

OF Battlefields Trip 2

Friday 02 June to Sunday 04 June

Old Foresters will be again visiting the WW1 battlefields, cemeteries and memorials in Belgium and France to remember Forest's fallen.

The group currently numbers 14 adults and we will be laying wreaths at the graves or memorials of all those WW1 OFs that we visit.

The hotels have been booked but if you are interested in joining the group and we are able to book the extra accommodation you are most welcome to join us. The cost is £375 including travel, bed and breakfast. Please contact Sue Coates in the Alumni & Development Office. The itinerary is:

Ypres/Somme Trip – Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th June 2017

Friday 2nd June 2017

1. 6.00am Meet at Forest School for prompt departure at 6.30am
2. 8.30am Arrive Dover for 9.25am P & O Ferry to Calais – (Booked into Club Lounge)
3. 12.25pm Arrive Calais (local time is + 1hour)
4. 1.30pm- Arrive Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery
 - Visit grave of Captain A. Armstrong (OF)
 - Visit grave of Nancy Spindler – Nurse
5. 2.30pm Poperinghe – Lunch
6. 3.30pm Talbot House & Museum Tour
7. 5.00pm Brandhoek New Military Cemetery
 - Capt.Noel Chavasse- RAMC – MC, VC & Bar
 - Lt ALD Wheeler (OF)
 - Pte C A Rudd - Shoeing SmithBrandhoek Military Cemetery
 - Visit grave of Lt RB Clough – (OF)
8. 6.00pm Arrive in Ypres. Check-in at Novotel
9. 7.00pm Meet in “Bills” pub prior to Menin Gate Ceremony 8pm
10. 8.30pm Dinner

Saturday 3rd June

1. 8.00-9.00am Breakfast/Check-Out of Novotel
2. 9.15am St.Georges Church – Memorial Plaque to the 98 OFs killed in WW1 (Buy Sandwiches/Snacks for Lunch today at the Spa Supermarket on the way back to the Square)

4. 10.00am Visit Chocolatier prior to departing Ypres
5. 10.30pm Tyne Cot Cemetery/Visitor Centre (45 mins)
 - Visit grave of Capt CS Jeffries VC
 - Sgt L McGee VC
 - Lt KC Shuttleworth (OF) – (1914 Cricket Team)
6. 11.30am Zonnebeke Museum prior to heading for Vimy Ridge
7. 2.00am Vimy Ridge – Canadian Memorial Park
8. 4.30pm Ovillers Military Cemetery – Lt.EF Morse (OF)
9. 5.00pm Lochnagar Crater – La Boisselle – Memorial Plaques to OFs
10. 5.45pm Albert Communal Cemetery
 - Visit grave of Lt. L A Baxter (OF)
11. 6.30pm Check in at Hotel Picardie in Albert
12. 8.00pm Dinner

Sunday 4th June

1. 8.30am Breakfast/Check-out of Hotel Picardie
2. 9.30am Fricourt – German Military Cemetery
3. 10.15-10.45am Mametz - The Devonshires Cemetery
4. 11.00-11.30am Carnoy Military Cemetery
 - Visit graves of Capt. CS Pearce and Capt. AJ Waugh (OFs)
5. 12.00 Delville Wood – South African Memorial
6. 1.15pm Connaught Cemetery
 - Visit grave of 2nd Lt. K Silver – (OF)
7. 1.30pm Beaumont Hamel – Battlefield Visit
8. 2.30pm Auchonvillers – Lunch at Avril's
9. 4.30pm Thiepval – Memorial to the Missing
10. 5.45pm – Depart for Calais/Calais Wine Store (time permitting) & Ferry at 8.35 pm
11. 11.30pm – Arrive back at Forest School