

Devonport Field of Remembrance – Timetable & Programme

Creating a timetable with milestone goals was a fundamental step. We concluded we needed to get some early runs on the board by creating a small field as soon as possible that the community could see and understand – turgid prose and promises in the local paper was not going to do it.

So we made our goal one of getting a small Field in the ground as soon as possible rather than delay until we had the 100% solution. That decision also made it possible to tell local schools what would happen, book the necessary event planning with the local council, set deadlines for our suppliers and so on. We completed crosses for 2 Boer War, 164 WW1 and 87 WW2 casualties by Anzac Day 2014 – a Field of over 250 of Devonport’s sons

Our plan is for the Field to be placed for every Anzac Day and Remembrance Day and also for several other key dates. For WW1 specific events, only WW1 crosses will be placed in the Field. The Field will be in place for some two weeks on each occasion. In the absence of any leadership, we have gone ahead and established the following plan for the next five years.

	Start	Stop	Relevance
2013	Sun 3 Nov	Sun 17 Nov	Armistice Day/Remembrance Day, Mon 11 Nov
2014	Sun 13 Apr	Sun 27 Apr	Anzac Day, Fri 25 Apr
	Sat 26 Jul	Sun 10 Aug	Declaration of War, Wed 4 Aug
	Sun 2 Nov	Sun 16 Nov	Armistice Day/Remembrance Day, Tue 11 Nov
2015	Sat 24 Jan	Sun 8 Feb	Actions in Egypt early 1915
	Sun 12 Apr	Sun 26 Apr	Anzac Day, Sat 25 Apr
	Sun 2 Aug	Sun 23 Aug	Chunik Bair, Aug 1915
	Sun 1 Nov	Sun 15 Nov	Armistice Day/Remembrance Day, Wed 11 Nov
2016	Sun 17 Apr	Sun 1 May	Anzac Day, Mon 25 Apr
	Sun 29 May	Sun 12 Jun	Battle of Jutland, Tue 31 May
	Sun 17 Jul	Sun 31 Jul	Battle of the Somme, July-November
	Sun 30 Oct	Sun 13 Nov	Armistice Day/Remembrance Day, Fri 11 Nov
2017	Sun 8 Jan	Tue 24 Jan	Actions in Palestine, early 1917
	Sat 15 Apr	Sun 30 Apr	Anzac Day, Tue 25 Apr
	Sun 1 Oct	Sun 15 Oct	Battle of Passchendaele, 4-12 Oct
	Sun 5 Nov	Sun 19 Nov	Armistice Day/Remembrance Day, Sat 11 Nov
2018	Sun 15 Apr	Sun 29 Apr	Anzac Day, Wed 25 Apr
	Sun 28 Oct	Sun 4 Nov	Liberation of Le Quesnoy, 4 Nov
	Mon 5 Nov	Sun 18 Nov	Armistice Day/Remembrance Day, Sun 11 Nov