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Summer 2017

Welcome to another ICG News.

We have so much going on at ICG now.

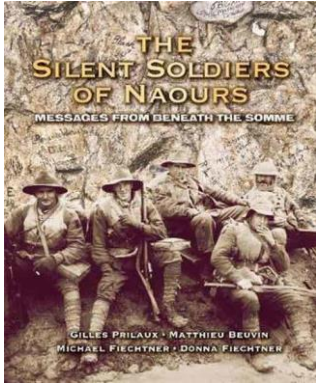
We have just returned from our Japanese Yuki Matsuri Tour. What a great experience. We had the best Mt Fuji experiences ever. The 9 people on the journey were fantastic and we had so many wonderful opportunities. Tokyo, Shibu, Nagano, Sapporo, Mt Fuji.....what a trip. Here are a few highlights.

YUKI MATSURI TOUR JAPAN 2018

Checkout our youtube highlights. <https://youtu.be/bnYXGxa05Z0>



“The Silent Soldiers of Naours” publication has had a really good reception from many areas.



Listen to an interview with ABC's Kelly Higgins Devine

<https://youtu.be/VBSz2XCJFnA>

The book is now available on the IGC website store as well as other good bookstores. Naours caves in France now stock the book along with the Australian War Memorial and soon, the new Sir John Monash Centre in France. A truly wonderful story .

Teloepa School Tour 2017

ICG was proud to be able to support Teloepa Park School Canberra on their 2017 Western Front Band Tour. An amazing opportunity to share the remarkable talents of these wonderful kids across the battlefields . A true credit to their parents and school. We look forward to doing it all again in 2020 across England ,France and Germany.

Check out the highlights

https://youtu.be/MoOTn_Jadv8



ICG TOURING PROGRAM 2018/2019

ICG has a wonderful range of tour offerings ahead. Get in early and book your place .

- April 2018 – Anzac Day Tour . We head to France on the 12th April for the 100th Anniversary of the Villers Brettoneux battle.
- September 2018- Vignacourt /Naours visit
- November 2018 – 15 Vignacourt Runners will converge on Bundaberg for the Armistice Day Run 2018.
- February 2019 – Japan Yuki Matsuri. Winter in Japan Yuki Matsuri 2019.
- April 2019- Western Front Anzac Tour 2019.
- September 2019 – Under the Tuscan and Santorini Sun Tour (Italy and Greece).
- October 2019 – World Rugby Cup Tour Japan.

Let us know if you are interested in any of our upcoming tours and book your place now.



Vignacourt

Anzac Day approaches Vignacourt again and preparations are again underway for commemorations. This year a full range of activities will be offered. A wonderful display of artifacts will be on show for visitors. On Saturday the 21st the commemoration will take place with a march from the House of the Australians to the Vignacourt cemetery where wreaths will be laid .The march will then return to the Thuillier House where the new Vignacourt Museum will be open for visitors. In the afternoon the inaugural Vignacourt Cricket Test Match will take place. Teams from Lille and Arras will take on an Aussie team. On the evening of the 21st a commemorative Mass will take place in St Fermin's Church led by the Archbishop of Amiens and clergy from around the world. Voices of Birrilee Choir will provide musical accompaniment and a concert at a later stage. The official opening ceremony of the new museum will take place on the 4th July. On Sunday the 22nd of April the annual Anzac Run will take place with over 500 runners from across the Somme running in remembrance. Afterwards the great Aussie BBQ complete with sausages and beer take over Vignacourt. 11 Aussies will join us in commemoration for 2018.

We are also very excited to announce that a team of 15 runners from Vignacourt will visit Australia in November to take part in the Armistice Day run to be held in Bundaberg...the friendship city

twinned with Vignacourt. Stay tuned for more about this wonderful opportunity and experience. Runners from the local region will take part with the Frenchmen and women in this commemorative event.



L'AnzacRun
Dimanche 22 Avril 2018
VIGNACOURT
Courses à pied 5 et 10 Km
Inscrites au challenge départemental de la Somme

5 Km : 09h45 - 7 €
10 Km : 10h30 - 10 €*
*avec possibilité de faire le 5km sans surcoût

garderie "sportive"
pour les 3-11 ans
et courses ados

restauration sur place
le midi sur réservation

inscriptions sur courses80.free.fr
jusqu'au 19/04 (limité à 600 coureurs)

départ salle polyvalente

Renseignements : lanzacrun@gmail.com
<http://vignacourtlogspot.fr>

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Rugby World Cup Japan 2019

October 19th- November 5th 2019

We are taking expressions of interest now!
Join us for this once in a life time experience of culture and sport.
It promises to be unreal !
All travel, Accom, Games tickets and much more! Enquire now.
WE are now taking deposits for this trip...tickets available soon.



Our aim is to be there for all the quarter final playoffs and the finals.....a possible 8 games !

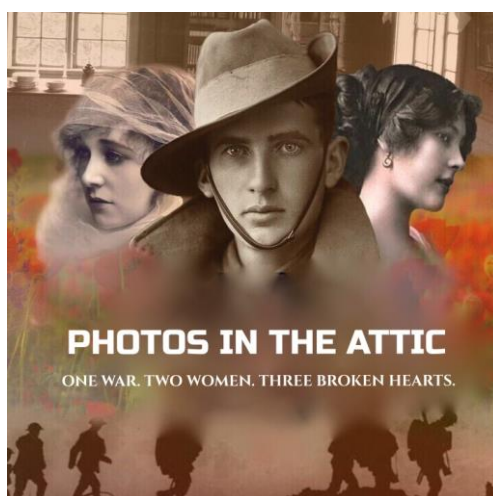
The ICG fact file.....

- **Do you know there is a tree in Yusukuni Shrine in Tokyo where all Cherry blossom blooms are predicted from? The tree has been used to forecast the bloom for the last 100 years.**
- **Naours Caves have over 2000 signatures of soldiers who left their name there during the great war...the majority...Australian !**
- **Just outside Vignacourt are the remains of at least 3, V1 and V2 rocket launching pads from WW2. (really easy to find)**
- **Venice is built on over 100 small islands in a lagoon the Adriatic Sea.**
- **Rome is the 8th most populous city in Europe in city limits...2.8 million.**
- **Did you know the story of Pinnochio originated in Tuscany?**
- **Santorini sits in a huge crater left by a volcanic eruption that ended Minoan civilization on Crete.**
- **The local wine owes is wonderful taste to the volcanic soil.**
- **Over 9 million soldiers were killed during the Great War.**
- **11 percent of the French population was either killed or wounded.**

Photos in the Attic Movie Project update.

All is still happening here...we are presently looking at cast and shooting dates and locations. Lots to do. Director Rod Hardy has just been in Oz for 3 weeks meeting with Line Producers, Assistant Directors, casting agents and others to lock down details. We had a final read through of the, close to final script with wonderful actors in Melbourne, some of whom we would love to see in the final production. Stay tuned for more details soon. We cannot wait for this to start filming. Looks like a lot more in France now and more in Childers.

Watch this space!



ICG tours are unique and small group experiences that offer incredible value and experiences .

**Travel with ICG and you will not be disappointed.
Join us on one of our 2018/19 experiences.**

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