

AZINCOURT on SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER 2015

0930-1030

Religious celebration will take place within the Abbey at Auchy Les Hesdin with the participation of the parish priest and the Catholic au moniker from the Local Gendarmerie. The Abbey at Auchy Les Hesdin is a highly symbolic site for the Gendarmerie as there the remains of Gallois de Fougères, who was the Provost Marshall of France at Azincourt and was the first French gendarme killed in battle, were discovered in 1936.

A quartet of musicians from the Garde Républicaine will play during the service.

Parking for officials on the Place de l'Abbatiale. Parking for others nearby.

1045-1115

All involved drive to the battlefield at Azincourt.

1130

Arrival at the battlefield of the British Ambassador and military attaché

1130-1145

Start of the ceremony: inauguration of the monument commemorating the 600th anniversary of the battle and the soldiers who have no known grave. Speeches by M. Pascal Deray, president of the Communauté de Sept Vallées, and by Professor Anne Curry, chairman of the Agincourt 600 Commemorative Fund.

Time will be given for some words by M. Eric de Chabot-Tramecourt with the presentation of a new plaque initiated by M. Eric de Chabot-Tramecourt and by the engraver, M. Deschamps from Fruges. The actual plaque dates from 1860; the new one will eventually be placed at the foot of the Calvary near the road D104.

1145-1200

M. Christophe Gilliot, the director of the Centre Historique Médiéval (CHM) will read in French an extract from Henry V and Professor Anne Curry will also speak.

There will be official speeches from:

The mayor of Azincourt
President of the Communauté de Sept Vallées
HE the British Ambassador
Major General of the Gendarmerie, Jacques Hebrard
Préfet

1200

Return to the centre of the village of Azincourt

1220-1230

The authorities and the guests are placed according to the appropriate protocols by the gendarmes.

1230-1300

Military Ceremony in the square opposite the church in Azincourt

The Garde Républicaine will perform the musical accomplishment to the ceremony. Also present will be a squadron of six riders on horseback from the First Regiment of Infantry from Sarrebourg and a detachment of British soldiers representing regiments present at the meeting in 1915.

There will be a guard of honour from the Nord-Pas-de-Calais regional command of the Gendarmerie Nationale.

Commandant of the Nord-Pas-de-Calais regional command of the Gendarmerie Nationale, Major General Jacques Hebrard, will review the troops.

Raising of the colours

Presentation of decorations

The laying of flowers and wreaths at the monument of the fallen in the following order:

Patriotic associations

Communauté de Sept Vallées

HE the British Ambassador

Major General of the Gendarmerie Nationale.

The authorities salute the commander of the troops and the honour guard accompanied by the musicians from the Garde Républicaine.

1315

Reception offered by the Commune of Azincourt in the hall of the CHM.

1400-1530

Luncheon organised by La Communauté de Sept Vallées