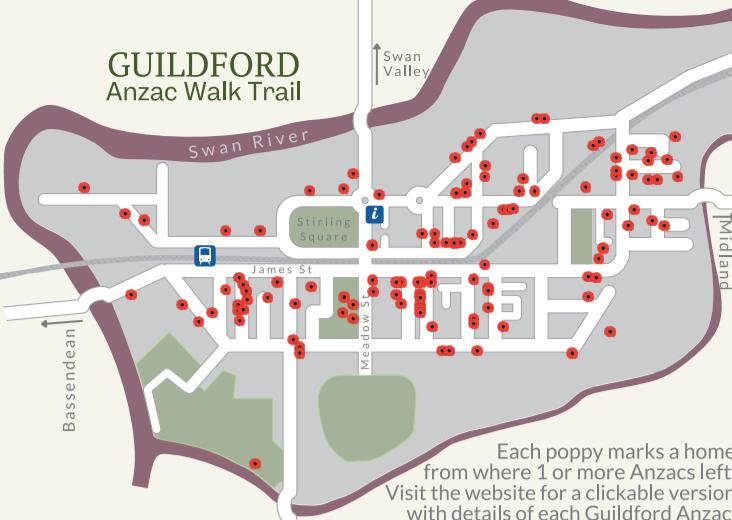
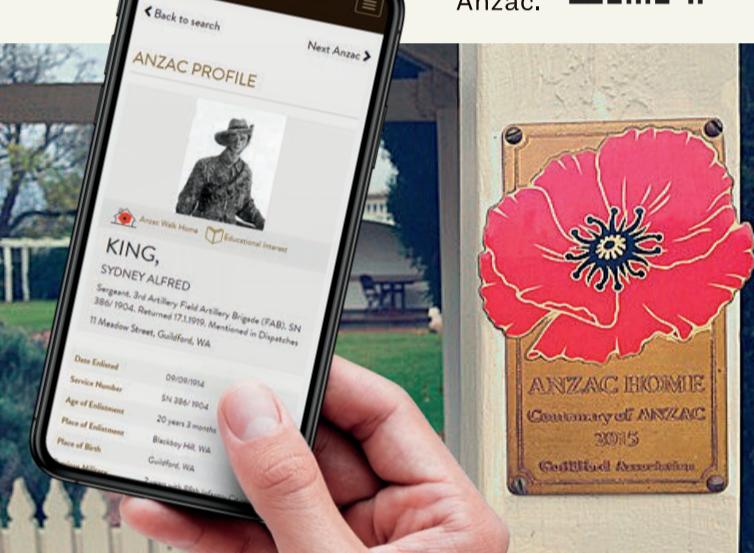


GUILDFORD

Anzac Walk Trail



- The Guildford Anzacs, a project of the Guildford Association, records the impact of WWI on a whole town in Western Australia.
- Spot the poppy plaques on the surviving homes from which the Anzacs left, and search the website to learn their stories in this unique self-guided tour.
- Take just 10 minutes or a whole day and discover the remarkable lives of the Guildford Anzacs. Ideal for schools, groups and individuals.
- Scan here to search www.guildfordanzacs.org.au for a detailed military history of each Guildford Anzac.



HOW TO GET TO GUILDFORD

- 20 minutes (13.5km) from Perth by car
- 15 minutes from Perth Airport
- 20 minutes from Perth by train (Midland Line)
- 45 Minutes by bus from Perth Bus Station (Bus 290)



Guildford, Mandoon - Aboriginal lands, always was, always will be

- Lunch or have coffee at one of Guildford's many hotels or cafes in the ambience of WA's first heritage listed town.
- Visit one of our museums or shop on the antique strip and wander the picturesque streets.
- Other walk trails are available. Visit the Swan Valley Visitor Centre in Meadow Street for more information.

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ANZAC HOME
Centenary of ANZAC
2015

Guildford Association

Stroll the streets of this historic town, search the database, and learn the stories of the ANZACs.

The Guildford Anzacs project identified over 700 men and women from war memorials, honour rolls, service records and newspapers, who lived, worked, studied or worshipped in Guildford, Western Australia and served in WWI. The brass plaque markers placed on the homes they left behind form the **Guildford Poppy Walk Trail**; showing the impact of WWI on the streets and homes of Guildford.

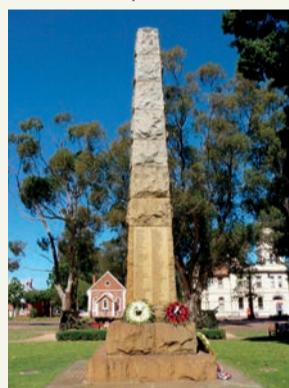
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01 Guildford Town War Memorial

Sculpted from Donnybrook stone by noted artist Pietro Porcelli, the foundation stone was laid in 1920 by General Birdswood and the memorial unveiled in 1921 to honour many of the Guildford men who served in WWI.



