

# BRAMM

# NEWS

IMPROVING STANDARDS

CHRISTMAS 2025

BRITISH REGISTER OF ACCREDITED MEMORIAL MASONS

Season's Greetings  
from all at BRAMM



and Best Wishes for a  
prosperous 2026!



## BRAMM Training Course

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BRAMM have been approached by the CWGC to provide some simple training on  
**Modern Popular Fixing Methods for Lawn Memorials.**

This will start in early 2026 and then be offered to other companies.

It is thought that the course will take up to six students per one day theory and practical course at a provisional cost of £195 per student.

The course will cover foundations, ground anchors, dowelling, cement, bolting, lockdowns and refixing existing lawn memorials.

More information will be available on the BRAMM website after the initial trials.



## BRAMM Fixer Licence Assessments Update

Over the last two years BRAMM has been Improving Standards in the way the evidence of competence for the fixer portfolios is recorded. This is primarily moving away from tick boxes to photographic evidence.

There were two primary reasons for this change:

- Firstly, the BRAMM External Educational Verifier requested much more transparency of evidence and consistency with every candidate, no matter what part of the country or which assessor was used.
- Secondly BRAMM has been asked to produce evidence in Court cases concerning BRAMM fixers. This evidence must stand up in court and the previous portfolios were simply not good enough.

BRAMM has been criticized for these changes, but the various sources come from those that have failed to meet the Improved BRAMM Standards.

BRAMM do not intend to lower our Standards and are working to Improve Standards in our Industry.

Over the last 6 months BRAMM have failed about 1 in 3 candidates with these new assessments. The main reason is inexperience from the candidates, who have been submitted by their employers far too soon, without adequate internal training.

**The BRAMM Fixer Licence is for experienced fixers.**

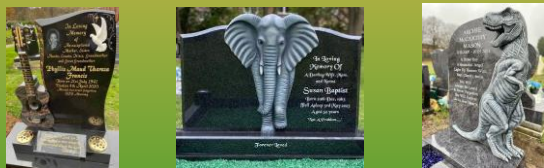


Please remember the small boy killed in Rawtenstall cemetery in July 2025 by a memorial that fell on him.

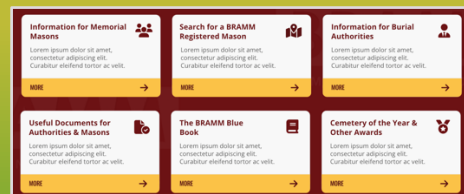
**BRAMM's primary aim is the fixing of safe memorials.**

## Coming up in 2026.....

### The Memorial Design of the Year Award



Get ready to enter with your finest creation.  
Details will be in the  
Spring edition of BRAMM News.



**The BRAMM website is getting a whole new look!**  
It will be bold, clear and easy to use. Check it out in January!

# Regional Centre Assessment Dates 2026

Dates have been booked for Regional Centre assessment days to run on the following dates. Locations will be confirmed closer to the time.



### The Skills Test:

Drill a ground anchor hole the correct size in the foundation exactly 3" to the side of the existing ground anchor hole.

- March 18<sup>th</sup> Blackburn
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> Hereford
- May 5<sup>th</sup> Slough
- May 20<sup>th</sup> Leeds
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Middlesbrough
- June 17<sup>th</sup> Wolverhampton
- July 8<sup>th</sup> Cambridge
- August 14<sup>th</sup> Stirling
- September 9<sup>th</sup> Southampton
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> Nottingham
- October 7<sup>th</sup> Chester

Regional Centre Assessments cost just £395 per fixer.  
Spaces are limited so register your interest TODAY.



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