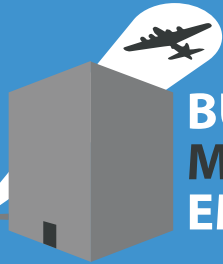


PRESERVE - REMEMBER - REMIND



**BUNKER  
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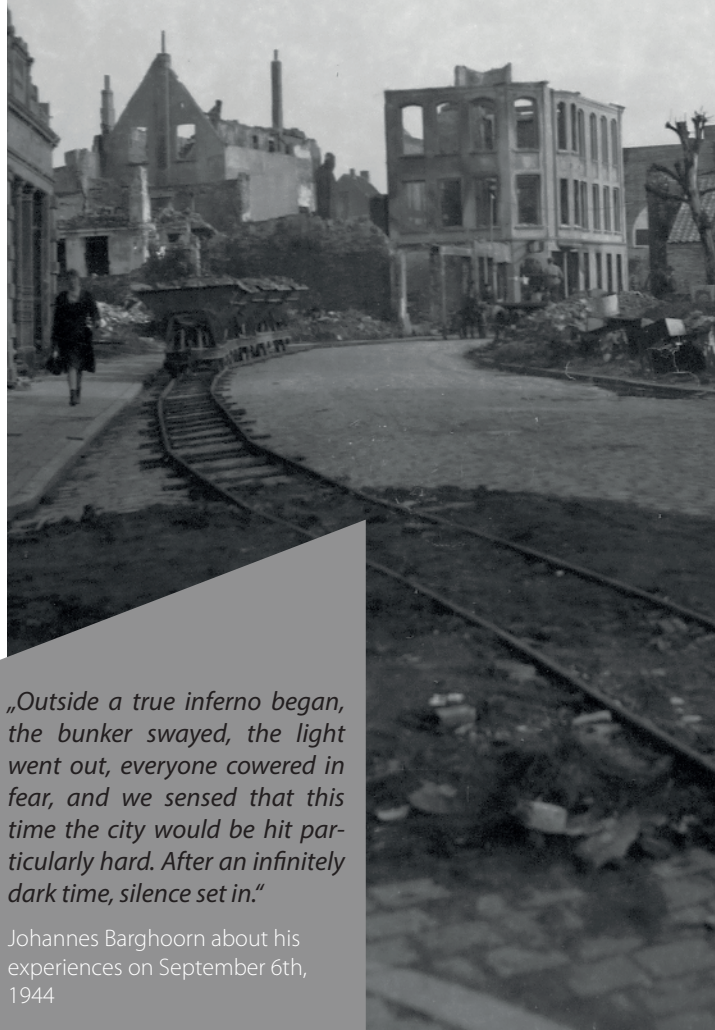


**EMDEN IN THE BOMBING WAR**

Causes - Course - Consequences



# PRESERVE REMEMBER REMINDED



*„Outside a true inferno began, the bunker swayed, the light went out, everyone cowered in fear, and we sensed that this time the city would be hit particularly hard. After an infinitely dark time, silence set in.“*

Johannes Barghoorn about his experiences on September 6th, 1944



## EXPERIENCE A WORLD WAR II BUNKER



By the end of the war on May 8th, 1945, Emden was one of the most destroyed cities in Europe. The first bombing raid on the seaport city took place on July 13, 1940, where the main flight paths of the Allied bombers passed directly over the Reich territory.

From November 1940, a large number of bunkers and splinter protection buildings were built to protect the population, sometimes using foreign and forced laborers as well as prisoners of war. During the heavy attack on September 6th, 1944, Emden's city center was almost completely destroyed. Only the bunkers saved many people's lives. One of these bunkers on Holzsäger Street has been open as a museum by the Arbeitskreis Bunkermuseum e. V. since 1994.

The bunker is marked by a band of text running at a height of eight meters, reading:

**INNEN-WELTEN-AUSSEN-WELTEN**

*On the afternoon of September 6th, 1944, the city was reduced to rubble and ashes by the Allies.*

*THE BUNKERMUSEUM e.V. aims to keep the memory of this tragic event alive, to inquire into its causes, and to serve as a reminder of the consequences of National Socialism and war.*

Excerpt from the preamble of the Arbeitskreis Bunkermuseum e. V.



When it opened in 1995, the Bunkermuseum in Emden was the first of its kind in Germany. At this authentic site, the period from the beginning of National Socialism through the Second World War to the reconstruction of Emden in the post-war period can be retraced.

The permanent exhibition is divided into the following thematic areas:

- The path to the totalitarian regime
- Persecution and deportation
- The development of air raid protection
- Foreign and forced laborers in Emden
- Bunker construction
- Life and workdays in the bunker
- The effects of aerial warfare
- Eyewitness reports and propaganda
- The end of the war and its consequences
- Reconstruction of Emden
- Coming to terms with the past and reconciliation
- Our culture of remembrance today
- Extracurricular learning location

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The Bunkermuseum is a privately-run institution supported by voluntary engagement. In March 1994, the Arbeitskreis Bunkermuseum e. V. was founded. Its members see their mission as ensuring the documentation and dissemination of the history of the Nazi era and the Second World War in Emden.

If you would like to support us, then become a member of the Arbeitskreis Bunkermuseum. The annual fee is €20.00. Simply fill out our application form. The form is available at the cash register in the Bunkermuseum or you can download it from our website: [www.bunkermuseum.de/en](http://www.bunkermuseum.de/en)

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### 25 Years of Bunkermuseum

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## OPENING HOURS

Early May to Late October

Monday

Closed

Tuesday to Friday

11:00 am – 1:00 pm  
and 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

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2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

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## ADMISSION

Adults

€6.00

Children/Adolescents (6-17 years)

€3.00



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