An additional plaque has been placed to commemorate the 75th anniversary of Remembrance Day and the unknown Australian soldier.



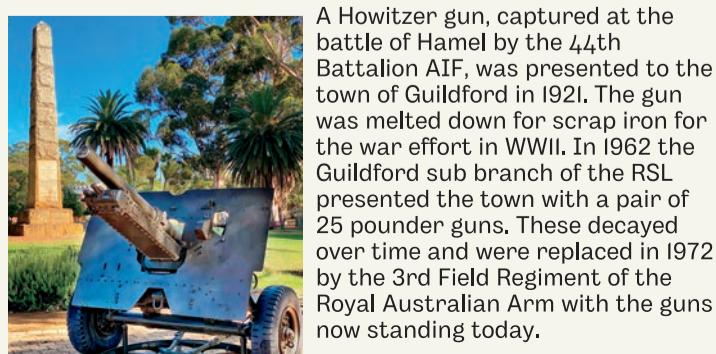
02 Tenth Light Horse Statue

This statue by Charles Robb was developed as a community initiative. It was unveiled in 2023 to commemorate the Tenth Light Horse Regiment that was raised in Guildford in 1914, and trained here until after WWII. The Regiment became famous for the courage shown and great losses experienced in WWI.

The statue and plaques acknowledge the legendary bond between horse and rider, the courage of the Troopers, and the significant support of the Service Corps and indigenous horse breakers. Sadly no horses returned to Western Australia.

03 Guildford's Artillery Guns

These two, twenty five pounder, guns acknowledge Guildford's continuing history with the Royal Australian Artillery. The 8th Battery of the Australian Field Artillery established its headquarters in Guildford in 1913 and men trained at the Guildford Depot throughout WWI.



A Howitzer gun, captured at the battle of Hamel by the 44th Battalion AIF, was presented to the town of Guildford in 1921. The gun was melted down for scrap iron for the war effort in WWII. In 1962 the Guildford sub branch of the RSL presented the town with a pair of 25 pounder guns. These decayed over time and were replaced in 1972 by the 3rd Field Regiment of the Royal Australian Arm with the guns now standing today.

04 Gunners' Day

This is the only regimental march in WA held outside ANZAC Day. It was inaugurated in 1928 when the Artillery Comrades Assoc with St Matthew's Church and the Guildford Municipality, cooperated to hold this service. Originally held on August 8th, it acknowledged the role of Australian troops and artillery in breaking through the Hindenburg Line on August 8th, ten years prior. Inclement weather at this time of the year resulted in Gunners' Day being moved to the first Sunday in November. Gunners' Day has been commemorated annually since 1928.



05 Hobbs Memorial Gates

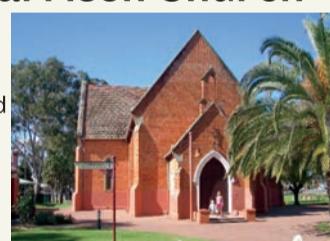
These gates were unveiled at the Centenary of the Artillery in Guildford in 2013. They honour and acknowledge the role of Lieut. General Sir Talbot Hobbs as the Commander of the First Australian Division Artillery in WWI and later succeeded Lieut. General Monash in command of the Australian Corp.

He played a significant role in supporting returned soldiers and was closely associated with Gunners' Day traditions. He was a noted architect who, as Chair of the Imperial War Graves Commission designed four of the European memorials to the fallen Australian soldiers.



06 St Matthew's Garrison Church

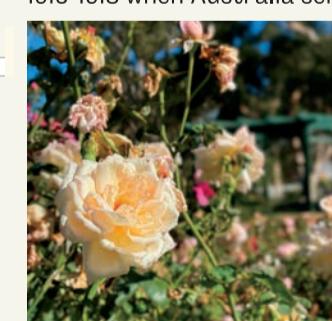
St Matthew's is the only church in Australia with a continuing regimental link dating back to WWI. The 8th Battery Field Artillery presented the church with their banner in 1919. The church displays honour rolls and other memorabilia from this time.



This is the third St Matthew's church in Guildford, the first was established on the grounds of Governor Stirling's property in 1834. The second was constructed in 1860 in Stirling Square; destroyed by a storm in 1872, it was replaced with the existing structure in 1873.

07 ANZAC Rose Gardens

Four rose beds commemorate the four years between 1915-1918 when Australia served overseas in WWI, and contain roses the ANZAC servicemen who trained in Guildford may have seen in the gardens at that time.



The One Hundred Roses for One Hundred Years project was initiated by Heritage Roses in Australia (Perth Branch), with the City of Swan and funded by the DVA through their community grants programme.

08 The Memory Gates

Originally from the Perth Railway Station, these gates were presented to the people of Guildford by their Municipal Council in 1932 to honour the men of the Tenth Light Horse and AIF Artillery Units that trained at Guildford 1914-1918.



First located at the west entry to St Matthew's Church, they were later relocated adjacent to the Town War Memorial.