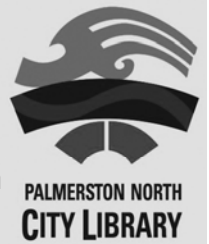


Palmerston North War Memorial and ANZAC Day



ANZAC (Australian and New Zealand Army Corps) Day occurs on 25 April each year. It commemorates all New Zealanders killed in war and also honours returned servicemen and women.

The Palmerston North War Memorial was built in 1926 in The Square, as a monument to local fallen soldiers in World War I. It has subsequently had the war dead of World War II, Korean and Vietnam Wars added.

ANZAC Day resources can be found at

- Palmerston North City Library - [The Cenotaph – Palmerston North War Memorial Local History Brochure](#)
- [Ministry of Culture and Heritage site](#) on the significance of ANZAC, details of Gallipoli campaign, NZ War Memorials at Gallipoli and lists of war dead -
- For school activities and ANZAC resources [New Zealand History Online](#)
- An Australian viewpoint on ANZAC traditions - [Australian War Memorial](#)
- Books on ANZAC Day and the ANZAC soldiers [Find them in the Library catalogue](#)

Palmerston North War Memorial Photo Gallery

A collection of images showing the War Memorial over time, and a photo study of the Memorial as it appears today.





Conflict Plaque No. 1



Conflict Plaque No. 2



'Motherhood' Statue



WW1 Inscription



WW1 Names Plaque



'Updated' Names Plaque No. 1



'Updated' Names Plaque No. 2



Right End Frieze



Back Left Frieze



Centre Back Frieze



Rededication Plaque - 2005, includes details of the bronze frieze around the War Memorial



Back Right Frieze



Left End Frieze



2007 ANZAC Wreaths on the steps of the War Memorial in The Square



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Historic War Memorial Documents



An Initial Design Proposal for the Memorial - Front View
IM City Archives [PNCC11/8/3]



An Initial Design Proposal for the Memorial - Side View
IM City Archives [PNCC11/8/3]



Portion of Proposed Design No. 2
The finished Memorial appears to be very similar to this design
IM City Archives [PNCC11/8/3]



The Palmerston North Memorial was closely modelled on this memorial from Folkstone, England
IM City Archives [PNCC11/8/4]



List of Contributors who signed up to donate money for the Memorial
IM City Archives [PNCC11/8/2]



Order of Service for the Unveiling of the Memorial 7th Feb 1926 IM City Archives [PNCC11/8/6]



Plan of footpath leading to Memorial in The Square
IM City Archives [PNCC4/8/2]



Plan of Railway Diversion for War Memorial in Square
IM City Archives [PNCC4/8/2]

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