



WFW Route 2017 Day Summary

Wed 12 July - Day 1 (stage 1): Pfetterhouse to Altkirch.

Pfetterhouse & 'Kilometre-Zero' -> Seppois le Haut -> Seppois le Bas -> Largitzen -> Altkirch

Duration = 13 mi (6 hours)

Rendezvous = Pfetterhouse Mairie

Thurs 13 July - Day 2 (stage 3): Uffholtz to Hartmannswillerkopf.

Uffholtz -> Wattwiller -> Hirtzenstein -> Mon Serret -> Col du Silberloch & Military Cemetery -> Memorials at Hartmannswillerkopf.

Duration = 6.5 mi (5 hours)

Rendezvous = Abri Memoire, Uffholtz.

Fri 14 July - Day 3 (stage 5): Sondernach to Munster.

Sondernach -> Mittlach -> Cimetiere National du Chene Millet -> Metzeral -> Muhlbach -> Altmattkopf -> Sattelkopf -> Reichackerkopf -> Munchberg -> Fecht River Valley -> Munster.

Duration = 12 miles, 8.5 hrs.

Rendezvous = French Military Cimetiere Nationale du Bois de Maettle (just south of Sondernach).

Sat 15 July - Day 4 (stage 6): La Linge/Lingekopf from Sultzeren to Orbey.

Sultzeren -> Barrenkopf -> Military Cimetiere Col du Wettstein -> La Linge/Lingekopf -> Schraatsmaneele & Horhod-Bahrenstall German Military Ceremony to Orbey.

Duration = 11 miles (7.5 hrs)

Rendezvous = Sultzeren Church

Sun 16 July - Day 5 (Stage 21): Thiaucourt to Montsec.

Thiaucourt-Regnieville -> Bouillonville US Military Cemetery -> Pannes -> Essey -> Maizerais -> St Baussant -> Seicheprey -> Butte de Montsec.

Duration = 13 miles (6 hrs)

Rendezvous = US Military Cemetery Thiaucourt-Regnieville.

Mon 17 July - Day 6 (Stage 28): Romagne to Vauquois. US Military Cemetery at Romagne sous Montfaucon -> Epinonville -> Apremont (for the "Lost Battalion") -> Varennes -> Vauquois.

Duration = 13 miles (7 hours)

Rendezvous = US Military Cemetery at Romagne sous Montfaucon.

Tues July 18 - Day 7 (Stage 31): Massiges to Souain-Perthes-les-Hurlus.

"Le Main des Massiges" to destroyed village area (Mesnil-les-Hurlus, Perthes-les-Hurlus & Tahure), Hill 200, Mamelles Sud & Nord, La Couraine & Le Trapeze. Then to Arbreshohe & Cimetieres National de la Leglon & de l'Opera.

End at Souain-Perthes-les-Hurlus (& Cimetiere National du Mont de la Garde, British CWGC, Windmuhlen Hohe, Cimetiere National de 28 Bde & "Balkan" area).

Duration = 7.5 hrs. 15 miles.

Rendezvous = La Main des Massiges.

Wed July 19 - Day 8 (Stage 32): Blanc Mont to Auberive (or Mourmelon le Grand).

Blanc Mont US Memorial to Fme Navarin (& Monument aux Morts des Armees de Champagne) -> Cimetiere National de Sommepey & Sommepey-Tahure -> St Souplet-sur-Py -> Auberive.

Duration = 6 hrs 15 mins, 15 mi.

Rendezvous = US Memorial Blanc Mont.

Thurs Jul 20 - Day 9 (Stage 35): Pontavert Ville aux Bois to Malmaison OR Soupir (TBA).

Pontavert ville aux Bois -> Craonne Hurtebise Farm -> Caverne du Dragon along the Chemin des Dames ->

Cerny (French Cemetery & Loyal North Lancs Memorial) -> Vendresse & Soupir (OR Malval Fm -> Carriere de



Froidmont (German strongpoint & US 26th 'Yankee' Div Memorial) -> Braye -> La Royere Fm -> Fort de la Malmaison with French 38th Div Memorial & German Cemetery this year).

Duration = 14.5 miles (6.5 hrs with museum)

Rendezvous = Devonshire Memorial at Pontavert ville au Bois.

Fri July 21 - Day 10 (Stage 38): Nampcel to Compiègne (Armistice Glade).

Nampcel German Military Cemetery (via German Necropolis) to Moulin-sous-Touvent. We'll join and trace part of the route of BEF's 5 Div's retreat on 30 Aug 1914 to the Marne post-Mons & Le Cateau -> Berneuil-sur-Aisne (to the retreat path of the 4 Div 30 Aug 1914). This is east of the Forest of Laigue (also scene of the right of French attacks in the Battle of the Matz June 11 1918). Next to Trosly-Breuil where we then pick up the railway path of the German Armistice delegation of 8 Nov 1918. Next up is Rethondes (the main 'Armistice station') and finally to the glade, le Clairiere de l'Armistice.

Duration = 5 hrs, 13 miles.

Rendezvous = Nampcel German Cemetery.

Sat July 22 - Day 11 (Stage 42) Chaulnes to Peronne.

Chaulnes -> Omiécourt -> Marchelepot -> Misery -> Villers Carbonnel & Eterpigny (via CWGCs) into Peronne.

