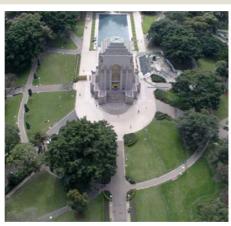






ANZAC MEMORIAL CENTENARY PROJECT

Community Update - August/September 2017





One year on from the start of the Anzac Memorial Centenary Project.

Construction Update

The Anzac Memorial Centenary Project has now reached the one year milestone since work began on the project. The basement slab is now in place for the new underground Hall of Service, interpretation and education facilities and pre-cast concrete beams are now being installed over the next month for the main structure of the new building. The beams are being poured offsite to allow the project to be delivered faster and with less impact. Delivery of the beams is taking place during regular construction hours via Liverpool Street under an approved traffic management control plan. We thank the community for your patience during these works.

About the Project

As Australia marks the 100th anniversary of the First World War the NSW Government, together with the Trustees of the Anzac Memorial Building, are enhancing the Anzac Memorial. The project will realise the vision of the original architect, Bruce Dellit, and introduce new spaces for the community, allowing the Memorial to tell the stories of NSW's involvement in all military and peace-keeping missions and honour those who have served. Built has been appointed to deliver the construction of the Centenary Project on behalf of Infrastructure NSW and the Memorial's Trustees. For further information visit: www.anzacmemorial.nsw.gov.au/anzacmemorial-centenary-project







Sir Maurice Charles O'Connell (image from National Library of Australia) and the O'Connell Collection.

Memorial acquires O'Connell Collection

An important and rare collection of historic swords, pistols and medals belonging to Australia's first general Maurice O'Connell has been acquired by the Memorial Trustees with support from the NSW Government. The collection will be on public display in the completed Anzac Memorial which will serve to enhance its status as a place of solemn reflection, learning and remembrance.

The collection of artefacts span the duration of Sir O'Connell's distinguished career. One of the swords was awarded to O'Connell by the international maritime insurer, Lloyd's of London, in 1805. He wore this sword when he led the 73rd Regiment into Sydney Cove to take over from the mutinous NSW Corps. The other is the very first Australian General Officer's Sword. The medals include O'Connell's knighthood neck decoration and breast badge.

The Anzac Memorial is a highly appropriate venue for the exhibition of the O'Connell collection. The materials will be displayed on a site once known to have been used by O'Connell as a venue to exercise and drill the 73rd Regiment.

Soil Collection Program continues

Two hundred and fifty samples of soil have been collected from across the state so far. Close to 1,700 samples will be collected in total and put on display alongside each placename in the new Hall of Service. You can track the Program's progress via an interactive map on the Memorial's website. When the project is finished Memorial visitors will have access to a range of information about the locations and their community members who served during the Great War.

Visit: www.anzacmemorial.nsw.gov.au/anzac-memorial-centenary-project/soil-collection-program

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