

**Dorset & S.Wilts Branch WFA**  
**Battlefield Tour 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September 2010**  
**DRAFT TOUR ITINERARY**

**The Yser Front and Northern Salient**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Depart Pimperne;** 0600 hrs (Loading from 0545Hrs)

Pick Up 1 Salisbury 0640hrs

Pick Up 2 Fleet Services 0805hrs

Pick Up 3 Folkestone Services 1050hrs

**Depart Eurotunnel:** 1150 hrs local

**ETA Calais:** 1300 – 1330 hrs Local and travel to Ypres via Dozinghem Military Cemetery

**ETA Dozinghem** 1430 hrs local

**ETA Hotel:** 1600 hrs approx Local – Hotel TBC

**ETD Hotel:** 1800 hrs local and travel to Ploegsteert Memorial, attend ceremony 1900 hrs and return

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> September**

**ETD Hotel:** 0830 hrs

**Stand 1. Tank Action (1)1917** – Robertson's Bridge, Reutel via Polygon Wood

**Stand 2. Tank Action (2)1917** – Gallipoli Farm, The Action of F41 Fray Bentos

**Stand 3. Tank Action (3)1917** – St Julian to Poelkapelle Road – The Tanks of Poelkapelle inc D29 Damon II and Tank Memorial Ypres Salient

**Stand 4. The RND at Varlet Farm** - Visit Varlet Farm Museum, RND Action and:-

**Lunch.** 1300 hrs approx – Charlottes buffet Lunch at Varlet Farm

(<http://www.varletfarm.com/en/index.htm>)

**Stand 5. Yorkshire Trench** – 49 (West Riding) Division

**Return to Hotel** - Free time from arrival. ETA 1700 approx. (Evensong St Georges 1800 hrs, Menin Gate Ceremony 2000 hrs)

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

**ETD Hotel:** 0830 hrs

**Stand 7. Houthulst** – Belgian Military Cemetery

**Stand 8. Vladso** – German Military Cemetery

**Stand 9. Oud -Stuivekenskerke** – Belgian Army Memorial Chapel

**Stand 10. Pervyse** - Elsie and Mairi go to War and visit Museum (is OP Tower still there?)

**Stand 11. Dixmuide** – Dodengang/Boyau de la Mort and The Yser Tower

**Lunch.** 1300 hrs approx - by own arrangements, in Dixmuide

**Stand 11. Steenstraat** – Cross of Reconciliation and the Gas Attack 1915

**Stand 12 Lizerne** – Demarcation Stone, Belgian Grenadiers Memorial and Belgian 3<sup>rd</sup> Line Regiment Memorial

**Return to Hotel:** ETA 1800 Hrs approx

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

**ETD Hotel:** 0900hrs approx

**Stand 13. Ramscapelle** -

**Stand 14. Nieuwpoort** - Locks, King Albert Memorial and British Memorial to the Missing

**Return to UK via Eurotunnel - On the Way;**

**Resupply Stop:** Special Ration Depot!

**ETD Calais:** 1550 hrs Approx TBC

**ETD Folkestone:** 1550 hrs Approx Local TBC

**ETA Pimperne:** 2030 hrs approx

NB: 1. The organisers will make every effort to complete the stands listed but cannot guarantee this or the order. 2. At some locations on the battlefield Coach parking is very restricted, a drop off/pick up system will be employed where practicable otherwise an alternative location will be found.