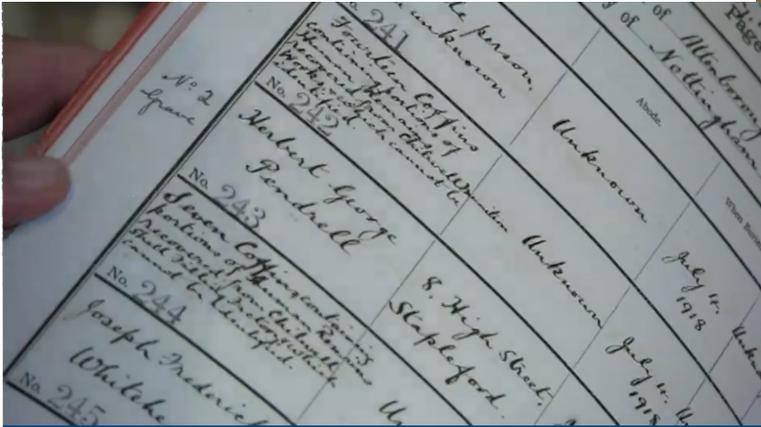


This year, both Leslie's father and Ann-Marie's mother would have been 100 years. From a movie from the Imperial War Museum, we caught this screenshot of what we think must be Leslie's grandfather, a short time before he was killed in the 1 July 1918 explosion.



**Chilwell, Nottinghamshire: Factory Explosion—
Accident or Sabotage?**

The National Shell Filling Factory in Chilwell was the scene of one of Britain's worst war time disasters.

This clip is from



Kåsjön was skiable during a late and cold winter which preceded the driest summer we have experienced for decades with almost no rain and temperatures above 30 degrees many days for about a quarter year (from May). With a very thirsty lawn it was always a relief to go swimming, even if the water level in the lake got lower and lower. We hope that the December rains will raise the lake level up to normal again since it is our main water reservoir. (Watering restrictions in our gardens were lifted just a few weeks ago.)





Ann-Marie's 2018 roller coaster adventures included an appearance in the local newspaper in connection with the opening of Liseberg's new roller coaster Valkyria and riding Balder on the Swedish Television program "Fråga Lund" ("Ask Lund") to help answer a question about what difference it makes where you sit in the roller coaster train as you ride over a hill. She was also part of a session about educational visits to amusement parks at the Euro Amusement Show in Amsterdam. And in June, Robert and Teresa joined her at Gröna Lund. She keeps travelling to Lund every week, usually staying a couple of nights with Richard, who continues his work at Borg Warner in Landskrona.



2018 also brought the first of a new generation into the Pendrill family. Jonathan was born on 25 Nov. Robert visited Florence the day before, and Richard and Florence met for Halloween at Liseberg two weeks earlier. Grandma Ann-Marie met Jonathan 4 days old, and Grandad Leslie when Jonathan was 5 days old (i.e. 25% older!). Every visit, we note how his neck has got stronger enabling his eyes to discover the world around him.



With all the best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Ann-Marie and Leslie