Duration = 12 miles (5 hrs)

Rendezvous = Chaulnes Mairie

Sun July 23 - Day 12 (Combined Stage 48 & 49) Somme from Hawthorn Redoubt to Gueudecourt (OR Delville Wd).

Hawthorn Redoubt -> Redan Ridge -> Newfoundland Park -> Thiepval -> Mouquet Fm -> Pozieres -> La Boisselle -> Fricourt -> Mametz & Wood -> Bazentin Ridge -> Courcelette -> Martinpuich -> High Wood -> Flers to Gueudecourt.

Duration = 16 miles (6 hrs 15 mins).

Rendezvous = Beaumont Hamel Mairie.

Mon July 24 - Day 13 (Merged Stage 50 & 51). Serre to Bapaume.

Serre -> Hebuterne -> Gommecourt -> Bucquoy -> Achiet le Petit -> Grevillers to Bapaume.

Duration = 14 miles (5 hrs)

Rendezvous = Serre Rd CWGC (for Sheffield Park - Pals).

Tues July 25 - Day 14 (New Stage). Cambrai Memorial at Louverval to Masnieres Caribou.

Louverval Cambrai Memorial, Boursies -> Hermies -> Havrincourt Wd (for tank attack preparation) -> Metz-en-Couture -> Gouzeaucourt -> Gonnellieu -> Villers Plouich -> La Vacquarie & over Welsh Ridge to Masnieres.

Duration = 6.5 hrs, 16 mi.

Rendezvous = Louverval Memorial.

Wed July 26 - Day 15: New (Cambrai, Canal du Nord & Hindenburg Line SE of Arras).

Havrincourt to Lagnicourt.

Havrincourt -> Ribecourt -> Flesquieres -> Graincourt -> Anneux -> Bourlon Wd -> Quarry Wd CWGC overlooking the Canal du Nord -> Moeuvres -> Pronville -> Queant & Lagnicourt.

Duration = 6 hrs, 16 miles.

Rendezvous = Havrincourt 62nd Div Memorial.

Thurs July 27 - Day 16: Lagnicourt to Vis en Artois Memorial and Monchy le Preux.

Lagnicourt -> Noreuil -> Bullecourt (& museum) -> Ecooust St Mein -> Croisilles -> Fontaine-des-Croisilles -> Cherisy -> Vis-en-Artois -> Monchy le Preux.

Duration = 14 miles (5 hrs excl museum)

Rendezvous = Lagnicourt church.

Fri July 28 - Day 17. Stages 54 & 55 Combined. Monchy le Preux to Vimy Ridge.

Monchy le Preux -> Roeux -> Gavrelle -> Fampoux -> St Laurent Blangy -> Arras (lunch: memorial or Wellington Carriere). Then to Roclincourt -> Thelus & Vimy Ridge.



Duration = 8 hrs (excludes lunch), 17 miles.
Rendezvous = Monchy le Preux Canadian Memorial.

Sat July 29 - Day 18 (Stage 57): Douglas Gillespie Day! Hill 70 & Loos via Gillespie's action at Cambrin (Brickstacks area) to Givenchy.
Puits #14 & Hill 70 -> Loos -> Dud Corner CWGC -> Vermelles -> Hohenzollern Redoubt area -> Cambrin (Brickstacks area) -> Givenchy les Bassees (Mining Memorial & 55 W Lancs Div Memorial).
Total = 5.5 hrs, 12 miles.
Rendezvous = Old "Puits #14" (Chalk Pit Wood area) East of Loos-en-Gohelle.

Sun Jul 30 - Day 19 (Stage 60): Armentieres to Sanctuary Wd at Ypres.
Armentieres -> Ploegsteert Wd -> Messines -> Wytschaete -> The Bluff -> Hill 60 -> Hill 62 & Sanctuary Wd.
Duration = 13 miles (6 hrs)
Rendezvous = Armentieres Mairie.

Mon Jul 31 - Day 20: Passchendaele 100 Centenary events.
NB: No walk assumed.

Tues Aug 1 - Day 21 (combined Stage 61 & 62 = as per 2016 walk).
Ypres to Passchendaele.
Ypres Menin Gate -> Hellfire Corner -> Railway Wd -> Hooge (museum) -> Clapham Junction -> Glencorse Wd -> Polygon Wd (+ museum & Australian memorial) -> Zonnebeke (+ Vancouver Crossroads) -> Gravenstafel -> Tyne Cot CWGC -> Crest Farm -> Passchendaele.
Duration = 5.5 hrs (excl museums), 15 miles.
Rendezvous = Menin Gate.

Wed Aug 2 - Day 22 (Stage 63): Passchendaele to Steenstraat/Boesinghe.
Passchendaele -> Poelcapelle -> Langemarck -> Bixschoote -> Het Sas -> Steenstraat/Boesinghe.
Duration = 13.5 miles (5 hrs)
Rendezvous = Passchendaele church.

Thurs Aug 3 - Day 23 (Stage 65): Dixmuide to Nieuport. For Yser 1914 & 1917.
Dixmuide -> Ramskapelle -> Nieuport -> beach.
Duration = 5 hrs, 14 miles (to sea).
Rendezvous = Belgian Yser Memorial in Dixmuide.
