



**RECREATION AND CULTURE
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TO: MAYOR ALEX NUTTALL AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

FROM: K. ELLIS, MANAGER OF RECREATION PROGRAMS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

NOTED: D. BELL, DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND CULTURE SERVICES

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RE: REMEMBRANCE DAY

DATE: NOVEMBER 6, 2024

The purpose of this Memorandum is to provide Members of Council with information on the various activities taking place as part of Remembrance Day ceremonies. Barrie's Royal Canadian Legion Branch, with support from the City of Barrie's Special Events Team, the Barrie Public Library, and Barrie Transit, are joining communities across Canada to honour, recognize, and commemorate the service and sacrifices of veterans on Remembrance Day. This year marks the 106th anniversary of the end of the First World War and the 79th anniversary of the end of the Second World War.

Remembrance Day Vigil

Five Cadets in rotating shifts will be standing vigil at the Cenotaph in Memorial Square on Sunday, November 10 from 7pm to midnight and Monday, November 11 from 6:00am to 9:30am.

Remembrance Day Parade and Ceremony

On Monday, November 11, the annual parade starts at 10:00am at Dunlop Street & Mulcaster Street and will march along Dunlop Street to the Cenotaph in Memorial Square. The ceremony will begin with two minutes of silence observed at 11:00am, followed by the laying of wreaths. A Feu De Joie (blank gunfire consisting of a rifle salute) will also take place.

Road Closures:

The following closures with no on-street parking will be in effect from 6:00am to approximately 12:30pm on Monday, November 11:

- Dunlop Street from Clapperton to Mulcaster
- Dunlop Street from Mulcaster to Poyntz
- Owen Street from Collier to Dunlop
- Dunlop/Mulcaster Street Intersection will be temporarily closed starting at approximately 9:30am

Wreaths

Members of the community, local organizations and businesses are welcome to lay a wreath at the Memorial Square Cenotaph and are to make arrangements in advance with the Barrie Legion. Following the ceremony, wreaths will be respectfully placed at the Cenotaph. Removal of the wreaths is planned to take place on Wednesday, November 13 at noon.

Honouring Barrie's Veterans & Soldiers

The City honours, remembers and commemorates Barrie's fallen soldiers by featuring pictures of local veterans on flags each year. The flags are displayed in the fall throughout Meridian Place, at City Hall, on Lakeshore Drive, and around the entire waterfront to Tiffin Street.



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The City also commemorates local war veterans with an [online map](#) showing streets across Barrie named in honour of local soldiers, indicated by a poppy on the street sign. Through the map, residents can learn about the soldiers who are memorialized in street names, including their occupation, rank, and memorial location.

Veterans also ride [Barrie Transit](#) free of charge, with one companion, all day on Remembrance Day by showing anything that identifies status as a veteran.

For more information on how the City of Barrie honours our Canadian Armed Forces, please [click here](#).

Other Ways to Remember

- Tune in to the National Remembrance Day Ceremony, or a livestreamed local ceremony on Rogers TV or CTV Barrie
- Observe 2 minutes of silence at 11 a.m. from wherever you are
- Wear a poppy and support the [Poppy campaign](#)
- Reach out to a Veteran by phone or email to say thank you
- Learn about Remembrance Day and the stories of those we honour
 - [Veterans Affairs Canada](#)
 - [Royal Canadian Legion](#)
 - [Canadian War Museum](#)
 - [Barrie's Fallen](#)
 - [Grey & Simcoe Foresters](#)
 - [Canadian Forces Base Borden & Military Museum](#)
 - Barrie Public Library: [Indigenous Military History with Major \(Ret'd\) Bob Crane](#)
- Enjoy virtual story time with the Barrie Public Library featuring:
 - *Proud as a Peacock, Brave as a Lion* with [Fern Taillefer](#), Barrie Legion Member
 - *In Flanders Field: The Story of the Poem by John McCrae* with [Steve Glover](#), Barrie Legion Public Relations Officer and Historian
 - *Brick Bradford, Flying Ace: Adventures of a Boy Who Fell in Love with Flying* with [Bill Sergeant](#), Barrie Legion Member and President of the Royal Canadian Air Force 441 (Huronian) Wing

For more information on how to commemorate Remembrance Day, visit barrie.ca/RemembranceDay