

## News and Stories

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Changes for 2010 Because of the continuing strength of the Euro and its impact on British and Commonwealth travellers, we have decided to move our prices to all inclusive for 2010. This means we will include lunches and evening meals within the cost of your battlefield tour. Our tours are charged in Sterling and therefore customers will now be able to more accurately assess the true cost of their battlefield tour and not feel the full effect of foreign exchange rates with the Euro. There will be no 2010 tour calendar; all tours for next year will be based exclusively on our Tailor-Made tour format; small group tours where the group specify where they want to go, how long they want to stay and what they would like to include in a battlefield tour to the Western Front. Everything starts with a tour enquiry What is included and how much will it cost?

New village memorial On Saturday 28th March, 2009, I was invited to participate in the unveiling of a new war memorial at the village of Gwaenysgor, a few miles from Prestatyn, North Wales. The previous memorial was demolished during the years leading up to the Second World War after falling in to a state of repair. The new memorial came about by the chance conversation between Mr. Jerry Bone, a local Great War enthusiast and Mr. Alan Parry, a local resident. Mr. Parry told of his disappointment that his relative was no longer commemorated on the local memorial, as there wasn't one! After much fund raising activity and negotiating with the local council, Jerry finally achieved his quest for a new village memorial. The opening and dedication service included representatives from the family of those listed on the memorial, local councillors, serving members of the Royal Welsh Regiment, Royal British Legion and members of the Western Front Association, which included our small participation as World War One Tommies. Although the day was bitterly cold, a large turn out of local people made for a great occasion. After the ceremony drinks and refreshments were served at the local Eagle And Child. Under the instruction of Dan Hayward (the Khaki Chums) we practice the honour guard routine. The memorial contains just 4 names; 3 from the Great War and 1 from the Second World War. The plaques are inscribed in both Welsh and English. Ironically the memorial is on the site of 3 old cottages which were demolished many years ago. One of the cottages was the home of Private Alun Parry and his family. Private Parry was killed during the Battle of the Somme and is one of the 3 Great War soldiers commemorated on the memorial! Our Newsletters