

ELTISLEY HISTORY SOCIETY
VISIT TO WORLD WAR ONE BATTLEFIELDS, 11TH-15TH MAY 2015

Eltisley History Society is organising a five day, four night trip to the WW1 battlefields in Belgium and France. Leaving Eltisley on the morning of Monday, 11th May 2015 and returning on the evening of Friday 15th, the itinerary will include visits to the battlefields where the men from Eltisley fought and died. Also included will be the evening service at The Menin Gate, Ypres, where we will be laying a wreath to our two men commemorated there – Harry Cranfield and Arthur Kidman.

The accommodation will be in town centre hotels in Ypres and either Albert or Arras, and will be on a full-board basis (i.e. breakfast, lunch and 2-course evening meal with tea/coffee are all included in the price). The price also includes all transportation to and from Eltisley (via Executive 49-seater coach with air-con, toilet, DVD), Eurostar travel, museum entrances and with a fully qualified guide for the whole trip.

In addition to the Menin Gate ceremony, the trip will also include visits to :

Passchendaele Museum, Zonnebeke
Bayernwald Preserved trenches at Wijtschate, in the Ypres Salient
Hill 60 memorial site (provisional)
Tyne Cot Memorial and Cemetery (James Payne and Frank Riseley commemorated)
Voormezele Enclosures (William Smith-Chappell buried)
Ontario Cemetery (Albert Smith-Chappell buried)
Cambrai Memorial (Walter Kidman commemorated)
Dantzig Alley British Cemetery (George Childerley buried)
Citadel New Military Cemetery (Harry King buried)
Pozieres Memorial (Sidney George Hayden commemorated)
Longuenesse Souvenir Cemetery (Henry George Sewell buried)
Boulogne Eastern Cemetery (Harry Hayden buried)

There will also be free time available for those who would like to visit the In Flanders Fields Museum in Ypres (adult entry price of 9 euros not included in ticket price for trip)

Places for the visit are limited but we do have a few places available at the moment. The fully-inclusive price for the visit will be £550 per person (single supplement £156). This visit is a one-off opportunity to visit major WW1 sites and the resting places of our Eltisley men, and it will be a comfortable, tailor-made, door-to-door visit, with the benefit of an expert guide who will bring our Eltisley men's experiences vividly to life and make the very most of our visit. This is not a 'cheap' trip, but it is tailor-made to include everything we would like to see, at a comfortable pace. Do, please, give this opportunity your detailed consideration.

We must confirm the booking by the end of September, and so a prompt reply is essential. Please contact Mary Flinders at maryflinders@waitrose.com or 01480 880268 as soon as possible to reserve a place.