summer 2017, which aims to keep our subscribers informed of new releases and upcoming projects here at NCAP.

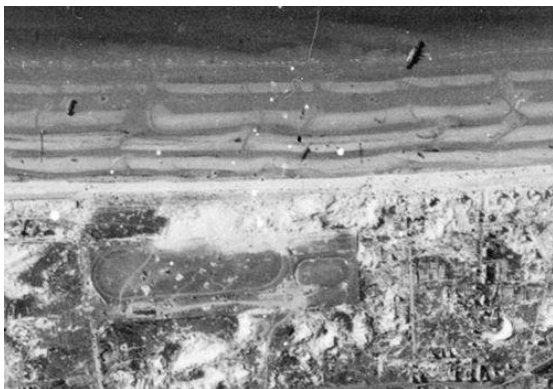
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## NEWS

### [Dunkirk Evacuation Images Released](#)



Aerial photographs of Dunkirk taken during the Allied evacuation in 1940 are now accessible on the NCAP website. Over 338,000 British, French and Belgian troops were evacuated from here during Operation Dynamo.



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The aerial photographs show key locations in the Allied pocket around Dunkirk, between 26 May and 4 June 1940.

### [Lost Nile Revealed](#)



Aerial images of the Nile valley in Egypt in 1934 are now accessible on the NCAP website. Around 400 images show the course of over 170 miles of the river from Aswan to Abu Simbel. This valley was flooded in the 1960's, following construction of the Aswan High Dam. The land depicted in the images now lies under the waters of Lake Nasser.

The aerial photographs show a landscape of settlements, fields and forts now lost to view.

### [Finding Aids Approach 5 Million](#)

This summer we uploaded 2,766 finding aids to Second World War aerial photography of Europe to our website. These allow subscribers to **Zoomable Images and Finding Aids** to search for, locate and identify a further 816,000 aerial photographs which exist but have not yet been digitised.

This means that researchers can now search for, and identify over 4,763,000 aerial photographs of locations across Europe. All of our catalogued finding aids for northern Europe are now accessible on our website.



Also appearing on our website are finding aids created by MAPRW – the Mediterranean Allied Photographic Reconnaissance Wing. This aerial photography covers locations across southern Europe and the Mediterranean theatre.

### [First Batch of NARA Images Released](#)



Over 3,200 German Luftwaffe aerial photographs of places in Russia during the Second World War are now accessible online. They have been digitised courtesy of the NARA Digitisation Partnership.

This first tranche of images cover locations between Moscow and St Petersburg, then known as Leningrad. German forces besieged

Leningrad from September 1941 to January 1944.



Our digitisation partnership will transform public access to historical aerial photography. In the first stage of the partnership, NCAP is working with the US National Archives & Records Administration (NARA) to progressively digitise 40,000 rolls of aerial film created during the Second World War. The images created will be systematically released on the NCAP website.

### [Daylight Bombing Raid Images Released](#)



Aerial photographs from a Second World War bombing raid are now available on the NCAP website. Taken by eight different aircraft, the photographs show Blenheim bombers escorted by Spitfire fighters on 13 October 1941. On this day, RAF crews from 114 and 139 squadrons bombed Mazingarbe ammonia works in northern France.